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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 July to September 2017 (Q3: 2017).

## 2. Highlights of the results

**Table A: Key labour market indicators**

	Jul-Sep 2016	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 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>36 750</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour force</b>	<b>21 706</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>22 402</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>3,2</b>
<b>Employed</b>	15 833	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	11 029	11 193	11 379	187	350	1,7	3,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 641	2 761	2 689	- 71	48	-2,6	1,8
Agriculture	881	835	810	- 25	- 71	-3,0	-8,0
Private households	1 281	1 311	1 313	1	31	0,1	2,4
<b>Unemployed</b>	5 873	6 177	6 210	33	337	0,5	5,7
<b>Not economically active</b>	15 044	14 941	14 971	31	- 72	0,2	-0,5
Discouraged work-seekers	2 291	2 361	2 436	75	145	3,2	6,3
Other (not economically active)	12 753	12 580	12 536	- 44	- 217	-0,4	-1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>							
Unemployment rate	27,1	27,7	27,7	0,0	0,6		
Employment/population ratio (absorption rate)	43,1	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,9	59,9	0,0	0,8		

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

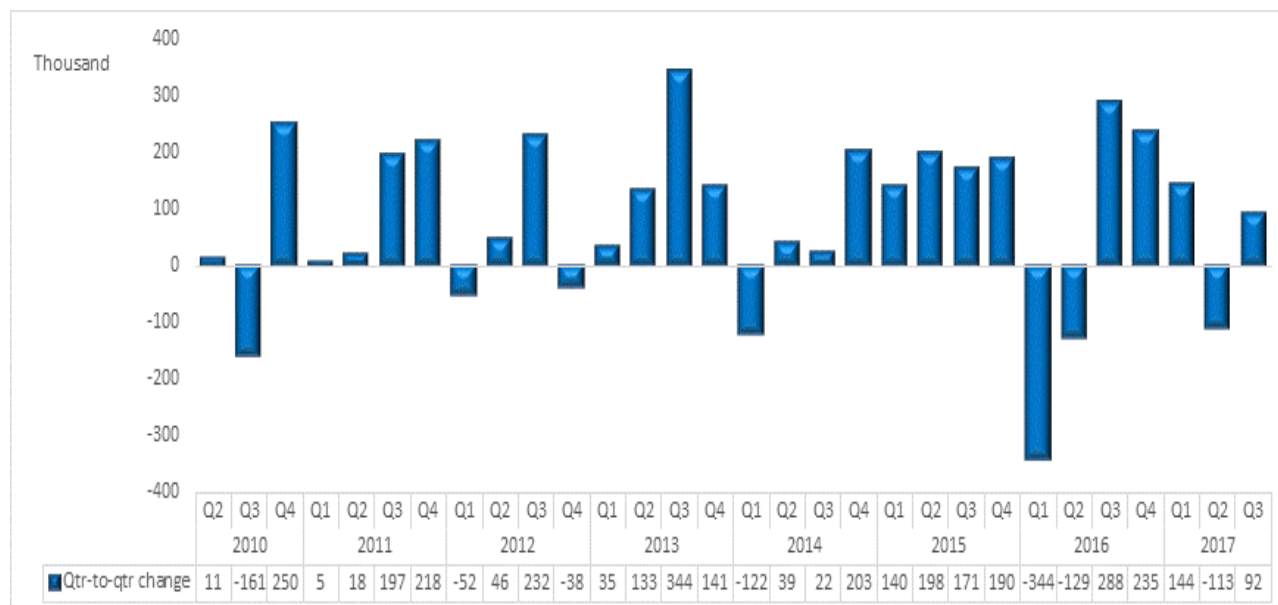
The working age population increased by approximately 156 000 persons in the third quarter of 2017 compared to the second quarter of 2017. This resulted in an increase of 125 000 in the labour force and 31 000 in the number of those not economically active. The increase in the labour force in the third quarter of 2017 resulted in the labour market rates (unemployment rate, absorption rate and labour force participation rate) remaining unchanged from the second quarter of 2017.

Although Q3: 2017 recorded net employment gains with the formal sector reporting the biggest increase of 187 000, the informal sector and agriculture sector recorded employment losses of 71 000 and 25 000, respectively.

Compared to the same quarter last year, employment increased by 358 000 or 2,3 per cent while unemployment grew by 337 000 or 5,7 per cent. This led to an increase in the unemployment rate by 0,6 of a percentage point to 27,7% in Q3: 2017. Between Q3: 2016 and Q3: 2017, the number of discouraged work-seekers grew by 145 000 (or 6,3 per cent) to 2,4 million persons.

### 3. Employment

Figure 1: Quarter-to-quarter changes in employment, Q2: 2010 to Q3: 2017



The number of employed persons increased by 92 000 in the third quarter of 2017 after a decline of 113 000 in the second quarter of 2017.

Table B: Employment by industry

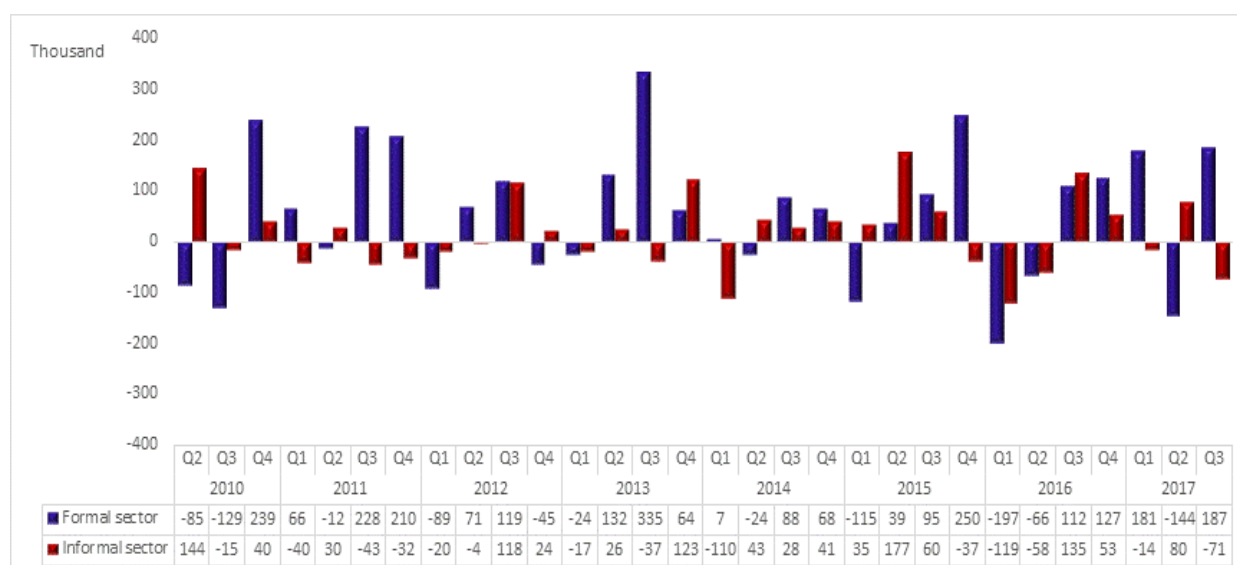
Industry	Jul-Sep 2016	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand				Per cent		
<b>Total*</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Agriculture	881	835	810	-25	-71	-3,0	-8,0
Mining	438	434	446	12	8	2,8	1,9
Manufacturing	1683	1799	1749	-50	66	-2,8	3,9
Utilities	118	148	153	5	35	3,6	29,5
Construction	1491	1395	1365	-30	-127	-2,2	-8,5
Trade	3198	3265	3286	21	88	0,6	2,8
Transport	915	954	988	34	73	3,6	7,9
Finance and other business services	2323	2395	2463	68	140	2,8	6,0
Community and social services	3499	3560	3616	56	117	1,6	3,4
Private households	1281	1311	1313	1	31	0,1	2,4

\*Note: Total includes 'other' industry.

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

Table B shows that the quarterly employment gains of 92 000 in Q3: 2017 were driven by seven of the ten industries. The largest increases were observed in Finance and other business services, Community and social services, Transport and Trade, which grew by (68 000, 56 000, 34 000 and 21 000 respectively).

On an annual basis, employment gains of 358 000 were largely driven by Finance and other business services (140 000), Community and social services (117 000), Trade (88 000), Transport (73 000) and Manufacturing (66 000), while Construction and Agriculture were the only two industries which shed jobs between Q3: 2016 and Q3: 2017, (down by 127 000 and 71 000, respectively).

**Figure 2: Quarter-to-quarter changes in employment by sector, Q2: 2010 to Q3: 2017**

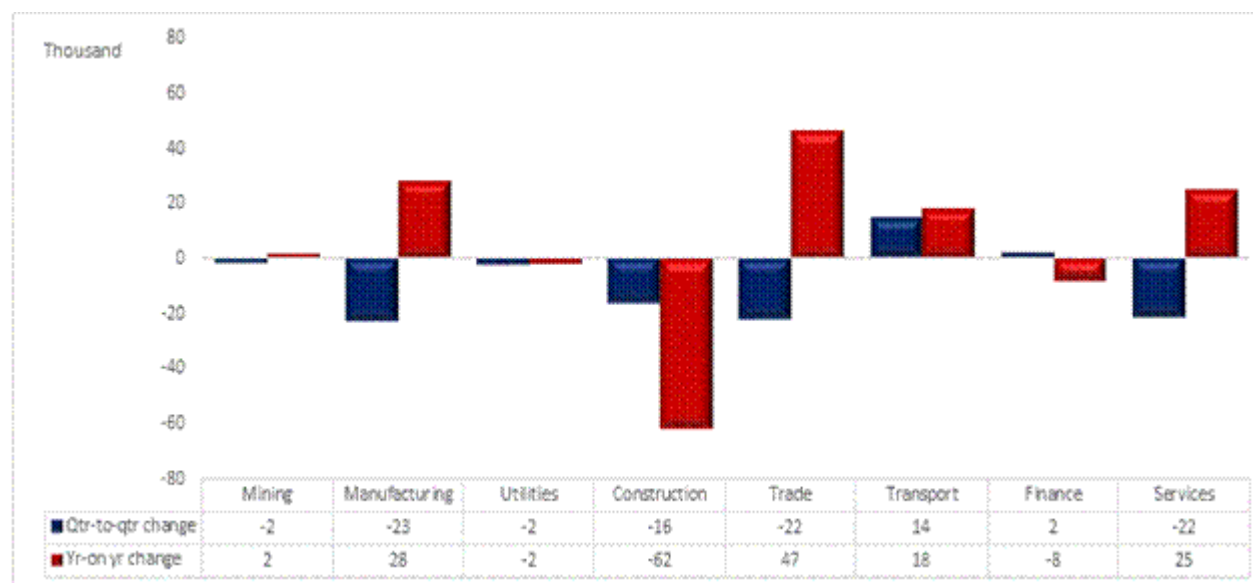
The number of employed persons in the formal sector increased by 187 000 in Q3: 2017, this is after employment losses of 144 000 in Q2: 2017. After employment gains of 80 000 in the informal sector in the second quarter of 2017, the sector continued to record employment losses of 71 000 in Q3: 2017. This is the third highest quarterly decline in employment since Q2: 2010.

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

Quarterly employment gains in the formal sector were observed in all industries with the exception of Manufacturing (27 000) and Construction (14 000). The largest contributors to formal employment increases were the Community and social services (78 000), Finance and other business services (66 000) and Trade (43 000) industries.

Compared to the same period last year, all industries recorded employment gains except Construction (65 000). The Finance and other business services, Community and social services and Transport industries which recorded the highest increases in employment gains.



**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 decreased in six industries. The largest employment declines were recorded in the Manufacturing industry (23 000), followed by Community and social services and Trade, which shed 22 000 jobs each. Transport (14 000) and Finance and other business services (2 000) were the only industries which realised employment increases.

Compared to Q3: 2016, employment in the informal sector increased in five industries. The largest annual employment gains were observed in the Trade (47 000), Manufacturing (28 000) and Community and social services (25 000) industries. Of the three industries which recorded annual employment losses, Construction showed the largest decline of 62 000 jobs.

**Table C: Employment by occupation**

Occupation	Jul-Sep 2016	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand					Per cent	
<b>Total</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Manager	1 352	1 469	1 398	-71	46	-4,8	3,4
Professional	835	897	959	62	125	6,9	15,0
Technician	1 465	1 457	1 450	-7	-15	-0,5	-1,0
Clerk	1 651	1 746	1 783	37	133	2,1	8,0
Sales and services	2 474	2 447	2 571	124	97	5,1	3,9
Skilled agriculture	72	58	69	11	-3	18,2	-4,3
Craft and related trade	1 947	1 969	1 921	-48	-26	-2,5	-1,3
Plant and machine operator	1 312	1 283	1 321	38	9	3,0	0,6
Elementary	3 700	3 726	3 670	-56	-31	-1,5	-0,8
Domestic worker	1 026	1 041	1 045	3	19	0,3	1,8

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

Quarterly employment gains were recorded in six of the ten occupations in Q3: 2017, with Sales and services (124 000) and Professional (62 000) occupations recording the largest increases. Among the occupations in which employment declined, Managerial, Elementary and Craft and related trade recorded the largest employment losses (71 000, 56 000 and 48 000, respectively).

Year-on-year changes show that employment gains were recorded in six of the ten occupations, with the largest increases observed in Clerical, Professional, and Sales and services occupations (133 000, 125 000, 97 000 respectively). The number of persons employed in Elementary (31 000), Craft and related trade (26 000), Technical (15 000) and Skilled agriculture (3 000) occupations decreased compared to Q3: 2016.

**Table D: Employment by province**

Province	Jul-Sep 2016	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 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>15 833</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Western Cape	2 315	2 403	2 399	-3	84	-0,1	3,6
Eastern Cape	1 443	1 416	1 421	5	-22	0,4	-1,5
Northern Cape	308	292	307	15	-1	5,2	-0,4
Free State	781	777	821	45	41	5,8	5,2
KwaZulu-Natal	2 496	2 583	2 536	-47	40	-1,8	1,6
North West	900	978	983	5	84	0,5	9,3
Gauteng	5 068	5 050	5 068	18	0	0,3	0,0
Mpumalanga	1 174	1 212	1 204	-8	30	-0,6	2,5
Limpopo	1 349	1 390	1 452	62	103	4,5	7,6

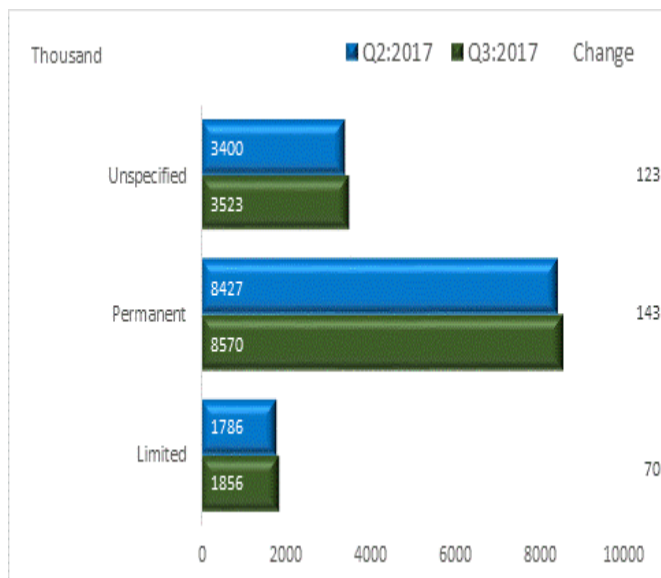
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The number of employed persons increased in six of the nine provinces between Q2: 2017 and Q3: 2017. The largest employment gains were recorded in Limpopo (62 000) and Free State (45 000), while KwaZulu-Natal (47 000) recorded the largest employment losses.

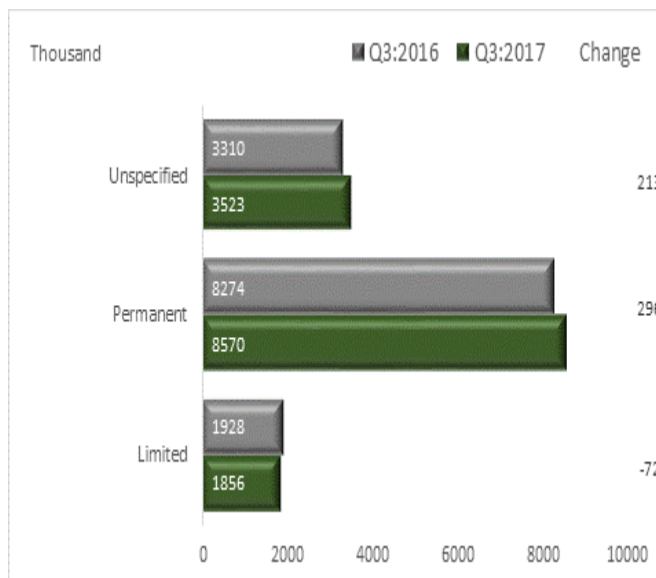
Compared to Q3: 2016, employment increased in six of the nine provinces, with Limpopo recording the largest increase of 103 000 jobs, followed by North West and Western Cape at 84 000 jobs each. During the same period, employment losses were recorded in Eastern Cape (22 000) and Northern Cape (1 000).

### 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**

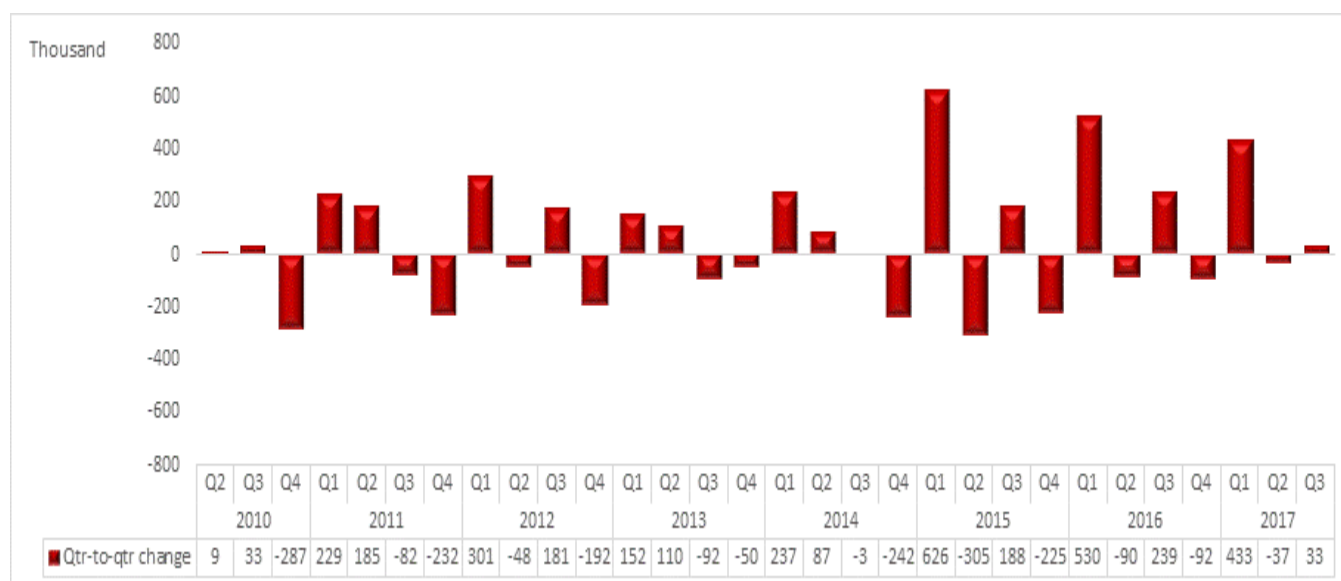


Irrespective of the nature of the employment contract, employment increases were recorded among all employees in Q3: 2017 compared to Q2: 2017, with the largest increase among employees with contracts of a permanent nature (143 000).

Compared to the same period last year, the number of employees increased for all types of contract durations except for those with contract of a limited duration where it decreased by 72 000 jobs. The largest increase of 296 000 was recorded among employees with permanent contracts, followed by those with contracts of unspecified duration (213 000).

## 4. Unemployment

Figure 7: Quarter-to-quarter changes in unemployment, Q2: 2010 to Q3: 2017



After a decline of 37 000 in the number of unemployed persons in the second quarter of 2017, the number of unemployed increased by 33 000 in the third quarter of 2017.

Table E: Unemployment rate by province

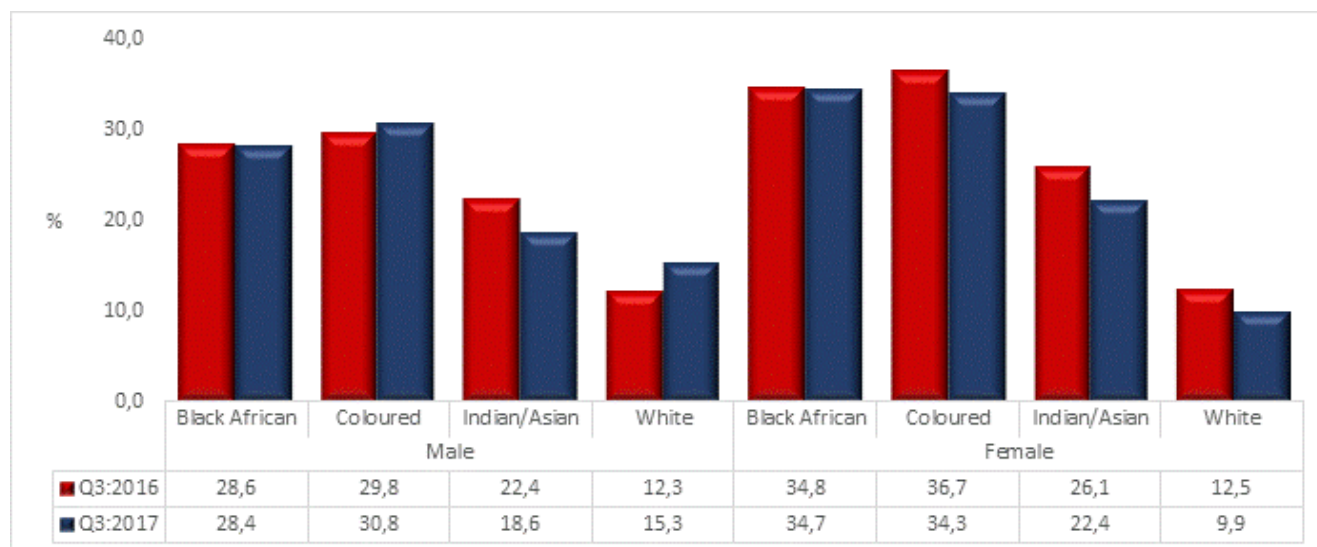
	Official unemployment rate					Expanded unemployment rate				
	Jul-Sep 2016	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Jul-Sep 2016	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Per cent			Percentage points		Per cent			Percentage points	
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>27,1</b>	<b>27,7</b>	<b>27,7</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>36,3</b>	<b>36,6</b>	<b>36,8</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>0,5</b>
Western Cape	21,7	20,7	21,9	1,2	0,2	24,8	24,6	25,2	0,6	0,4
Eastern Cape	28,2	34,4	35,5	1,1	7,3	41,3	44,5	45,3	0,8	4,0
Northern cape	29,6	30,5	29,9	-0,6	0,3	41,8	45,3	43,1	-2,4	1,3
Free State	34,2	34,4	31,8	-2,6	-2,4	40,4	40,5	38,5	-2,0	-1,9
KwaZulu-Natal	23,5	24,0	24,6	0,6	1,1	40,4	40,4	41,0	0,6	0,6
North West	30,5	27,2	26,2	-1,0	-4,3	44,6	42,0	42,5	0,5	-2,1
Gauteng	29,1	29,9	30,2	0,3	1,1	32,8	32,9	33,3	0,4	0,6
Mpumalanga	30,4	32,3	30,7	-1,6	0,3	41,4	41,4	41,5	0,1	0,1
Limpopo	21,9	20,8	19,1	-1,7	-2,8	36,3	37,1	35,8	-1,3	-0,5

The official unemployment rate remained unchanged in Q3: 2017 compared to Q2: 2017. By province, the official unemployment rate declined in five of the nine provinces. The largest decline in the unemployment rate was recorded in Free State (down by 2,6 percentage points), Limpopo (down by 1,7 percentage points) and Mpumalanga (down by 1,6 percentage points). In comparison to the same period last year, the unemployment rate increased by 0,6 of a percentage point. During this period, the largest increase in official unemployment rate was recorded in Eastern Cape (7,3 percentage points).

