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## 1. 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 January to March 2018 (Q1: 2018).

## 2. Highlights of the results

**Table A: Key labour market indicators**

	Jan-Mar 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand					Per cent	
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 051</b>	<b>22 358</b>	<b>30 7</b>	<b>-68</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-0,3</b>
<b>Employed</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 337	11 244	11 355	111	18	1,0	0,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 681	2 808	2 901	93	220	3,3	8,2
Agriculture	875	849	847	-3	-28	-0,3	-3,3
Private households	1 319	1 270	1 275	5	-45	0,4	-3,4
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>5 880</b>	<b>5 980</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-234</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>15 474</b>	<b>15 320</b>	<b>-154</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>4,7</b>
Discouraged work-seekers	2 277	2 538	2 787	249	510	9,8	22,4
Other(not economically active)	12 357	12 936	12 533	-403	176	-3,1	1,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>							
Unemployment rate	27,7	26,7	26,7	0,0	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	60,5	58,8	59,3	0,5	-1,2		

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

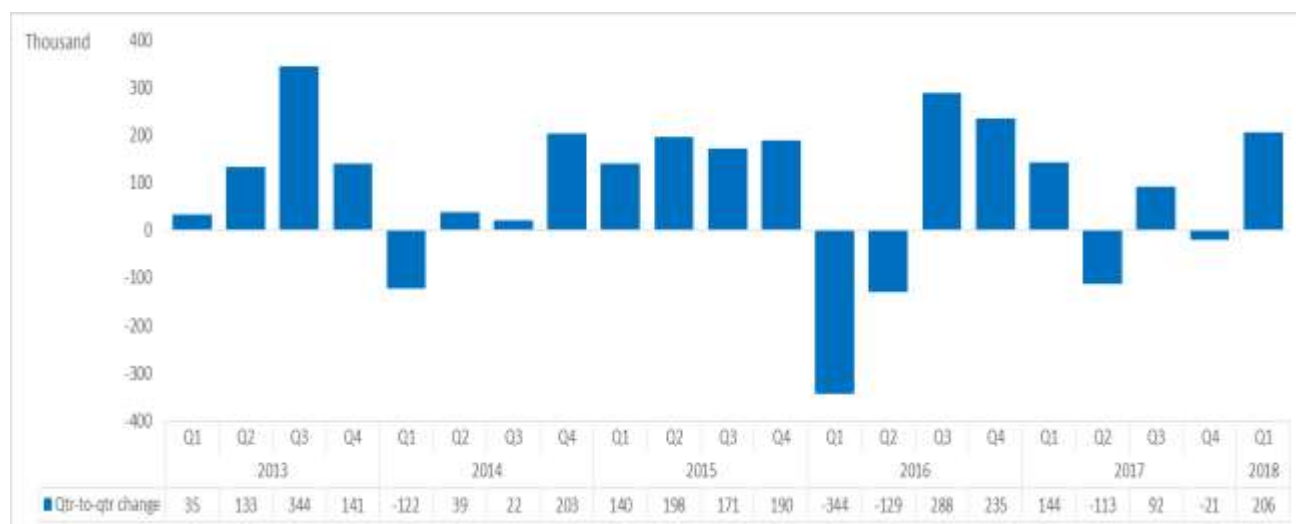
The South African working-age population increased by 153 000 or 0,4 per cent in the first quarter of 2018 compared to the fourth quarter of 2017. The rise in both employment (up by 206 000) and unemployment (up by 100 000) over the quarter led to a rise in labour force participation rate (from 58,8% to 59,3%). The unemployment rate (26,7%) remained unchanged over the first quarter of 2018 compared to the fourth quarter of 2017.

Employment gains were recorded in the formal sector (111 000), informal sector (93 000) and private households (5 000), while Agriculture recorded job losses (down by 3 000) in the first quarter of 2018. The number of discouraged work-seekers increased by 249 000 while the number of other not economically active persons decreased by 403 000, resulting in a net decline of 154 000 (down by 1,0 percentage point) in the number of people not in the labour force between the fourth quarter of 2017 and the first quarter of 2018.

Compared to the same period last year, employment increased by 165 000 or 1,0 per cent while unemployment declined by 234 000 or 3,8 per cent. Between Q1: 2017 and Q1: 2018, the number of discouraged work-seekers grew by 510 000 (or 22,4 per cent) to 2,8 million persons.

### 3. Employment

**Figure 1: Quarter-to-quarter changes in employment, Q1: 2013 to Q1: 2018**



From an increase of 35 000 in Q1: 2013, the number of employed persons declined by 122 000 in Q1: 2014. A substantially significant decline of 344 000 in employment was observed in Q1: 2016 after an increase of 140 000 in Q1: 2015. It has since risen by 144 000 in Q1: 2017 and 206 000 in Q1: 2018.

**Table B: Employment by industry**

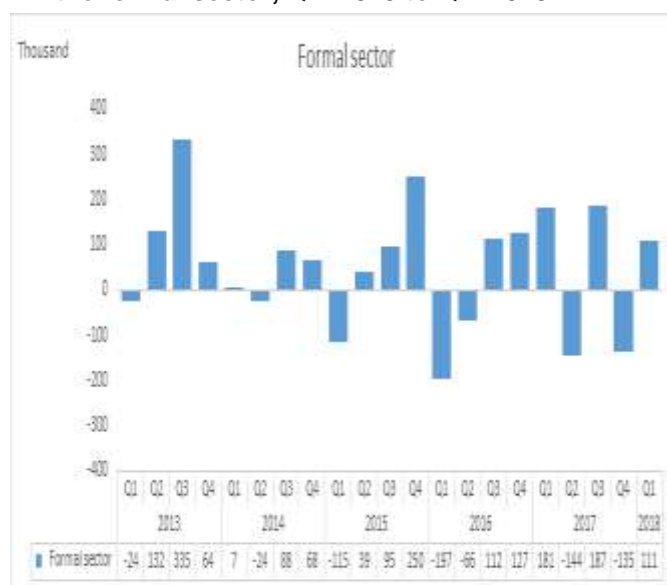
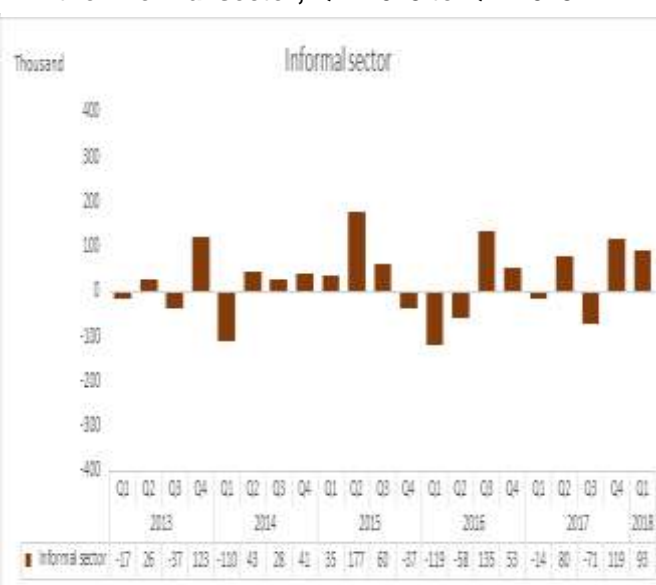
Industry	Jan-Mar 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand				Per cent		
<b>Total*</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Agriculture	875	849	847	-3	-28	-0,3	-3,3
Mining	447	411	397	-14	-50	-3,4	-11,2
Manufacturing	1 790	1 791	1 849	58	59	3,3	3,3
Utilities	145	149	143	-6	-2	-4,2	-1,5
Construction	1 505	1 390	1 431	40	-75	2,9	-5,0
Trade	3 207	3 240	3 276	36	69	1,1	2,1
Transport	965	1 001	960	-41	-4	-4,1	-0,4
Finance and other business services	2 378	2 373	2 402	30	24	1,3	1,0
Community and social services	3 569	3 691	3 785	95	216	2,6	6,1
Private households	1 319	1 270	1 275	5	-45	0,4	-3,4

\*Note: Total includes 'other' industry.

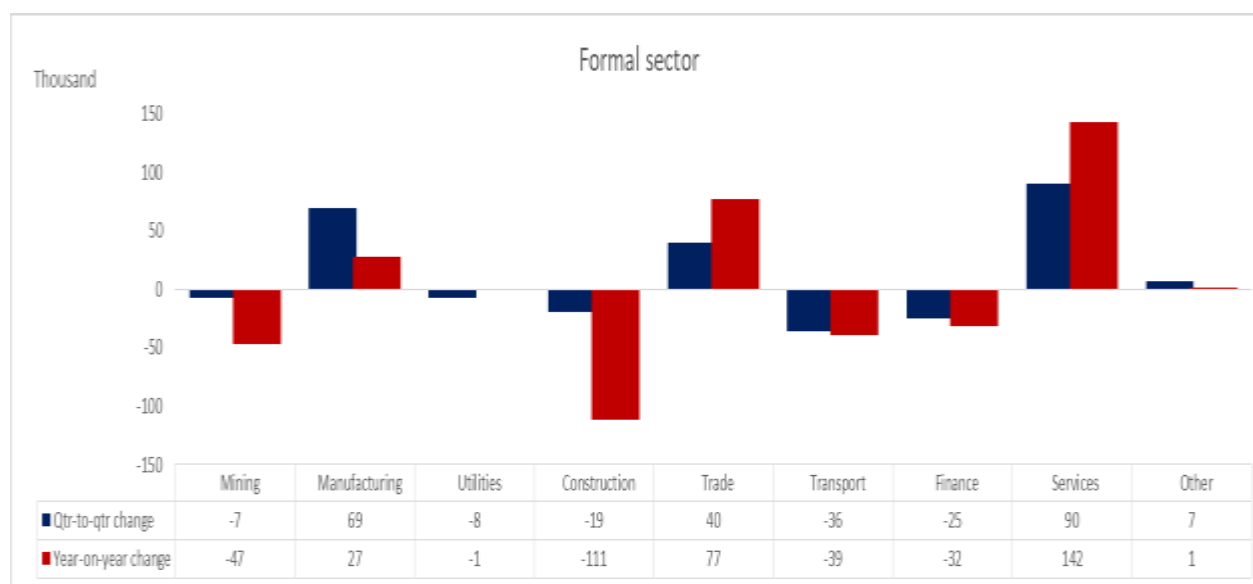
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Table B shows that the quarterly employment increase of 206 000 jobs in Q1: 2018 were driven by six of the ten industries. The contributors to the increase were the Community and social services (contributing 95 000 jobs), followed by Manufacturing (58 000), Construction (40 000), Trade (36 000) and Finance and other business services (30 000) industries. Employment declines were recorded in Transport (resulting in a loss of 41 000 jobs), and Mining (14 000), Utilities (6 000) and Agriculture (3 000).

Compared to Q1: 2017, employment gains of 165 000 jobs were largely driven by Community and social services (216 000), Trade (69 000) and Manufacturing (59 000). Construction, Mining, Private Households and Agriculture industries lost 75 000, 50 000, 45 000 and 28 000 jobs, respectively.

**Figure 2a: Quarter-to-quarter employment changes in the formal sector, Q1: 2013 to Q1: 2018****Figure 2b: Quarter-to-quarter employment changes in the informal sector, Q1: 2013 to Q1: 2018**

After employment losses in the fourth quarter of 2017, the number of employed persons in the formal sector increased by 111 000 in Q1: 2018. In the same quarter, the informal sector also created 93 000 more jobs compared to Q4: 2017.

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

The formal sector recorded employment gains of 111 000. This was mainly observed from Community and social services (90 000), Manufacturing (69 000) and Trade (40 000) industries. Transport, Finance and other business services and Construction recorded the most declines in employment in the first quarter of 2018.