Compared to Q2: 2017, the expanded unemployment rate increased by 0,2 of a percentage point in Q3: 2017 to 36,8%. Year-on-year, the expanded unemployment rate increased in six of the nine provinces, with Eastern Cape

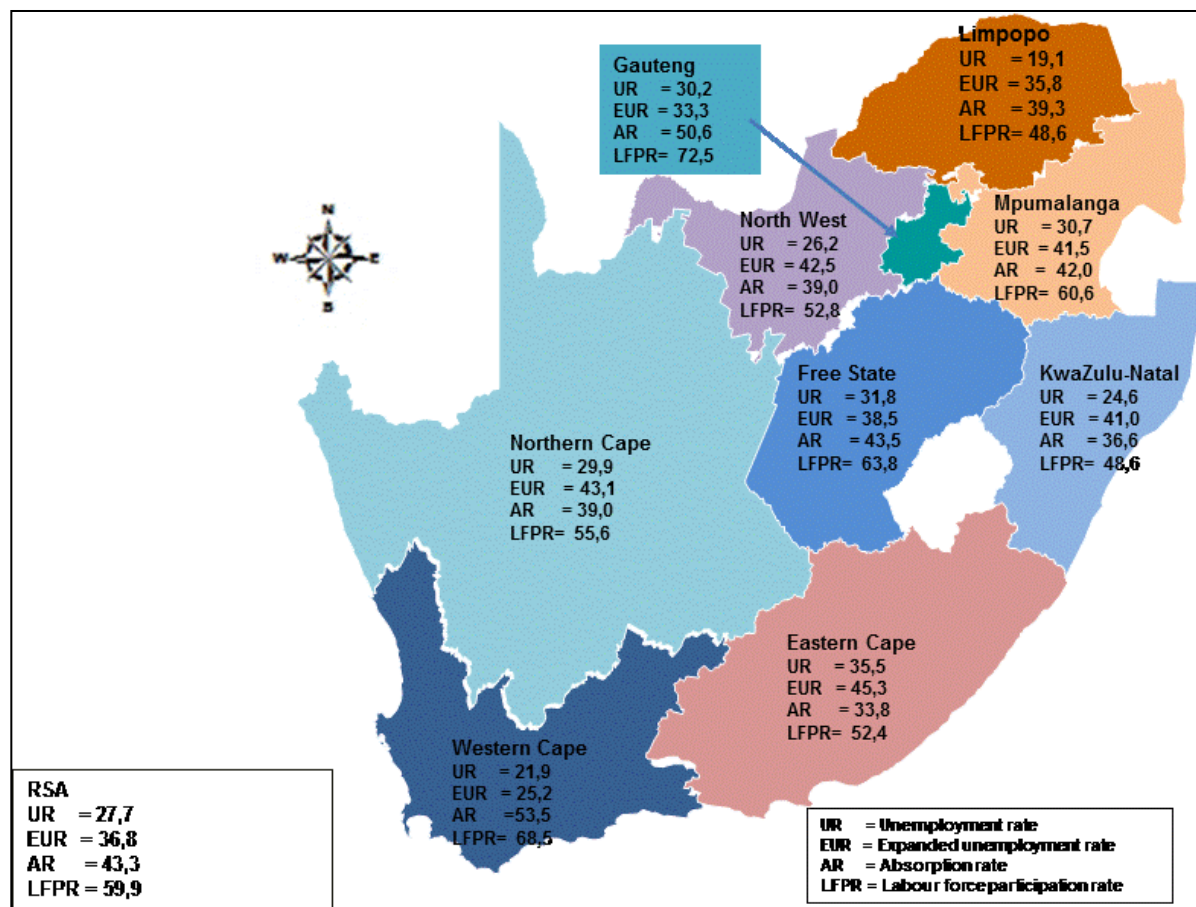
(4,0 percentage points) recording the highest increase. Limpopo, North West and Free State recorded declines in the expanded unemployment rate.

**Figure 8: NEET rates for youth aged 15–24 years by population group, Q3: 2016 and Q3: 2017**



Between Q3: 2016 and Q3: 2017, the percentage of young males aged 15–24 years who were not in education employment or training (NEET) declined among black and Indian population groups. The NEET rate for females is higher than that of their male counterparts regardless of the population group they belong in. However, in Q3: 2017 young white females recorded lowest NEET rate at 9,9%. For young females, the NEET rate decreased for all population groups between Q2: 2017 and Q3: 2017. In the third quarter of 2017, more than 30% of young coloured persons were not in employment, education or training.

## 5. Summary of labour market measures at a glance, Q3: 2017

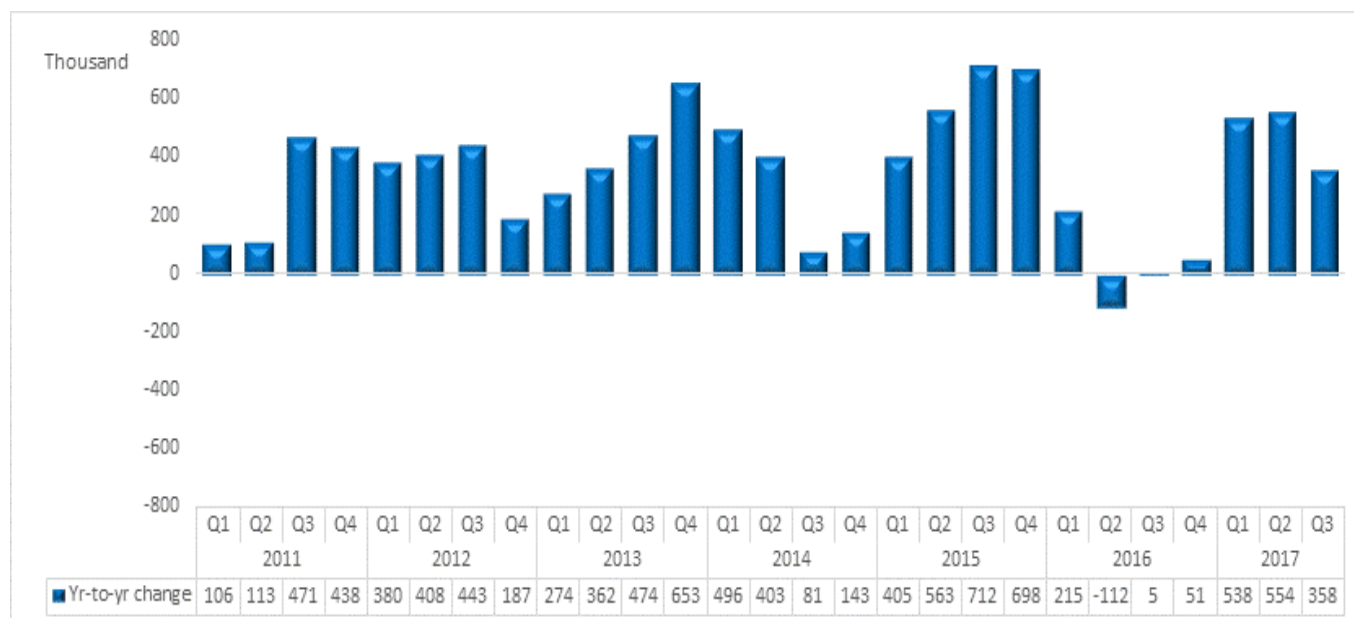


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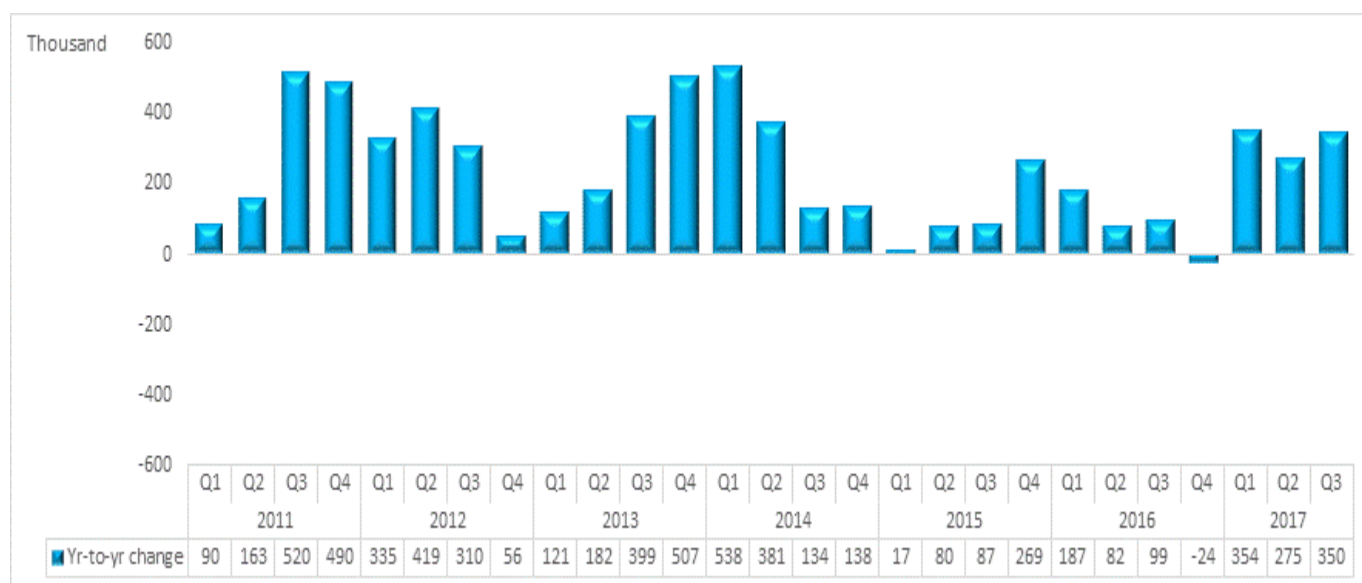
## 6. Other labour market trends

### 6.1 Year-on-year changes

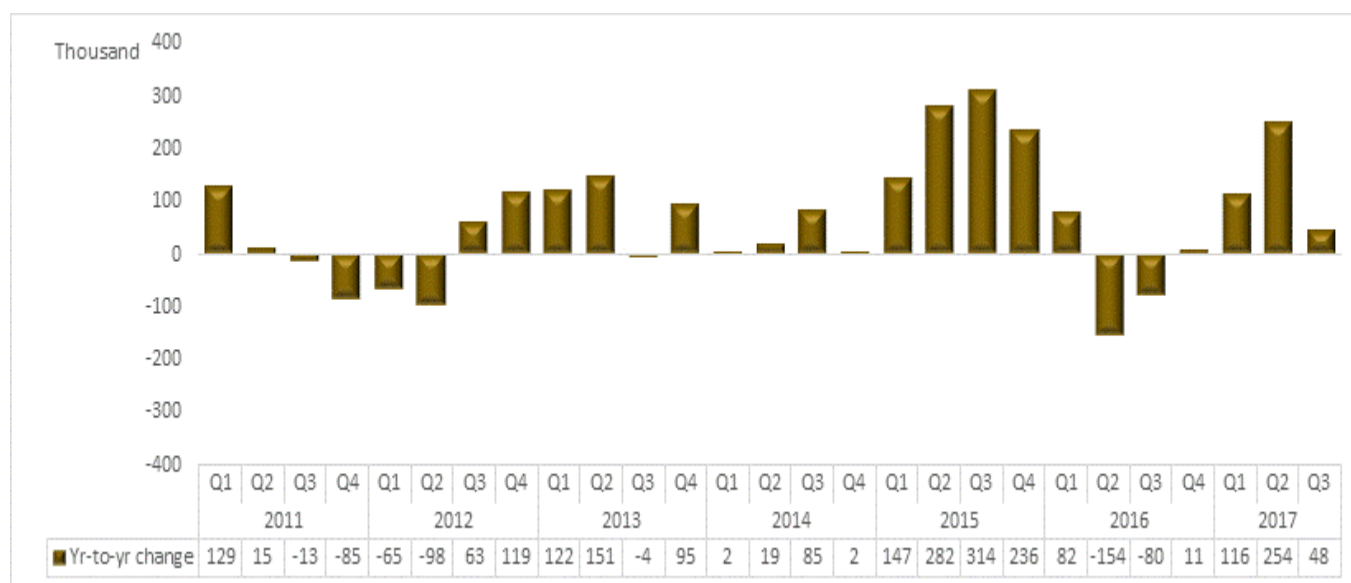
**Figure 9: Year-on-year changes in total employment, Q1: 2011 to Q3: 2017**



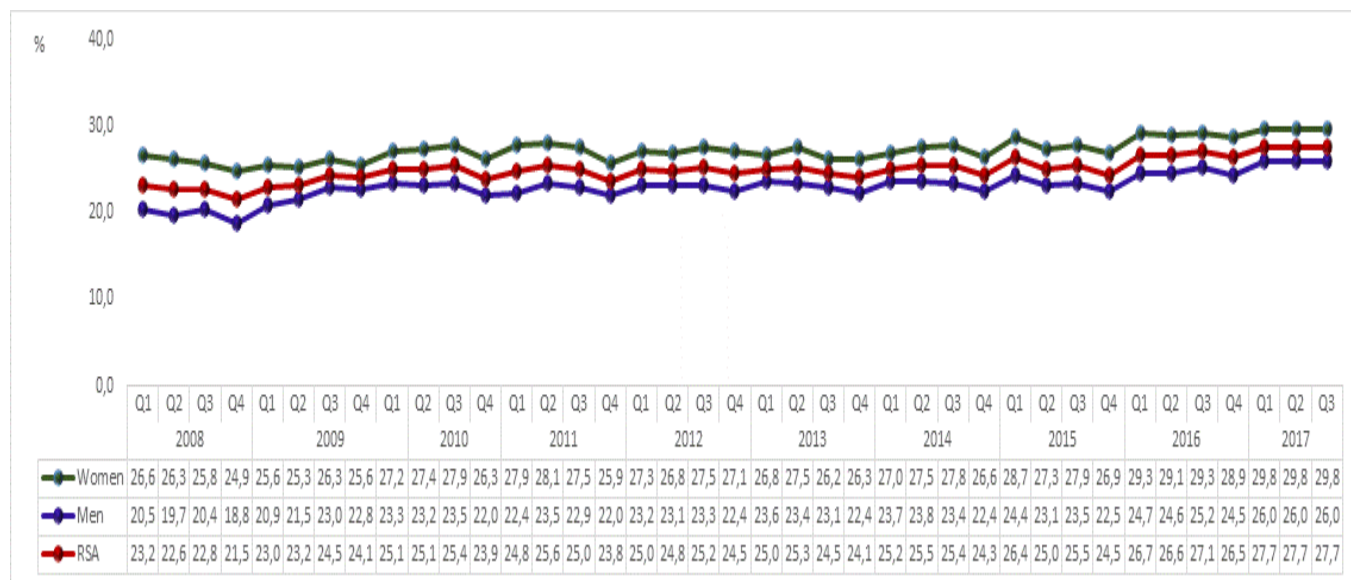
**Figure 10: Year-on-year changes in formal-sector employment, Q1: 2011 to Q3: 2017**



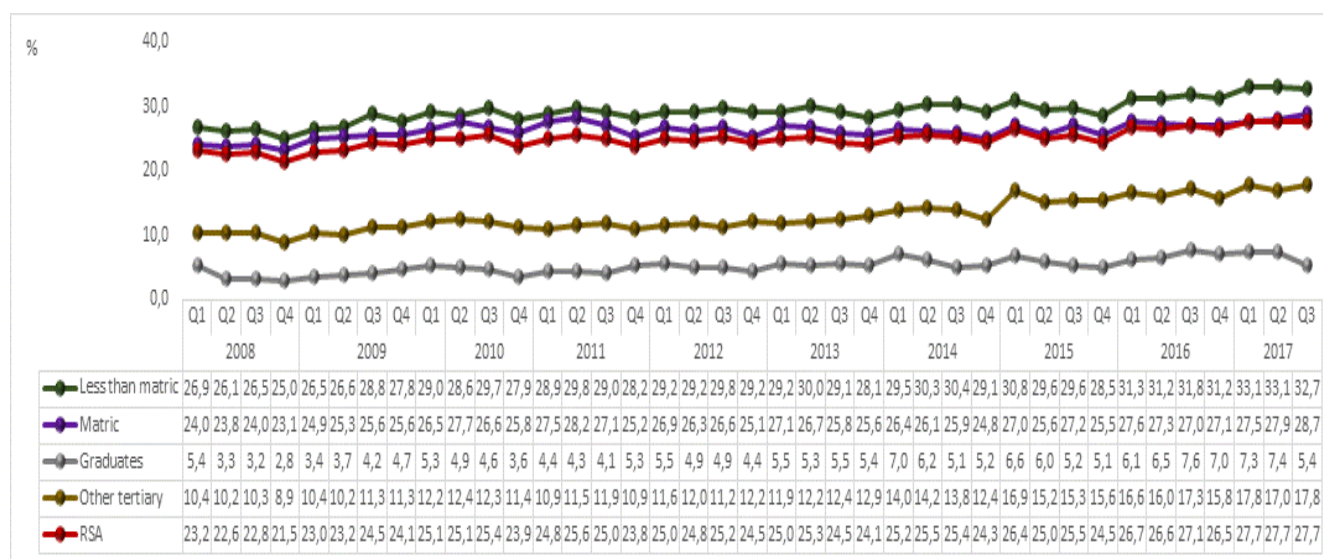


**Figure 11: Year-on-year changes in informal-sector employment, Q1: 2011 to Q3: 2017**

## 6.2 Trends in unemployment rate

**Figure 12: Unemployment rate by sex, Q1: 2008 to Q3: 2017**



**Figure 13: Unemployment rate by education status, Q1: 2008 to Q3: 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:

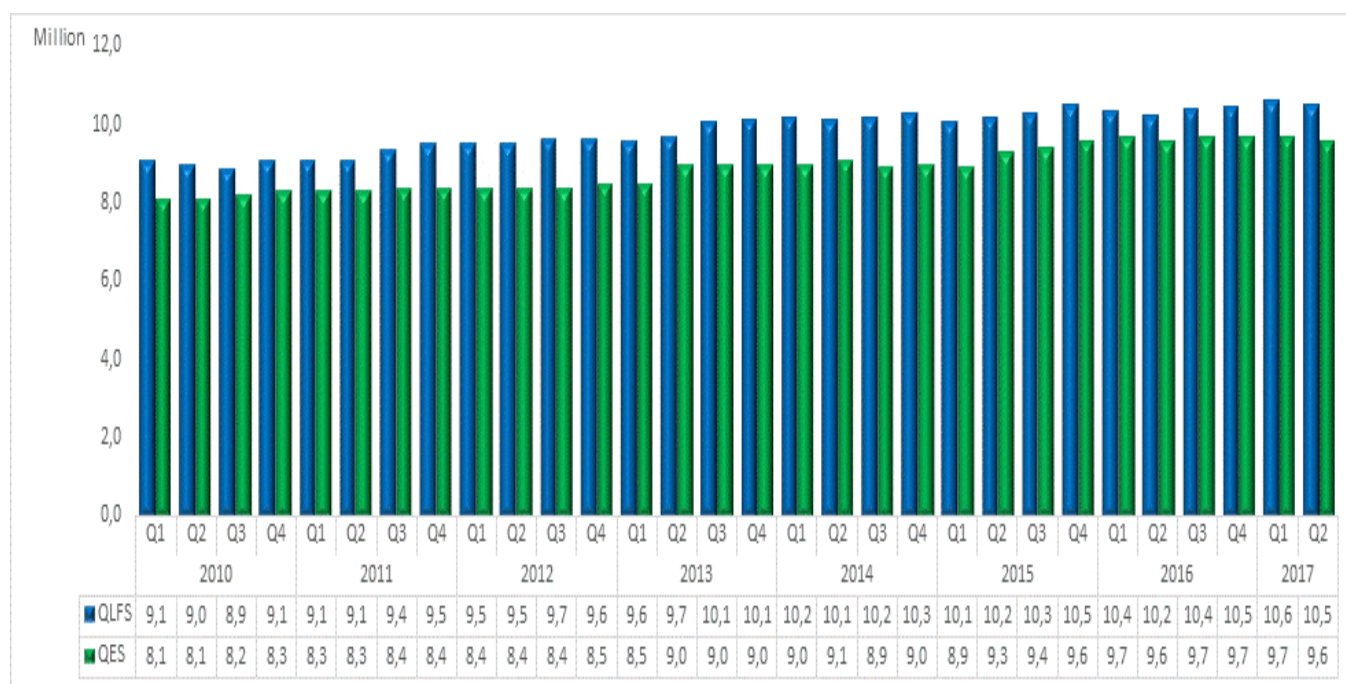
- Description of the employed, e.g. their demographic profile, education level, hours of work, etc.; and
- Unemployment and descriptors of the unemployed.

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 F: 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 Q2: 2017**

## 8. Technical notes

### 8.1 Response details

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

Province / metropolitan area	Jul-Sep 2017
<b>National</b>	<b>89,0</b>
Western Cape	90,8
Non-metro	91,4
City of Cape Town	90,5
Eastern Cape	94,0
Non-metro	95,8
Buffalo City	89,5
Nelson Mandela Bay	90,7
Northern Cape	91,4
Free State	94,3
Non-metro	94,8
Mangaung	92,9
KwaZulu-Natal	92,8
Non-metro	93,3
eThekweni	92,0
North West	91,1
Gauteng	78,0
Non-metro	81,9
Ekurhuleni	79,7
City of Johannesburg	73,2
City of Tshwane	82,4
Mpumalanga	93,5
Limpopo	96,4

### 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 quarter 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 activities 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)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Women	18 604	18 679	18 753	18 828	18 903	75	298	0,4	1,6
Men	18 145	18 226	18 307	18 389	18 471	81	325	0,4	1,8
<b>Population groups</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Black/African	29 341	29 493	29 645	29 798	29 950	153	609	0,5	2,1
Coloured	3 377	3 386	3 396	3 406	3 415	10	39	0,3	1,2
Indian/Asian	988	990	992	994	996	2	8	0,2	0,8
White	3 044	3 036	3 028	3 020	3 012	-8	-32	-0,3	-1,1
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Western Cape	4 389	4 412	4 436	4 460	4 483	23	94	0,5	2,1
Eastern Cape	4 153	4 166	4 178	4 190	4 203	13	50	0,3	1,2
Northern Cape	778	780	783	785	787	2	10	0,3	1,2
Free State	1 884	1 885	1 887	1 888	1 890	2	6	0,1	0,3
KwaZulu-Natal	6 815	6 841	6 868	6 894	6 921	27	106	0,4	1,6
North West	2 479	2 490	2 501	2 512	2 523	11	44	0,4	1,8
Gauteng	9 802	9 854	9 905	9 957	10 009	52	207	0,5	2,1
Mpumalanga	2 815	2 828	2 841	2 853	2 866	12	50	0,4	1,8
Limpopo	3 634	3 649	3 663	3 678	3 692	14	57	0,4	1,6

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

<b>Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex – All population groups</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Both sexes</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>21 706</b>	<b>21 849</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>22 402</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 029	11 156	11 337	11 193	11 379	187	350	1,7	3,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 641	2 695	2 681	2 761	2 689	-71	48	-2,6	1,8
Agriculture	881	919	875	835	810	-25	-71	-3,0	-8,0
Private households	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	1 313	1	31	0,1	2,4
Unemployed	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	6 210	33	337	0,5	5,7
Not economically active	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	14 971	31	-72	0,2	-0,5
Discouraged work-seekers	2 291	2 292	2 277	2 361	2 436	75	145	3,2	6,3
Other(not economically active)	12 753	12 763	12 357	12 580	12 536	-44	-217	-0,4	-1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	27,7	0,0	0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	59,9	0,0	0,8		
<b>Women</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>18 604</b>	<b>18 679</b>	<b>18 753</b>	<b>18 828</b>	<b>18 903</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>9 727</b>	<b>9 883</b>	<b>10 232</b>	<b>10 086</b>	<b>10 147</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>4,3</b>
Employed	6 873	7 031	7 182	7 078	7 125	47	252	0,7	3,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4 652	4 754	4 883	4 770	4 805	35	153	0,7	3,3
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	970	977	1 021	1 026	1 057	31	88	3,0	9,1
Agriculture	255	305	278	264	252	-12	-3	-4,6	-1,0
Private households	996	995	1 001	1 018	1 010	-8	14	-0,8	1,4
Unemployed	2 854	2 852	3 049	3 008	3 022	15	168	0,5	5,9
Not economically active	8 877	8 796	8 522	8 743	8 756	13	-121	0,2	-1,4
Discouraged work-seekers	1 301	1 289	1 233	1 288	1 357	69	56	5,3	4,3
Other(not economically active)	7 576	7 506	7 288	7 454	7 399	-55	-177	-0,7	-2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,3	28,9	29,8	29,8	29,8	0,0	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,9	37,6	38,3	37,6	37,7	0,1	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	52,3	52,9	54,6	53,6	53,7	0,1	1,4		

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)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Men</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	18 145	18 226	18 307	18 389	18 471	81	325	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	11 979	11 966	12 195	12 191	12 255	64	276	0,5	2,3
Employed	8 960	9 037	9 030	9 022	9 067	45	107	0,5	1,2
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6 377	6 402	6 454	6 423	6 574	151	197	2,4	3,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 672	1 718	1 660	1 734	1 632	-102	-40	-5,9	-2,4
Agriculture	627	614	597	571	558	-13	-68	-2,2	-10,9
Private households	285	304	319	294	303	9	17	3,0	6,1
Unemployed	3 018	2 929	3 165	3 169	3 188	19	170	0,6	5,6
Not economically active	6 166	6 260	6 113	6 198	6 215	17	49	0,3	0,8
Discouraged work-seekers	989	1 003	1 044	1 072	1 078	6	89	0,6	9,0
Other(not economically active)	5 177	5 257	5 069	5 126	5 137	11	-40	0,2	-0,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	25,2	24,5	26,0	26,0	26,0	0,0	0,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,4	49,6	49,3	49,1	49,1	0,0	-0,3		
Labour force participation rate	66,0	65,7	66,6	66,3	66,4	0,1	0,4		

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									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>South Africa</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	37 373	156	624	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	21 706	21 849	22 426	22 277	22 402	125	696	0,6	3,2
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Unemployed	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	6 210	33	337	0,5	5,7
Not economically active	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	14 971	31	-72	0,2	-0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	27,7	0,0	0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	59,9	0,0	0,8		
<b>Black/African</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	29 341	29 493	29 645	29 798	29 950	153	609	0,5	2,1
Labour Force	16 920	17 043	17 502	17 504	17 593	89	672	0,5	4,0
Employed	11 764	11 939	12 009	12 025	12 122	97	357	0,8	3,0
Unemployed	5 156	5 105	5 493	5 479	5 471	-8	315	-0,1	6,1
Not economically active	12 421	12 450	12 143	12 294	12 358	64	-63	0,5	-0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,5	30,0	31,4	31,3	31,1	-0,2	0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,1	40,5	40,5	40,4	40,5	0,1	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	57,7	57,8	59,0	58,7	58,7	0,0	1,0		
<b>Coloured</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 377	3 386	3 396	3 406	3 415	10	39	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	2 129	2 159	2 191	2 134	2 156	22	26	1,0	1,2
Employed	1 642	1 685	1 690	1 631	1 639	8	-3	0,5	-0,2
Unemployed	488	474	501	503	517	14	29	2,9	6,0
Not economically active	1 247	1 227	1 205	1 272	1 259	-13	12	-1,0	1,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	22,9	22,0	22,9	23,6	24,0	0,4	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	48,6	49,8	49,8	47,9	48,0	0,1	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	63,1	63,8	64,5	62,7	63,1	0,4	0,0		

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)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Indian/Asian</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	988	990	992	994	996	2	8	0,2	0,8
Labour Force	601	602	624	606	607	1	6	0,2	1,0
Employed	522	535	544	526	541	15	19	2,9	3,7
Unemployed	79	67	80	80	66	-14	-13	-17,5	-16,4
Not economically active	387	388	368	388	389	1	2	0,3	0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	13,2	11,1	12,9	13,3	10,9	-2,4	-2,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,8	54,1	54,8	52,9	54,3	1,4	1,5		
Labour force participation rate	60,9	60,8	62,9	61,0	61,0	0,0	0,1		
<b>White</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 044	3 036	3 028	3 020	3 012	-8	-32	-0,3	-1,1
Labour Force	2 055	2 045	2 109	2 033	2 046	13	-9	0,7	-0,4
Employed	1 905	1 910	1 969	1 918	1 890	-28	-15	-1,4	-0,8
Unemployed	150	135	139	115	156	41	6	35,7	4,0
Not economically active	989	991	919	987	966	-22	-23	-2,2	-2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	7,3	6,6	6,6	5,7	7,6	1,9	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (absorption)	62,6	62,9	65,0	63,5	62,8	-0,7	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	67,5	67,4	69,7	67,3	67,9	0,6	0,4		

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									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>15-64 years</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	37 373	156	624	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	21 706	21 849	22 426	22 277	22 402	125	696	0,6	3,2
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Unemployed	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	6 210	33	337	0,5	5,7
Not economically active	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	14 971	31	-72	0,2	-0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	27,7	0,0	0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	59,9	0,0	0,8		
<b>15-24 years</b>									
Population 15-24 yrs	10 312	10 313	10 314	10 315	10 315	0	3	0,0	0,0
Labour Force	2 763	2 715	2 874	2 778	2 766	-13	3	-0,5	0,1
Employed	1 265	1 333	1 315	1 226	1 322	96	56	7,8	4,5
Unemployed	1 497	1 382	1 559	1 552	1 444	-109	-53	-7,0	-3,6
Not economically active	7 549	7 598	7 440	7 537	7 550	12	0	0,2	0,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	54,2	50,9	54,3	55,9	52,2	-3,7	-2,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	12,3	12,9	12,7	11,9	12,8	0,9	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	26,8	26,3	27,9	26,9	26,8	-0,1	0,0		
<b>25-34 years</b>									
Population 25-34 yrs	9 666	9 704	9 742	9 780	9 817	38	151	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	7 215	7 273	7 362	7 307	7 325	18	110	0,2	1,5
Employed	4 896	4 954	4 966	4 907	4 871	-37	-25	-0,7	-0,5
Unemployed	2 319	2 319	2 395	2 399	2 454	54	135	2,3	5,8
Not economically active	2 451	2 431	2 380	2 473	2 493	20	42	0,8	1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,1	31,9	32,5	32,8	33,5	0,7	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,7	51,1	51,0	50,2	49,6	-0,6	-1,1		
Labour force participation rate	74,6	74,9	75,6	74,7	74,6	-0,1	0,0		

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Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by age group (concluded)									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>35-44 years</b>									
<b>Population 35-44 yrs</b>	<b>7 821</b>	<b>7 861</b>	<b>7 902</b>	<b>7 943</b>	<b>7 983</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>6 271</b>	<b>6 352</b>	<b>6 428</b>	<b>6 490</b>	<b>6 506</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>3,7</b>
Employed	4 923	4 992	5 016	5 040	5 027	-13	105	-0,3	2,1
Unemployed	1 348	1 360	1 412	1 450	1 478	29	130	2,0	9,7
Not economically active	1 550	1 510	1 474	1 453	1 477	24	-73	1,7	-4,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	21,5	21,4	22,0	22,3	22,7	0,4	1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,9	63,5	63,5	63,5	63,0	-0,5	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	80,2	80,8	81,3	81,7	81,5	-0,2	1,3		
<b>45-54 years</b>									
<b>Population 45-54 yrs</b>	<b>5 330</b>	<b>5 375</b>	<b>5 421</b>	<b>5 467</b>	<b>5 515</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>3,5</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>3 891</b>	<b>3 902</b>	<b>4 063</b>	<b>4 043</b>	<b>4 090</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>5,1</b>
Employed	3 323	3 313	3 393	3 420	3 426	6	103	0,2	3,1
Unemployed	568	589	670	623	663	41	95	6,5	16,7
Not economically active	1 439	1 473	1 358	1 424	1 425	2	-13	0,1	-0,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	14,6	15,1	16,5	15,4	16,2	0,8	1,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,3	61,6	62,6	62,6	62,1	-0,5	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	73,0	72,6	74,9	74,0	74,2	0,2	1,2		
<b>55-64 years</b>									
<b>Population 55-64 yrs</b>	<b>3 621</b>	<b>3 651</b>	<b>3 682</b>	<b>3 712</b>	<b>3 743</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>3,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 567</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 701</b>	<b>1 659</b>	<b>1 717</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>9,6</b>
Employed	1 426	1 477	1 522	1 506	1 545	39	120	2,6	8,4
Unemployed	141	130	178	153	171	18	30	12,1	21,6
Not economically active	2 054	2 044	1 981	2 053	2 026	-27	-28	-1,3	-1,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	9,0	8,1	10,5	9,2	10,0	0,8	1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,4	40,5	41,3	40,6	41,3	0,7	1,9		
Labour force participation rate	43,3	44,0	46,2	44,7	45,9	1,2	2,6		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>South Africa</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	37 373	156	624	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	21 706	21 849	22 426	22 277	22 402	125	696	0,6	3,2
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Unemployed	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	6 210	33	337	0,5	5,7
Not economically active	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	14 971	31	-72	0,2	-0,5
Discouraged work-seekers	2 291	2 292	2 277	2 361	2 436	75	145	3,2	6,3
Other	12 753	12 763	12 357	12 580	12 536	-44	-217	-0,4	-1,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	27,7	0,0	0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	59,9	0,0	0,8		
<b>Western Cape</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 389	4 412	4 436	4 460	4 483	23	94	0,5	2,1
Labour Force	2 958	2 999	3 066	3 031	3 071	40	113	1,3	3,8
Employed	2 315	2 386	2 406	2 403	2 399	-3	84	-0,1	3,6
Unemployed	643	614	660	628	672	43	29	6,9	4,5
Not economically active	1 431	1 413	1 370	1 428	1 412	-16	-19	-1,1	-1,3
Discouraged work-seekers	50	45	47	79	59	-20	9	-25,1	18,2
Other	1 380	1 368	1 322	1 349	1 353	4	-28	0,3	-2,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	21,7	20,5	21,5	20,7	21,9	1,2	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,8	54,1	54,2	53,9	53,5	-0,4	0,7		
Labour force participation rate	67,4	68,0	69,1	68,0	68,5	0,5	1,1		

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<b>Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)</b>									
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Western Cape - Non metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>1 589</b>	<b>1 598</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 617</b>	<b>1 626</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 050</b>	<b>1 050</b>	<b>1 103</b>	<b>1 052</b>	<b>1 059</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,9</b>
Employed	847	903	895	872	855	-17	8	-2,0	0,9
Unemployed	203	147	208	180	205	25	2	13,7	0,9
Not economically active	539	548	504	565	567	2	28	0,3	5,1
Discouraged work-seekers	37	35	36	62	40	-22	3	-35,2	8,1
Other	502	513	469	503	527	24	25	4,7	4,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	19,3	14,0	18,8	17,1	19,3	2,2	0,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,3	56,5	55,7	53,9	52,5	-1,4	-0,8		
Labour force participation rate	66,1	65,7	68,6	65,1	65,1	0,0	-1,0		
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 800</b>	<b>2 814</b>	<b>2 828</b>	<b>2 843</b>	<b>2 857</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 908</b>	<b>1 949</b>	<b>1 963</b>	<b>1 979</b>	<b>2 012</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>5,4</b>
Employed	1 469	1 482	1 511	1 531	1 545	14	76	0,9	5,2
Unemployed	440	467	452	448	467	18	27	4,1	6,1
Not economically active	892	865	865	864	845	-18	-46	-2,1	-5,2
Discouraged work-seekers	13	11	12	17	19	2	6	11,0	46,7
Other	879	855	853	846	826	-20	-53	-2,4	-6,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	23,0	23,9	23,0	22,7	23,2	0,5	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,4	52,7	53,4	53,9	54,1	0,2	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	68,2	69,2	69,4	69,6	70,4	0,8	2,2		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>4 153</b>	<b>4 166</b>	<b>4 178</b>	<b>4 190</b>	<b>4 203</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 008</b>	<b>2 021</b>	<b>2 126</b>	<b>2 159</b>	<b>2 202</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>9,7</b>
Employed	1 443	1 447	1 442	1 416	1 421	5	-22	0,4	-1,5
Unemployed	565	574	684	743	781	38	216	5,2	38,2
Not economically active	2 145	2 144	2 052	2 032	2 001	-31	-144	-1,5	-6,7
Discouraged work-seekers	385	403	370	353	360	7	-25	2,0	-6,5
Other	1 760	1 741	1 682	1 679	1 641	-38	-119	-2,3	-6,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,2	28,4	32,2	34,4	35,5	1,1	7,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	34,7	34,7	34,5	33,8	33,8	0,0	-0,9		
Labour force participation rate	48,4	48,5	50,9	51,5	52,4	0,9	4,0		
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 857</b>	<b>2 866</b>	<b>2 874</b>	<b>2 883</b>	<b>2 891</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 176</b>	<b>1 142</b>	<b>1 246</b>	<b>1 275</b>	<b>1 270</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>8,0</b>
Employed	863	842	825	817	818	0	-45	0,0	-5,2
Unemployed	313	300	421	457	453	-4	139	-1,0	44,5
Not economically active	1 681	1 724	1 628	1 608	1 621	13	-60	0,8	-3,6
Discouraged work-seekers	355	395	365	337	346	9	-9	2,6	-2,5
Other	1 327	1 329	1 263	1 271	1 275	4	-51	0,3	-3,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,7	26,3	33,8	35,9	35,6	-0,3	8,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,2	29,4	28,7	28,4	28,3	-0,1	-1,9		
Labour force participation rate	41,2	39,8	43,4	44,2	43,9	-0,3	2,7		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>4,6</b>	<b>11,8</b>
Employed	239	239	257	252	245	-7	6	-2,7	2,4
Unemployed	93	119	107	103	127	23	34	22,7	35,9
Not economically active	171	146	141	151	136	-15	-34	-10,0	-20,1
Discouraged work-seekers	21	5	5	13	13	0	-8	-0,2	-38,9
Other	150	142	136	139	124	-15	-26	-10,9	-17,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,1	33,4	29,5	29,1	34,1	5,0	6,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,6	47,3	50,8	49,7	48,2	-1,5	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	66,1	71,0	72,1	70,1	73,2	3,1	7,1		
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,3</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>6,0</b>	<b>12,1</b>
Employed	341	367	360	346	358	12	18	3,5	5,1
Unemployed	159	154	155	182	202	19	43	10,6	27,1
Not economically active	293	274	283	272	243	-29	-50	-10,5	-17,0
Discouraged work-seekers	10	3	1	3	2	-2	-8	-50,1	-82,7
Other	283	271	282	269	242	-27	-42	-10,0	-14,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	31,8	29,6	30,2	34,5	36,0	1,5	4,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,0	46,1	45,1	43,3	44,6	1,3	1,6		
Labour force participation rate	63,0	65,6	64,5	66,0	69,7	3,7	6,7		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Northern cape</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	778	780	783	785	787	2	10	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	437	438	431	419	438	18	0	4,3	0,1
Employed	308	298	299	292	307	15	-1	5,2	-0,4
Unemployed	129	140	132	128	131	3	2	2,3	1,2
Not economically active	341	342	352	365	350	-16	9	-4,3	2,7
Discouraged work-seekers	55	56	74	87	72	-15	17	-16,8	31,7
Other	286	286	278	279	278	-1	-8	-0,4	-2,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,6	32,0	30,7	30,5	29,9	-0,6	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,6	38,2	38,2	37,2	39,0	1,8	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	56,2	56,2	55,1	53,4	55,6	2,2	-0,6		
<b>Free State</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 884	1 885	1 887	1 888	1 890	2	6	0,1	0,3
Labour Force	1 186	1 160	1 188	1 184	1 205	22	20	1,8	1,7
Employed	781	757	767	777	821	45	41	5,8	5,2
Unemployed	405	403	421	407	384	-23	-21	-5,7	-5,2
Not economically active	699	726	699	704	685	-20	-14	-2,8	-2,0
Discouraged work-seekers	85	82	88	84	81	-3	-4	-4,1	-4,8
Other	614	644	611	620	604	-16	-10	-2,6	-1,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	34,2	34,7	35,5	34,4	31,8	-2,6	-2,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,4	40,2	40,6	41,1	43,5	2,4	2,1		
Labour force participation rate	62,9	61,5	63,0	62,7	63,8	1,1	0,9		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>1 354</b>	<b>1 354</b>	<b>1 354</b>	<b>1 354</b>	<b>1 354</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>0,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-19</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>-2,3</b>
Employed	538	523	534	531	556	25	18	4,7	3,4
Unemployed	296	279	299	284	259	-24	-37	-8,6	-12,5
Not economically active	519	551	520	539	538	-1	19	-0,1	3,6
Discouraged work-seekers	58	62	59	69	68	-1	11	-0,9	18,6
Other	462	489	461	470	470	0	8	0,0	1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	35,5	34,8	35,9	34,8	31,8	-3,0	-3,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,7	38,7	39,5	39,2	41,1	1,9	1,4		
Labour force participation rate	61,6	59,3	61,6	60,2	60,2	0,0	-1,4		
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>5,7</b>	<b>10,9</b>
Employed	243	234	232	246	265	20	23	8,1	9,3
Unemployed	109	123	122	123	124	1	16	1,0	14,5
Not economically active	179	175	179	166	147	-19	-33	-11,6	-18,3
Discouraged work-seekers	27	20	29	15	12	-3	-15	-18,6	-54,9
Other	152	155	149	151	134	-16	-18	-10,9	-11,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,9	34,5	34,4	33,4	31,9	-1,5	1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,8	44,0	43,6	46,0	49,5	3,5	3,7		
Labour force participation rate	66,2	67,1	66,5	69,0	72,7	3,7	6,5		

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	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>6 815</b>	<b>6 841</b>	<b>6 868</b>	<b>6 894</b>	<b>6 921</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>3 262</b>	<b>3 340</b>	<b>3 443</b>	<b>3 397</b>	<b>3 362</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>3,1</b>
Employed	2 496	2 541	2 555	2 583	2 536	-47	40	-1,8	1,6
Unemployed	766	799	889	814	825	12	59	1,4	7,7
Not economically active	3 553	3 501	3 424	3 497	3 559	62	7	1,8	0,2
Discouraged work-seekers	704	708	655	676	705	29	2	4,3	0,2
Other	2 849	2 794	2 769	2 821	2 854	33	5	1,2	0,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	23,5	23,9	25,8	24,0	24,6	0,6	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,6	37,1	37,2	37,5	36,6	-0,9	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	47,9	48,8	50,1	49,3	48,6	-0,7	0,7		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 456</b>	<b>4 476</b>	<b>4 496</b>	<b>4 516</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 832</b>	<b>1 855</b>	<b>1 937</b>	<b>1 883</b>	<b>1 853</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>-1,6</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Employed	1 355	1 384	1 377	1 399	1 379	-20	25	-1,4	1,8
Unemployed	477	471	560	484	474	-11	-4	-2,2	-0,8
Not economically active	2 604	2 601	2 539	2 613	2 663	50	59	1,9	2,3
Discouraged work-seekers	584	622	541	561	597	36	13	6,4	2,3
Other	2 021	1 979	1 998	2 051	2 066	15	45	0,7	2,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,1	25,4	28,9	25,7	25,6	-0,1	-0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,5	31,1	30,8	31,1	30,5	-0,6	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	41,3	41,6	43,3	41,9	41,0	-0,9	-0,3		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekweni</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 379</b>	<b>2 385</b>	<b>2 392</b>	<b>2 398</b>	<b>2 405</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 430</b>	<b>1 485</b>	<b>1 506</b>	<b>1 514</b>	<b>1 509</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>5,5</b>
Employed	1 141	1 157	1 178	1 184	1 157	-27	16	-2,3	1,4
Unemployed	289	327	329	330	352	22	63	6,7	21,7
Not economically active	948	901	885	884	896	12	-52	1,3	-5,5
Discouraged work-seekers	120	86	114	115	108	-6	-12	-5,6	-9,9
Other	828	815	772	769	788	18	-40	2,4	-4,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	20,2	22,0	21,8	21,8	23,3	1,5	3,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	48,0	48,5	49,2	49,4	48,1	-1,3	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	60,1	62,2	63,0	63,1	62,7	-0,4	2,6		
<b>North West</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 479</b>	<b>2 490</b>	<b>2 501</b>	<b>2 512</b>	<b>2 523</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 294</b>	<b>1 304</b>	<b>1 328</b>	<b>1 343</b>	<b>1 332</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>-0,8</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Employed	900	959	976	978	983	5	84	0,5	9,3
Unemployed	395	345	353	365	349	-16	-46	-4,4	-11,6
Not economically active	1 185	1 186	1 173	1 169	1 191	22	6	1,9	0,5
Discouraged work-seekers	229	231	254	269	294	25	65	9,4	28,3
Other	956	955	919	900	897	-3	-59	-0,4	-6,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,5	26,5	26,5	27,2	26,2	-1,0	-4,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,3	38,5	39,0	38,9	39,0	0,1	2,7		
Labour force participation rate	52,2	52,4	53,1	53,5	52,8	-0,7	0,6		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Gauteng</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>9 802</b>	<b>9 854</b>	<b>9 905</b>	<b>9 957</b>	<b>10 009</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>7 145</b>	<b>7 163</b>	<b>7 336</b>	<b>7 201</b>	<b>7 259</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>1,6</b>
Employed	5 068	5 111	5 193	5 050	5 068	18	0	0,3	0,0
Unemployed	2 078	2 051	2 143	2 151	2 191	40	114	1,9	5,5
Not economically active	2 657	2 691	2 570	2 756	2 749	-7	93	-0,2	3,5
Discouraged work-seekers	268	242	207	252	263	11	-5	4,5	-1,9
Other	2 389	2 449	2 362	2 504	2 486	-18	98	-0,7	4,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,1	28,6	29,2	29,9	30,2	0,3	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,7	51,9	52,4	50,7	50,6	-0,1	-1,1		
Labour force participation rate	72,9	72,7	74,1	72,3	72,5	0,2	-0,4		
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>1 319</b>	<b>1 323</b>	<b>1 326</b>	<b>1 330</b>	<b>1 333</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>1,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>0,1</b>
Employed	598	583	624	600	598	-2	0	-0,4	0,0
Unemployed	286	284	276	279	287	8	1	2,8	0,4
Not economically active	436	456	426	450	448	-2	12	-0,5	2,9
Discouraged work-seekers	60	47	56	58	68	9	8	16,0	13,1
Other	376	409	370	392	380	-11	5	-2,9	1,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,3	32,7	30,7	31,7	32,4	0,7	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,3	44,1	47,0	45,1	44,9	-0,2	-0,4		
Labour force participation rate	67,0	65,6	67,9	66,1	66,4	0,3	-0,6		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 482</b>	<b>2 493</b>	<b>2 503</b>	<b>2 513</b>	<b>2 523</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 788</b>	<b>1 823</b>	<b>1 873</b>	<b>1 829</b>	<b>1 879</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>5,1</b>
Employed	1 222	1 264	1 296	1 259	1 274	15	52	1,2	4,2
Unemployed	566	558	577	570	605	35	39	6,1	6,8
Not economically active	694	670	630	684	644	-40	-50	-5,8	-7,2
Discouraged work-seekers	77	77	67	73	67	-6	-11	-8,1	-13,8
Other	617	593	563	611	577	-34	-39	-5,5	-6,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	31,7	30,6	30,8	31,2	32,2	1,0	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,2	50,7	51,8	50,1	50,5	0,4	1,3		
Labour force participation rate	72,0	73,1	74,8	72,8	74,5	1,7	2,5		
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>3 605</b>	<b>3 628</b>	<b>3 652</b>	<b>3 676</b>	<b>3 700</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>2,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 753</b>	<b>2 765</b>	<b>2 777</b>	<b>2 765</b>	<b>2 769</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>0,6</b>
Employed	1 978	1 995	1 992	1 934	1 950	17	-27	0,9	-1,4
Unemployed	775	770	785	831	819	-13	43	-1,5	5,6
Not economically active	852	864	875	911	931	20	80	2,2	9,4
Discouraged work-seekers	76	67	54	63	57	-6	-19	-9,3	-25,1
Other	775	797	821	848	874	26	99	3,0	12,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,2	27,8	28,3	30,1	29,6	-0,5	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,9	55,0	54,5	52,6	52,7	0,1	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	76,4	76,2	76,0	75,2	74,8	-0,4	-1,6		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Gauteng – City of Tshwane</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 396</b>	<b>2 410</b>	<b>2 424</b>	<b>2 439</b>	<b>2 453</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 720</b>	<b>1 708</b>	<b>1 786</b>	<b>1 728</b>	<b>1 727</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>0,4</b>
Employed	1 270	1 269	1 281	1 257	1 246	-11	-24	-0,9	-1,9
Unemployed	450	439	505	471	481	10	31	2,2	6,9
Not economically active	676	702	638	711	726	15	51	2,2	7,5
Discouraged work-seekers	55	52	31	58	72	14	17	23,9	31,1
Other	621	650	608	653	654	2	34	0,2	5,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,2	25,7	28,3	27,2	27,9	0,7	1,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,0	52,7	52,8	51,6	50,8	-0,8	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	71,8	70,9	73,7	70,9	70,4	-0,5	-1,4		
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 815</b>	<b>2 828</b>	<b>2 841</b>	<b>2 853</b>	<b>2 866</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 687</b>	<b>1 673</b>	<b>1 776</b>	<b>1 788</b>	<b>1 738</b>	<b>-51</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>-2,8</b>	<b>3,0</b>
Employed	1 174	1 155	1 217	1 212	1 204	-8	30	-0,6	2,5
Unemployed	513	518	559	577	534	-43	21	-7,4	4,1
Not economically active	1 128	1 155	1 064	1 065	1 128	63	0	5,9	0,0
Discouraged work-seekers	211	227	211	216	228	12	17	5,8	8,1
Other	917	928	853	849	900	50	-18	5,9	-1,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,4	31,0	31,5	32,3	30,7	-1,6	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,7	40,9	42,8	42,5	42,0	-0,5	0,3		
Labour force participation rate	59,9	59,2	62,5	62,7	60,6	-2,1	0,7		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.



Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (concluded)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 634	3 649	3 663	3 678	3 692	14	57	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	1 728	1 751	1 732	1 754	1 795	41	67	2,3	3,9
Employed	1 349	1 414	1 358	1 390	1 452	62	103	4,5	7,6
Unemployed	379	337	374	364	343	-21	-36	-5,8	-9,5
Not economically active	1 906	1 898	1 932	1 924	1 897	-27	-9	-1,4	-0,5
Discouraged work-seekers	304	298	371	345	373	27	69	8,0	22,7
Other	1 602	1 599	1 560	1 579	1 524	-55	-78	-3,5	-4,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	21,9	19,3	21,6	20,8	19,1	-1,7	-2,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,1	38,7	37,1	37,8	39,3	1,5	2,2		
Labour force participation rate	47,6	48,0	47,3	47,7	48,6	0,9	1,0		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Both sexes</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	37 373	156	624	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	24 849	24 969	25 503	25 403	25 614	210	765	0,8	3,1
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 029	11 156	11 337	11 193	11 379	187	350	1,7	3,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 641	2 695	2 681	2 761	2 689	-71	48	-2,6	1,8
Agriculture	881	919	875	835	810	-25	-71	-3,0	-8,0
Private households	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	1 313	1	31	0,1	2,4
Unemployed	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	9 422	118	406	1,3	4,5
Not economically active	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	11 760	-54	-141	-0,5	-1,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	36,8	0,2	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	68,5	0,2	0,9		
<b>Women</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	18 604	18 679	18 753	18 828	18 903	75	298	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	11 552	11 697	11 971	11 878	11 997	118	445	1,0	3,9
Employed	6 873	7 031	7 182	7 078	7 125	47	252	0,7	3,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4 652	4 754	4 883	4 770	4 805	35	153	0,7	3,3
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	970	977	1 021	1 026	1 057	31	88	3,0	9,1
Agriculture	255	305	278	264	252	-12	-3	-4,6	-1,0
Private households	996	995	1 001	1 018	1 010	-8	14	-0,8	1,4
Unemployed	4 679	4 665	4 788	4 800	4 872	72	193	1,5	4,1
Not economically active	7 053	6 982	6 783	6 950	6 906	-44	-147	-0,6	-2,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,5	39,9	40,0	40,4	40,6	0,2	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,9	37,6	38,3	37,6	37,7	0,1	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	62,1	62,6	63,8	63,1	63,5	0,4	1,4		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Men</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	18 145	18 226	18 307	18 389	18 471	81	325	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	13 298	13 272	13 533	13 525	13 617	92	320	0,7	2,4
Employed	8 960	9 037	9 030	9 022	9 067	45	107	0,5	1,2
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6 377	6 402	6 454	6 423	6 574	151	197	2,4	3,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 672	1 718	1 660	1 734	1 632	-102	-40	-5,9	-2,4
Agriculture	627	614	597	571	558	-13	-68	-2,2	-10,9
Private households	285	304	319	294	303	9	17	3,0	6,1
Unemployed	4 337	4 235	4 503	4 503	4 550	47	213	1,0	4,9
Not economically active	4 848	4 954	4 775	4 864	4 853	-11	6	-0,2	0,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,6	31,9	33,3	33,3	33,4	0,1	0,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,4	49,6	49,3	49,1	49,1	0,0	-0,3		
Labour force participation rate	73,3	72,8	73,9	73,5	73,7	0,2	0,4		

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									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>24 849</b>	<b>24 969</b>	<b>25 503</b>	<b>25 403</b>	<b>25 614</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>3,1</b>
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Unemployed	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	9 422	118	406	1,3	4,5
Not economically active	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	11 760	-54	-141	-0,5	-1,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	36,8	0,2	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	68,5	0,2	0,9		
<b>Black/African</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>29 341</b>	<b>29 493</b>	<b>29 645</b>	<b>29 798</b>	<b>29 950</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>19 807</b>	<b>19 920</b>	<b>20 330</b>	<b>20 336</b>	<b>20 531</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>3,7</b>
Employed	11 764	11 939	12 009	12 025	12 122	97	357	0,8	3,0
Unemployed	8 043	7 981	8 321	8 311	8 409	98	366	1,2	4,6
Not economically active	9 534	9 573	9 315	9 461	9 420	-42	-114	-0,4	-1,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,6	40,1	40,9	40,9	41,0	0,1	0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,1	40,5	40,5	40,4	40,5	0,1	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	67,5	67,5	68,6	68,2	68,5	0,3	1,0		
<b>Coloured</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>3 377</b>	<b>3 386</b>	<b>3 396</b>	<b>3 406</b>	<b>3 415</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 302</b>	<b>2 319</b>	<b>2 375</b>	<b>2 330</b>	<b>2 338</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,6</b>
Employed	1 642	1 685	1 690	1 631	1 639	8	-3	0,5	-0,2
Unemployed	660	634	685	699	699	0	39	0,1	6,0
Not economically active	1 075	1 067	1 021	1 076	1 077	1	2	0,1	0,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,7	27,3	28,9	30,0	29,9	-0,1	1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	48,6	49,8	49,8	47,9	48,0	0,1	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	68,2	68,5	69,9	68,4	68,5	0,1	0,3		

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)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Indian/Asian</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	988	990	992	994	996	2	8	0,2	0,8
Labour Force	639	628	645	656	641	-15	2	-2,2	0,3
Employed	522	535	544	526	541	15	19	2,9	3,7
Unemployed	117	92	102	130	100	-30	-17	-23,1	-14,6
Not economically active	349	362	346	338	355	17	6	5,0	1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	18,3	14,7	15,8	19,8	15,6	-4,2	-2,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,8	54,1	54,8	52,9	54,3	1,4	1,5		
Labour force participation rate	64,7	63,4	65,1	66,0	64,3	-1,7	-0,4		
<b>White</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 044	3 036	3 028	3 020	3 012	-8	-32	-0,3	-1,1
Labour Force	2 101	2 102	2 152	2 081	2 104	23	3	1,1	0,1
Employed	1 905	1 910	1 969	1 918	1 890	-28	-15	-1,4	-0,8
Unemployed	196	192	183	164	214	50	18	30,7	9,0
Not economically active	942	934	875	938	907	-31	-35	-3,3	-3,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	9,3	9,1	8,5	7,9	10,2	2,3	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,6	62,9	65,0	63,5	62,8	-0,7	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	69,0	69,2	71,1	68,9	69,9	1,0	0,9		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.6: Labour force characteristics by age group – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>15-64 years</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	37 373	156	624	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	24 849	24 969	25 503	25 403	25 614	210	765	0,8	3,1
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Unemployed	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	9 422	118	406	1,3	4,5
Not economically active	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	11 760	-54	-141	-0,5	-1,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	36,8	0,2	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	68,5	0,2	0,9		
<b>15-24 years</b>									
Population 15-24 yrs	10 312	10 313	10 314	10 315	10 315	0	3	0,0	0,0
Labour Force	3 668	3 684	3 830	3 763	3 719	-44	51	-1,2	1,4
Employed	1 265	1 333	1 315	1 226	1 322	96	56	7,8	4,5
Unemployed	2 403	2 351	2 515	2 537	2 398	-140	-5	-5,5	-0,2
Not economically active	6 644	6 629	6 484	6 552	6 596	44	-48	0,7	-0,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	65,5	63,8	65,7	67,4	64,5	-2,9	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	12,3	12,9	12,7	11,9	12,8	0,9	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	35,6	35,7	37,1	36,5	36,1	-0,4	0,5		
<b>25-34 years</b>									
Population 25-34 yrs	9 666	9 704	9 742	9 780	9 817	38	151	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	8 307	8 346	8 426	8 389	8 478	89	171	1,1	2,1
Employed	4 896	4 954	4 966	4 907	4 871	-37	-25	-0,7	-0,5
Unemployed	3 411	3 392	3 459	3 482	3 607	125	196	3,6	5,7
Not economically active	1 359	1 358	1 316	1 391	1 340	-51	-19	-3,7	-1,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,1	40,6	41,1	41,5	42,5	1,0	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,7	51,1	51,0	50,2	49,6	-0,6	-1,1		
Labour force participation rate	85,9	86,0	86,5	85,8	86,4	0,6	0,5		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.6: Labour force characteristics by age group – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>35-44 years</b>									
<b>Population 35-44 yrs</b>	<b>7 821</b>	<b>7 861</b>	<b>7 902</b>	<b>7 943</b>	<b>7 983</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>6 867</b>	<b>6 916</b>	<b>6 974</b>	<b>7 040</b>	<b>7 105</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>3,5</b>
Employed	4 923	4 992	5 016	5 040	5 027	-13	105	-0,3	2,1
Unemployed	1 944	1 924	1 958	2 000	2 078	78	134	3,9	6,9
Not economically active	954	945	928	903	878	-25	-76	-2,8	-8,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,3	27,8	28,1	28,4	29,2	0,8	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,9	63,5	63,5	63,5	63,0	-0,5	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	87,8	88,0	88,3	88,6	89,0	0,4	1,2		
<b>45-54 years</b>									
<b>Population 45-54 yrs</b>	<b>5 330</b>	<b>5 375</b>	<b>5 421</b>	<b>5 467</b>	<b>5 515</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>3,5</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>4 288</b>	<b>4 272</b>	<b>4 424</b>	<b>4 406</b>	<b>4 459</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>4,0</b>
Employed	3 323	3 313	3 393	3 420	3 426	6	103	0,2	3,1
Unemployed	965	960	1 031	986	1 033	47	68	4,8	7,0
Not economically active	1 042	1 103	997	1 061	1 056	-5	14	-0,4	1,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	22,5	22,5	23,3	22,4	23,2	0,8	0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,3	61,6	62,6	62,6	62,1	-0,5	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	80,5	79,5	81,6	80,6	80,8	0,2	0,3		
<b>55-64 years</b>									
<b>Population 55-64 yrs</b>	<b>3 621</b>	<b>3 651</b>	<b>3 682</b>	<b>3 712</b>	<b>3 743</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>3,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 719</b>	<b>1 750</b>	<b>1 849</b>	<b>1 805</b>	<b>1 852</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>7,8</b>
Employed	1 426	1 477	1 522	1 506	1 545	39	120	2,6	8,4
Unemployed	293	273	327	299	307	8	14	2,8	4,8
Not economically active	1 902	1 901	1 832	1 907	1 890	-17	-11	-0,9	-0,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	17,0	15,6	17,7	16,5	16,6	0,1	-0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,4	40,5	41,3	40,6	41,3	0,7	1,9		
Labour force participation rate	47,5	47,9	50,2	48,6	49,5	0,9	2,0		

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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									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>South Africa</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	37 373	156	624	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	24 849	24 969	25 503	25 403	25 614	210	765	0,8	3,1
Employed	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	16 192	92	358	0,6	2,3
Unemployed	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	9 422	118	406	1,3	4,5
Not economically active	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	11 760	-54	-141	-0,5	-1,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	36,8	0,2	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	43,3	0,0	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	68,5	0,2	0,9		
<b>Western Cape</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 389	4 412	4 436	4 460	4 483	23	94	0,5	2,1
Labour Force	3 079	3 124	3 197	3 187	3 210	23	131	0,7	4,2
Employed	2 315	2 386	2 406	2 403	2 399	-3	84	-0,1	3,6
Unemployed	764	739	790	784	810	26	46	3,4	6,1
Not economically active	1 310	1 288	1 239	1 273	1 273	0	-36	0,0	-2,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,8	23,6	24,7	24,6	25,2	0,6	0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,8	54,1	54,2	53,9	53,5	-0,4	0,7		
Labour force participation rate	70,2	70,8	72,1	71,5	71,6	0,1	1,4		
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 589	1 598	1 607	1 617	1 626	9	37	0,6	2,4
Labour Force	1 126	1 140	1 181	1 167	1 150	-18	24	-1,5	2,1
Employed	847	903	895	872	855	-17	8	-2,0	0,9
Unemployed	279	236	285	296	295	-1	16	-0,2	5,6
Not economically active	463	458	427	449	477	27	14	6,1	3,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,8	20,7	24,2	25,3	25,7	0,4	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,3	56,5	55,7	53,9	52,5	-1,4	-0,8		
Labour force participation rate	70,9	71,3	73,4	72,2	70,7	-1,5	-0,2		

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Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 800	2 814	2 828	2 843	2 857	14	57	0,5	2,0
Labour Force	1 953	1 984	2 016	2 019	2 060	41	107	2,0	5,5
Employed	1 469	1 482	1 511	1 531	1 545	14	76	0,9	5,2
Unemployed	485	502	505	488	515	27	31	5,5	6,3
Not economically active	847	830	812	824	797	-27	-50	-3,3	-5,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,8	25,3	25,1	24,2	25,0	0,8	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,4	52,7	53,4	53,9	54,1	0,2	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	69,8	70,5	71,3	71,0	72,1	1,1	2,3		
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 153	4 166	4 178	4 190	4 203	13	50	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	2 458	2 465	2 555	2 552	2 599	47	141	1,9	5,7
Employed	1 443	1 447	1 442	1 416	1 421	5	-22	0,4	-1,5
Unemployed	1 016	1 018	1 113	1 136	1 178	42	162	3,7	16,0
Not economically active	1 695	1 701	1 623	1 639	1 604	-35	-91	-2,1	-5,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,3	41,3	43,6	44,5	45,3	0,8	4,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	34,7	34,7	34,5	33,8	33,8	0,0	-0,9		
Labour force participation rate	59,2	59,2	61,1	60,9	61,8	0,9	2,6		
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 857	2 866	2 874	2 883	2 891	8	34	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	1 576	1 566	1 657	1 638	1 642	4	66	0,3	4,2
Employed	863	842	825	817	818	0	-45	0,0	-5,2
Unemployed	714	725	832	820	824	4	111	0,5	15,5
Not economically active	1 281	1 300	1 217	1 245	1 250	4	-31	0,3	-2,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	45,3	46,3	50,2	50,1	50,2	0,1	4,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,2	29,4	28,7	28,4	28,3	-0,1	-1,9		
Labour force participation rate	55,2	54,7	57,6	56,8	56,8	0,0	1,6		

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Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	503	504	506	507	508	1	5	0,3	1,0
Labour Force	372	373	381	378	395	18	23	4,6	6,3
Employed	239	239	257	252	245	-7	6	-2,7	2,4
Unemployed	133	135	123	126	150	24	17	19,5	13,2
Not economically active	131	131	125	129	113	-16	-18	-12,6	-13,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	35,7	36,1	32,4	33,3	38,0	4,7	2,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,6	47,3	50,8	49,7	48,2	-1,5	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	73,9	74,0	75,3	74,5	77,8	3,3	3,9		
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	793	795	798	801	803	3	11	0,3	1,3
Labour Force	510	526	517	536	562	26	52	4,8	10,1
Employed	341	367	360	346	358	12	18	3,5	5,1
Unemployed	169	159	157	190	204	14	34	7,2	20,2
Not economically active	283	270	281	264	241	-23	-41	-8,7	-14,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	33,2	30,2	30,4	35,4	36,2	0,8	3,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,0	46,1	45,1	43,3	44,6	.	1,6		
Labour force participation rate	64,4	66,1	64,8	67,0	69,9	2,9	5,5		
<b>Northern Cape</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	778	780	783	785	787	2	10	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	529	525	532	533	539	6	10	1,1	1,9
Employed	308	298	299	292	307	15	-1	5,2	-0,4
Unemployed	221	227	233	242	232	-10	11	-4,0	5,1
Not economically active	249	255	250	252	248	-3	0	-1,3	-0,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,8	43,3	43,9	45,3	43,1	-2,2	1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,6	38,2	38,2	37,2	39,0	1,8	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	68,0	67,3	68,0	68,0	68,5	0,5	0,5		

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 (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Free State</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	1 884	1 885	1 887	1 888	1 890	2	6	0,1	0,3
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 310	1 281	1 316	1 305	1 336	30	26	2,3	2,0
Employed	781	757	767	777	821	45	41	5,8	5,2
Unemployed	529	524	549	529	514	-14	-15	-2,7	-2,8
Not economically active	574	605	571	583	554	-29	-20	-4,9	-3,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,4	40,9	41,7	40,5	38,5	-2,0	-1,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,4	40,2	40,6	41,1	43,5	2,4	2,1		
Labour force participation rate	69,5	67,9	69,7	69,1	70,7	1,6	1,2		
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	1 354	1 354	1 354	1 354	1 354	0	0	0,0	0,0
<b>Labour Force</b>	918	891	924	915	921	5	2	0,6	0,2
Employed	538	523	534	531	556	25	18	4,7	3,4
Unemployed	380	367	389	384	365	-20	-16	-5,2	-4,2
Not economically active	435	463	430	438	433	-5	-2	-1,2	-0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,4	41,2	42,2	42,0	39,6	-2,4	-1,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,7	38,7	39,5	39,2	41,1	1,9	1,4		
Labour force participation rate	67,8	65,8	68,2	67,6	68,0	0,4	0,2		
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	531	532	533	534	536	2	6	0,4	1,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	391	390	392	390	415	25	24	6,5	6,1
Employed	243	234	232	246	265	20	23	8,1	9,3
Unemployed	149	156	159	144	150	5	1	3,8	0,8
Not economically active	139	142	141	144	121	-23	-18	-16,2	-13,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	38,0	40,1	40,7	37,0	36,1	-0,9	-1,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,8	44,0	43,6	46,0	49,5	3,5	3,7		
Labour force participation rate	73,8	73,3	73,5	73,0	77,4	4,4	3,6		

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 metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>6 815</b>	<b>6 841</b>	<b>6 868</b>	<b>6 894</b>	<b>6 921</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>4 188</b>	<b>4 285</b>	<b>4 328</b>	<b>4 334</b>	<b>4 299</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>-0,8</b>	<b>2,7</b>
Employed	2 496	2 541	2 555	2 583	2 536	-47	40	-1,8	1,6
Unemployed	1 692	1 744	1 773	1 751	1 763	12	71	0,7	4,2
Not economically active	2 627	2 556	2 540	2 560	2 621	62	-6	2,4	-0,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,4	40,7	41,0	40,4	41,0	0,6	0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,6	37,1	37,2	37,5	36,6	-0,9	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	61,5	62,6	63,0	62,9	62,1	-0,8	0,6		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 456</b>	<b>4 476</b>	<b>4 496</b>	<b>4 516</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 593</b>	<b>2 677</b>	<b>2 676</b>	<b>2 660</b>	<b>2 635</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-0,9</b>	<b>1,6</b>
Employed	1 355	1 384	1 377	1 399	1 379	-20	25	-1,4	1,8
Unemployed	1 239	1 293	1 298	1 261	1 255	-5	17	-0,4	1,3
Not economically active	1 843	1 779	1 800	1 836	1 881	45	38	2,5	2,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	47,8	48,3	48,5	47,4	47,6	0,2	-0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,5	31,1	30,8	31,1	30,5	-0,6	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	58,5	60,1	59,8	59,2	58,3	-0,9	-0,2		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekhwini</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 379</b>	<b>2 385</b>	<b>2 392</b>	<b>2 398</b>	<b>2 405</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 594</b>	<b>1 608</b>	<b>1 652</b>	<b>1 675</b>	<b>1 665</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>4,4</b>
Employed	1 141	1 157	1 178	1 184	1 157	-27	16	-2,3	1,4
Unemployed	453	450	474	491	508	17	55	3,5	12,0
Not economically active	784	777	740	723	740	17	-44	2,3	-5,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,4	28,0	28,7	29,3	30,5	1,2	2,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	48,0	48,5	49,2	49,4	48,1	-1,3	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	67,0	67,4	69,1	69,8	69,2	-0,6	2,2		

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 metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>North West</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 479	2 490	2 501	2 512	2 523	11	44	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	1 625	1 624	1 674	1 686	1 709	23	84	1,4	5,2
Employed	900	959	976	978	983	5	84	0,5	9,3
Unemployed	725	665	698	708	726	18	1	2,6	0,1
Not economically active	854	866	827	826	814	-12	-40	-1,4	-4,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	44,6	40,9	41,7	42,0	42,5	0,5	-2,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,3	38,5	39,0	38,9	39,0	0,1	2,7		
Labour force participation rate	65,5	65,2	66,9	67,1	67,7	0,6	2,2		
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	9 802	9 854	9 905	9 957	10 009	52	207	0,5	2,1
Labour Force	7 539	7 523	7 636	7 529	7 603	74	64	1,0	0,8
Employed	5 068	5 111	5 193	5 050	5 068	18	0	0,3	0,0
Unemployed	2 471	2 411	2 443	2 479	2 535	56	64	2,3	2,6
Not economically active	2 263	2 331	2 270	2 428	2 406	-23	143	-0,9	6,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,8	32,1	32,0	32,9	33,3	0,4	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,7	51,9	52,4	50,7	50,6	-0,1	-1,1		
Labour force participation rate	76,9	76,3	77,1	75,6	76,0	0,4	-0,9		
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 319	1 323	1 326	1 330	1 333	3	13	0,2	1,0
Labour Force	982	949	984	967	990	23	8	2,4	0,8
Employed	598	583	624	600	598	-2	0	-0,4	0,0
Unemployed	385	365	361	367	392	25	8	6,9	2,0
Not economically active	337	374	342	362	343	-20	6	-5,4	1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	39,1	38,5	36,6	37,9	39,6	1,7	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,3	44,1	47,0	45,1	44,9	-0,2	-0,4		
Labour force participation rate	74,5	71,7	74,2	72,7	74,3	1,6	-0,2		

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 metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 482	2 493	2 503	2 513	2 523	10	40	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	1 895	1 927	1 965	1 918	1 958	40	64	2,1	3,4
Employed	1 222	1 264	1 296	1 259	1 274	15	52	1,2	4,2
Unemployed	673	663	669	659	685	25	12	3,9	1,8
Not economically active	588	565	537	594	564	-30	-23	-5,1	-4,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	35,5	34,4	34,0	34,4	35,0	0,6	-0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,2	50,7	51,8	50,1	50,5	0,4	1,3		
Labour force participation rate	76,3	77,3	78,5	76,3	77,6	1,3	1,3		
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 605	3 628	3 652	3 676	3 700	24	96	0,7	2,6
Labour Force	2 858	2 857	2 853	2 834	2 834	0	-25	0,0	-0,9
Employed	1 978	1 995	1 992	1 934	1 950	17	-27	0,9	-1,4
Unemployed	881	862	861	900	883	-16	3	-1,8	0,3
Not economically active	746	772	799	843	866	24	120	2,8	16,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,8	30,2	30,2	31,8	31,2	-0,6	0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,9	55,0	54,5	52,6	52,7	0,1	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	79,3	78,7	78,1	77,1	76,6	-0,5	-2,7		
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 396	2 410	2 424	2 439	2 453	14	57	0,6	2,4
Labour Force	1 803	1 790	1 833	1 810	1 821	11	17	0,6	1,0
Employed	1 270	1 269	1 281	1 257	1 246	-11	-24	-0,9	-1,9
Unemployed	533	522	552	553	575	22	42	4,0	7,8
Not economically active	592	619	592	629	632	3	40	0,5	6,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,6	29,1	30,1	30,5	31,6	1,1	2,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,0	52,7	52,8	51,6	50,8	-0,8	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	75,3	74,3	75,6	74,2	74,2	0,0	-1,1		

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 metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 815	2 828	2 841	2 853	2 866	12	50	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	2 002	1 997	2 071	2 068	2 057	-11	55	-0,5	2,8
Employed	1 174	1 155	1 217	1 212	1 204	-8	30	-0,6	2,5
Unemployed	828	841	854	857	853	-3	25	-0,4	3,1
Not economically active	813	831	770	785	808	23	-5	3,0	-0,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,4	42,1	41,2	41,4	41,5	0,1	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,7	40,9	42,8	42,5	42,0	-0,5	0,3		
Labour force participation rate	71,1	70,6	72,9	72,5	71,8	-0,7	0,7		
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 634	3 649	3 663	3 678	3 692	14	57	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	2 119	2 145	2 197	2 209	2 261	53	142	2,4	6,7
Employed	1 349	1 414	1 358	1 390	1 452	62	103	4,5	7,6
Unemployed	770	731	839	819	810	-9	40	-1,2	5,2
Not economically active	1 515	1 504	1 466	1 469	1 430	-39	-85	-2,6	-5,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,3	34,1	38,2	37,1	35,8	-1,3	-0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,1	38,7	37,1	37,8	39,3	1,5	2,2		
Labour force participation rate	58,3	58,8	60,0	60,1	61,3	1,2	3,0		

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									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Agriculture	881	919	875	835	810	-25	-71	-3,0	-8,0
Mining	438	421	447	434	446	12	8	2,8	1,9
Manufacturing	1 683	1 727	1 790	1 799	1 749	-50	66	-2,8	3,9
Utilities	118	131	145	148	153	5	35	3,6	29,5
Construction	1 491	1 483	1 505	1 395	1 365	-30	-127	-2,2	-8,5
Trade	3 198	3 222	3 207	3 265	3 286	21	88	0,6	2,8
Transport	915	961	965	954	988	34	73	3,6	7,9
Finance	2 323	2 329	2 378	2 395	2 463	68	140	2,8	6,0
Community and social services	3 499	3 571	3 569	3 560	3 616	56	117	1,6	3,4
Private households	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	1 313	1	31	0,1	2,4
Other	5	5	11	3	3	0	-2	3,4	-44,9
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>3,7</b>
Agriculture	255	305	278	264	252	-12	-3	-4,6	-1,0
Mining	54	62	60	61	53	-8	-1	-12,8	-1,3
Manufacturing	562	554	627	603	597	-6	34	-1,0	6,1
Utilities	35	37	31	31	43	12	8	37,4	23,5
Construction	164	174	199	174	158	-16	-6	-9,1	-3,7
Trade	1 533	1 555	1 573	1 578	1 563	-15	30	-1,0	1,9
Transport	177	189	199	171	190	19	13	11,2	7,3
Finance	967	970	1 009	1 003	1 008	5	41	0,5	4,3
Community and social services	2 126	2 186	2 199	2 172	2 248	75	122	3,5	5,7
Private households	996	995	1 001	1 018	1 010	-8	14	-0,8	1,4
Other	4	5	7	3	3	0	-1	3,4	-25,4
<b>Men</b>	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Agriculture	627	614	597	571	558	-13	-68	-2,2	-10,9
Mining	384	359	387	373	393	20	9	5,3	2,3
Manufacturing	1 121	1 173	1 163	1 196	1 152	-44	31	-3,7	2,8
Utilities	83	95	114	116	110	-6	27	-5,4	32,0
Construction	1 327	1 309	1 306	1 221	1 206	-15	-121	-1,2	-9,1
Trade	1 664	1 668	1 634	1 686	1 722	36	58	2,1	3,5
Transport	738	772	766	783	798	15	60	1,9	8,1
Finance	1 356	1 359	1 369	1 392	1 455	63	99	4,5	7,3
Community and social services	1 373	1 385	1 370	1 388	1 369	-19	-5	-1,4	-0,3
Private households	285	304	319	294	303	9	17	3,0	6,1
Other	1		4						



Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-71</b>	<b>-3,0</b>	<b>-8,0</b>
Western Cape	196	250	215	180	159	-21	-37	-11,4	-19,0
Eastern Cape	100	88	87	90	86	-4	-14	-4,6	-14,5
Northern Cape	56	53	47	36	39	2	-17	6,7	-30,7
Free State	60	65	70	80	75	-4	16	-5,6	26,3
KwaZulu-Natal	141	146	141	123	121	-2	-19	-1,5	-13,8
North West	48	55	50	54	49	-4	1	-8,3	1,4
Gauteng	47	36	36	34	44	10	-3	28,8	-6,1
Mpumalanga	100	88	89	95	100	4	0	4,5	-0,1
Limpopo	134	139	140	144	138	-6	4	-4,1	2,9
<b>Mining</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>1,9</b>
Western Cape	3	4	4	3	5	2	2	70,8	48,4
Eastern Cape	1	0	0	1					
Northern Cape	14	24	28	33	33	-1	19	-1,9	139,1
Free State	28	17	17	15	17	3	-11	16,9	-37,6
KwaZulu-Natal	5	8	7	9	5	-4	-1	-49,2	-15,5
North West	141	128	132	132	137	5	-4	3,8	-2,8
Gauteng	107	77	92	86	91	5	-15	5,9	-14,2
Mpumalanga	59	53	55	54	51	-2	-7	-4,6	-12,3
Limpopo	80	109	112	101	107	6	27	5,8	33,3
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>1 683</b>	<b>1 727</b>	<b>1 790</b>	<b>1 799</b>	<b>1 749</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-2,8</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Western Cape	301	317	359	339	330	-9	29	-2,6	9,6
Eastern Cape	142	142	149	129	128	-1	-15	-0,7	-10,2
Northern Cape	15	15	12	7	9	2	-6	35,6	-39,1
Free State	60	59	68	69	55	-15	-5	-21,1	-9,1
KwaZulu-Natal	317	306	295	295	330	35	13	11,9	4,2
North West	72	66	74	77	78	1	6	0,7	7,7
Gauteng	605	643	646	666	624	-42	19	-6,3	3,1
Mpumalanga	95	100	104	112	112	0	17	0,2	18,1
Limpopo	76	80	82	106	84	-23	8	-21,2	10,7

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.