Compared to the same period last year, the formal sector created 18 000 jobs. This was mainly from Community and social services (142 000), Trade (77 000) and Manufacturing (27 000) industries. Construction (111 000), Mining (47 000), while Transport (39 000) and Finance and other business services (32 000) industries recorded employment losses.



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

In the first quarter of 2018 employment in the informal sector increased mainly in Construction (59 000) and Finance and other business services (54 000) industries compared to the fourth quarter of 2017.

Compared to Q1: 2017, employment in the informal sector increased in five industries. The largest annual employment gains were observed in the Community and social services (74 000), Finance and other business services (56 000), Construction (36 000) and Transport (35 000) industries.

**Table C: Employment by occupation**

Occupation	Jan-Mar 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand					Per cent	
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Manager	1 448	1 390	1 422	32	-26	2,3	-1,8
Professional	895	906	873	-33	-22	-3,7	-2,5
Technician	1 435	1 477	1 415	-62	-20	-4,2	-1,4
Clerk	1 751	1 657	1 746	89	-5	5,4	-0,3
Sales and services	2 478	2 597	2 692	95	214	3,6	8,6
Skilled agriculture	69	83	62	-21	-6	-24,8	-9,0
Craft and related trade	2 018	1 935	1 994	58	-24	3,0	-1,2
Plant and machine operator	1 332	1 317	1 359	42	27	3,2	2,0
Elementary	3 778	3 788	3 823	35	45	0,9	1,2
Domestic worker	1 007	1 016	991	-24	-16	-2,4	-1,5

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

During the first quarter of 2018, quartely employment gains were observed in six of the ten occupations. The largest gains in employment were recorded in the Sales and services (95 000), Clerical (89 000) and Craft and related trade (58 000) occupations. Employment losses were recorded in Technician (62 000), Professional (33 000), Domestic worker (24 000) and Skilled agriculture (21 000) occupations.

Year-on-year changes show that gains in employment were mainly driven by the Sales and services (214 000), Elementary (45 000) and Plant and machine operator (27 000) occupations. Between Q1: 2017 and Q1: 2018, employment declines were mainly recorded in the Managerial (26 000), Craft and related trade (24 000) and Professional (22 000) occupations.

**Table D: Employment by province**

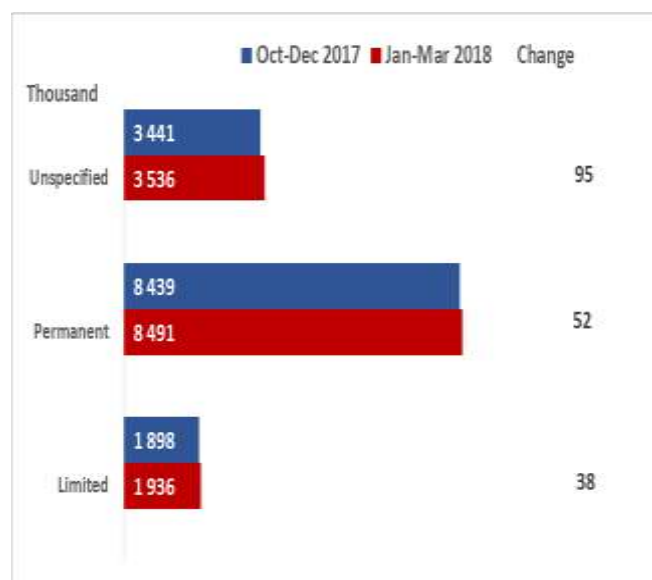
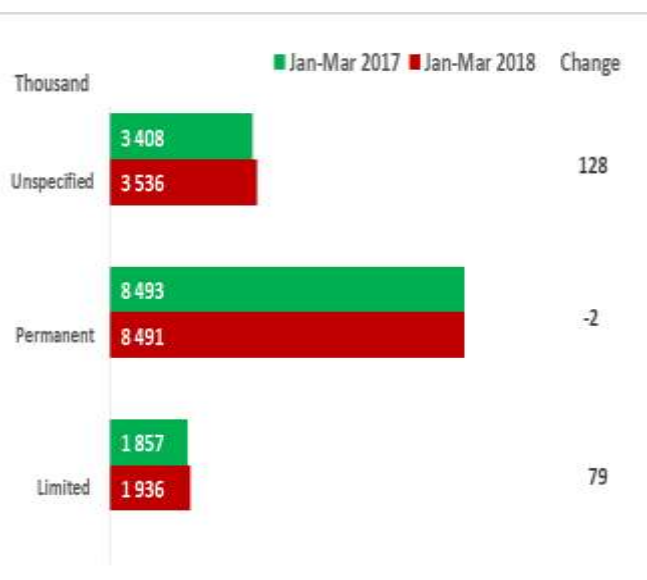
Province	Jan-Mar 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand					Per cent	
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Western Cape	2 406	2 492	2 530	38	123	1,5	5,1
Eastern Cape	1 442	1 391	1 397	7	-45	0,5	-3,1
Northern Cape	299	321	321	0	22	-0,1	7,5
Free State	767	806	814	9	48	1,1	6,2
KwaZulu-Natal	2 555	2 513	2 617	104	62	4,1	2,4
North West	976	999	992	-7	16	-0,7	1,7
Gauteng	5 193	4 991	5 069	78	-124	1,6	-2,4
Mpumalanga	1 217	1 242	1 197	-45	-20	-3,6	-1,7
Limpopo	1 358	1 417	1 441	23	83	1,7	6,1

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

The number of employed persons increased in six of the nine provinces between Q4: 2017 and Q1: 2018. The largest employment increases were recorded in KwaZulu-Natal (104 000), Gauteng (78 000) and Western Cape (38 000), while Mpumalanga (45 000) and North West recorded (7 000) employment losses in the same period.

Compared to Q1: 2017, employment increased in six of the nine provinces, with Western Cape recording the largest increase of 123 000 jobs, followed by Limpopo at 83 000 and KwaZulu-Natal (62 000). During the same period, employment losses were recorded in Gauteng (124 000), Eastern Cape (45 000) and Mpumalanga (20 000).

### 3.1 Conditions of employment for employees

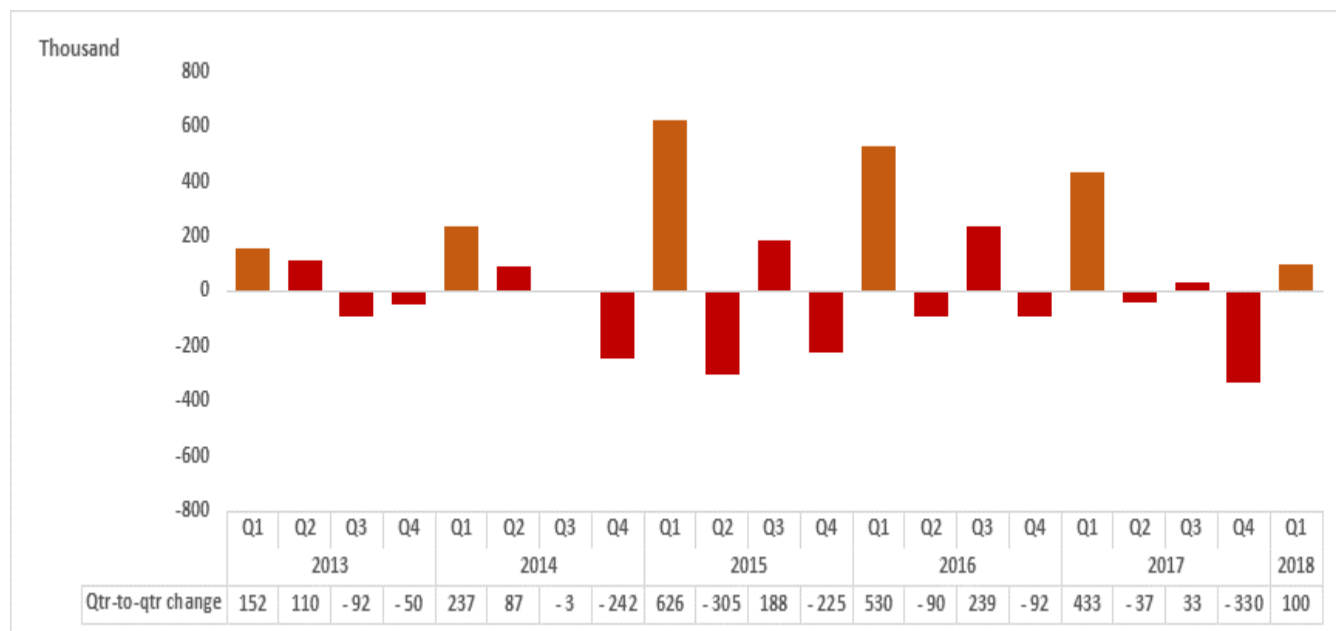
**Figure 5: Quarter-to-quarter changes in nature of employment contract****Figure 6: Year-on-year changes in nature of employment contract**

Irrespective of the nature of contract, the number of employees increased for all types of contract durations in the first quarter of 2018 compared to the fourth quarter of 2017.

Year-on-year, the number of employees with contracts of unspecified and limited durations increased by 128 000 and 79 000 respectively while there was virtually no change in the number of employees with contracts of a permanent nature.

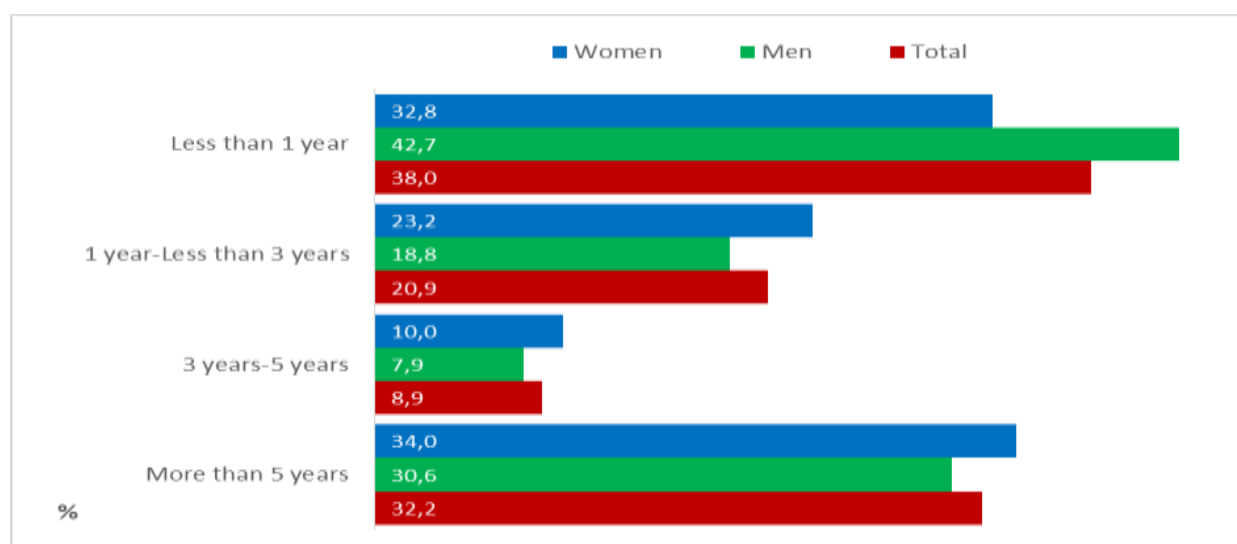
## 4. Unemployment

**Figure 7: Quarter-to-quarter changes in unemployment, Q1: 2013 to Q1: 2018**



After a decline in the number of unemployed persons in the fourth quarter, the first quarter usually shows an increase in unemployment. This is depicted by an increase in the number of unemployed persons in the first quarter of each year since 2013, with an increase of 100 000 recorded in Q1: 2018.