<b>Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)</b>									
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Utilities</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>29,5</b>
Western Cape	7	6	8	17	16	0	9	-2,2	125,3
Eastern Cape	6	8	8	6	9	2	3	37,1	48,3
Northern Cape	1	1	3	2	5	3	4	129,8	467,5
Free State	10	10	12	11	11	0	1	-3,7	9,5
KwaZulu-Natal	2	6	14	10	18	7	16	74,1	914,5
North West	11	6	1	5	5	0	-6	-4,6	-56,0
Gauteng	33	32	35	40	42	2	9	4,7	25,8
Mpumalanga	32	41	41	42	35	-7	3	-15,6	9,1
Limpopo	16	21	23	14	13	-2	-3	-11,7	-21,5
<b>Construction</b>	<b>1 491</b>	<b>1 483</b>	<b>1 505</b>	<b>1 395</b>	<b>1 365</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>-127</b>	<b>-2,2</b>	<b>-8,5</b>
Western Cape	242	237	228	229	231	2	-11	1,0	-4,5
Eastern Cape	180	185	168	139	157	17	-23	12,5	-13,0
Northern Cape	31	22	26	24	21	-4	-10	-15,0	-32,1
Free State	55	54	56	61	73	12	18	19,9	33,2
KwaZulu-Natal	203	228	228	235	199	-36	-4	-15,3	-1,8
North West	79	72	87	84	71	-13	-9	-15,6	-10,9
Gauteng	405	402	452	387	340	-48	-65	-12,3	-16,1
Mpumalanga	130	113	112	105	118	13	-12	12,7	-8,9
Limpopo	167	170	150	131	156	25	-12	19,1	-7,0
<b>Trade</b>	<b>3 198</b>	<b>3 222</b>	<b>3 207</b>	<b>3 265</b>	<b>3 286</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Western Cape	450	426	432	455	481	26	32	5,8	7,1
Eastern Cape	312	323	324	339	312	-27	0	-8,1	0,0
Northern Cape	46	44	44	54	45	-9	-1	-16,0	-1,3
Free State	176	193	175	165	178	13	2	8,0	0,9
KwaZulu-Natal	540	525	518	543	490	-52	-49	-9,6	-9,1
North West	147	198	179	197	200	3	53	1,4	36,1
Gauteng	1 017	994	1 008	963	990	27	-26	2,8	-2,6
Mpumalanga	230	219	227	255	254	0	24	-0,2	10,7
Limpopo	281	299	301	295	335	40	53	13,6	18,9

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<b>Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)</b>									
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Transport</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>965</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>7,9</b>
Western Cape	120	146	148	137	150	13	30	9,1	24,7
Eastern Cape	72	80	76	74	67	-7	-6	-9,2	-7,7
Northern Cape	15	15	12	11	9	-3	-6	-23,6	-39,9
Free State	38	36	43	44	51	7	13	16,2	32,8
KwaZulu-Natal	179	160	155	170	182	13	3	7,4	1,9
North West	27	37	38	31	35	4	8	11,6	29,1
Gauteng	359	378	384	374	383	9	24	2,3	6,6
Mpumalanga	53	58	69	55	57	2	4	4,1	7,3
Limpopo	52	52	40	59	55	-3	3	-5,5	5,6
<b>Finance</b>	<b>2 323</b>	<b>2 329</b>	<b>2 378</b>	<b>2 395</b>	<b>2 463</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>6,0</b>
Western Cape	381	366	379	417	424	7	43	1,7	11,3
Eastern Cape	134	149	162	166	169	3	35	1,5	25,9
Northern Cape	18	16	17	18	22	4	5	22,7	26,2
Free State	63	53	54	59	75	16	12	26,8	18,9
KwaZulu-Natal	295	303	332	346	320	-26	26	-7,4	8,7
North West	85	79	87	99	102	2	16	2,5	19,1
Gauteng	1 115	1 123	1 094	1 047	1 070	23	-45	2,2	-4,1
Mpumalanga	122	120	145	140	148	9	26	6,3	21,6
Limpopo	109	119	109	103	132	29	23	28,3	21,0
<b>Community and social services</b>	<b>3 499</b>	<b>3 571</b>	<b>3 569</b>	<b>3 560</b>	<b>3 616</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,4</b>
Western Cape	457	469	474	477	446	-31	-11	-6,5	-2,5
Eastern Cape	381	364	363	369	376	7	-5	1,9	-1,4
Northern Cape	89	85	86	81	97	16	8	19,4	9,2
Free State	193	181	190	176	198	22	5	12,2	2,6
KwaZulu-Natal	579	611	608	620	633	14	54	2,2	9,4
North West	209	233	242	210	230	20	21	9,5	9,9
Gauteng	1 014	1 069	1 055	1 064	1 091	27	76	2,5	7,5
Mpumalanga	260	262	265	245	227	-18	-33	-7,4	-12,9
Limpopo	316	298	285	318	319	0	3	0,1	0,9

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (concluded)									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Private households</b>	<b>1 281</b>	<b>1 299</b>	<b>1 319</b>	<b>1 311</b>	<b>1 313</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>2,4</b>
Western Cape	157	162	159	150	157	7	0	4,6	0,0
Eastern Cape	113	107	105	103	119	16	6	15,5	4,9
Northern Cape	26	23	24	25	28	3	2	13,4	8,3
Free State	97	89	82	96	88	-8	-9	-8,5	-9,5
KwaZulu-Natal	236	249	256	233	237	5	1	2,0	0,5
North West	80	85	86	89	78	-12	-2	-13,1	-2,5
Gauteng	362	356	381	387	391	4	29	1,0	8,0
Mpumalanga	93	101	110	109	100	-9	7	-8,2	7,6
Limpopo	117	126	116	119	114	-5	-3	-4,0	-2,3

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<b>Table 3.3: Employed by sector and industry – South Africa</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Total employed</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
<b>Formal and informal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>13 670</b>	<b>13 851</b>	<b>14 018</b>	<b>13 953</b>	<b>14 069</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Mining	438	421	447	434	446	12	8	2,8	1,9
Manufacturing	1 683	1 727	1 790	1 799	1 749	-50	66	-2,8	3,9
Utilities	118	131	145	148	153	5	35	3,6	29,5
Construction	1 491	1 483	1 505	1 395	1 365	-30	-127	-2,2	-8,5
Trade	3 198	3 222	3 207	3 265	3 286	21	88	0,6	2,8
Transport	915	961	965	954	988	34	73	3,6	7,9
Finance	2 323	2 329	2 378	2 395	2 463	68	140	2,8	6,0
Community and social services	3 499	3 571	3 569	3 560	3 616	56	117	1,6	3,4
Other	5	5	11	3	3	0	-2	3,4	-44,9
<b>Formal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>11 029</b>	<b>11 156</b>	<b>11 337</b>	<b>11 193</b>	<b>11 379</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Mining	434	415	441	426	440	14	6	3,2	1,4
Manufacturing	1 497	1 512	1 590	1 562	1 535	-27	38	-1,7	2,5
Utilities	113	125	139	142	150	8	37	5,5	32,8
Construction	1 016	1 004	1 050	965	951	-14	-65	-1,5	-6,4
Trade	2 127	2 131	2 107	2 126	2 169	43	41	2,0	1,9
Transport	661	708	714	696	715	20	55	2,8	8,3
Finance	2 099	2 132	2 163	2 182	2 248	66	148	3,0	7,1
Community and social services	3 076	3 124	3 123	3 091	3 169	78	92	2,5	3,0
Other	5	5	11	3	3	0	-2	3,4	-44,9
<b>Informal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>2 641</b>	<b>2 695</b>	<b>2 681</b>	<b>2 761</b>	<b>2 689</b>	<b>-71</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>-2,6</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Mining	4	6	6	8	6	-2	2	-22,6	50,2
Manufacturing	186	215	200	237	214	-23	28	-9,7	15,1
Utilities	5	7	6	6	3	-2	-2	-43,4	-39,9
Construction	475	479	456	430	414	-16	-62	-3,8	-13,0
Trade	1 070	1 091	1 101	1 139	1 117	-22	47	-2,0	4,4
Transport	255	253	251	258	273	14	18	5,5	7,0
Finance	224	196	215	213	215	2	-8	1,0	-3,6
Community and social services	422	447	446	469	447	-22	25	-4,7	5,9
Other									
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-71</b>	<b>-3,0</b>	<b>-8,0</b>
<b>Private households</b>	<b>1 281</b>	<b>1 299</b>	<b>1 319</b>	<b>1 311</b>	<b>1 313</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>2,4</b>

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<b>Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector</b>									
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 029	11 156	11 337	11 193	11 379	187	350	1,7	3,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 641	2 695	2 681	2 761	2 689	-71	48	-2,6	1,8
Agriculture	881	919	875	835	810	-25	-71	-3,0	-8,0
Private households	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	1 313	1	31	0,1	2,4
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>2 315</b>	<b>2 386</b>	<b>2 406</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>2 399</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 727	1 729	1 763	1 815	1 839	24	112	1,3	6,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	235	244	270	258	244	-14	9	-5,4	4,0
Agriculture	196	250	215	180	159	-21	-37	-11,4	-19,0
Private households	157	162	159	150	157	7	0	4,6	0,0
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-2,0</b>	<b>0,9</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	515	522	546	565	566	1	51	0,2	9,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	82	79	87	86	68	-18	-14	-20,9	-17,0
Agriculture	184	239	202	163	145	-18	-38	-10,8	-20,9
Private households	65	63	60	57	75	17	9	30,6	14,2
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>1 469</b>	<b>1 482</b>	<b>1 511</b>	<b>1 531</b>	<b>1 545</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 212	1 207	1 217	1 249	1 273	23	61	1,9	5,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	152	165	183	172	176	4	23	2,4	15,4
Agriculture	12	11	13	17	14	-3	1	-17,3	9,7
Private households	92	99	99	93	83	-11	-9	-11,3	-10,0
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1 443</b>	<b>1 447</b>	<b>1 442</b>	<b>1 416</b>	<b>1 421</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>-1,5</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	896	905	923	906	904	-2	8	-0,2	0,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	333	346	327	317	312	-5	-21	-1,5	-6,2
Agriculture	100	88	87	90	86	-4	-14	-4,6	-14,5
Private households	113	107	105	103	119	16	6	15,5	4,9

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>-5,2</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	466	454	467	468	468	1	3	0,2	0,6
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	239	245	225	211	213	3	-26	1,3	-10,8
Agriculture	90	79	80	81	74	-7	-16	-8,5	-17,9
Private households	67	64	53	58	62	4	-6	6,0	-8,4
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-2,7</b>	<b>2,4</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	173	170	179	168	172	4	-1	2,2	-0,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	42	47	55	63	50	-13	8	-21,2	19,8
Agriculture	5	2	3	7	7	0	2	5,6	37,6
Private households	19	19	20	14	16	2	-3	18,0	-15,5
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson mandela bay</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>5,1</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	257	281	277	270	264	-6	7	-2,4	2,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	52	54	47	43	49	6	-3	14,1	-5,8
Agriculture	5	7	4	2	5	2	0	114,6	-4,0
Private households	27	25	31	31	41	10	14	32,2	53,1
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>5,2</b>	<b>-0,4</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	189	186	197	192	208	15	19	7,9	10,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	38	37	30	39	33	-6	-5	-14,6	-13,4
Agriculture	56	53	47	36	39	2	-17	6,7	-30,7
Private households	26	23	24	25	28	3	2	13,4	8,3
<b>Free State</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5,8</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	478	460	458	463	497	34	19	7,4	4,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	146	143	156	138	161	23	15	17,0	10,4
Agriculture	60	65	70	80	75	-4	16	-5,6	26,3
Private households	97	89	82	96	88	-8	-9	-8,5	-9,5

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>3,4</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	317	301	300	297	311	14	-6	4,6	-1,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	96	90	108	93	113	20	18	21,6	18,6
Agriculture	59	64	69	78	72	-6	14	-7,6	23,4
Private households	67	69	57	62	60	-3	-8	-4,8	-11,3
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>8,1</b>	<b>9,3</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	161	159	158	166	186	20	25	12,3	15,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	50	53	48	45	48	3	-3	7,2	-5,1
Agriculture	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	104,5	202,6
Private households	30	20	25	34	29	-5	-2	-15,3	-5,6
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>2 496</b>	<b>2 541</b>	<b>2 555</b>	<b>2 583</b>	<b>2 536</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-1,8</b>	<b>1,6</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 676	1 703	1 730	1 785	1 762	-23	86	-1,3	5,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	443	444	428	442	415	-27	-28	-6,1	-6,3
Agriculture	141	146	141	123	121	-2	-19	-1,5	-13,8
Private households	236	249	256	233	237	5	1	2,0	0,5
<b>KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro</b>	<b>1 355</b>	<b>1 384</b>	<b>1 377</b>	<b>1 399</b>	<b>1 379</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-1,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	819	841	838	876	869	-8	50	-0,9	6,1
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	282	281	271	281	270	-11	-12	-4,0	-4,2
Agriculture	137	139	136	119	119	-1	-18	-0,7	-13,3
Private households	117	123	132	122	122	0	5	-0,1	4,3
<b>KwaZulu-Natal – eThekweni</b>	<b>1 141</b>	<b>1 157</b>	<b>1 178</b>	<b>1 184</b>	<b>1 157</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-2,3</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	857	862	891	909	894	-15	37	-1,7	4,3
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	161	164	157	161	145	-15	-16	-9,6	-10,0
Agriculture	4	6	5	4	3	-1	-1	-28,1	-29,6
Private households	119	126	124	111	115	5	-4	4,2	-3,3

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>North West</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>9,3</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	636	680	696	680	695	15	58	2,2	9,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	135	139	144	156	162	6	26	4,0	19,5
Agriculture	48	55	50	54	49	-4	1	-8,3	1,4
Private households	80	85	86	89	78	-12	-2	-13,1	-2,5
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>5 068</b>	<b>5 111</b>	<b>5 193</b>	<b>5 050</b>	<b>5 068</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>0,0</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3 954	4 008	4 056	3 897	4 001	104	47	2,7	1,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	705	712	720	732	632	-100	-73	-13,7	-10,4
Agriculture	47	36	36	34	44	10	-3	28,8	-6,1
Private households	362	356	381	387	391	4	29	1,0	8,0
<b>Gauteng – Non-metro</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>0,0</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	453	435	452	436	449	13	-4	3,0	-0,9
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	86	93	103	104	73	-31	-13	-29,9	-14,9
Agriculture	18	14	16	12	16	4	-2	29,6	-11,9
Private households	41	41	53	48	60	12	19	24,7	46,0
<b>Gauteng – Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>1 222</b>	<b>1 264</b>	<b>1 296</b>	<b>1 259</b>	<b>1 274</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>4,2</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	958	997	1 005	977	1 018	40	60	4,1	6,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	168	179	189	187	161	-26	-7	-13,9	-4,1
Agriculture	14	8	8	8	13	4	-1	50,1	-10,0
Private households	82	80	94	87	83	-4	0	-4,6	0,3
<b>Gauteng – City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1 978</b>	<b>1 995</b>	<b>1 992</b>	<b>1 934</b>	<b>1 950</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>-1,4</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 528	1 544	1 545	1 485	1 519	34	-9	2,3	-0,6
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	306	311	308	300	276	-24	-30	-8,1	-9,9
Agriculture	7	5	5	6	8	2	1	24,3	13,9
Private households	137	135	134	143	148	5	11	3,7	8,0

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<b>Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (concluded)</b>									
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Gauteng – City of Tshwane</b>	<b>1 270</b>	<b>1 269</b>	<b>1 281</b>	<b>1 257</b>	<b>1 246</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>-0,9</b>	<b>-1,9</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 015	1 032	1 054	1 000	1 016	16	1	1,6	0,1
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	146	128	121	141	122	-19	-23	-13,4	-16,1
Agriculture	8	8	7	7	7	0	0	6,2	-3,8
Private households	101	100	100	109	100	-9	-1	-8,3	-1,0
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>1 174</b>	<b>1 155</b>	<b>1 217</b>	<b>1 212</b>	<b>1 204</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>2,5</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	734	715	761	714	699	-15	-35	-2,1	-4,7
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	248	251	256	293	305	12	57	4,0	23,2
Agriculture	100	88	89	95	100	4	0	4,5	-0,1
Private households	93	101	110	109	100	-9	7	-8,2	7,6
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>1 349</b>	<b>1 414</b>	<b>1 358</b>	<b>1 390</b>	<b>1 452</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>7,6</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	740	771	753	741	775	34	35	4,5	4,7
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	358	378	349	386	425	39	67	10,1	18,6
Agriculture	134	139	140	144	138	-6	4	-4,1	2,9
Private households	117	126	116	119	114	-5	-3	-4,0	-2,3

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<b>Table 3.5: Employed by sex and occupation – South Africa</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Manager	1 352	1 420	1 448	1 469	1 398	-71	46	-4,8	3,4
Professional	835	892	895	897	959	62	125	6,9	15,0
Technician	1 465	1 479	1 435	1 457	1 450	-7	-15	-0,5	-1,0
Clerk	1 651	1 681	1 751	1 746	1 783	37	133	2,1	8,0
Sales and services	2 474	2 484	2 478	2 447	2 571	124	97	5,1	3,9
Skilled agriculture	72	66	69	58	69	11	-3	18,2	-4,3
Craft and related trade	1 947	1 977	2 018	1 969	1 921	-48	-26	-2,5	-1,3
Plant and machine operator	1 312	1 319	1 332	1 283	1 321	38	9	3,0	0,6
Elementary	3 700	3 758	3 778	3 726	3 670	-56	-31	-1,5	-0,8
Domestic worker	1 026	993	1 007	1 041	1 045	3	19	0,3	1,8
			2	6	5	-1		-13,9	
<b>Women</b>									
Manager	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>3,7</b>
Professional	426	452	497	459	445	-14	19	-3,0	4,5
Technician	440	439	455	446	471	24	30	5,4	6,8
Clerk	815	821	790	784	773	-11	-41	-1,4	-5,1
Sales and services	1 176	1 195	1 264	1 269	1 270	1	94	0,0	8,0
Skilled agriculture	1 173	1 213	1 232	1 161	1 236	74	62	6,4	5,3
Craft and related trade	15	13	10	11	17	6	2	49,8	13,6
Plant and machine operator	206	199	202	198	199	1	-7	0,7	-3,4
Elementary	172	159	181	149	167	17	-5	11,7	-3,1
Domestic worker	1 480	1 574	1 582	1 603	1 554	-49	74	-3,0	5,0
	970	966	969	996	992	-3	23	-0,3	2,3
<b>Men</b>			1	1	1	0		-2,2	
Manager									
Professional	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Technician	926	968	951	1 010	953	-57	27	-5,7	2,9
Clerk	394	453	440	451	489	38	95	8,4	24,0
Sales and services	651	658	645	673	677	4	26	0,6	4,0
Skilled agriculture	475	486	487	477	513	36	38	7,6	8,0
Craft and related trade	1 300	1 271	1 246	1 286	1 336	50	35	3,9	2,7
Plant and machine operator	57	53	59	47	52	5	-5	10,8	-8,8
Elementary	1 740	1 778	1 815	1 772	1 722	-50	-19	-2,8	-1,1
Domestic worker	1 140	1 159	1 151	1 133	1 154	21	14	1,8	1,2

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Table 3.6: Employed by sex and status in employment – South Africa									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Employee	13 512	13 645	13 758	13 613	13 949	336	437	2,5	3,2
Employer	822	861	904	893	761	-132	-61	-14,8	-7,4
Own-account worker	1 431	1 472	1 472	1 506	1 399	-107	-32	-7,1	-2,2
Unpaid household member	68	91	78	87	82	-5	14	-6,0	20,8
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>3,7</b>
Employee	6 043	6 168	6 276	6 169	6 270	102	227	1,6	3,8
Employer	169	163	198	192	152	-40	-17	-20,7	-10,0
Own-account worker	615	649	654	664	652	-13	37	-1,9	6,0
Unpaid household member	46	52	54	53	51	-3	5	-4,8	9,9
<b>Men</b>	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Employee	7 469	7 477	7 481	7 444	7 679	234	210	3,1	2,8
Employer	653	698	706	702	609	-92	-44	-13,2	-6,7
Own-account worker	816	823	818	842	748	-94	-69	-11,2	-8,4
Unpaid household member	22	39	24	34	31	-3	10	-8,0	44,1

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Table 3.7: Employed by sex and usual hours of work – South Africa									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	333	339	359	309	326	17	-7	5,5	-2,1
Working 15-29 hours per week	1 088	1 073	1 109	1 156	1 104	-52	16	-4,5	1,5
Working 30-39 hours per week	1 119	1 159	1 120	1 061	1 079	18	-40	1,7	-3,6
Working 40-45 hours per week	8 534	8 620	8 863	8 783	8 968	185	435	2,1	5,1
Working more than 45 hours per week	4 757	4 878	4 762	4 791	4 714	-77	-43	-1,6	-0,9
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>3,7</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	192	215	195	179	189	10	-3	5,5	-1,6
Working 15-29 hours per week	709	724	730	754	710	-44	1	-5,8	0,1
Working 30-39 hours per week	690	689	707	641	671	30	-19	4,7	-2,7
Working 40-45 hours per week	3 700	3 784	3 918	3 879	3 934	55	235	1,4	6,3
Working more than 45 hours per week	1 582	1 620	1 633	1 625	1 620	-5	38	-0,3	2,4
<b>Men</b>	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	141	124	164	130	137	7	-4	5,5	-2,8
Working 15-29 hours per week	380	349	379	402	395	-8	15	-2,0	3,9
Working 30-39 hours per week	429	470	413	420	408	-12	-22	-2,9	-5,0
Working 40-45 hours per week	4 834	4 836	4 945	4 904	5 034	131	200	2,7	4,1
Working more than 45 hours per week	3 175	3 257	3 129	3 166	3 094	-72	-81	-2,3	-2,6

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Pension/retirement fund contribution</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	6 316	6 484	6 620	6 567	6 675	109	359	1,7	5,7
No	6 953	6 890	6 852	6 760	7 048	288	95	4,3	1,4
Don't know	243	270	285	286	225	-60	-17	-21,1	-7,2
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	2 679	2 793	2 844	2 783	2 834	51	155	1,8	5,8
No	3 268	3 274	3 320	3 275	3 351	76	83	2,3	2,5
Don't know	96	101	112	111	85	-25	-10	-22,8	-10,8
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	3 637	3 691	3 776	3 784	3 841	57	204	1,5	5,6
No	3 685	3 617	3 532	3 485	3 697	212	12	6,1	0,3
Don't know	147	169	173	175	140	-35	-7	-20,0	-4,8
<b>Entitled to any paid leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	8 811	8 966	9 186	9 092	9 388	295	577	3,2	6,5
No	4 566	4 545	4 392	4 361	4 444	83	-122	1,9	-2,7
Don't know	135	134	179	159	117	-42	-18	-26,4	-13,3
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	3 871	3 939	4 084	3 995	4 126	131	255	3,3	6,6
No	2 126	2 177	2 125	2 106	2 104	-3	-23	-0,1	-1,1
Don't know	46	52	68	67	41	-27	-5	-39,4	-11,2
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	4 940	5 027	5 102	5 097	5 262	165	321	3,2	6,5
No	2 439	2 367	2 267	2 255	2 340	85	-99	3,8	-4,1
Don't know	89	82	112	92	77	-16	-13	-16,9	-14,3

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Entitled to paid sick leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	9 408	9 573	9 796	9 761	9 918	157	509	1,6	5,4
No	4 104	4 071	3 962	3 852	4 031	179	-72	4,7	-1,8
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	4 144	4 247	4 391	4 306	4 377	71	233	1,7	5,6
No	1 899	1 921	1 886	1 863	1 894	30	-6	1,6	-0,3
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	5 265	5 326	5 405	5 455	5 541	86	276	1,6	5,2
No	2 204	2 151	2 077	1 989	2 138	149	-67	7,5	-3,0
<b>Entitled to maternity/paternity leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	7 501	7 764	7 995	7 984	8 130	146	629	1,8	8,4
No	6 011	5 880	5 763	5 629	5 819	190	-192	3,4	-3,2
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	3 456	3 571	3 736	3 654	3 724	70	267	1,9	7,7
No	2 587	2 597	2 540	2 515	2 547	32	-40	1,3	-1,5
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	4 045	4 193	4 259	4 330	4 407	76	362	1,8	8,9
No	3 424	3 284	3 222	3 114	3 272	158	-152	5,1	-4,4

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<b>Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>UIF contribution</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	8 203	8 137	8 297	8 241	8 276	35	73	0,4	0,9
No	5 072	5 270	5 206	5 093	5 426	334	355	6,6	7,0
Don't know	237	238	254	279	246	-33	9	-11,7	4,0
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	3 423	3 391	3 549	3 447	3 394	-53	-29	-1,5	-0,9
No	2 514	2 673	2 612	2 587	2 770	182	256	7,1	10,2
Don't know	106	104	115	135	107	-28	0	-20,9	0,4
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	4 780	4 746	4 748	4 794	4 882	88	102	1,8	2,1
No	2 558	2 597	2 594	2 505	2 656	151	98	6,0	3,8
Don't know	131	134	139	144	140	-4	9	-3,0	6,9
<b>Medical aid benefits</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	3 954	4 077	4 149	4 115	4 196	80	242	2,0	6,1
No	9 410	9 436	9 465	9 342	9 592	250	182	2,7	1,9
Don't know	148	131	144	155	161	6	13	3,6	8,7
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	1 763	1 795	1 827	1 788	1 837	49	74	2,7	4,2
No	4 227	4 319	4 392	4 321	4 373	52	146	1,2	3,4
Don't know	52	54	57	60	60	1	8	1,0	15,1
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	2 190	2 282	2 322	2 327	2 358	32	168	1,4	7,7
No	5 183	5 117	5 073	5 022	5 220	198	36	3,9	0,7
Don't know	96	77	86	96	101	5	5	5,2	5,2