**Figure 8: Percentage number of unemployed persons by duration of unemployment, Q1: 2018**



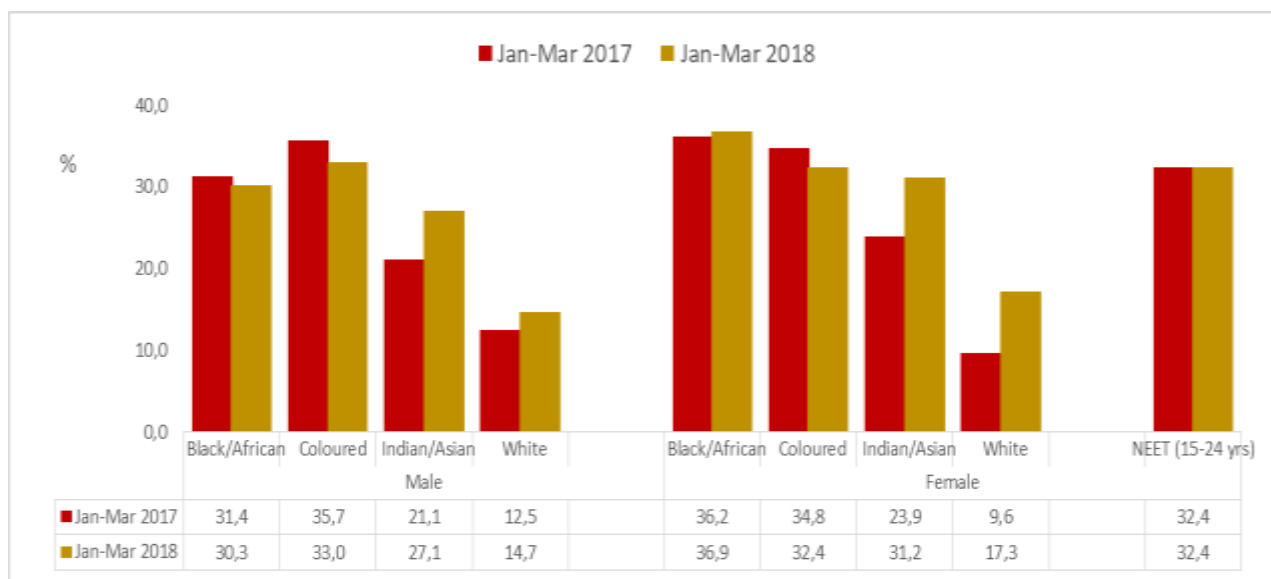
Duration of unemployment is the length of time that an unemployed person has been without work, available for work and actively seeking work. Long-term unemployment refers to unemployment of a year and more. More than 60% of the unemployed have reported being unemployed for a year or longer. Women are more likely to be in long-term unemployment than men. At least two out of three unemployed women (67,2%) have been unemployed for a year or longer compared to 57,3% of their male counterparts.

**Table E: Unemployment rate by province**

	Official unemployment rate					Expanded unemployment rate				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Jan-Mar 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Per cent			Percentage points		Per cent			Percentage points	
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>27,7</b>	<b>26,7</b>	<b>26,7</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>36,4</b>	<b>36,3</b>	<b>36,7</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>0,3</b>
Western Cape	21,5	19,5	19,7	0,2	-1,8	24,7	23,0	22,5	-0,5	-2,2
Eastern Cape	32,2	35,1	35,6	0,5	3,4	43,6	44,8	46,0	1,2	2,5
Northern Cape	30,7	27,1	29,5	2,4	-1,2	43,9	40,5	41,0	0,5	-2,9
Free State	35,5	32,6	32,8	0,2	-2,7	41,7	39,0	38,4	-0,6	-3,3
KwaZulu-Natal	25,8	24,1	22,3	-1,8	-3,5	41,0	41,0	40,6	-0,4	-0,4
North West	26,5	23,9	25,8	1,9	-0,7	41,7	40,6	41,8	1,2	0,1
Gauteng	29,2	29,1	28,6	-0,5	-0,6	32,0	33,7	33,6	-0,1	1,6
Mpumalanga	31,5	28,9	32,4	3,5	0,9	41,2	39,7	42,5	2,8	1,3
Limpopo	21,6	19,6	19,9	0,3	-1,7	38,2	36,8	37,6	0,8	-0,6

The official unemployment rate remained unchanged at 26,7% in Q1: 2018 compared to Q4: 2017. The official unemployment rate increased in seven of the nine provinces. The largest increase in the unemployment rate was recorded in Mpumalanga (up by 3,5 percentage points), Northern Cape (up by 2,4 percentage points), and North West (up by 1,9 percentage points). Year-on-year the official unemployment rate declined by 1,0 percentage point with most provinces recording declines and increases observed in Eastern Cape (up by 3,4 percentage points) and Mpumalanga (up by 0,9 of a percentage point).

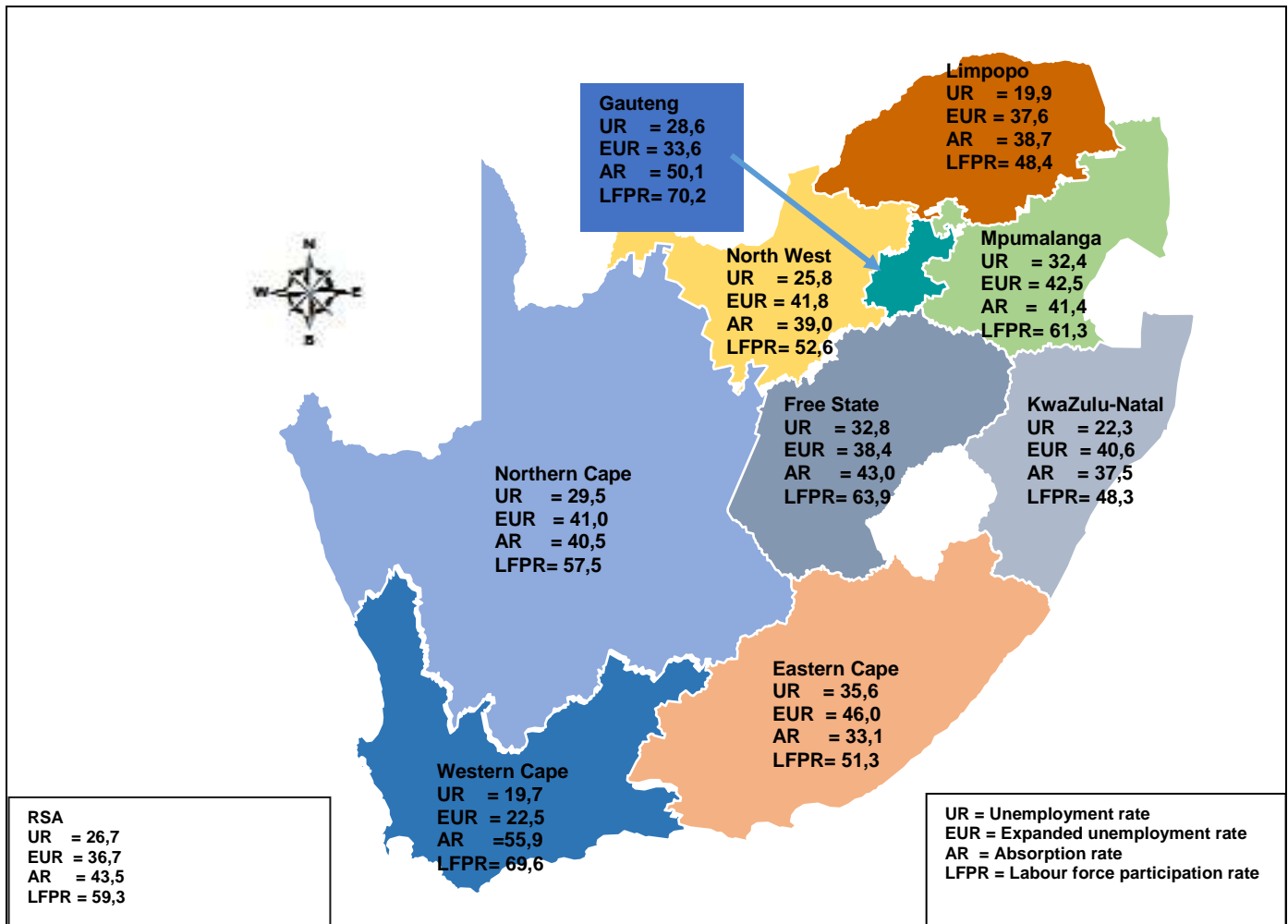
Compared to Q4: 2017, the expanded unemployment rate increased by 0,4 of a percentage point in Q1: 2018 to 36,7%. The largest increases were recorded in Mpumalanga (up by 2,8 percentage points), Eastern Cape (up by 1,2 percentage points) and North West (up by 1,1 percentage points). Compared to a year ago, the expanded unemployment rate increased by 0,2 of a percentage point.

**Figure 9: NEET rates for youth aged 15–24 years by population group, Q1: 2017 and Q1: 2018**

Between Q1: 2017 and Q1: 2018, the percentage of young persons aged 15–24 years who were not in employment, education or training (NEET) remained unchanged (at 32,4%). The NEET rate declined among the black African

and coloured males, while the rate increased among Indian/Asian and white males. Among females the NEET rate increased for three population groups with the exception of coloured females.