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<b>Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Income tax (PAYE/SITE) deduction</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	7 218	7 415	7 557	7 558	7 679	122	461	1,6	6,4
No	6 024	5 989	5 938	5 766	5 996	230	-28	4,0	-0,5
Don't know	270	240	263	289	274	-16	4	-5,4	1,5
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	3 049	3 181	3 248	3 215	3 273	58	224	1,8	7,3
No	2 888	2 905	2 922	2 854	2 900	46	11	1,6	0,4
Don't know	105	82	107	100	98	-2	-8	-2,4	-7,4
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	4 169	4 234	4 309	4 343	4 406	63	237	1,5	5,7
No	3 136	3 084	3 015	2 912	3 097	185	-39	6,3	-1,3
Don't know	164	159	157	189	176	-13	12	-7,0	7,2
<b>Conditions of employment</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Written contract	10 807	10 873	11 031	11 001	11 171	170	364	1,5	3,4
Verbal agreement	2 705	2 771	2 727	2 611	2 778	166	73	6,4	2,7
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Written contract	4 865	4 932	5 060	4 984	5 045	61	180	1,2	3,7
Verbal agreement	1 178	1 236	1 217	1 185	1 225	41	47	3,4	4,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Written contract	5 943	5 941	5 971	6 017	6 126	109	184	1,8	3,1
Verbal agreement	1 526	1 536	1 510	1 427	1 552	126	26	8,8	1,7

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Nature of contract/agreement</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Limited duration	1 928	1 890	1 857	1 786	1 856	70	-72	3,9	-3,7
Permanent nature	8 274	8 359	8 493	8 427	8 570	143	296	1,7	3,6
Unspecified duration	3 310	3 396	3 408	3 400	3 523	123	213	3,6	6,4
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Limited duration	953	993	950	919	904	-15	-49	-1,6	-5,1
Permanent nature	3 628	3 645	3 766	3 673	3 749	76	121	2,1	3,3
Unspecified duration	1 462	1 530	1 560	1 577	1 617	40	155	2,5	10,6
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Limited duration	976	897	906	867	952	85	-24	9,8	-2,5
Permanent nature	4 646	4 714	4 726	4 754	4 821	67	175	1,4	3,8
Unspecified duration	1 848	1 866	1 849	1 823	1 905	82	57	4,5	3,1
<b>Trade union membership</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Yes	3 781	3 849	3 947	3 933	3 993	60	212	1,5	5,6
No	9 373	9 437	9 370	9 238	9 560	322	187	3,5	2,0
Don't know	358	359	441	442	397	-45	39	-10,2	10,9
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Yes	1 617	1 665	1 680	1 646	1 668	22	51	1,3	3,2
No	4 289	4 377	4 413	4 351	4 464	113	175	2,6	4,1
Don't know	137	126	183	172	138	-34	1	-19,8	0,7
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Yes	2 164	2 184	2 267	2 287	2 324	37	160	1,6	7,4
No	5 084	5 060	4 957	4 887	5 095	208	11	4,3	0,2
Don't know	220	234	258	270	259	-11	39	-4,1	17,7

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<b>Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (concluded)</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on-year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>How annual salary increment is negotiated</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>
Individual and employer	1 094	1 036	1 128	1 069	1 149	80	55	7,5	5,0
Union and employer	2 946	2 969	3 110	3 002	3 097	95	151	3,2	5,1
Bargaining council	1 076	1 086	1 028	1 087	1 128	41	52	3,8	4,8
Employer only	7 595	7 676	7 578	7 593	7 674	81	79	1,1	1,0
No regular increment	736	798	798	748	786	38	50	5,1	6,8
Other	64	80	115	113	116	3	52	2,7	81,3
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Individual and employer	468	454	490	471	498	27	30	5,7	6,4
Union and employer	1 193	1 238	1 314	1 228	1 257	29	64	2,4	5,4
Bargaining council	538	533	493	528	554	26	16	4,9	3,0
Employer only	3 450	3 504	3 536	3 565	3 550	-15	100	-0,4	2,9
No regular increment	368	403	395	341	369	28	1	8,2	0,3
Other	25	36	49	37	43	6	18	16,2	72,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Individual and employer	625	582	638	598	651	53	26	8,9	4,2
Union and employer	1 753	1 731	1 796	1 774	1 839	65	86	3,7	4,9
Bargaining council	538	553	535	559	574	15	36	2,7	6,7
Employer only	4 146	4 172	4 042	4 029	4 124	95	-22	2,4	-0,5
No regular increment	368	395	403	408	417	9	49	2,2	13,3
Other	39	44	66	76	73	-3	34	-3,9	87,2

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

	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>-4,6</b>
Women	431	432	458	427	418	-9	-13	-2,0	-3,0
Men	318	292	298	299	296	-2	-22	-0,7	-6,8
<b>As Per centage of the labour force (both sexes)</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-0,3</b>		
Women	4,4	4,4	4,5	4,2	4,1	-0,1	-0,3		
Men	2,7	2,4	2,4	2,4	2,4	0,0	-0,3		
<b>As Per centage of total employment (both sexes)</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>4,4</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-0,3</b>		
Women	6,3	6,1	6,4	6,0	5,9	-0,1	-0,4		
Men	3,5	3,2	3,3	3,3	3,3	0,0	-0,2		
<b>Industry</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>-4,6</b>
Agriculture	34	26	18	25	14	-10	-20	-42,0	-57,9
Mining	1	1	1	1	1	-1	0	-55,3	-24,6
Manufacturing	35	23	24	27	39	12	4	42,1	11,9
Utilities	1	2							
Construction	79	81	70	64	74	10	-5	15,5	-6,3
Trade	126	127	136	113	108	-5	-18	-4,3	-14,0
Transport	21	23	14	13	19	6	-2	42,3	-9,7
Finance	48	52	53	42	49	7	1	16,8	2,7
Community and social services	178	157	168	181	165	-16	-13	-9,0	-7,4
Private households	227	232	273	258	245	-13	19	-4,9	8,3
<b>Occupation</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>-4,6</b>
Manager	11	20	12	16	13	-2	2	-16,0	20,3
Professional	5	9	10	7	11	4	6	62,7	113,8
Technician	30	40	24	33	30	-3	0	-9,8	-1,1
Clerk	22	14	13	14	22	8	0	61,4	-0,6
Sales and services	90	83	72	79	76	-3	-13	-3,8	-14,8
Skilled agriculture	1		1	2	2	0	1	7,0	66,4
Craft and related trade	79	64	61	71	79	8	0	11,8	0,2
Plant and machine operator	20	22	17	15	19	3	-1	21,0	-5,6
Elementary	321	307	366	310	293	-17	-27	-5,4	-8,5
Domestic worker	170	166	179	178	168	-10	-2	-5,4	-1,0

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<b>Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>5,873</b>	<b>5,781</b>	<b>6,214</b>	<b>6,177</b>	<b>6,210</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>5,7</b>
Job losers	1,857	1,839	2,038	1,953	2,023	70	166	3,6	9,0
Job leavers	315	368	365	346	338	-8	23	-2,3	7,4
New entrants	2,331	2,164	2,345	2,407	2,321	-86	-10	-3,6	-0,4
Re-entrants	323	293	300	312	321	9	-2	2,8	-0,6
Other	1,047	1,118	1,166	1,158	1,207	49	160	4,2	15,2
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>5,7</b>
Long-term unemployment (1 year and more)	3 904	3 943	4 088	4 153	4 181	27	277	0,7	7,1
Short-term unemployment (less than 1 year)	1 969	1 838	2 126	2 023	2 029	6	60	0,3	3,1
<b>Long-term unemployment (%)</b>									
Proportion of the labour force	18,0	18,0	18,2	18,6	18,7	0,1	0,7		
Proportion of the unemployed	66,5	68,2	65,8	67,2	67,3	0,1	0,8		
<b>Those who have worked in the past 5 years</b>									
<b>Previous occupation</b>	<b>2 495</b>	<b>2 499</b>	<b>2 703</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>2 683</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>7,5</b>
Manager	60	61	61	62	74	12	14	18,9	23,9
Professional	45	41	58	53	57	4	12	8,3	27,9
Technician	147	134	155	141	146	5	-1	3,8	-0,6
Clerk	271	297	296	277	276	-1	5	-0,4	2,0
Sales and services	391	378	399	421	421	0	29	0,0	7,5
Skilled agriculture	10	4	7	8	4	-3	-6	-45,1	-58,8
Craft and related trade	410	420	441	451	468	17	59	3,8	14,3
Plant and machine operator	202	199	203	184	189	5	-13	2,7	-6,4
Elementary	776	767	891	810	849	39	73	4,9	9,4
Domestic worker	182	198	191	204	195	-9	13	-4,5	7,2

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Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa (concluded)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Previous industry</b>	<b>2 495</b>	<b>2 499</b>	<b>2 703</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>2 683</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>7,5</b>
Agriculture	152	123	178	139	140	1	-12	0,8	-7,8
Mining	66	54	56	54	55	1	-10	1,7	-16,0
Manufacturing	284	286	307	281	297	16	13	5,8	4,6
Utilities	9	14	14	14	17	4	8	25,7	86,0
Construction	410	429	449	444	467	23	57	5,1	13,8
Trade	559	522	594	560	572	12	13	2,2	2,3
Transport	122	128	149	158	120	-38	-2	-23,9	-1,9
Finance	348	346	353	339	366	26	18	7,8	5,2
Community and social services	308	348	349	367	390	22	82	6,1	26,6
Private households	238	249	255	257	259	2	20	0,7	8,6
Other		0	1		1				

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<b>Table 5: Characteristics of the not economically active – South Africa</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-0,5</b>
Student	6 278	6 232	6 029	6 140	6 245	105	-34	1,7	-0,5
Homemaker	2 650	2 715	2 517	2 689	2 545	-144	-105	-5,4	-4,0
Illness/disability	1 647	1 611	1 621	1 572	1 586	14	-61	0,9	-3,7
Too old/young to work	1 390	1 412	1 339	1 380	1 394	14	4	1,0	0,3
Discouraged work-seekers	2 291	2 292	2 277	2 361	2 436	75	145	3,2	6,3
Other	788	793	850	799	767	-33	-22	-4,1	-2,7
<b>Inactivity rate by age (both sexes)</b>	<b>40,9</b>	<b>40,8</b>	<b>39,5</b>	<b>40,1</b>	<b>40,1</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>-0,8</b>		
15–24 yrs	73,2	73,7	72,1	73,1	73,2	0,1	0,0		
25–54 yrs	23,8	23,6	22,6	23,1	23,1	0,0	-0,7		
55–64 yrs	56,7	56,0	53,8	55,3	54,1	-1,2	-2,6		
<b>Inactivity rate by age (women)</b>	<b>47,7</b>	<b>47,1</b>	<b>45,4</b>	<b>46,4</b>	<b>46,3</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-1,4</b>		
15–24 yrs	76,6	76,0	74,3	75,6	75,9	0,3	-0,7		
25–54 yrs	31,7	31,3	29,8	30,5	30,5	0,0	-1,2		
55–64 yrs	65,2	63,5	61,6	63,8	62,6	-1,2	-2,6		
<b>Inactivity rate by age (men)</b>	<b>34,0</b>	<b>34,3</b>	<b>33,4</b>	<b>33,7</b>	<b>33,6</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-0,4</b>		
15–24 yrs	69,8	71,3	69,9	70,5	70,5	0,0	0,7		
25–54 yrs	15,9	15,8	15,3	15,6	15,8	0,2	-0,1		
55–64 yrs	46,4	46,8	44,3	44,9	43,8	-1,1	-2,6		

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Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Age group of the employed</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
15–24 yrs	1 265	1 333	1 315	1 226	1 322	96	56	7,8	4,5
25–34 yrs	4 896	4 954	4 966	4 907	4 871	-37	-25	-0,7	-0,5
35–44 yrs	4 923	4 992	5 016	5 040	5 027	-13	105	-0,3	2,1
45–54 yrs	3 323	3 313	3 393	3 420	3 426	6	103	0,2	3,1
55–64 yrs	1 426	1 477	1 522	1 506	1 545	39	120	2,6	8,4
<b>Age group of the unemployed</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>5,7</b>
15–24 yrs	1 497	1 382	1 559	1 552	1 444	-109	-53	-7,0	-3,6
25–34 yrs	2 319	2 319	2 395	2 399	2 454	54	135	2,3	5,8
35–44 yrs	1 348	1 360	1 412	1 450	1 478	29	130	2,0	9,7
45–54 yrs	568	589	670	623	663	41	95	6,5	16,7
55–64 yrs	141	130	178	153	171	18	30	12,1	21,6
<b>Age group of the not economically active</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-0,5</b>
15–24 yrs	7 549	7 598	7 440	7 537	7 550	12	0	0,2	0,0
25–34 yrs	2 451	2 431	2 380	2 473	2 493	20	42	0,8	1,7
35–44 yrs	1 550	1 510	1 474	1 453	1 477	24	-73	1,7	-4,7
45–54 yrs	1 439	1 473	1 358	1 424	1 425	2	-13	0,1	-0,9
55–64 yrs	2 054	2 044	1 981	2 053	2 026	-27	-28	-1,3	-1,4
<b>Highest level of education of the employed</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
No schooling	327	334	334	341	337	-4	10	-1,1	2,9
Less than primary completed	1 136	1 097	1 106	1 063	1 082	19	-55	1,8	-4,8
Primary completed	682	657	605	592	594	3	-88	0,4	-12,8
Secondary not completed	5 439	5 495	5 458	5 333	5 353	20	-86	0,4	-1,6
Secondary completed	5 047	5 038	5 091	5 200	5 192	-8	145	-0,2	2,9
Tertiary	3 068	3 266	3 450	3 388	3 465	77	398	2,3	13,0
Other	134	182	168	183	169	-15	34	-8,0	25,4

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Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (continued)									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Highest level of education of the unemployed</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>5,7</b>
No schooling	82	73	84	72	76	4	-5	6,1	-6,7
Less than primary completed	359	346	346	361	354	-7	-5	-1,9	-1,3
Primary completed	216	215	260	278	252	-25	36	-9,2	16,9
Secondary not completed	2 849	2 785	3 002	2 901	2 881	-20	33	-0,7	1,1
Secondary completed	1 870	1 875	1 933	2 014	2 095	81	224	4,0	12,0
Tertiary	467	451	541	513	513	0	46	0,1	9,9
Other	31	35	47	39	39	0	8	0,0	25,0
<b>Highest level of education of the not economically active</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-0,5</b>
No schooling	666	665	658	639	622	-18	-44	-2,8	-6,7
Less than primary completed	1 615	1 582	1 441	1 460	1 538	78	-77	5,4	-4,7
Primary completed	1 029	1 054	865	978	985	7	-45	0,7	-4,3
Secondary not completed	8 127	8 260	7 829	8 007	8 005	-2	-122	0,0	-1,5
Secondary completed	2 896	2 754	3 113	3 124	3 099	-25	203	-0,8	7,0
Tertiary	544	565	562	582	586	4	42	0,7	7,7
Other	167	176	166	151	137	-14	-29	-9,3	-17,7
<b>Employed</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Attending educational institution	363	390	387	332	376	44	13	13,2	3,5
Not attending educational institution	15 470	15 678	15 825	15 768	15 816	48	346	0,3	2,2
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>5,7</b>
Attending educational institution	113	117	118	102	102	0	-11	-0,2	-9,9
Not attending educational institution	5 760	5 663	6 096	6 075	6 108	34	349	0,6	6,1
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-0,5</b>
Attending educational institution	6 204	6 175	5 937	6 092	6 195	103	-9	1,7	-0,1
Not attending educational institution	8 839	8 881	8 698	8 849	8 776	-73	-63	-0,8	-0,7

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<b>Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (concluded)</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Current marital status of the employed</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Married	6 141	6 262	6 326	6 264	6 424	160	282	2,6	4,6
Living together like husband and wife	2 032	2 028	1 995	2 005	1 910	-95	-122	-4,7	-6,0
Widow/widower	474	474	517	501	492	-9	18	-1,9	3,7
Divorced or separated	500	481	523	529	511	-17	12	-3,3	2,3
Never married	6 686	6 824	6 850	6 801	6 855	54	169	0,8	2,5
<b>Current marital status of the unemployed</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>5,7</b>
Married	938	943	1 044	988	1 005	18	67	1,8	7,2
Living together like husband and wife	690	655	680	674	679	4	-11	0,6	-1,6
Widow/widower	81	84	71	82	78	-3	-3	-4,0	-3,2
Divorced or separated	102	108	119	95	99	4	-3	4,3	-2,9
Never married	4 063	3 990	4 301	4 338	4 349	11	287	0,3	7,1
<b>Current marital status of the not economically active</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-0,5</b>
Married	2 808	2 814	2 621	2 754	2 704	-50	-104	-1,8	-3,7
Living together like husband and wife	784	778	767	761	766	5	-18	0,7	-2,3
Widow/widower	597	602	600	566	584	19	-12	3,3	-2,0
Divorced or separated	248	246	217	259	243	-16	-6	-6,2	-2,3
Never married	10 606	10 616	10 430	10 602	10 674	72	68	0,7	0,6

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Table 7: Profile of those not in education and not in employment – South Africa									
	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>2,0</b>
Women	8 549	8 481	8 498	8 631	8 579	-52	31	-0,6	0,4
Men	6 050	6 063	6 296	6 293	6 305	13	255	0,2	4,2
<b>Age group</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>2,0</b>
15–24 yrs	3 153	3 107	3 340	3 320	3 126	-194	-27	-5,8	-0,9
25–34 yrs	4 403	4 389	4 445	4 504	4 581	76	178	1,7	4,0
35–44 yrs	2 861	2 829	2 842	2 857	2 905	47	44	1,7	1,5
45–54 yrs	1 990	2 048	2 010	2 036	2 078	42	88	2,1	4,4
55–64 yrs	2 192	2 171	2 156	2 206	2 195	-11	4	-0,5	0,2
<b>Population groups</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>2,0</b>
Black African	12 206	12 234	12 501	12 512	12 465	-47	259	-0,4	2,1
Coloured	1 316	1 283	1 315	1 376	1 361	-16	45	-1,1	3,4
Indian/Asian	348	318	319	345	340	-5	-9	-1,6	-2,5
White	729	710	659	690	719	29	-10	4,2	-1,3
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>2,0</b>
Western Cape	1 476	1 458	1 458	1 496	1 524	28	48	1,9	3,2
Eastern Cape	1 824	1 793	1 914	1 960	1 959	-2	135	-0,1	7,4
Northern Cape	361	371	379	389	377	-12	16	-3,0	4,3
Free State	792	791	807	779	740	-39	-52	-5,0	-6,5
KwaZulu-Natal	2 957	3 029	3 054	3 025	3 012	-14	54	-0,5	1,8
North West	1 173	1 138	1 133	1 125	1 139	14	-34	1,2	-2,9
Gauteng	3 491	3 435	3 414	3 537	3 578	41	87	1,2	2,5
Mpumalanga	1 119	1 159	1 161	1 167	1 150	-17	31	-1,5	2,7
Limpopo	1 406	1 368	1 472	1 445	1 407	-38	1	-2,7	0,1

<b>Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province</b>									
	<b>Jul–Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct–Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan–Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr–Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul–Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>South Africa</b>									
Subsistence farming	1 829	1 885	2 082	1 909	1 723	-186	-106,0	-9,7	-5,8
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	4 989	4 787	4 496	4 584	4 849	266	-139,6	5,8	-2,8
Produce other goods for household use	248	144	139	137	144	7	-104,9	4,7	-42,2
Construction or major repairs to own or household	821	809	686	626	613	-13	-208,6	-2,1	-25,4
Hunting or fishing for household use	41	40	43	30	26	-5	-15,5	-15,2	-37,5
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>6 284</b>	<b>6 208</b>	<b>6 137</b>	<b>6 009</b>	<b>6 186</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>-97,9</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>-1,6</b>
Employed	1 757	1 777	1 824	1 742	1 816	73	58,5	4,2	3,3
Unemployed	912	928	1 096	1 027	1 105	78	192,9	7,6	21,2
Not economically active	3 615	3 502	3 218	3 240	3 265	25	-349,4	0,8	-9,7
<b>Western Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	5	4	3	6	4	-2	-1,3	-29,5	-24,5
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	23	48	33	37	25	-12	2,0	-33,0	8,6
Produce other goods for household use		1		1					
Construction or major repairs to own or household	1	2		1	3	2	2,4	300,9	270,3
Hunting or fishing for household use		1	1						
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>-29,8</b>	<b>11,2</b>
Employed	14	20	20	27	14	-13	0,4	-48,1	2,7
Unemployed	6	9	7	5	5	0	-1,6	-5,7	-24,8
Not economically active	8	24	9	12	12	0	4,3	1,2	54,8
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	402	467	553	507	440	-67	38,2	-13,2	9,5
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 139	1 055	935	995	1 104	109	-34,5	11,0	-3,0
Produce other goods for household use	6	8	11	9	12	3	5,8	35,1	101,1
Construction or major repairs to own or household	133	135	120	181	155	-25	22,5	-14,0	16,9
Hunting or fishing for household use	1	3	4	3	1	-3	-0,6	-83,0	-51,9
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 354</b>	<b>1 295</b>	<b>1 226</b>	<b>1 240</b>	<b>1 306</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-47,9</b>	<b>5,4</b>	<b>-3,5</b>
Employed	295	302	301	280	296	16	1,3	5,8	0,4
Unemployed	154	159	230	237	254	17	100,0	7,0	65,0
Not economically active	905	834	695	723	756	34	-149,2	4,7	-16,5

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<b>Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)</b>									
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Northern Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	18	18	23	22	21	0	3,8	-2,0	21,3
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	92	94	86	94	135	41	43,3	44,0	47,3
Produce other goods for household use	0	0	1	1	1	0	0,6	56,9	231,4
Construction or major repairs to own or household	2	1	0	1	1	-1	-0,9	-42,1	-53,8
Hunting or fishing for household use	3	1	3	2	2	0	-0,8	22,2	-26,3
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>42,4</b>	<b>38,6</b>	<b>41,3</b>
Employed	20	20	24	21	27	6	7,2	30,7	36,6
Unemployed	27	26	23	23	27	4	0,8	17,3	3,0
Not economically active	56	57	55	61	91	30	34,4	49,6	61,0
<b>Free State</b>									
Subsistence farming	109	95	97	113	106	-7	-3,3	-5,9	-3,0
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	65	44	73	49	52	3	-12,7	7,0	-19,7
Produce other goods for household use		1		3	3	0		-14,8	
Construction or major repairs to own or household	2	1	1	1					
Hunting or fishing for household use	6	4	3	4	2	-1	-3,2	-35,3	-56,8
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-10,7</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>-6,4</b>
Employed	74	53	69	64	75	11	0,9	16,8	1,2
Unemployed	39	44	33	43	37	-5	-1,5	-12,2	-3,8
Not economically active	54	40	60	48	44	-4	-10,1	-7,7	-18,6
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
Subsistence farming	937	887	880	868	788	-80	-148,6	-9,2	-15,9
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 388	1 330	1 344	1 282	1 301	20	-87,1	1,5	-6,3
Produce other goods for household use	215	107	90	100	103	3	-111,8	3,5	-52,0
Construction or major repairs to own or household	288	234	115	80	118	39	-170,1	48,6	-59,0
Hunting or fishing for household use	17	18	20	10	8	-2	-9,2	-19,1	-53,0
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 815</b>	<b>1 834</b>	<b>1 900</b>	<b>1 843</b>	<b>1 843</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28,6</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>1,6</b>
Employed	448	473	498	472	479	7	31,6	1,4	7,1
Unemployed	191	198	272	233	252	19	60,5	8,2	31,7
Not economically active	1 176	1 163	1 130	1 138	1 113	-26	-63,5	-2,2	-5,4

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

	Jul–Sep 2016	Oct–Dec 2016	Jan–Mar 2017	Apr–Jun 2017	Jul–Sep 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>North West</b>									
Subsistence farming	41	61	57	43	52	9	11,2	21,9	27,3
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	488	483	434	368	500	132	12,4	35,9	2,5
Produce other goods for household use	1	2	6	4	3	-1	1,9	-16,4	130,2
Construction or major repairs to own or household	18	16	23	11	27	16	8,7	143,3	48,4
Hunting or fishing for household use	2	2	2	1	2	1	-0,8	178,1	-31,7
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>36,2</b>	<b>0,1</b>
Employed	146	142	133	108	182	73	36,0	67,7	24,7
Unemployed	90	70	67	40	75	35	-15,2	87,6	-16,8
Not economically active	286	300	261	235	265	30	-20,6	13,0	-7,2
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Subsistence farming	39	23	21	14	18	3	-21,0	24,0	-53,9
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	136	133	137	205	189	-16	53,1	-7,9	39,1
Produce other goods for household use	1	6	14	12	10	-2	9,4	-13,9	1332,0
Construction or major repairs to own or household	320	359	365	292	268	-24	-52,2	-8,4	-16,3
Hunting or fishing for household use	6	2	3	3	3	1	-2,9	20,7	-47,3
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>-34</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>-6,8</b>	<b>-0,2</b>
Employed	258	270	267	271	235	-37	-22,9	-13,5	-8,9
Unemployed	134	153	155	158	167	9	32,7	5,9	24,4
Not economically active	73	64	77	69	63	-6	-10,6	-9,2	-14,4
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
Subsistence farming	128	137	179	159	110	-49	-18,5	-30,9	-14,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	536	564	509	549	579	31	43,6	5,6	8,1
Produce other goods for household use	23	17	16	7	9	2	-14,0	33,6	-61,0
Construction or major repairs to own or household	21	23	19	20	11	-10	-10,1	-47,1	-48,2
Hunting or fishing for household use		3	2	4	2	-2		-39,3	
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>39,9</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>6,5</b>
Employed	179	192	217	212	204	-8	24,6	-3,9	13,7
Unemployed	131	137	163	163	170	7	38,9	4,4	29,7
Not economically active	307	323	266	273	283	10	-23,5	3,6	-7,7

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.

<b>Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (concluded)</b>									
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>	<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Year-on- year change</b>
	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Thousand</b>	<b>Per cent</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Subsistence farming	150	193	271	178	183	6	33,6	3,2	22,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 123	1 037	945	1 006	964	-42	-159,7	-4,2	-14,2
Produce other goods for household use	2	2	1	2	3	1	0,6	43,1	23,4
Construction or major repairs to own or household	37	38	43	39	30	-9	-7,2	-22,9	-19,4
Hunting or fishing for household use	5	7	5	4	5	1	-0,4	20,1	-7,9
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 212</b>	<b>1 136</b>	<b>1 104</b>	<b>1 093</b>	<b>1 060</b>	<b>-33</b>	<b>-152,8</b>	<b>-3,0</b>	<b>-12,6</b>
Employed	324	307	293	286	304	18	-20,5	6,3	-6,3
Unemployed	140	132	146	125	118	-8	-21,8	-6,1	-15,6
Not economically active	749	697	665	682	638	-44	-110,5	-6,4	-14,8

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.

## 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
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
Both Sexes						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	125	-47	298	0,15
Employed	0,7	0,6	92	-86	270	0,31
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	0,9	0,9	187	19	355	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,1	2,4	-71	-184	42	0,22
Agriculture	4,2	4,1	-25	-86	37	0,43
Private households	2,7	2,9	1	-60	62	0,97
Unemployed	1,6	1,6	33	-132	199	0,69
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	31	-142	203	0,73
Discouraged work-seekers	3,9	3,8	75	-45	195	0,22
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	-44	-215	127	0,61
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,4	0,0	-0,7	0,7	0,99
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,6	0,0	-0,4	0,5	0,79
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,0	-0,4	0,6	0,72
Women						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,8	0,7	61	-59	182	0,32
Employed	1,0	0,9	47	-71	164	0,43
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,3	1,3	35	-71	142	0,51
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	3,0	3,0	31	-32	94	0,33
Agriculture	7,7	9,9	-12	-46	21	0,48
Private households	2,9	3,0	-8	-61	46	0,78
Unemployed	2,0	2,0	15	-98	127	0,80
Not economically active	0,9	0,8	13	-107	134	0,83
Discouraged work-seekers	4,4	4,0	69	-7	144	0,08
Other (not economically active)	0,9	1,0	-55	-179	69	0,38
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,7	0,0	-1,0	1,0	0,94
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,0	0,9	0,1	-0,5	0,7	0,76
Labour force participation rate	0,8	0,7	0,1	-0,5	0,8	0,73



Table 2A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 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	0,0	-1,0	0,4	0,45
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	0,1	-1,0	0,3	0,33

Table 2.1A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,5	0,5	125	-47	298	0,15
Employed	0,7	0,6	92	-86	270	0,31
Unemployed	1,6	1,6	33	-132	199	0,69
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	31	-142	203	0,73
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,4	0,0	-0,7	0,7	0,99
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,6	0,0	-0,4	0,5	0,79
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,0	-0,4	0,6	0,72
<b>Black/African</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,6	0,6	89	-57	234	0,23
Employed	0,8	0,8	97	-57	250	0,22
Unemployed	1,8	1,7	-8	-158	143	0,92
Not economically active	0,9	0,8	64	-81	209	0,39
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,5	1,5	-0,2	-1,0	0,6	0,61
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	0,1	-0,4	0,6	0,65
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	0,0	-0,5	0,5	0,99
<b>Coloured</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,5	1,5	22	-36	80	0,46
Employed	1,6	1,8	8	-42	58	0,76
Unemployed	5,0	3,7	14	-30	59	0,52
Not economically active	2,5	2,5	-13	-71	46	0,67
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,3	3,4	0,4	-1,4	2,2	0,64
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,6	1,8	0,1	-1,4	1,6	0,90
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,5	0,4	-1,2	2,2	0,59

Table 2.1A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Indian/Asian</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	2,6	3,2	1	-27	30	0,94
Employed	2,9	3,4	15	-16	46	0,34
Unemployed	12,3	13,1	-14	-34	6	0,17
Not economically active	4,1	5,0	1	-28	30	0,95
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	11,6	12,3	-2,4	-5,6	0,9	0,15
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,9	3,4	1,4	-1,7	4,5	0,37
Labour force participation rate	2,6	3,2	0,0	-2,9	2,9	0,99
<b>White</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,5	1,4	13	-40	67	0,62
Employed	1,8	1,5	-28	-86	31	0,35
Unemployed	10,4	11,9	41	-3	85	0,07
Not economically active	3,2	3,0	-22	-75	32	0,43
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	10,6	11,5	1,9	-0,1	4,1	0,07
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,8	1,5	-0,7	-2,7	1,2	0,45
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,4	0,6	-1,2	2,4	0,49

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	125	-47	298	0,15
Employed	0,7	0,6	92	-86	270	0,31
Unemployed	1,6	1,6	33	-132	199	0,69
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	31	-142	203	0,73
Discouraged work-seekers	3,9	3,8	75	-45	195	0,22
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	-44	-215	127	0,61
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,4	0,0	-0,7	0,7	0,99
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,6	0,0	-0,4	0,5	0,79
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,0	-0,4	0,6	0,72
<b>Western Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,3	40	-34	113	0,29
Employed	2,1	1,7	-3	-74	68	0,93
Unemployed	5,3	3,4	43	-9	95	0,10
Not economically active	3,3	2,8	-16	-90	57	0,66
Discouraged work-seekers	19,0	21,8	-20	-45	6	0,13
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,0	4	-64	71	0,92
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,1	3,3	1,2	-0,5	2,7	0,16
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,1	1,7	-0,4	-1,9	1,2	0,66
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,3	0,5	-1,1	2,2	0,53

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,8	2,4	7	-48	63	0,80
Employed	3,3	2,7	-17	-73	38	0,54
Unemployed	11,3	7,0	25	-17	66	0,25
Not economically active	5,3	4,5	2	-54	58	0,95
Discouraged work-seekers	22,5	30,1	-22	-46	2	0,07
Other (not economically active)	5,1	5,0	24	-24	71	0,32
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	10,5	6,3	2,2	-1,5	5,9	0,24
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,3	2,7	-1,4	-4,8	2,0	0,43
Labour force participation rate	2,8	2,4	0,0	-3,4	3,5	0,96
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	1,6	32	-14	79	0,17
Employed	2,6	2,1	14	-30	58	0,53
Unemployed	6,0	3,9	18	-14	51	0,26
Not economically active	4,4	3,8	-18	-65	29	0,44
Discouraged work-seekers	33,4	24,2	2	-6	10	0,65
Other (not economically active)	4,0	3,7	-20	-66	26	0,39
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,8	3,8	0,5	-0,9	2,0	0,47
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,6	2,1	0,2	-1,3	1,8	0,78
Labour force participation rate	1,9	1,6	0,8	-0,9	2,4	0,35

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	1,6	44	-29	116	0,24
Employed	2,5	2,3	5	-53	64	0,86
Unemployed	5,1	4,3	38	-29	106	0,26
Not economically active	1,8	1,8	-31	-104	41	0,40
Discouraged work-seekers	10,6	8,5	7	-34	48	0,74
Other (not economically active)	2,2	2,1	-38	-112	36	0,31
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,4	3,6	1,1	-1,4	3,6	0,40
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,5	2,3	0,0	-1,4	1,4	0,97
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,6	0,9	-0,8	2,6	0,31
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,6	2,5	-4	-67	59	0,90
Employed	3,3	3,3	0	-46	46	0,99
Unemployed	6,2	5,9	-4	-57	49	0,87
Not economically active	2,1	2,0	13	-50	75	0,69
Discouraged work-seekers	10,9	8,6	9	-32	49	0,67
Other (not economically active)	2,5	2,5	4	-60	68	0,90
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,0	4,8	-0,3	-3,4	3,0	0,89
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,3	3,3	-0,1	-1,7	1,5	0,93
Labour force participation rate	2,6	2,5	-0,3	-2,5	1,9	0,81

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
Eastern Cape - Buffalo City						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,7	2,1	17	2	31	0,02
Employed	4,9	3,7	-7	-26	12	0,48
Unemployed	12,2	4,7	23	-6	52	0,11
Not economically active	6,4	5,7	-15	-29	-1	0,03
Discouraged work-seekers	60,1	53,8	0	-8	8	0,99
Other (not economically active)	7,8	7,9	-15	-36	5	0,15
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	11,3	4,9	5,0	-2,1	12,2	0,17
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,9	3,7	-1,5	-5,3	2,3	0,44
Labour force participation rate	2,7	2,1	3,1	0,3	5,8	0,03
Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,8	2,3	31	-3	66	0,08
Employed	5,7	5,0	12	-19	43	0,44
Unemployed	11,5	9,5	19	-9	48	0,19
Not economically active	5,5	5,2	-29	-64	6	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	54,8	94,1	-2	-5	2	0,36
Other (not economically active)	5,1	5,0	-27	-59	5	0,10
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	10,6	8,7	1,5	-3,0	6,0	0,51
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,7	5,0	1,3	-2,5	5,2	0,49
Labour force participation rate	2,8	2,3	3,7	-0,7	8,1	0,10

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Northern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,3	3,6	18	-4	40	0,10
Employed	5,9	6,5	15	-10	40	0,23
Unemployed	4,6	7,5	3	-14	20	0,74
Not economically active	3,8	4,4	-16	-38	6	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	10,9	12,8	-15	-39	9	0,23
Other (not economically active)	3,8	5,7	-1	-33	31	0,94
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,8	8,9	-0,6	-4,6	3,4	0,77
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,9	6,5	1,8	-1,4	5,0	0,26
Labour force participation rate	3,3	3,6	2,2	-0,6	4,9	0,13
<b>Free State</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,4	1,9	22	-5	48	0,11
Employed	3,3	2,8	45	1	89	0,05
Unemployed	4,2	5,2	-23	-59	13	0,21
Not economically active	2,4	3,3	-20	-46	6	0,14
Discouraged work-seekers	9,8	11,7	-3	-27	20	0,78
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,8	-16	-47	15	0,30
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,6	4,8	-2,6	-5,7	0,6	0,11
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,3	2,8	2,4	0,0	4,7	0,05
Labour force participation rate	1,4	1,9	1,1	-0,3	2,5	0,13



Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	2,1	1	-19	20	0,96
Employed	4,0	3,6	25	-15	65	0,22
Unemployed	5,2	7,0	-24	-58	9	0,15
Not economically active	2,8	3,1	-1	-20	19	0,95
Discouraged work-seekers	10,0	13,6	-1	-21	20	0,95
Other (not economically active)	3,8	3,8	0	-23	23	1,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,6	6,6	-3,0	-7,3	1,3	0,17
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,0	3,6	1,9	-1,1	4,8	0,22
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,1	0,0	-1,4	1,5	0,95
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	3,8	21	3	39	0,02
Employed	5,6	4,4	20	1	38	0,04
Unemployed	7,1	6,6	1	-12	14	0,85
Not economically active	4,9	10,1	-19	-37	-1	0,04
Discouraged work-seekers	29,4	14,4	-3	-14	8	0,63
Other (not economically active)	4,4	10,7	-16	-38	5	0,13
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,2	5,2	-1,5	-4,9	1,9	0,39
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,6	4,4	3,5	0,1	7,0	0,04
Labour force participation rate	2,2	3,8	3,7	0,3	7,0	0,03

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,1	2,0	-35	-123	52	0,43
Employed	1,9	1,9	-47	-130	35	0,26
Unemployed	5,6	6,6	12	-54	77	0,73
Not economically active	2,0	1,9	62	-25	150	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	8,3	8,5	29	-46	105	0,45
Other (not economically active)	2,0	2,0	33	-67	133	0,52
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,3	5,4	0,6	-1,2	2,4	0,50
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	1,9	-0,9	-2,0	0,4	0,18
Labour force participation rate	2,1	2,0	-0,7	-2,0	0,6	0,28
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,4	3,2	-30	-95	34	0,36
Employed	3,2	3,2	-20	-85	46	0,55
Unemployed	8,5	10,2	-11	-71	50	0,73
Not economically active	2,5	2,2	50	-14	115	0,13
Discouraged work-seekers	9,8	9,9	36	-36	108	0,33
Other (not economically active)	2,5	2,4	15	-71	101	0,74
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,5	8,4	-0,1	-3,1	2,8	0,92
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,2	3,2	-0,6	-2,0	0,9	0,44
Labour force participation rate	3,4	3,2	-0,9	-2,3	0,6	0,24

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekweni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	2,0	-5	-65	55	0,87
Employed	1,9	1,6	-27	-77	23	0,29
Unemployed	5,9	7,0	22	-5	50	0,11
Not economically active	3,2	3,4	12	-48	72	0,70
Discouraged work-seekers	10,3	11,8	-6	-28	15	0,56
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,6	18	-35	72	0,50
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,9	5,5	1,5	0,1	3,0	0,04
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	1,6	-1,3	-3,4	0,8	0,23
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,0	-0,4	-2,9	2,1	0,76
<b>North West</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,3	2,4	-11	-70	48	0,71
Employed	3,4	3,0	5	-44	54	0,84
Unemployed	8,8	7,0	-16	-65	33	0,53
Not economically active	3,8	2,7	22	-37	81	0,46
Discouraged work-seekers	10,3	10,7	25	-16	67	0,23
Other (not economically active)	3,3	3,6	-3	-60	54	0,91
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,1	6,2	-1,0	-4,1	2,1	0,54
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	3,0	0,1	-1,9	2,0	0,98
Labour force participation rate	3,3	2,4	-0,7	-3,0	1,7	0,57

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,7	0,7	58	-38	154	0,23
Employed	1,2	1,1	18	-89	125	0,75
Unemployed	2,4	2,5	40	-55	136	0,41
Not economically active	1,8	1,9	-7	-102	89	0,89
Discouraged work-seekers	9,7	10,5	11	-28	50	0,56
Other (not economically active)	1,9	1,6	-18	-104	68	0,68
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,3	2,3	0,3	-0,9	1,6	0,61
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,2	1,1	-0,1	-1,2	1,0	0,88
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	0,2	-0,8	1,2	0,67
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,6	1,9	5	-38	49	0,81
Employed	3,6	4,2	-2	-37	33	0,89
Unemployed	6,3	7,5	8	-22	38	0,61
Not economically active	5,1	3,7	-2	-45	41	0,92
Discouraged work-seekers	9,8	15,6	9	-8	27	0,30
Other (not economically active)	4,7	3,4	-11	-45	22	0,50
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,7	7,5	0,7	-2,1	3,4	0,63
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,6	4,2	-0,2	-2,9	2,3	0,83
Labour force participation rate	2,6	1,9	0,3	-3,0	3,5	0,88

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	1,3	49	-4	103	0,07
Employed	3,1	1,9	15	-60	89	0,70
Unemployed	5,2	4,1	35	-28	98	0,28
Not economically active	5,1	3,9	-40	-93	14	0,15
Discouraged work-seekers	18,3	16,6	-6	-21	9	0,43
Other (not economically active)	4,8	3,4	-34	-81	13	0,16
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,1	3,6	1,0	-2,3	4,4	0,55
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,1	1,9	0,4	-2,6	3,4	0,80
Labour force participation rate	1,9	1,3	1,7	-0,5	3,8	0,12
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,8	1,2	4	-44	52	0,86
Employed	1,8	1,9	17	-28	61	0,46
Unemployed	3,9	4,5	-13	-68	43	0,66
Not economically active	2,5	3,6	20	-28	68	0,41
Discouraged work-seekers	26,4	28,1	-6	-21	9	0,44
Other (not economically active)	2,9	3,0	26	-25	77	0,32
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,8	4,1	-0,5	-2,2	1,2	0,57
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,8	1,9	0,1	-1,1	1,3	0,86
Labour force participation rate	0,8	1,2	-0,4	-1,7	0,9	0,56

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,0	1,5	-1	-51	49	0,97
Employed	2,1	1,9	-11	-66	43	0,69
Unemployed	4,7	4,9	10	-27	48	0,59
Not economically active	2,5	3,5	15	-34	65	0,54
Discouraged work-seekers	18,4	23,6	14	-15	42	0,34
Other (not economically active)	3,0	2,7	2	-40	43	0,94
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,6	4,3	0,7	-1,5	2,8	0,57
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,1	1,9	-0,8	-3,0	1,5	0,50
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,5	-0,5	-2,5	1,6	0,66
<b>Mpumalanga</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	2,0	-51	-87	-14	0,01
Employed	2,7	3,0	-8	-56	41	0,76
Unemployed	4,5	4,8	-43	-83	-3	0,04
Not economically active	3,2	3,1	63	26	100	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	15,5	13,2	12	-13	37	0,33
Other (not economically active)	3,6	3,0	50	8	93	0,02
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,1	4,6	-1,6	-3,8	0,7	0,18
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	3,0	-0,5	-2,1	1,2	0,60
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,0	-2,1	-3,3	-0,8	0,00

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Limpopo</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,5	2,3	41	-14	96	0,15
Employed	2,4	2,1	62	13	111	0,01
Unemployed	8,2	8,4	-21	-60	17	0,28
Not economically active	2,3	2,1	-27	-82	28	0,34
Discouraged work-seekers	9,3	8,5	27	-14	69	0,20
Other (not economically active)	2,7	3,0	-55	-111	2	0,06
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,8	7,1	-1,7	-3,6	0,3	0,10
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,4	2,1	1,5	0,2	2,9	0,02
Labour force participation rate	2,5	2,3	0,9	-0,6	2,4	0,22

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
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>-86</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0,31</b>
Agriculture	4,2	4,1	-25	-86	37	0,43
Mining	7,2	6,9	12	-33	57	0,60
Manufacturing	2,7	2,9	-50	-149	48	0,31
Utilities	12,1	11,2	5	-21	32	0,69
Construction	3,0	3,2	-30	-112	52	0,47
Trade	1,9	1,9	21	-92	133	0,72
Transport	3,2	3,1	34	-25	93	0,26
Finance	2,6	2,2	68	-37	173	0,20
Community and social services	1,9	1,9	56	-54	167	0,32
Private household	2,7	2,9	1	-60	62	0,97
<b>Women</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>-71</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>0,43</b>
Agriculture	7,7	9,9	-12	-46	21	0,48
Mining	12,2	14,5	-8	-19	3	0,17
Manufacturing	4,3	4,6	-6	-58	46	0,81
Utilities	20,7	17,8	12	-1	24	0,07
Construction	8,1	8,0	-16	-41	9	0,22
Trade	2,3	2,5	-15	-85	54	0,66
Transport	8,2	7,7	19	-7	46	0,16
Finance	3,8	3,4	5	-63	73	0,88
Community and social services	2,2	2,3	75	-5	156	0,07
Private household	2,9	3,0	-8	-61	46	0,78
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-75</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>0,46</b>
Agriculture	4,1	4,8	-13	-65	40	0,64
Mining	7,4	6,9	20	-22	61	0,35
Manufacturing	3,1	3,1	-44	-117	29	0,24
Utilities	11,9	12,2	-6	-29	16	0,59
Construction	3,1	3,3	-15	-92	63	0,71
Trade	2,7	2,6	36	-50	122	0,41
Transport	3,6	3,6	15	-38	68	0,59
Finance	3,1	2,4	63	-15	140	0,11
Community and social services	2,8	3,0	-19	-91	53	0,60
Private household	6,3	5,8	9	-27	44	0,62



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
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>-86</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0,31</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	0,9	187	19	355	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,1	2,4	-71	-184	42	0,22
Agriculture	4,2	4,1	-25	-86	37	0,43
Private households	2,7	2,9	1	-60	62	0,97
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-74</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0,93</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,6	2,6	24	-53	102	0,54
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,5	11,0	-14	-57	29	0,53
Agriculture	4,3	11,4	-21	-62	21	0,33
Private households	10,5	11,4	7	-14	28	0,51
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>-73</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,54</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,5	6,1	1	-55	57	0,98
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	12,1	11,9	-18	-43	7	0,16
Agriculture	3,8	11,9	-18	-57	21	0,37
Private households	16,5	17,4	17	6	29	0,00
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0,53</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,9	2,6	23	-28	75	0,37
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,6	14,5	4	-31	39	0,82
Agriculture	27,1	34,3	-3	-15	10	0,65
Private households	13,4	14,9	-11	-29	8	0,26
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-53</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>0,86</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,7	2,8	-2	-46	42	0,93
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,9	6,6	-5	-46	37	0,82
Agriculture	16,9	13,2	-4	-20	12	0,62
Private households	8,4	6,7	16	0	32	0,05
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0,99</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,4	4,6	1	-34	35	0,96
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,9	7,6	3	-29	34	0,87
Agriculture	17,7	13,8	-7	-23	9	0,40
Private households	12,4	10,5	4	-10	17	0,61

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
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>-26</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0,48</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,8	4,5	4	-17	25	0,73
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	19,5	16,6	-13	-32	5	0,15
Agriculture	64,2	60,9	0	0	1	0,34
Private households	20,5	25,5	2	-3	8	0,40
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>	<b>5,7</b>	<b>5,0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-19</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0,44</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,0	4,5	-6	-25	12	0,50
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	25,7	19,7	6	-14	26	0,55
Agriculture	100,4	44,6	2	0	5	0,09
Private households	11,9	5,5	10	4	16	0,00
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>5,9</b>	<b>6,5</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0,23</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,5	11,0	15	-9	39	0,22
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,4	12,8	-6	-15	3	0,22
Agriculture	34,3	25,4	2	-17	22	0,81
Private households	14,3	16,8	3	0	7	0,05
<b>Free State</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>0,05</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,0	4,4	34	-4	72	0,08
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	12,0	9,1	23	-11	58	0,19
Agriculture	14,9	15,4	-4	-12	3	0,24
Private households	11,6	11,1	-8	-25	8	0,34
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>4,0</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>0,22</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,9	5,3	14	-16	44	0,37
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	16,5	11,0	20	-11	51	0,20
Agriculture	15,2	16,0	-6	-13	1	0,10
Private households	10,0	9,5	-3	-17	11	0,68
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>4,4</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,04</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,2	7,8	20	-3	44	0,09
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,4	15,7	3	-12	19	0,68
Agriculture	7,0	38,8	1	-1	4	0,18
Private households	27,5	27,7	-5	-14	4	0,25

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
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>-130</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0,26</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,2	-23	-103	57	0,57
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,9	7,0	-27	-76	22	0,28
Agriculture	9,5	10,3	-2	-27	23	0,88
Private households	5,3	7,2	5	-19	28	0,70
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-85</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0,55</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,1	3,7	-8	-64	49	0,79
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,0	8,0	-11	-48	25	0,55
Agriculture	9,6	10,3	-1	-25	24	0,95
Private households	8,1	11,8	0	-21	21	0,99
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekweni</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-77</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0,29</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,4	2,5	-15	-70	40	0,59
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,2	13,1	-15	-48	17	0,34
Agriculture	51,0	85,3	-1	-4	2	0,48
Private households	6,6	8,2	5	-6	16	0,41
<b>North West</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-44</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>0,84</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	3,1	15	-19	48	0,39
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,5	11,2	6	-29	41	0,72
Agriculture	14,6	15,0	-4	-12	3	0,24
Private households	11,4	11,9	-12	-28	5	0,16
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>-89</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>0,75</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,6	1,4	104	4	205	0,04
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,2	4,3	-100	-151	-50	0,00
Agriculture	18,2	16,8	10	-3	23	0,14
Private households	4,7	5,4	4	-32	39	0,83
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>4,2</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0,89</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,2	6,3	13	-22	49	0,46
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	12,1	14,9	-31	-47	-15	0,00
Agriculture	21,2	12,2	4	-2	9	0,20
Private households	12,5	7,8	12	3	21	0,01

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
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-60</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>0,70</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,3	2,3	40	-31	112	0,27
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	12,2	8,7	-26	-59	7	0,12
Agriculture	54,5	46,1	4	-5	13	0,35
Private households	10,9	9,5	-4	-25	17	0,71
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0,46</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,4	2,6	34	-15	83	0,17
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,7	6,1	-24	-49	0	0,05
Agriculture	36,0	31,9	2	-2	6	0,44
Private households	8,3	9,2	5	-13	23	0,56
<b>Gauteng - City of Tswane</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-66</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0,69</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	1,9	16	-25	58	0,44
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,2	9,1	-19	-43	5	0,13
Agriculture	34,8	45,6	0	-7	8	0,91
Private households	7,9	13,5	-9	-29	11	0,37
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-56</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0,76</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,5	3,9	-15	-55	26	0,47
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,0	7,1	12	-13	36	0,35
Agriculture	8,2	6,0	4	-14	22	0,64
Private households	10,5	9,4	-9	-27	9	0,33
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,4	4,1	34	-1	68	0,06
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,3	4,6	39	3	75	0,03
Agriculture	13,0	8,3	-6	-26	14	0,56
Private households	5,6	7,4	-5	-24	14	0,62

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
	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>-86</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0,31</b>
Manager	3,2	3,0	-71	-155	13	0,10
Professional	3,9	3,7	62	2	123	0,04
Technician	2,8	2,9	-7	-88	74	0,86
Clerk	2,6	2,5	37	-48	122	0,39
Sales and services	2,0	2,1	124	27	221	0,01
Skilled agriculture	12,2	16,6	11	-11	32	0,33
Craft and related trade	2,4	2,6	-48	-139	42	0,29
Plant and machine operator	2,6	2,8	38	-28	104	0,26
Elementary	1,7	1,8	-56	-171	59	0,34
Domestic worker	2,8	3,0	3	-51	58	0,90
<b>Women</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>-71</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>0,43</b>
Manager	5,2	4,7	-14	-52	25	0,49
Professional	4,8	4,8	24	-12	61	0,19
Technician	3,8	3,8	-11	-63	41	0,68
Clerk	2,9	2,6	1	-67	68	0,99
Sales and services	2,5	2,6	74	10	138	0,02
Skilled agriculture	23,7	33,6	6	-6	17	0,34
Craft and related trade	7,3	7,4	1	-28	30	0,93
Plant and machine operator	7,9	8,9	17	-9	43	0,19
Elementary	2,4	2,7	-49	-118	21	0,17
Domestic worker	2,9	3,1	-3	-57	50	0,90
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-75</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>0,46</b>
Manager	3,5	3,7	-57	-125	11	0,10
Professional	5,5	5,0	38	-8	84	0,10
Technician	4,2	4,2	4	-50	58	0,89
Clerk	4,7	5,3	36	-12	85	0,14
Sales and services	3,0	2,9	50	-22	121	0,17
Skilled agriculture	13,8	16,6	5	-11	21	0,54
Craft and related trade	2,5	2,6	-50	-134	35	0,25
Plant and machine operator	2,7	2,7	21	-39	80	0,50
Elementary	2,3	2,3	-7	-100	85	0,87
Domestic worker	13,5	14,5	7	-10	23	0,42