## 5. Summary of labour market measures at a glance, Q1: 2018

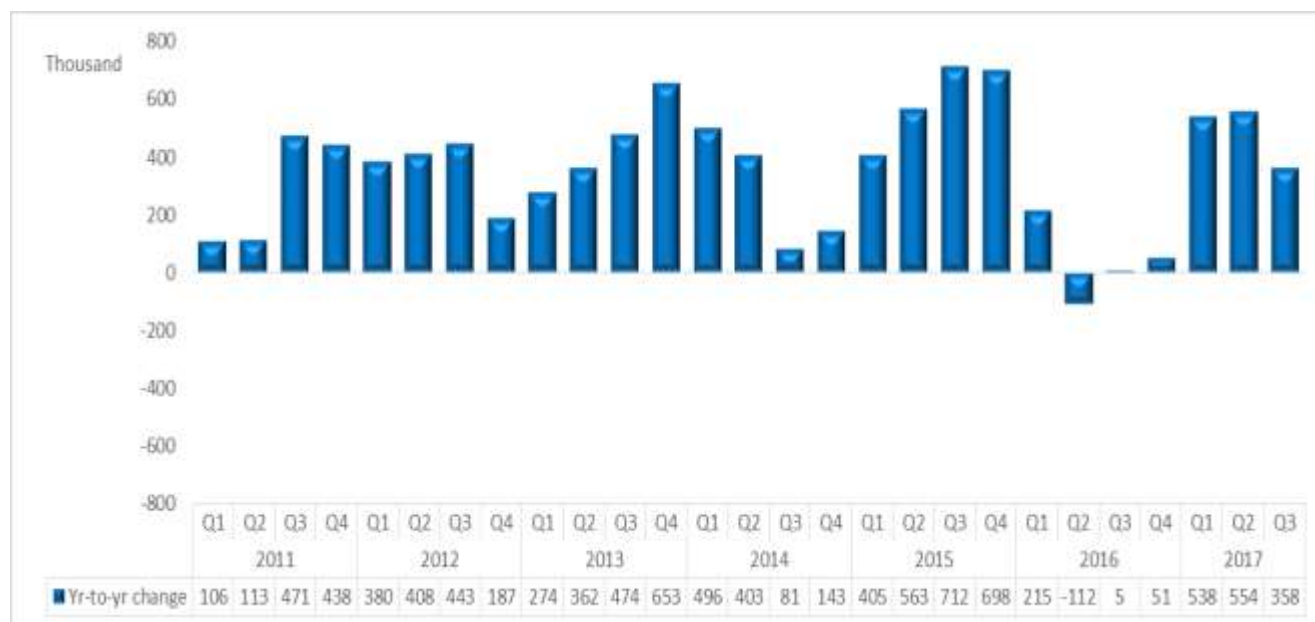


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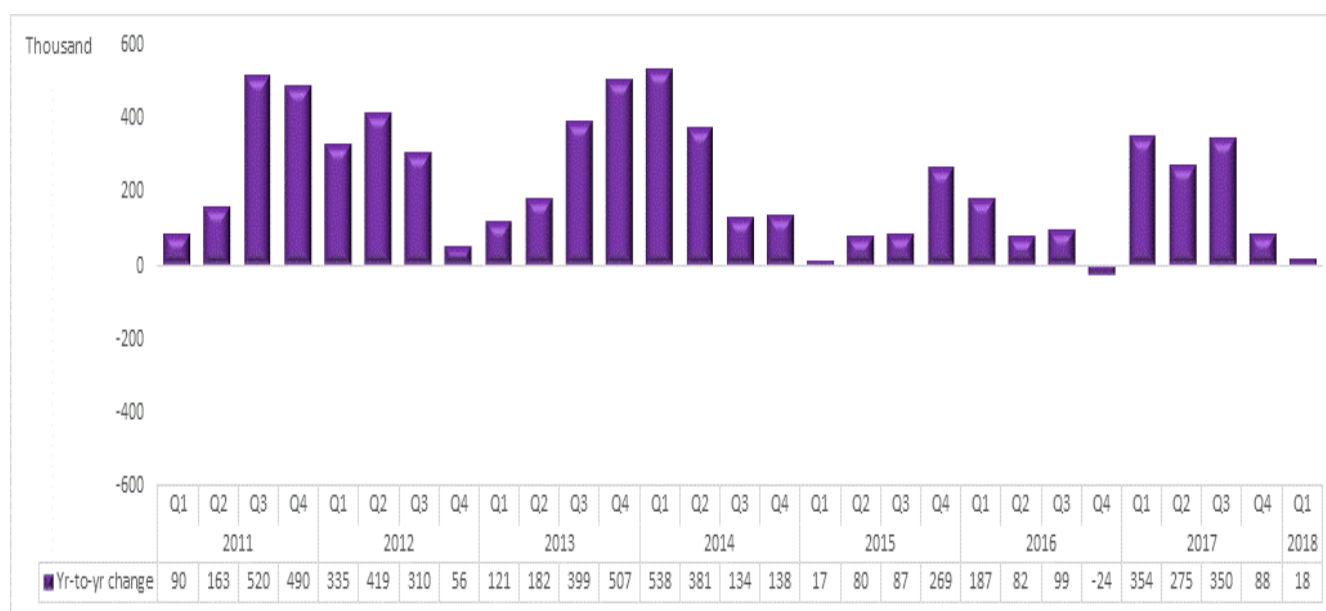
## 6. Other labour market trends

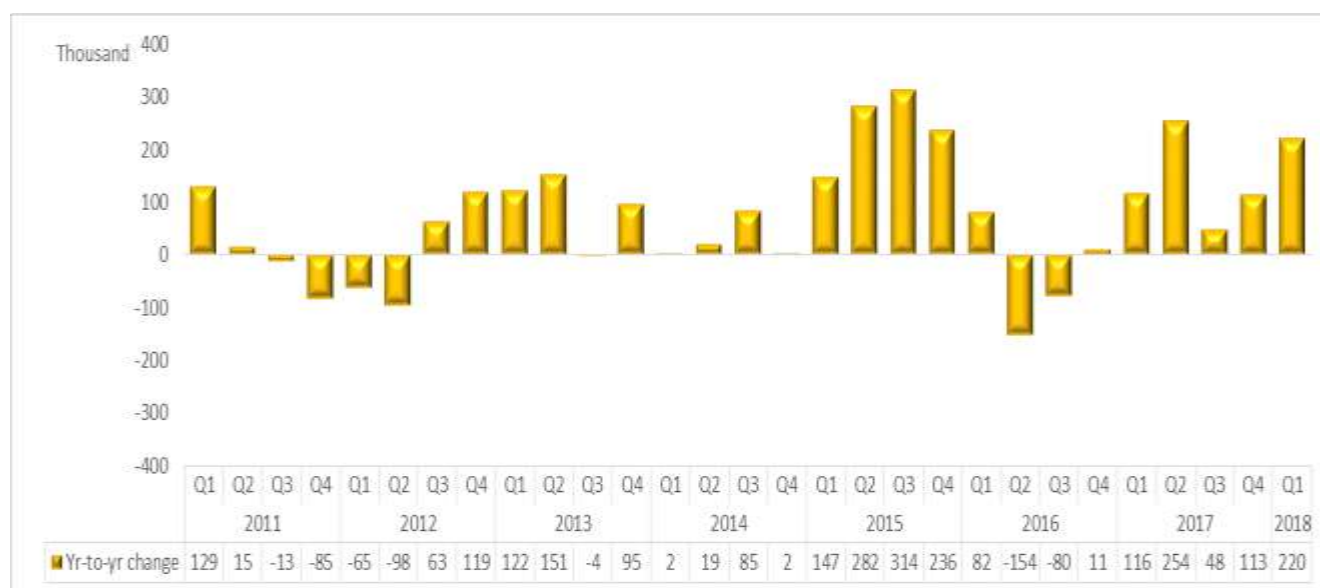
### 6.1 Year-on-year changes

**Figure 10: Year-on-year changes in total employment, Q1: 2011 to Q1: 2018**

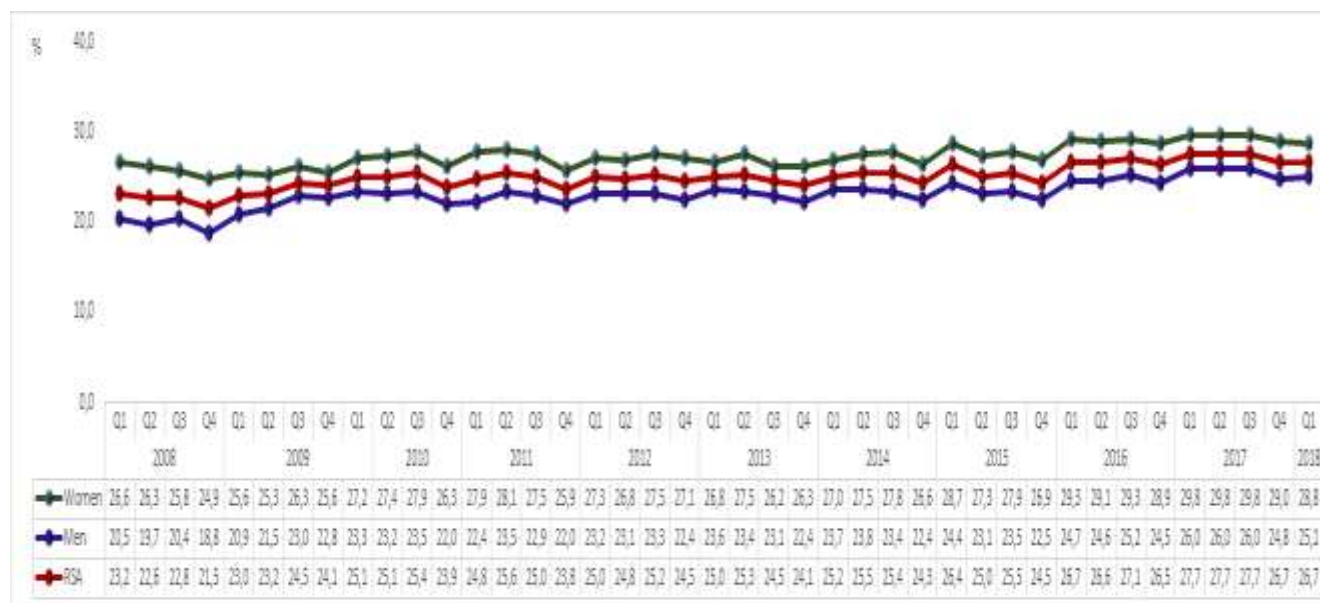


**Figure 11: Year-on-year changes in formal-sector employment, Q1: 2011 to Q1: 2018**

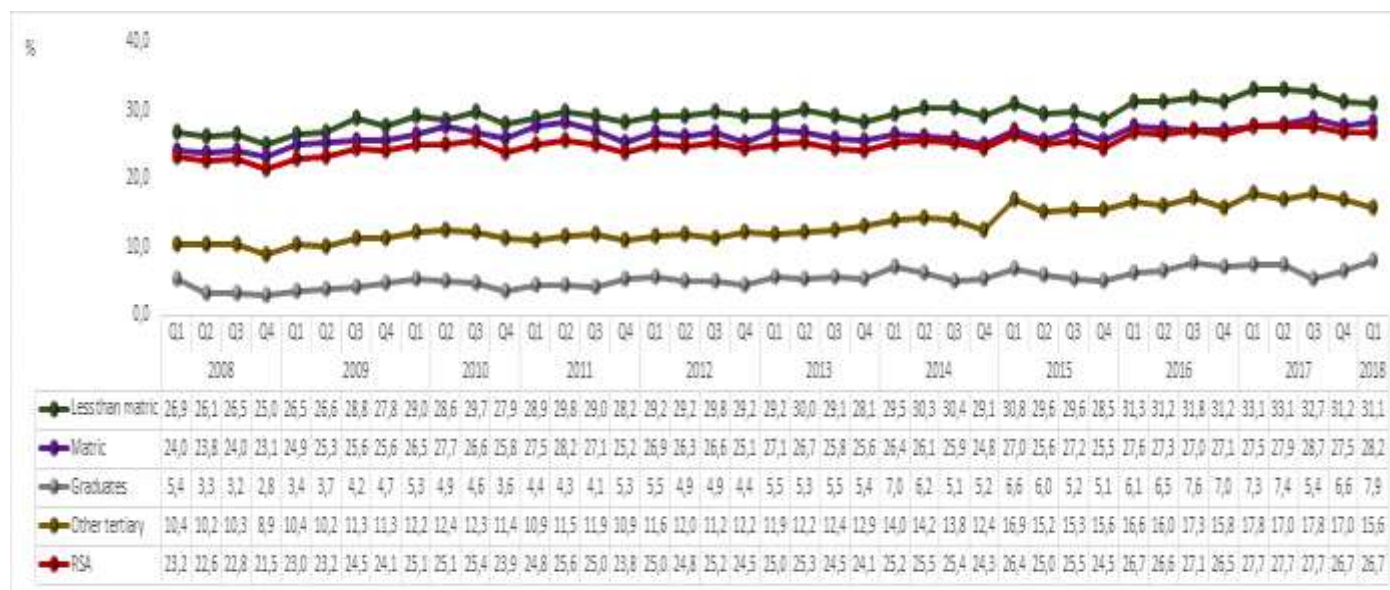


**Figure 12: Year-on-year changes in informal-sector employment, Q1: 2011 to Q1: 2018**

## 6.2 Trends in unemployment rate

**Figure 13: Unemployment rate by sex, Q1: 2008 to Q1: 2018**



**Figure 14: Unemployment rate by education status, Q1: 2008 to Q1: 2018**

## 7. 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.

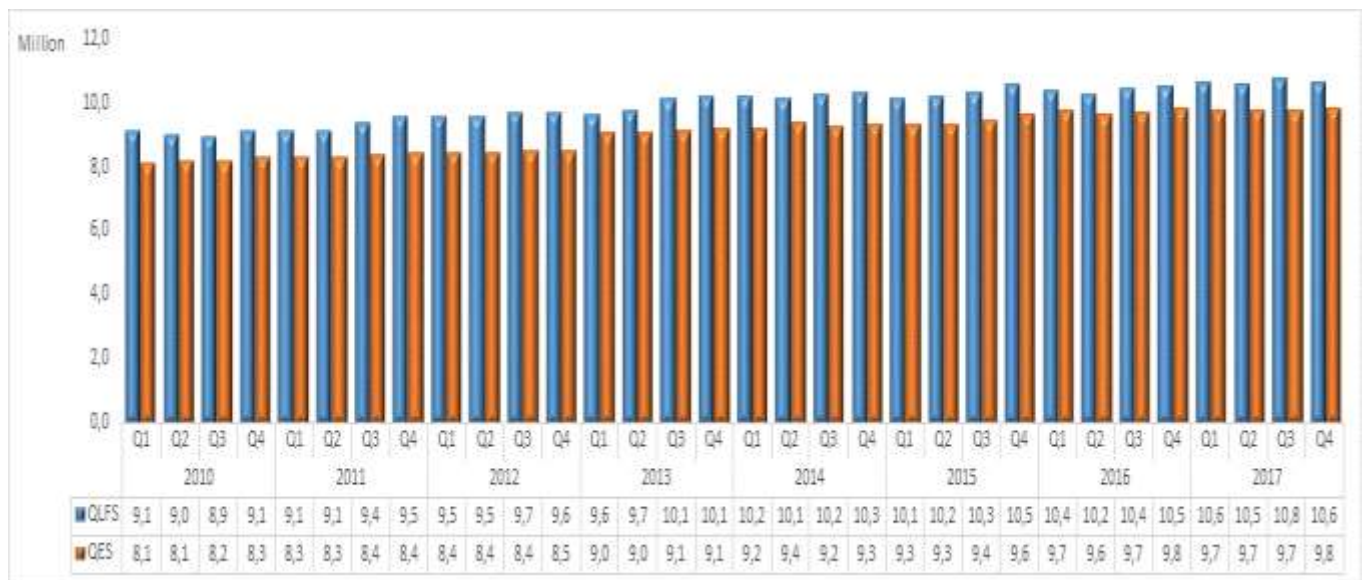
The QLFS is a survey of households that collects information from approximately 30 000 dwelling units and collects data on the labour market activities of individuals, whereas the QES is an enterprise-based survey that collects information from non-agricultural businesses and organisations from approximately 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 R300 000.
- QLFS allows for proxy responses (a household member responding on behalf of the other). 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 15: Formal sector employment trends in QLFS and QES, Q1: 2010 to Q4: 2017**

## 8. Technical notes

### 8.1 Response details

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

Province / metropolitan area	Jan-Mar 2018
<b>National</b>	<b>89,6</b>
Western Cape	91,7
Non-metro	92,1
City of Cape Town	91,5
Eastern Cape	95,0
Non-metro	96,9
Buffalo City	93,7
Nelson Mandela Bay	89,1
Nothern Cape	90,3
Free State	96,0
Non-metro	95,6
Mangaung	96,9
KwaZulu-Natal	94,3
Non-metro	94,6
eThekweni	93,8
North West	91,4
Gauteng	77,6
Non-metro	79,0
Ekurhuleni	76,3
City of Johannesburg	76,1
City of Tshwane	81,0
Mpumalanga	95,3
Limpopo	96,5

### 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)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Women	18 753	18 828	18 903	18 975	19 048	73	295	0,4	1,6
Men	18 307	18 389	18 471	18 550	18 630	80	322	0,4	1,8
<b>Population groups</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Black/African	29 645	29 798	29 950	30 099	30 249	150	604	0,5	2,0
Coloured	3 396	3 406	3 415	3 425	3 434	9	38	0,3	1,1
Indian/Asian	992	994	996	998	1 000	2	9	0,2	0,9
White	3 028	3 020	3 012	3 003	2 995	-8	-33	-0,3	-1,1
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Western Cape	4 436	4 460	4 483	4 506	4 528	23	92	0,5	2,1
Eastern Cape	4 178	4 190	4 203	4 215	4 228	12	50	0,3	1,2
Nothern Cape	783	785	787	790	792	2	9	0,3	1,2
Free State	1 887	1 888	1 890	1 892	1 895	3	8	0,1	0,4
KwaZulu-Natal	6 868	6 894	6 921	6 948	6 975	27	107	0,4	1,6
North West	2 501	2 512	2 523	2 534	2 545	11	44	0,4	1,8
Gauteng	9 905	9 957	10 009	10 059	10 109	50	204	0,5	2,1
Mpumalanga	2 841	2 853	2 866	2 877	2 889	12	49	0,4	1,7
Limpopo	3 663	3 678	3 692	3 705	3 718	13	55	0,4	1,5

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

Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex – All population groups									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>22 402</b>	<b>22 051</b>	<b>22 358</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>-68</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-0,3</b>
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 337	11 193	11 379	11 244	11 355	111	18	1,0	0,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 681	2 761	2 689	2 808	2 901	93	220	3,3	8,2
Agriculture	875	835	810	849	847	-3	-28	-0,3	-3,3
Private households	1 319	1 311	1 313	1 270	1 275	5	-45	0,4	-3,4
Unemployed	6 214	6 177	6 210	5 880	5 980	100	-234	1,7	-3,8
Not economically active	14 634	14 941	14 971	15 474	15 320	-154	686	-1,0	4,7
Discouraged work-seekers	2 277	2 361	2 436	2 538	2 787	249	510	9,8	22,4
Other(not economically active)	12 357	12 580	12 536	12 936	12 533	-403	176	-3,1	1,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,7	27,7	27,7	26,7	26,7	0,0	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	60,5	59,9	59,9	58,8	59,3	0,5	-1,2		
<b>Women</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>18 753</b>	<b>18 828</b>	<b>18 903</b>	<b>18 975</b>	<b>19 048</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>10 232</b>	<b>10 086</b>	<b>10 147</b>	<b>9 953</b>	<b>10 138</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>-94</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>-0,9</b>
Employed	7 182	7 078	7 125	7 071	7 222	151	40	2,1	0,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4 883	4 770	4 805	4 730	4 842	112	-41	2,4	-0,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 021	1 026	1 057	1 084	1 113	29	91	2,6	9,0
Agriculture	278	264	252	267	285	18	7	6,6	2,7
Private households	1 001	1 018	1 010	990	982	-8	-18	-0,8	-1,8
Unemployed	3 049	3 008	3 022	2 882	2 915	33	-134	1,1	-4,4
Not economically active	8 522	8 743	8 756	9 022	8 911	-111	389	-1,2	4,6
Discouraged work-seekers	1 233	1 288	1 357	1 414	1 564	151	331	10,7	26,9
Other(not economically active)	7 288	7 454	7 399	7 608	7 346	-262	58	-3,4	0,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,8	29,8	29,8	29,0	28,8	-0,2	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,3	37,6	37,7	37,3	37,9	0,6	-0,4		
Labour force participation rate	54,6	53,6	53,7	52,5	53,2	0,7	-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)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Men</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>18 307</b>	<b>18 389</b>	<b>18 471</b>	<b>18 550</b>	<b>18 630</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>12 195</b>	<b>12 191</b>	<b>12 255</b>	<b>12 098</b>	<b>12 220</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>0,2</b>
Employed	9 030	9 022	9 067	9 100	9 155	55	126	0,6	1,4
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6 454	6 423	6 574	6 514	6 513	-1	59	0,0	0,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 660	1 734	1 632	1 724	1 789	64	129	3,7	7,8
Agriculture	597	571	558	582	561	-21	-36	-3,5	-6,0
Private households	319	294	303	280	293	13	-26	4,6	-8,3
Unemployed	3 165	3 169	3 188	2 998	3 065	67	-100	2,2	-3,2
Not economically active	6 113	6 198	6 215	6 452	6 410	-43	297	-0,7	4,9
Discouraged work-seekers	1 044	1 072	1 078	1 125	1 223	98	179	8,7	17,1
Other(not economically active)	5 069	5 126	5 137	5 328	5 187	-141	118	-2,6	2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,0	26,0	26,0	24,8	25,1	0,3	-0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,3	49,1	49,1	49,1	49,1	0,0	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	66,6	66,3	66,4	65,2	65,6	0,4	-1,0		

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									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>22 402</b>	<b>22 051</b>	<b>22 358</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>-68</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-0,3</b>
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Unemployed	6 214	6 177	6 210	5 880	5 980	100	-234	1,7	-3,8
Not economically active	14 634	14 941	14 971	15 474	15 320	-154	686	-1,0	4,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,7	27,7	27,7	26,7	26,7	0,0	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	60,5	59,9	59,9	58,8	59,3	0,5	-1,2		
<b>Black/African</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>29 645</b>	<b>29 798</b>	<b>29 950</b>	<b>30 099</b>	<b>30 249</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>17 502</b>	<b>17 504</b>	<b>17 593</b>	<b>17 233</b>	<b>17 481</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-0,1</b>
Employed	12 009	12 025	12 122	12 057	12 223	166	213	1,4	1,8
Unemployed	5 493	5 479	5 471	5 176	5 259	82	-234	1,6	-4,3
Not economically active	12 143	12 294	12 358	12 866	12 768	-99	625	-0,8	5,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	31,4	31,3	31,1	30,0	30,1	0,1	-1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,5	40,4	40,5	40,1	40,4	0,3	-0,1		
Labour force participation rate	59,0	58,7	58,7	57,3	57,8	0,5	-1,2		
<b>Coloured</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>3 396</b>	<b>3 406</b>	<b>3 415</b>	<b>3 425</b>	<b>3 434</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 191</b>	<b>2 134</b>	<b>2 156</b>	<b>2 173</b>	<b>2 240</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>2,2</b>
Employed	1 690	1 631	1 639	1 662	1 731	69	41	4,2	2,4
Unemployed	501	503	517	511	510	-2	8	-0,3	1,6
Not economically active	1 205	1 272	1 259	1 252	1 193	-58	-11	-4,7	-0,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	22,9	23,6	24,0	23,5	22,7	-0,8	-0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,8	47,9	48,0	48,5	50,4	1,9	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	64,5	62,7	63,1	63,4	65,2	1,8	0,7		

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)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Indian/Asian</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	992	994	996	998	1 000	2	9	0,2	0,9
Labour Force	624	606	607	599	602	2	-22	0,4	-3,6
Employed	544	526	541	544	530	-14	-13	-2,5	-2,4
Unemployed	80	80	66	55	71	16	-9	29,0	-11,4
Not economically active	368	388	389	399	399	0	31	0,0	8,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	12,9	13,3	10,9	9,2	11,8	2,6	-1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,8	52,9	54,3	54,5	53,0	-1,5	-1,8		
Labour force participation rate	62,9	61,0	61,0	60,0	60,1	0,1	-2,8		
<b>White</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 028	3 020	3 012	3 003	2 995	-8	-33	-0,3	-1,1
Labour Force	2 109	2 033	2 046	2 046	2 035	-11	-74	-0,6	-3,5
Employed	1 969	1 918	1 890	1 909	1 894	-15	-76	-0,8	-3,8
Unemployed	139	115	156	137	141	3	1	2,5	1,0
Not economically active	919	987	966	957	960	3	42	0,3	4,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	6,6	5,7	7,6	6,7	6,9	0,2	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (absorption)	65,0	63,5	62,8	63,6	63,2	-0,4	-1,8		
Labour force participation rate	69,7	67,3	67,9	68,1	67,9	-0,2	-1,8		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by age group									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>15-64 years</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>22 402</b>	<b>22 051</b>	<b>22 358</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>-68</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-0,3</b>
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Unemployed	6 214	6 177	6 210	5 880	5 980	100	-234	1,7	-3,8
Not economically active	14 634	14 941	14 971	15 474	15 320	-154	686	-1,0	4,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,7	27,7	27,7	26,7	26,7	0,0	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	60,5	59,9	59,9	58,8	59,3	0,5	-1,2		
<b>15-24 years</b>									
<b>Population 15-24 yrs</b>	<b>10 314</b>	<b>10 315</b>	<b>10 315</b>	<b>10 314</b>	<b>10 312</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>0,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 874</b>	<b>2 778</b>	<b>2 766</b>	<b>2 670</b>	<b>2 638</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>-235</b>	<b>-1,2</b>	<b>-8,2</b>
Employed	1 315	1 226	1 322	1 305	1 257	-48	-58	-3,7	-4,4
Unemployed	1 559	1 552	1 444	1 365	1 381	17	-178	1,2	-11,4
Not economically active	7 440	7 537	7 550	7 644	7 674	30	234	0,4	3,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	54,3	55,9	52,2	51,1	52,4	1,3	-1,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	12,7	11,9	12,8	12,7	12,2	-0,5	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	27,9	26,9	26,8	25,9	25,6	-0,3	-2,3		
<b>25-34 years</b>									
<b>Population 25-34 yrs</b>	<b>9 742</b>	<b>9 780</b>	<b>9 817</b>	<b>9 854</b>	<b>9 890</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>7 362</b>	<b>7 307</b>	<b>7 325</b>	<b>7 187</b>	<b>7 303</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>-0,8</b>
Employed	4 966	4 907	4 871	4 790	4 890	100	-76	2,1	-1,5
Unemployed	2 395	2 399	2 454	2 397	2 413	16	18	0,7	0,7
Not economically active	2 380	2 473	2 493	2 667	2 587	-80	207	-3,0	8,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,5	32,8	33,5	33,4	33,0	-0,4	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,0	50,2	49,6	48,6	49,4	0,8	-1,6		
Labour force participation rate	75,6	74,7	74,6	72,9	73,8	0,9	-1,8		