Table 2B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Both Sexes</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	696	437	955	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	358	94	623	0,01
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	0,9	0,9	350	101	600	0,01
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,1	2,4	48	-108	204	0,55
Agriculture	5,4	4,1	-71	-161	20	0,12
Private households	2,6	2,9	31	-67	129	0,53
Unemployed	1,5	1,6	337	137	538	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-72	-331	187	0,58
Discouraged work-seekers	3,5	3,8	145	-46	335	0,14
Other (not economically active)	0,7	0,8	-217	-456	22	0,08
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,3	1,4	0,6	-0,2	1,5	0,12
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,6	0,6	0,2	-0,5	1,0	0,51
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,8	0,2	1,6	0,01
<b>Women</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,7	0,7	420	251	589	0,00
Employed	0,9	0,9	252	86	418	0,00
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,3	1,3	153	-1	307	0,05
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	3,0	3,0	88	5	171	0,04
Agriculture	9,3	9,9	-3	-49	44	0,91
Private households	2,8	3,0	14	-67	94	0,74
Unemployed	2,0	2,0	168	25	311	0,02
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	-121	-290	48	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	3,9	4,0	56	-61	172	0,35
Other (not economically active)	0,8	1,0	-177	-345	-8	0,04
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,7	0,5	-0,9	1,7	0,51
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,9	0,9	0,8	-0,1	1,6	0,10
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	1,4	0,5	2,3	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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Men</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	276	112	441	0,00
Employed	0,8	0,8	107	-81	294	0,27
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,1	1,0	197	20	375	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,7	3,1	-40	-166	86	0,53
Agriculture	5,7	4,8	-68	-154	17	0,12
Private households	6,4	5,8	17	-32	66	0,48
Unemployed	1,9	2,0	170	26	314	0,02
Not economically active	0,9	1,1	49	-116	214	0,56
Discouraged work-seekers	4,6	4,8	89	-30	208	0,14
Other (not economically active)	1,1	1,0	-40	-183	103	0,58
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,9	1,8	0,8	-0,3	2,0	0,16
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,8	0,8	-0,3	-1,3	0,7	0,57
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,4	-0,6	1,2	0,47

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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
South Africa						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	696	437	955	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	358	94	623	0,01
Unemployed	1,5	1,6	337	137	538	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-72	-331	187	0,58
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,3	1,4	0,6	-0,2	1,5	0,12
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,6	0,2	-0,5	1,0	0,51
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,8	0,2	1,6	0,01
Black/African						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,6	672	438	906	0,00
Employed	0,7	0,8	357	124	591	0,00
Unemployed	1,6	1,7	315	124	506	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-63	-298	171	0,59
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,5	0,6	-0,4	1,6	0,22
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,8	0,4	-0,4	1,2	0,35
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	1,0	0,3	1,9	0,01
Coloured						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,2	1,5	26	-50	102	0,49
Employed	1,9	1,8	-3	-92	86	0,95
Unemployed	4,4	3,7	29	-20	79	0,25
Not economically active	2,0	2,5	12	-64	88	0,75
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,4	3,4	1,1	-1,4	3,5	0,38
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,9	1,8	-0,6	-3,3	2,0	0,63
Labour force participation rate	1,2	1,5	0,0	-2,2	2,3	0,96



<b>Table 2.1B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>				
<b>Indian/Asian</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	3,0	3,2	6	-25	37	0,70
Employed	2,5	3,4	19	-19	57	0,32
Unemployed	17,9	13,1	-13	-43	17	0,39
Not economically active	4,7	5,0	2	-29	33	0,90
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	16,0	12,3	-2,3	-7,1	2,5	0,35
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,5	3,4	1,5	-2,3	5,3	0,44
Labour force participation rate	3,0	3,2	0,1	-3,0	3,2	0,94
<b>White</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,2	1,4	-9	-75	58	0,79
Employed	1,3	1,5	-15	-92	63	0,71
Unemployed	9,2	11,9	6	-36	48	0,78
Not economically active	2,6	3,0	-23	-90	43	0,50
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,9	11,5	0,3	-1,8	2,4	0,76
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,3	1,5	0,2	-2,4	2,7	0,90
Labour force participation rate	1,2	1,4	0,4	-1,8	2,6	0,71

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	696	437	955	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	358	94	623	0,01
Unemployed	1,5	1,6	337	137	538	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-72	-331	187	0,58
Discouraged work-seekers	3,5	3,8	145	-46	335	0,14
Other (not economically active)	0,7	0,8	-217	-456	22	0,08
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,3	1,4	0,6	-0,2	1,5	0,12
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,6	0,6	0,2	-0,5	1,0	0,51
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,8	0,2	1,6	0,01
<b>Western Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,1	1,3	113	10	215	0,03
Employed	1,7	1,7	84	-25	194	0,13
Unemployed	4,3	3,4	29	-23	80	0,27
Not economically active	2,3	2,8	-19	-121	84	0,72
Discouraged work-seekers	19,8	21,8	9	-22	40	0,56
Other (not economically active)	2,5	3,0	-28	-132	76	0,60
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,3	3,3	0,2	-1,7	1,9	0,88
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	1,7	0,7	-1,7	3,2	0,54
Labour force participation rate	1,1	1,3	1,1	-1,2	3,4	0,35

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	2,4	10	-43	62	0,71
Employed	2,7	2,7	8	-44	59	0,76
Unemployed	7,1	7,0	2	-37	40	0,92
Not economically active	4,3	4,5	28	-25	80	0,30
Discouraged work-seekers	24,2	30,1	3	-27	33	0,84
Other (not economically active)	4,9	5,0	25	-31	81	0,39
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,7	6,3	0,0	-3,4	3,4	1,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	2,7	-0,8	-4,0	2,5	0,65
Labour force participation rate	2,2	2,4	-1,0	-4,2	2,3	0,58
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,4	1,6	103	12	194	0,03
Employed	2,3	2,1	76	-20	173	0,12
Unemployed	5,2	3,9	27	-7	61	0,12
Not economically active	2,9	3,8	-46	-138	45	0,32
Discouraged work-seekers	28,8	24,2	6	-2	15	0,15
Other (not economically active)	3,0	3,7	-53	-142	37	0,25
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,3	3,8	0,2	-1,9	2,2	0,88
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,3	2,1	1,7	-1,8	5,0	0,35
Labour force participation rate	1,4	1,6	2,2	-1,0	5,5	0,17

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,8	1,6	194	99	289	0,00
Employed	1,8	2,3	-22	-107	64	0,62
Unemployed	4,9	4,3	216	139	293	0,00
Not economically active	1,7	1,8	-144	-240	-49	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	8,0	8,5	-25	-93	43	0,47
Other (not economically active)	2,0	2,1	-119	-205	-34	0,01
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,7	3,6	7,3	4,2	10,4	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,8	2,3	-0,9	-3,0	1,1	0,37
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,6	4,0	1,8	6,3	0,00
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,0	2,5	94	4	185	0,04
Employed	2,7	3,3	-45	-120	30	0,24
Unemployed	8,0	5,9	139	73	206	0,00
Not economically active	2,1	2,0	-60	-151	30	0,19
Discouraged work-seekers	8,5	8,6	-9	-75	57	0,79
Other (not economically active)	2,5	2,5	-51	-132	29	0,21
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,1	4,8	8,9	4,5	13,5	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	3,3	-1,9	-4,5	0,7	0,15
Labour force participation rate	3,0	2,5	2,7	-0,4	5,9	0,08

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,5	2,1	39	23	55	0,00
Employed	2,9	3,7	6	-14	26	0,57
Unemployed	9,0	4,7	34	8	59	0,01
Not economically active	4,8	5,7	-34	-50	-18	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	28,2	53,8	-8	-23	7	0,29
Other (not economically active)	4,2	7,9	-26	-44	-8	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,6	4,9	6,0	-0,5	12,6	0,07
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,9	3,7	0,6	-3,3	4,7	0,74
Labour force participation rate	2,5	2,1	7,1	3,9	10,3	0,00
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	2,3	61	34	87	0,00
Employed	2,6	5,0	18	-20	55	0,35
Unemployed	4,6	9,5	43	15	71	0,00
Not economically active	2,9	5,2	-50	-76	-24	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	42,1	94,1	-8	-16	-1	0,03
Other (not economically active)	3,3	5,0	-42	-66	-18	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,3	8,7	4,2	-0,8	9,3	0,10
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,6	5,0	1,6	-3,0	6,3	0,49
Labour force participation rate	1,7	2,3	6,7	3,4	10,0	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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Northern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	4,2	3,6	0	-35	36	0,98
Employed	5,1	6,5	-1	-49	47	0,96
Unemployed	7,2	7,5	2	-25	28	0,91
Not economically active	5,4	4,4	9	-26	45	0,61
Discouraged work-seekers	11,8	12,8	17	-1	36	0,06
Other (not economically active)	5,5	5,7	-8	-51	35	0,71
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,2	8,9	0,3	-6,6	7,2	0,93
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,1	6,5	-0,6	-6,7	5,5	0,84
Labour force participation rate	4,2	3,6	-0,6	-5,2	3,9	0,79
<b>Free State</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,0	1,9	20	-45	84	0,55
Employed	3,7	2,8	41	-31	112	0,26
Unemployed	5,2	5,2	-21	-73	31	0,43
Not economically active	3,4	3,3	-14	-78	50	0,67
Discouraged work-seekers	13,0	11,7	-4	-30	22	0,76
Other (not economically active)	4,3	3,8	-10	-77	57	0,77
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,2	4,8	-2,4	-6,6	2,0	0,29
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,7	2,8	2,1	-1,8	5,8	0,29
Labour force participation rate	2,0	1,9	0,9	-2,6	4,3	0,62

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,5	2,1	-19	-69	31	0,46
Employed	4,4	3,6	18	-42	78	0,55
Unemployed	6,7	7,0	-37	-87	14	0,15
Not economically active	4,1	3,1	19	-32	69	0,46
Discouraged work-seekers	14,0	13,6	11	-12	34	0,36
Other (not economically active)	4,8	3,8	8	-48	64	0,78
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,3	6,6	-3,7	-9,6	2,2	0,21
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,4	3,6	1,4	-3,1	5,8	0,55
Labour force participation rate	2,5	2,1	-1,4	-5,1	2,3	0,46
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,3	3,8	38	-2	79	0,06
Employed	6,6	4,4	23	-17	62	0,26
Unemployed	6,6	6,6	16	3	28	0,02
Not economically active	6,5	10,1	-33	-73	8	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	27,2	14,4	-15	-27	-2	0,02
Other (not economically active)	10,0	10,7	-18	-56	20	0,35
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,5	5,2	1,0	-3,4	5,4	0,65
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	6,6	4,4	3,7	-3,7	11,1	0,32
Labour force participation rate	3,3	3,8	6,5	-1,2	14,1	0,10

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	2,0	100	-30	229	0,13
Employed	1,6	1,9	40	-82	163	0,52
Unemployed	5,3	6,6	59	-20	138	0,14
Not economically active	1,6	1,9	7	-123	136	0,92
Discouraged work-seekers	7,1	8,5	2	-102	105	0,98
Other (not economically active)	2,1	2,0	5	-138	148	0,95
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,3	5,4	1,1	-1,1	3,2	0,33
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,6	1,9	0,0	-1,8	1,8	0,98
Labour force participation rate	1,7	2,0	0,7	-1,2	2,6	0,46
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,4	3,2	21	-98	140	0,73
Employed	2,5	3,2	25	-90	140	0,67
Unemployed	6,7	10,2	-4	-75	68	0,92
Not economically active	1,7	2,2	59	-60	178	0,33
Discouraged work-seekers	8,3	9,9	13	-87	114	0,79
Other (not economically active)	2,6	2,4	45	-91	181	0,51
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,5	8,4	-0,5	-4,1	3,1	0,79
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,5	3,2	0,0	-2,6	2,6	1,00
Labour force participation rate	2,4	3,2	-0,3	-2,9	2,4	0,84



Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekweni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,4	2,0	78	27	130	0,00
Employed	1,7	1,6	16	-29	60	0,49
Unemployed	8,7	7,0	63	31	94	0,00
Not economically active	3,6	3,4	-52	-104	-1	0,05
Discouraged work-seekers	10,2	11,8	-12	-37	13	0,35
Other (not economically active)	3,9	3,6	-40	-90	9	0,11
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,9	5,5	3,1	1,2	5,0	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	1,6	0,1	-1,7	2,0	0,89
Labour force participation rate	2,4	2,0	2,6	0,4	4,8	0,02
<b>North West</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,4	2,4	38	-41	116	0,34
Employed	3,2	3,0	84	10	157	0,03
Unemployed	7,4	7,0	-46	-123	32	0,25
Not economically active	2,6	2,7	6	-72	85	0,88
Discouraged work-seekers	11,2	10,7	65	-12	142	0,10
Other (not economically active)	3,7	3,6	-59	-153	36	0,22
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,4	6,2	-4,3	-9,4	0,8	0,10
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,2	3,0	2,7	-0,3	5,6	0,07
Labour force participation rate	2,4	2,4	0,6	-2,6	3,7	0,71

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,6	0,7	114	-8	236	0,07
Employed	1,2	1,1	0	-132	132	1,00
Unemployed	2,4	2,5	114	2	226	0,05
Not economically active	1,7	1,9	93	-29	214	0,14
Discouraged work-seekers	8,8	10,5	-5	-65	55	0,87
Other (not economically active)	1,8	1,6	98	-13	208	0,08
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,4	2,3	1,1	-0,3	2,6	0,13
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,2	1,1	-1,1	-2,4	0,3	0,12
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,7	-0,4	-1,6	0,9	0,56
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	1,9	1	-35	37	0,96
Employed	4,5	4,2	0	-58	58	1,00
Unemployed	10,1	7,5	1	-43	45	0,96
Not economically active	4,5	3,7	12	-24	49	0,50
Discouraged work-seekers	11,9	15,6	8	-12	28	0,44
Other (not economically active)	6,0	3,4	5	-35	44	0,82
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	9,3	7,5	0,1	-5,1	5,3	0,97
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,5	4,2	-0,4	-4,8	3,9	0,84
Labour force participation rate	2,2	1,9	-0,6	-3,4	2,2	0,67

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,3	90	25	156	0,01
Employed	3,0	1,9	52	-20	123	0,16
Unemployed	4,4	4,1	39	-29	106	0,26
Not economically active	4,1	3,9	-50	-116	16	0,13
Discouraged work-seekers	22,0	16,6	-11	-48	26	0,57
Other (not economically active)	3,6	3,4	-39	-92	14	0,15
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,6	3,6	0,5	-2,8	3,9	0,76
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	1,9	1,3	-1,6	4,1	0,39
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,3	2,5	-0,2	5,1	0,07
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,0	1,2	16	-73	104	0,73
Employed	1,6	1,9	-27	-96	41	0,43
Unemployed	3,2	4,5	43	-29	115	0,24
Not economically active	3,1	3,6	80	-9	168	0,08
Discouraged work-seekers	16,6	28,1	-19	-46	8	0,16
Other (not economically active)	3,3	3,0	99	18	179	0,02
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,1	4,1	1,4	-0,7	3,5	0,19
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,6	1,9	-2,2	-4,0	-0,3	0,02
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,2	-1,6	-4,0	0,9	0,21

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,3	1,5	7	-43	56	0,78
Employed	2,5	1,9	-24	-88	39	0,46
Unemployed	5,4	4,9	31	-8	70	0,12
Not economically active	3,4	3,5	51	1	100	0,05
Discouraged work-seekers	12,9	23,6	17	-17	51	0,33
Other (not economically active)	4,0	2,7	34	-19	86	0,21
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,4	4,3	1,7	-0,7	4,1	0,17
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,5	1,9	-2,2	-4,9	0,4	0,10
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,5	-1,4	-3,4	0,6	0,18
<b>Mpumalanga</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	2,0	51	-37	139	0,26
Employed	3,1	3,0	30	-56	115	0,49
Unemployed	4,7	4,8	21	-36	78	0,47
Not economically active	2,6	3,1	0	-88	87	0,99
Discouraged work-seekers	10,7	13,2	17	-34	68	0,51
Other (not economically active)	2,6	3,0	-18	-82	47	0,59
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,9	4,6	0,3	-2,8	3,4	0,84
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,1	3,0	0,3	-2,7	3,3	0,84
Labour force participation rate	1,7	2,0	0,7	-2,4	3,8	0,65

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Limpopo</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	2,3	67	-42	175	0,23
Employed	2,8	2,1	103	12	193	0,03
Unemployed	4,5	8,4	-36	-87	15	0,17
Not economically active	2,0	2,1	-9	-118	99	0,87
Discouraged work-seekers	11,4	8,5	69	-18	156	0,12
Other (not economically active)	2,8	3,0	-78	-189	33	0,17
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,6	7,1	-2,8	-5,2	-0,4	0,02
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,8	2,1	2,2	-0,3	4,7	0,08
Labour force participation rate	2,2	2,3	1,0	-1,9	4,0	0,48

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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Agriculture	5,4	4,1	-71	-161	20	0,12
Mining	7,4	6,9	8	-57	73	0,80
Manufacturing	2,9	2,9	66	-56	188	0,29
Utilities	11,9	11,2	35	4	66	0,03
Construction	2,9	3,2	-127	-250	-4	0,04
Trade	1,9	1,9	88	-84	260	0,32
Transport	3,8	3,1	73	-15	160	0,10
Finance	2,5	2,2	140	-5	285	0,06
Community and social services	1,8	1,9	117	-50	285	0,17
Private household	2,6	2,9	31	-67	129	0,53
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Agriculture	9,3	9,9	-3	-49	44	0,91
Mining	14,8	14,5	-1	-19	17	0,94
Manufacturing	4,1	4,6	34	-31	100	0,30
Utilities	19,9	17,8	8	-9	26	0,36
Construction	8,0	8,0	-6	-41	29	0,74
Trade	2,4	2,5	30	-77	136	0,58
Transport	8,4	7,7	13	-25	51	0,51
Finance	3,0	3,4	41	-49	132	0,37
Community and social services	2,1	2,3	122	-3	247	0,06
Private household	2,8	3,0	14	-67	94	0,74
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>-81</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>0,27</b>
Agriculture	5,7	4,8	-68	-154	17	0,12
Mining	7,4	6,9	9	-49	67	0,76
Manufacturing	3,5	3,1	31	-66	129	0,53
Utilities	13,2	12,2	27	0	54	0,05
Construction	2,9	3,3	-121	-233	-9	0,04
Trade	2,5	2,6	58	-54	170	0,31
Transport	4,1	3,6	60	-27	147	0,18
Finance	3,5	2,4	99	-11	209	0,08
Community and social services	2,8	3,0	-5	-112	103	0,93
Private household	6,4	5,8	17	-32	66	0,48

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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	0,9	350	101	600	0,01
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,1	2,4	48	-108	204	0,55
Agriculture	5,4	4,1	-71	-161	20	0,12
Private households	2,6	2,9	31	-67	129	0,53
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>0,13</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,2	2,6	112	8	216	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,1	11,0	9	-49	68	0,75
Agriculture	8,0	11,4	-37	-67	-7	0,02
Private households	8,2	11,4	0	-43	43	1,00
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-44</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0,76</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,6	6,1	51	-2	104	0,06
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	12,4	11,9	-14	-39	11	0,28
Agriculture	8,4	11,9	-38	-65	-11	0,01
Private households	16,3	17,4	9	-23	42	0,57
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>0,12</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,6	61	-27	148	0,17
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,0	14,5	23	-30	77	0,39
Agriculture	24,8	34,3	1	-10	12	0,83
Private households	7,4	14,9	-9	-37	19	0,52
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>-107</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>0,62</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,8	8	-51	67	0,79
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	6,6	-21	-69	28	0,40
Agriculture	15,7	13,2	-14	-48	19	0,40
Private households	8,1	6,7	6	-18	29	0,64
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0,24</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,4	4,6	3	-46	52	0,91
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,2	7,6	-26	-72	20	0,27
Agriculture	16,9	13,8	-16	-48	16	0,32
Private households	11,2	10,5	-6	-26	14	0,58

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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0,57</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,9	4,5	-1	-21	18	0,89
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,9	16,6	8	2	15	0,02
Agriculture	61,1	60,9	2	-4	8	0,53
Private households	6,6	25,5	-3	-13	7	0,57
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>5,0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>0,35</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,3	4,5	7	-21	34	0,64
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,0	19,7	-3	-18	12	0,69
Agriculture	50,0	44,6	0	-8	7	0,96
Private households	18,9	5,5	14	6	22	0,00
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>5,1</b>	<b>6,5</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>0,96</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,6	11,0	19	-21	58	0,35
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	22,6	12,8	-5	-24	14	0,59
Agriculture	31,3	25,4	-17	-43	9	0,20
Private households	13,8	16,8	2	-10	15	0,74
<b>Free State</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>0,26</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,8	4,4	19	-45	83	0,56
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	11,7	9,1	15	-24	55	0,45
Agriculture	9,7	15,4	16	-9	40	0,21
Private households	12,8	11,1	-9	-46	27	0,62
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>4,4</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>-42</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>0,55</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,7	5,3	-6	-55	44	0,82
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	16,9	11,0	18	-20	56	0,36
Agriculture	9,7	16,0	14	-11	38	0,28
Private households	18,0	9,5	-8	-39	24	0,64
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>6,6</b>	<b>4,4</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>0,26</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11,0	7,8	25	-16	66	0,23
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	11,3	15,7	-3	-14	9	0,65
Agriculture	104,7	38,8	2	0	4	0,02
Private households	10,5	27,7	-2	-20	17	0,86



<b>Table 3.4B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Year-on-year change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>0,52</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,2	2,2	86	-28	201	0,14
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,6	7,0	-28	-93	38	0,40
Agriculture	10,5	10,3	-19	-55	16	0,29
Private households	6,2	7,2	1	-44	46	0,96
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-90</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>0,67</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,8	3,7	50	-49	148	0,32
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,2	8,0	-12	-60	37	0,63
Agriculture	10,8	10,3	-18	-54	17	0,31
Private households	8,7	11,8	5	-25	36	0,74
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekweni</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>0,49</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,2	2,5	37	-22	96	0,22
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	14,9	13,1	-16	-60	28	0,48
Agriculture	40,8	85,3	-1	-6	4	0,64
Private households	8,9	8,2	-4	-37	29	0,82
<b>North West</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>0,03</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,5	3,1	58	-3	120	0,06
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,6	11,2	26	-17	70	0,24
Agriculture	19,0	15,0	1	-13	14	0,92
Private households	10,1	11,9	-2	-27	23	0,87
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-132</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1,00</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,6	1,4	47	-98	193	0,52
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	4,3	-73	-147	0	0,05
Agriculture	18,3	16,8	-3	-25	19	0,80
Private households	4,4	5,4	29	-21	79	0,26
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>4,2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>1,00</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,0	6,3	-4	-68	60	0,90
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	15,7	14,9	-13	-51	25	0,51
Agriculture	37,3	12,2	-2	-16	12	0,76
Private households	15,7	7,8	19	4	34	0,01

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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>0,16</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	2,3	60	-3	122	0,06
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,2	8,7	-7	-44	30	0,71
Agriculture	31,9	46,1	-1	-15	12	0,84
Private households	12,9	9,5	0	-29	30	0,99
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-96</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0,43</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,6	2,6	-9	-102	84	0,85
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,6	6,1	-30	-70	10	0,14
Agriculture	33,5	31,9	1	-6	8	0,77
Private households	6,9	9,2	11	-15	37	0,41
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>-88</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0,46</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,0	1,9	1	-66	67	0,99
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,7	9,1	-23	-53	6	0,12
Agriculture	19,1	45,6	0	-7	6	0,93
Private households	5,3	13,5	-1	-30	28	0,94
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>-56</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>0,49</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,5	3,9	-35	-115	45	0,39
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,7	7,1	57	12	103	0,01
Agriculture	11,4	6,0	0	-27	27	1,00
Private households	9,5	9,4	7	-16	30	0,54
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0,03</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,1	4,1	35	-33	103	0,32
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,4	4,6	67	11	122	0,02
Agriculture	23,9	8,3	4	-45	53	0,88
Private households	8,3	7,4	-3	-26	20	0,82

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
	Jul-Sep 2016	Jul-Sep 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Manager	2,8	3,0	46	-63	156	0,41
Professional	4,1	3,7	125	34	216	0,01
Technician	3,0	2,9	-15	-128	98	0,79
Clerk	2,7	2,5	133	21	244	0,02
Sales and services	2,5	2,1	97	-56	250	0,21
Skilled agriculture	15,4	16,6	-3	-32	25	0,83
Craft and related trade	2,6	2,6	-26	-161	109	0,71
Plant and machine operator	2,8	2,8	9	-94	111	0,87
Elementary	1,7	1,8	-31	-189	128	0,70
Domestic worker	2,8	3,0	19	-65	102	0,66
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Manager	5,3	4,7	19	-38	77	0,51
Professional	5,2	4,8	30	-25	86	0,29
Technician	3,9	3,8	-41	-121	38	0,31
Clerk	2,9	2,6	94	10	179	0,03
Sales and services	2,8	2,6	62	-26	150	0,17
Skilled agriculture	30,1	33,6	2	-11	15	0,76
Craft and related trade	6,7	7,4	-7	-48	34	0,74
Plant and machine operator	7,4	8,9	-5	-44	34	0,79
Elementary	2,6	2,7	74	-29	178	0,16
Domestic worker	2,8	3,1	23	-58	103	0,58
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>-81</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>0,27</b>
Manager	3,1	3,7	27	-64	118	0,56
Professional	5,0	5,0	95	33	157	0,00
Technician	4,0	4,2	26	-50	102	0,50
Clerk	4,6	5,3	38	-34	111	0,30
Sales and services	3,5	2,9	35	-87	157	0,57
Skilled agriculture	15,1	16,6	-5	-28	18	0,66
Craft and related trade	2,7	2,6	-19	-143	105	0,77
Plant and machine operator	3,1	2,7	14	-75	103	0,76
Elementary	2,3	2,3	-105	-236	25	0,11
Domestic worker	14,0	14,5	-4	-26	18	0,71