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Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by age group (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>35-44 years</b>									
Population 35-44 yrs	7 902	7 943	7 983	8 021	8 060	38	157	0,5	2,0
Labour Force	6 428	6 490	6 506	6 423	6 518	95	90	1,5	1,4
Employed	5 016	5 040	5 027	5 081	5 154	74	138	1,5	2,8
Unemployed	1 412	1 450	1 478	1 343	1 363	21	-48	1,5	-3,4
Not economically active	1 474	1 453	1 477	1 598	1 542	-56	67	-3,5	4,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	22,0	22,3	22,7	20,9	20,9	0,0	-1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	63,5	63,5	63,0	63,3	64,0	0,7	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	81,3	81,7	81,5	80,1	80,9	0,8	-0,4		
<b>45-54 years</b>									
Population 45-54 yrs	5 421	5 467	5 515	5 564	5 614	50	193	0,9	3,6
Labour Force	4 063	4 043	4 090	4 080	4 156	76	93	1,9	2,3
Employed	3 393	3 420	3 426	3 445	3 488	43	95	1,3	2,8
Unemployed	670	623	663	636	668	32	-2	5,1	-0,2
Not economically active	1 358	1 424	1 425	1 484	1 458	-26	100	-1,8	7,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	16,5	15,4	16,2	15,6	16,1	0,5	-0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,6	62,6	62,1	61,9	62,1	0,2	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	74,9	74,0	74,2	73,3	74,0	0,7	-0,9		
<b>55-64 years</b>									
Population 55-64 yrs	3 682	3 712	3 743	3 772	3 802	30	120	0,8	3,3
Labour Force	1 701	1 659	1 717	1 691	1 742	51	42	3,0	2,5
Employed	1 522	1 506	1 545	1 551	1 588	37	66	2,4	4,3
Unemployed	178	153	171	140	154	14	-24	10,2	-13,5
Not economically active	1 981	2 053	2 026	2 081	2 059	-22	78	-1,1	4,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	10,5	9,2	10,0	8,3	8,9	0,6	-1,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,3	40,6	41,3	41,1	41,8	0,7	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	46,2	44,7	45,9	44,8	45,8	1,0	-0,4		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>22 402</b>	<b>22 051</b>	<b>22 358</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>-68</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-0,3</b>
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Unemployed	6 214	6 177	6 210	5 880	5 980	100	-234	1,7	-3,8
Not economically active	14 634	14 941	14 971	15 474	15 320	-154	686	-1,0	4,7
Discouraged work-seekers	2 277	2 361	2 436	2 538	2 787	249	510	9,8	22,4
Other	12 357	12 580	12 536	12 936	12 533	-403	176	-3,1	1,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,7	27,7	27,7	26,7	26,7	0,0	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	60,5	59,9	59,9	58,8	59,3	0,5	-1,2		
<b>Western Cape</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 460</b>	<b>4 483</b>	<b>4 506</b>	<b>4 528</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>3 066</b>	<b>3 031</b>	<b>3 071</b>	<b>3 094</b>	<b>3 150</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>2,7</b>
Employed	2 406	2 403	2 399	2 492	2 530	38	123	1,5	5,1
Unemployed	660	628	672	603	620	18	-40	3,0	-6,0
Not economically active	1 370	1 428	1 412	1 412	1 378	-33	9	-2,4	0,6
Discouraged work-seekers	47	79	59	56	62	6	15	10,6	30,8
Other	1 322	1 349	1 353	1 356	1 316	-39	-6	-2,9	-0,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	21,5	20,7	21,9	19,5	19,7	0,2	-1,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,2	53,9	53,5	55,3	55,9	0,6	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	69,1	68,0	68,5	68,7	69,6	0,9	0,5		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Western Cape - Non metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 617</b>	<b>1 626</b>	<b>1 635</b>	<b>1 644</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,3</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 103</b>	<b>1 052</b>	<b>1 059</b>	<b>1 087</b>	<b>1 101</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-0,2</b>
Employed	895	872	855	920	940	20	45	2,2	5,0
Unemployed	208	180	205	166	161	-5	-47	-3,1	-22,5
Not economically active	504	565	567	549	543	-6	38	-1,1	7,6
Discouraged work-seekers	36	62	40	39	48	9	12	23,1	33,7
Other	469	503	527	510	495	-15	26	-2,9	5,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	18,8	17,1	19,3	15,3	14,6	-0,7	-4,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	55,7	53,9	52,5	56,3	57,2	0,9	1,5		
Labour force participation rate	68,6	65,1	65,1	66,4	67,0	0,6	-1,6		
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 828</b>	<b>2 843</b>	<b>2 857</b>	<b>2 871</b>	<b>2 884</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 963</b>	<b>1 979</b>	<b>2 012</b>	<b>2 008</b>	<b>2 049</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>4,4</b>
Employed	1 511	1 531	1 545	1 571	1 589	18	78	1,2	5,2
Unemployed	452	448	467	436	459	23	7	5,3	1,6
Not economically active	865	864	845	863	836	-27	-30	-3,2	-3,4
Discouraged work-seekers	12	17	19	17	14	-3	3	-17,4	22,0
Other	853	846	826	846	821	-24	-32	-2,9	-3,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	23,0	22,7	23,2	21,7	22,4	0,7	-0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,4	53,9	54,1	54,7	55,1	0,4	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	69,4	69,6	70,4	69,9	71,0	1,1	1,6		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt 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>4 178</b>	<b>4 190</b>	<b>4 203</b>	<b>4 215</b>	<b>4 228</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 126</b>	<b>2 159</b>	<b>2 202</b>	<b>2 144</b>	<b>2 168</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>2,0</b>
Employed	1 442	1 416	1 421	1 391	1 397	7	-45	0,5	-3,1
Unemployed	684	743	781	754	771	17	87	2,3	12,8
Not economically active	2 052	2 032	2 001	2 071	2 059	-12	7	-0,6	0,3
Discouraged work-seekers	370	353	360	326	354	28	-16	8,6	-4,3
Other	1 682	1 679	1 641	1 745	1 705	-40	23	-2,3	1,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,2	34,4	35,5	35,1	35,6	0,5	3,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	34,5	33,8	33,8	33,0	33,1	0,1	-1,4		
Labour force participation rate	50,9	51,5	52,4	50,9	51,3	0,4	0,4		
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 874</b>	<b>2 883</b>	<b>2 891</b>	<b>2 899</b>	<b>2 907</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 246</b>	<b>1 275</b>	<b>1 270</b>	<b>1 272</b>	<b>1 269</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Employed	825	817	818	812	804	-8	-21	-1,0	-2,6
Unemployed	421	457	453	460	465	5	44	1,1	10,3
Not economically active	1 628	1 608	1 621	1 627	1 639	11	11	0,7	0,7
Discouraged work-seekers	365	337	346	314	330	16	-35	5,1	-9,5
Other	1 263	1 271	1 275	1 313	1 309	-5	45	-0,4	3,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	33,8	35,9	35,6	36,1	36,6	0,5	2,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	28,7	28,4	28,3	28,0	27,7	-0,3	-1,0		
Labour force participation rate	43,4	44,2	43,9	43,9	43,6	-0,3	0,2		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt 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	506	507	508	510	511	1	5	0,3	1,1
Labour Force	365	355	372	348	349	1	-16	0,2	-4,3
Employed	257	252	245	247	242	-5	-15	-2,0	-5,7
Unemployed	107	103	127	101	106	6	-1	5,6	-1,0
Not economically active	141	151	136	162	162	1	21	0,4	15,1
Discouraged work-seekers	5	13	13	12	23	12	19	100,5	406,6
Other	136	139	124	150	139	-11	2	-7,4	1,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,5	29,1	34,1	29,0	30,5	1,5	1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,8	49,7	48,2	48,5	47,4	-1,1	-3,4		
Labour force participation rate	72,1	70,1	73,2	68,3	68,2	-0,1	-3,9		
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	798	801	803	806	809	3	11	0,4	1,4
Labour Force	515	529	560	524	551	27	36	5,1	7,0
Employed	360	346	358	331	351	20	-9	6,0	-2,4
Unemployed	155	182	202	193	200	7	45	3,5	28,8
Not economically active	283	272	243	282	258	-24	-25	-8,4	-8,8
Discouraged work-seekers	1	3	2	1	1	0	0	71,4	-17,7
Other	282	269	242	281	257	-24	-25	-8,6	-8,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,2	34,5	36,0	36,9	36,3	-0,6	6,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,1	43,3	44,6	41,1	43,4	2,3	-1,7		
Labour force participation rate	64,5	66,0	69,7	65,0	68,1	3,1	3,6		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Nothorn cape</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>5,7</b>
Employed	299	292	307	321	321	0	22	-0,1	7,5
Unemployed	132	128	131	120	134	15	2	12,2	1,6
Not economically active	352	365	350	349	337	-12	-15	-3,4	-4,3
Discouraged work-seekers	74	87	72	65	55	-10	-19	-15,4	-25,1
Other	278	279	278	283	281	-2	3	-0,7	1,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,7	30,5	29,9	27,1	29,5	2,4	-1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,2	37,2	39,0	40,7	40,5	-0,2	2,3		
Labour force participation rate	55,1	53,4	55,6	55,9	57,5	1,6	2,4		
<b>Free State</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>1 887</b>	<b>1 888</b>	<b>1 890</b>	<b>1 892</b>	<b>1 895</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>0,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 188</b>	<b>1 184</b>	<b>1 205</b>	<b>1 195</b>	<b>1 211</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>2,0</b>
Employed	767	777	821	806	814	9	48	1,1	6,2
Unemployed	421	407	384	390	397	7	-24	1,9	-5,8
Not economically active	699	704	685	697	684	-14	-15	-2,0	-2,2
Discouraged work-seekers	88	84	81	89	67	-21	-20	-24,2	-23,1
Other	611	620	604	608	616	8	5	1,3	0,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	35,5	34,4	31,8	32,6	32,8	0,2	-2,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,6	41,1	43,5	42,6	43,0	0,4	2,4		
Labour force participation rate	63,0	62,7	63,8	63,2	63,9	0,7	0,9		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt 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>1 353</b>	<b>1 353</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>0,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>0,9</b>
Employed	534	531	556	533	555	22	20	4,2	3,8
Unemployed	299	284	259	278	286	8	-13	3,0	-4,3
Not economically active	520	539	538	543	512	-31	-8	-5,6	-1,5
Discouraged work-seekers	59	69	68	73	59	-14	1	-18,6	1,3
Other	461	470	470	470	453	-17	-9	-3,6	-1,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	35,9	34,8	31,8	34,3	34,1	-0,2	-1,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,5	39,2	41,1	39,4	41,0	1,6	1,5		
Labour force participation rate	61,6	60,2	60,2	59,9	62,2	2,3	0,6		
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-3,7</b>	<b>4,4</b>
Employed	232	246	265	273	260	-13	27	-4,9	11,7
Unemployed	122	123	124	111	111	-1	-12	-0,7	-9,4
Not economically active	179	166	147	155	171	17	-7	10,9	-4,0
Discouraged work-seekers	29	15	12	16	8	-8	-21	-49,5	-72,3
Other	149	151	134	139	163	25	14	17,8	9,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	34,4	33,4	31,9	29,0	29,9	0,9	-4,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,6	46,0	49,5	50,7	47,9	-2,8	4,3		
Labour force participation rate	66,5	69,0	72,7	71,3	68,4	-2,9	1,9		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	6 868	6 894	6 921	6 948	6 975	27	107	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	3 443	3 397	3 362	3 310	3 368	58	-76	1,8	-2,2
Employed	2 555	2 583	2 536	2 513	2 617	104	62	4,1	2,4
Unemployed	889	814	825	797	751	-46	-138	-5,8	-15,5
Not economically active	3 424	3 497	3 559	3 638	3 607	-31	183	-0,9	5,3
Discouraged work-seekers	655	676	705	719	851	132	196	18,4	30,0
Other	2 769	2 821	2 854	2 919	2 756	-163	-14	-5,6	-0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	25,8	24,0	24,6	24,1	22,3	-1,8	-3,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,2	37,5	36,6	36,2	37,5	1,3	0,3		
Labour force participation rate	50,1	49,3	48,6	47,6	48,3	0,7	-1,8		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 476	4 496	4 516	4 536	4 556	20	80	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	1 937	1 883	1 853	1 816	1 855	39	-82	2,2	-4,2
Employed	1 377	1 399	1 379	1 346	1 412	65	34	4,9	2,5
Unemployed	560	484	474	470	443	-26	-116	-5,6	-20,8
Not economically active	2 539	2 613	2 663	2 720	2 701	-19	162	-0,7	6,4
Discouraged work-seekers	541	561	597	635	746	111	205	17,5	37,9
Other	1 998	2 051	2 066	2 085	1 955	-130	-43	-6,2	-2,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,9	25,7	25,6	25,9	23,9	-2,0	-5,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,8	31,1	30,5	29,7	31,0	1,3	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	43,3	41,9	41,0	40,0	40,7	0,7	-2,6		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt 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>2 392</b>	<b>2 398</b>	<b>2 405</b>	<b>2 412</b>	<b>2 419</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 506</b>	<b>1 514</b>	<b>1 509</b>	<b>1 494</b>	<b>1 513</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>0,4</b>
Employed	1 178	1 184	1 157	1 167	1 205	39	28	3,3	2,3
Unemployed	329	330	352	327	308	-20	-21	-6,0	-6,4
Not economically active	885	884	896	918	906	-12	21	-1,3	2,3
Discouraged work-seekers	114	115	108	84	105	21	-9	25,4	-7,8
Other	772	769	788	834	801	-33	29	-4,0	3,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	21,8	21,8	23,3	21,9	20,3	-1,6	-1,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,2	49,4	48,1	48,4	49,8	1,4	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	63,0	63,1	62,7	61,9	62,5	0,6	-0,5		
<b>North West</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>2 501</b>	<b>2 512</b>	<b>2 523</b>	<b>2 534</b>	<b>2 545</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 328</b>	<b>1 343</b>	<b>1 332</b>	<b>1 313</b>	<b>1 338</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>0,7</b>
Employed	976	978	983	999	992	-7	16	-0,7	1,7
Unemployed	353	365	349	314	346	32	-7	10,2	-1,9
Not economically active	1 173	1 169	1 191	1 221	1 207	-14	34	-1,2	2,9
Discouraged work-seekers	254	269	294	285	296	11	42	3,9	16,7
Other	919	900	897	936	911	-25	-8	-2,7	-0,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,5	27,2	26,2	23,9	25,8	1,9	-0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,0	38,9	39,0	39,4	39,0	-0,4	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	53,1	53,5	52,8	51,8	52,6	0,8	-0,5		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	9 905	9 957	10 009	10 059	10 109	50	204	0,5	2,1
Labour Force	7 336	7 201	7 259	7 043	7 097	55	-238	0,8	-3,2
Employed	5 193	5 050	5 068	4 991	5 069	78	-124	1,6	-2,4
Unemployed	2 143	2 151	2 191	2 052	2 029	-23	-114	-1,1	-5,3
Not economically active	2 570	2 756	2 749	3 016	3 012	-4	442	-0,1	17,2
Discouraged work-seekers	207	252	263	383	445	62	238	16,2	114,7
Other	2 362	2 504	2 486	2 633	2 567	-66	204	-2,5	8,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	29,2	29,9	30,2	29,1	28,6	-0,5	-0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,4	50,7	50,6	49,6	50,1	0,5	-2,3		
Labour force participation rate	74,1	72,3	72,5	70,0	70,2	0,2	-3,9		
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 326	1 330	1 333	1 336	1 338	3	12	0,2	0,9
Labour Force	900	879	885	856	838	-18	-62	-2,0	-6,9
Employed	624	600	598	625	604	-21	-20	-3,4	-3,2
Unemployed	276	279	287	231	234	4	-42	1,6	-15,1
Not economically active	426	450	448	480	500	20	74	4,2	17,4
Discouraged work-seekers	56	58	68	84	110	26	54	31,3	95,7
Other	370	392	380	396	390	-6	20	-1,5	5,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	30,7	31,7	32,4	26,9	28,0	1,1	-2,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,0	45,1	44,9	46,8	45,1	-1,7	-1,9		
Labour force participation rate	67,9	66,1	66,4	64,1	62,6	-1,5	-5,3		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt 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>2 503</b>	<b>2 513</b>	<b>2 523</b>	<b>2 532</b>	<b>2 541</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 873</b>	<b>1 829</b>	<b>1 879</b>	<b>1 840</b>	<b>1 814</b>	<b>-26</b>	<b>-59</b>	<b>-1,4</b>	<b>-3,1</b>
Employed	1 296	1 259	1 274	1 222	1 253	31	-43	2,5	-3,3
Unemployed	577	570	605	618	561	-57	-16	-9,2	-2,7
Not economically active	630	684	644	692	727	36	98	5,2	15,5
Discouraged work-seekers	67	73	67	74	86	12	20	16,4	29,9
Other	563	611	577	617	641	24	78	3,8	13,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,8	31,2	32,2	33,6	30,9	-2,7	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,8	50,1	50,5	48,3	49,3	1,0	-2,5		
Labour force participation rate	74,8	72,8	74,5	72,7	71,4	-1,3	-3,4		
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>3 652</b>	<b>3 676</b>	<b>3 700</b>	<b>3 724</b>	<b>3 748</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 777</b>	<b>2 765</b>	<b>2 769</b>	<b>2 658</b>	<b>2 808</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Employed	1 992	1 934	1 950	1 910	2 000	91	8	4,7	0,4
Unemployed	785	831	819	749	807	59	23	7,9	2,9
Not economically active	875	911	931	1 066	940	-126	65	-11,8	7,4
Discouraged work-seekers	54	63	57	123	96	-28	42	-22,5	77,0
Other	821	848	874	942	844	-98	23	-10,4	2,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,3	30,1	29,6	28,2	28,8	0,6	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,5	52,6	52,7	51,3	53,4	2,1	-1,1		
Labour force participation rate	76,0	75,2	74,8	71,4	74,9	3,5	-1,1		

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Gauteng – City of Tshwane</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 424	2 439	2 453	2 467	2 481	14	57	0,6	2,4
Labour Force	1 786	1 728	1 727	1 688	1 638	-51	-148	-3,0	-8,3
Employed	1 281	1 257	1 246	1 234	1 212	-22	-69	-1,8	-5,4
Unemployed	505	471	481	455	426	-29	-79	-6,4	-15,7
Not economically active	638	711	726	779	844	65	206	8,4	32,2
Discouraged work-seekers	31	58	72	102	153	51	123	50,4	401,7
Other	608	653	654	677	691	14	83	2,0	13,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,3	27,2	27,9	26,9	26,0	-0,9	-2,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,8	51,6	50,8	50,0	48,8	-1,2	-4,0		
Labour force participation rate	73,7	70,9	70,4	68,4	66,0	-2,4	-7,7		
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 841	2 853	2 866	2 877	2 889	12	49	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	1 776	1 788	1 738	1 748	1 770	22	-6	1,3	-0,3
Employed	1 217	1 212	1 204	1 242	1 197	-45	-20	-3,6	-1,7
Unemployed	559	577	534	506	573	67	14	13,3	2,5
Not economically active	1 064	1 065	1 128	1 130	1 119	-10	55	-0,9	5,1
Discouraged work-seekers	211	216	228	236	248	12	37	5,3	17,4
Other	853	849	900	894	871	-23	18	-2,6	2,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	31,5	32,3	30,7	28,9	32,4	3,5	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,8	42,5	42,0	43,2	41,4	-1,8	-1,4		
Labour force participation rate	62,5	62,7	60,6	60,7	61,3	0,6	-1,2		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 663	3 678	3 692	3 705	3 718	13	55	0,4	1,5
Labour Force	1 732	1 754	1 795	1 763	1 799	36	68	2,1	3,9
Employed	1 358	1 390	1 452	1 417	1 441	23	83	1,7	6,1
Unemployed	374	364	343	346	359	13	-15	3,7	-3,9
Not economically active	1 932	1 924	1 897	1 941	1 918	-23	-13	-1,2	-0,7
Discouraged work-seekers	371	345	373	379	408	29	37	7,6	10,1
Other	1 560	1 579	1 524	1 562	1 510	-52	-51	-3,3	-3,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	21,6	20,8	19,1	19,6	19,9	0,3	-1,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,1	37,8	39,3	38,3	38,7	0,4	1,6		
Labour force participation rate	47,3	47,7	48,6	47,6	48,4	0,8	1,1		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.



Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>25 503</b>	<b>25 403</b>	<b>25 614</b>	<b>25 388</b>	<b>25 858</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 337	11 193	11 379	11 244	11 355	111	18	1,0	0,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 681	2 761	2 689	2 808	2 901	93	220	3,3	8,2
Agriculture	875	835	810	849	847	-3	-28	-0,3	-3,3
Private households	1 319	1 311	1 313	1 270	1 275	5	-45	0,4	-3,4
Unemployed	9 291	9 304	9 422	9 216	9 481	264	189	2,9	2,0
Not economically active	11 557	11 814	11 760	12 138	11 820	-318	263	-2,6	2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,6	36,8	36,3	36,7	0,4	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	68,8	68,3	68,5	67,7	68,6	0,9	-0,2		
<b>Women</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>18 753</b>	<b>18 828</b>	<b>18 903</b>	<b>18 975</b>	<b>19 048</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>11 971</b>	<b>11 878</b>	<b>11 997</b>	<b>11 853</b>	<b>12 155</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Employed	7 182	7 078	7 125	7 071	7 222	151	40	2,1	0,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4 883	4 770	4 805	4 730	4 842	112	-41	2,4	-0,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 021	1 026	1 057	1 084	1 113	29	91	2,6	9,0
Agriculture	278	264	252	267	285	18	7	6,6	2,7
Private households	1 001	1 018	1 010	990	982	-8	-18	-0,8	-1,8
Unemployed	4 788	4 800	4 872	4 782	4 933	151	145	3,2	3,0
Not economically active	6 783	6 950	6 906	7 122	6 893	-229	110	-3,2	1,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,0	40,4	40,6	40,3	40,6	0,3	0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,3	37,6	37,7	37,3	37,9	0,6	-0,4		
Labour force participation rate	63,8	63,1	63,5	62,5	63,8	1,3	0,0		

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Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent
<b>Men</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>18 307</b>	<b>18 389</b>	<b>18 471</b>	<b>18 550</b>	<b>18 630</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>13 533</b>	<b>13 525</b>	<b>13 617</b>	<b>13 534</b>	<b>13 703</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>1,3</b>
Employed	9 030	9 022	9 067	9 100	9 155	55	126	0,6	1,4
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6 454	6 423	6 574	6 514	6 513	-1	59	0,0	0,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 660	1 734	1 632	1 724	1 789	64	129	3,7	7,8
Agriculture	597	571	558	582	561	-21	-36	-3,5	-6,0
Private households	319	294	303	280	293	13	-26	4,6	-8,3
Unemployed	4 503	4 503	4 550	4 434	4 547	113	44	2,6	1,0
Not economically active	4 775	4 864	4 853	5 016	4 927	-89	152	-1,8	3,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	33,3	33,3	33,4	32,8	33,2	0,4	-0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,3	49,1	49,1	49,1	49,1	0,0	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	73,9	73,5	73,7	73,0	73,6	0,6	-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									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>25 503</b>	<b>25 403</b>	<b>25 614</b>	<b>25 388</b>	<b>25 858</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Unemployed	9 291	9 304	9 422	9 216	9 481	264	189	2,9	2,0
Not economically active	11 557	11 814	11 760	12 138	11 820	-318	263	-2,6	2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,6	36,8	36,3	36,7	0,4	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	68,8	68,3	68,5	67,7	68,6	0,9	-0,2		
<b>Black/African</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>29 645</b>	<b>29 798</b>	<b>29 950</b>	<b>30 099</b>	<b>30 249</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>20 330</b>	<b>20 336</b>	<b>20 531</b>	<b>20 318</b>	<b>20 723</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>1,9</b>
Employed	12 009	12 025	12 122	12 057	12 223	166	213	1,4	1,8
Unemployed	8 321	8 311	8 409	8 261	8 501	239	180	2,9	2,2
Not economically active	9 315	9 461	9 420	9 781	9 526	-256	211	-2,6	2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,9	40,9	41,0	40,7	41,0	0,3	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,5	40,4	40,5	40,1	40,4	0,3	-0,1		
Labour force participation rate	68,6	68,2	68,5	67,5	68,5	1,0	-0,1		
<b>Coloured</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>3 396</b>	<b>3 406</b>	<b>3 415</b>	<b>3 425</b>	<b>3 434</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 375</b>	<b>2 330</b>	<b>2 338</b>	<b>2 343</b>	<b>2 388</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>0,5</b>
Employed	1 690	1 631	1 639	1 662	1 731	69	41	4,2	2,4
Unemployed	685	699	699	682	657	-25	-28	-3,6	-4,1
Not economically active	1 021	1 076	1 077	1 081	1 046	-35	25	-3,3	2,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,9	30,0	29,9	29,1	27,5	-1,6	-1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,8	47,9	48,0	48,5	50,4	1,9	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	69,9	68,4	68,5	68,4	69,5	1,1	-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 (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>996</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>1 000</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>0,9</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>0,4</b>
Employed	544	526	541	544	530	-14	-13	-2,5	-2,4
Unemployed	102	130	100	96	118	22	16	23,1	15,4
Not economically active	346	338	355	358	352	-6	6	-1,7	1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	15,8	19,8	15,6	14,9	18,2	3,3	2,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,8	52,9	54,3	54,5	53,0	-1,5	-1,8		
Labour force participation rate	65,1	66,0	64,3	64,1	64,8	0,7	-0,3		
<b>White</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>3 028</b>	<b>3 020</b>	<b>3 012</b>	<b>3 003</b>	<b>2 995</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-33</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>-1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 152</b>	<b>2 081</b>	<b>2 104</b>	<b>2 086</b>	<b>2 099</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-54</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>-2,5</b>
Employed	1 969	1 918	1 890	1 909	1 894	-15	-76	-0,8	-3,8
Unemployed	183	164	214	178	205	27	22	15,3	12,0
Not economically active	875	938	907	917	896	-21	21	-2,2	2,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	8,5	7,9	10,2	8,5	9,8	1,3	1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	65,0	63,5	62,8	63,6	63,2	-0,4	-1,8		
Labour force participation rate	71,1	68,9	69,9	69,5	70,1	0,6	-1,0		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.6: Labour force characteristics by age group – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>15-64 years</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	37 061	37 217	37 373	37 525	37 678	153	618	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	25 503	25 403	25 614	25 388	25 858	471	355	1,9	1,4
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Unemployed	9 291	9 304	9 422	9 216	9 481	264	189	2,9	2,0
Not economically active	11 557	11 814	11 760	12 138	11 820	-318	263	-2,6	2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,6	36,8	36,3	36,7	0,4	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	68,8	68,3	68,5	67,7	68,6	0,9	-0,2		
<b>15-24 years</b>									
Population 15-24 yrs	10 314	10 315	10 315	10 314	10 312	-1	-2	0,0	0,0
Labour Force	3 830	3 763	3 719	3 614	3 665	52	-165	1,4	-4,3
Employed	1 315	1 226	1 322	1 305	1 257	-48	-58	-3,7	-4,4
Unemployed	2 515	2 537	2 398	2 308	2 408	100	-107	4,3	-4,3
Not economically active	6 484	6 552	6 596	6 700	6 647	-53	163	-0,8	2,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	65,7	67,4	64,5	63,9	65,7	1,8	0,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	12,7	11,9	12,8	12,7	12,2	-0,5	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	37,1	36,5	36,1	35,0	35,5	0,5	-1,6		
<b>25-34 years</b>									
Population 25-34 yrs	9 742	9 780	9 817	9 854	9 890	36	149	0,4	1,5
Labour Force	8 426	8 389	8 478	8 370	8 552	182	126	2,2	1,5
Employed	4 966	4 907	4 871	4 790	4 890	100	-76	2,1	-1,5
Unemployed	3 459	3 482	3 607	3 580	3 661	81	202	2,3	5,8
Not economically active	1 316	1 391	1 340	1 484	1 339	-145	23	-9,8	1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,1	41,5	42,5	42,8	42,8	0,0	1,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,0	50,2	49,6	48,6	49,4	0,8	-1,6		
Labour force participation rate	86,5	85,8	86,4	84,9	86,5	1,6	0,0		

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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)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>									
Population 35-44 yrs	7 902	7 943	7 983	8 021	8 060	38	157	0,5	2,0
Labour Force	6 974	7 040	7 105	7 083	7 181	99	207	1,4	3,0
Employed	5 016	5 040	5 027	5 081	5 154	74	138	1,5	2,8
Unemployed	1 958	2 000	2 078	2 002	2 027	25	69	1,2	3,5
Not economically active	928	903	878	938	878	-60	-50	-6,4	-5,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,1	28,4	29,2	28,3	28,2	-0,1	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	63,5	63,5	63,0	63,3	64,0	0,7	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	88,3	88,6	89,0	88,3	89,1	0,8	0,8		
<b>45-54 years</b>									
Population 45-54 yrs	5 421	5 467	5 515	5 564	5 614	50	193	0,9	3,6
Labour Force	4 424	4 406	4 459	4 496	4 579	83	155	1,9	3,5
Employed	3 393	3 420	3 426	3 445	3 488	43	95	1,3	2,8
Unemployed	1 031	986	1 033	1 051	1 091	40	60	3,8	5,8
Not economically active	997	1 061	1 056	1 068	1 035	-34	38	-3,1	3,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	23,3	22,4	23,2	23,4	23,8	0,4	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,6	62,6	62,1	61,9	62,1	0,2	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	81,6	80,6	80,8	80,8	81,6	0,8	0,0		
<b>55-64 years</b>									
Population 55-64 yrs	3 682	3 712	3 743	3 772	3 802	30	120	0,8	3,3
Labour Force	1 849	1 805	1 852	1 826	1 881	55	31	3,0	1,7
Employed	1 522	1 506	1 545	1 551	1 588	37	66	2,4	4,3
Unemployed	327	299	307	275	293	18	-34	6,6	-10,5
Not economically active	1 832	1 907	1 890	1 947	1 921	-26	89	-1,3	4,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	17,7	16,5	16,6	15,1	15,6	0,5	-2,1	3,3	-11,9
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,3	40,6	41,3	41,1	41,8	0,7	0,5	1,7	1,2
Labour force participation rate	50,2	48,6	49,5	48,4	49,5	1,1	-0,7	2,3	-1,4

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>37 373</b>	<b>37 525</b>	<b>37 678</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>25 503</b>	<b>25 403</b>	<b>25 614</b>	<b>25 388</b>	<b>25 858</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Employed	16 212	16 100	16 192	16 171	16 378	206	165	1,3	1,0
Unemployed	9 291	9 304	9 422	9 216	9 481	264	189	2,9	2,0
Not economically active	11 557	11 814	11 760	12 138	11 820	-318	263	-2,6	2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,6	36,8	36,3	36,7	0,4	0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,7	43,3	43,3	43,1	43,5	0,4	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	68,8	68,3	68,5	67,7	68,6	0,9	-0,2		
<b>Western Cape</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 460</b>	<b>4 483</b>	<b>4 506</b>	<b>4 528</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>3 197</b>	<b>3 187</b>	<b>3 210</b>	<b>3 236</b>	<b>3 266</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>2,2</b>
Employed	2 406	2 403	2 399	2 492	2 530	38	123	1,5	5,1
Unemployed	790	784	810	744	736	-8	-54	-1,1	-6,8
Not economically active	1 239	1 273	1 273	1 270	1 263	-8	23	-0,6	1,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,7	24,6	25,2	23,0	22,5	-0,5	-2,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,2	53,9	53,5	55,3	55,9	0,6	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	72,1	71,5	71,6	71,8	72,1	0,3	0,0		
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 617</b>	<b>1 626</b>	<b>1 635</b>	<b>1 644</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,3</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 181</b>	<b>1 167</b>	<b>1 150</b>	<b>1 181</b>	<b>1 179</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-0,1</b>
Employed	895	872	855	920	940	20	45	2,2	5,0
Unemployed	285	296	295	260	239	-21	-46	-8,2	-16,2
Not economically active	427	449	477	454	465	10	38	2,3	8,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,2	25,3	25,7	22,1	20,3	-1,8	-3,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	55,7	53,9	52,5	56,3	57,2	0,9	1,5		
Labour force participation rate	73,4	72,2	70,7	72,2	71,7	-0,5	-1,7		

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)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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	2 828	2 843	2 857	2 871	2 884	14	56	0,5	2,0
Labour Force	2 016	2 019	2 060	2 055	2 087	32	70	1,5	3,5
Employed	1 511	1 531	1 545	1 571	1 589	18	78	1,2	5,2
Unemployed	505	488	515	484	497	14	-8	2,8	-1,6
Not economically active	812	824	797	816	798	-18	-15	-2,2	-1,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	25,1	24,2	25,0	23,5	23,8	0,3	-1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,4	53,9	54,1	54,7	55,1	0,4	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	71,3	71,0	72,1	71,6	72,3	0,7	1,0		
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 178	4 190	4 203	4 215	4 228	12	50	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	2 555	2 552	2 599	2 520	2 589	69	35	2,7	1,4
Employed	1 442	1 416	1 421	1 391	1 397	7	-45	0,5	-3,1
Unemployed	1 113	1 136	1 178	1 129	1 192	63	79	5,5	7,1
Not economically active	1 623	1 639	1 604	1 695	1 639	-57	15	-3,3	0,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	43,6	44,5	45,3	44,8	46,0	1,2	2,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	34,5	33,8	33,8	33,0	33,1	0,1	-1,4		
Labour force participation rate	61,1	60,9	61,8	59,8	61,2	1,4	0,1		
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 874	2 883	2 891	2 899	2 907	8	33	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	1 657	1 638	1 642	1 622	1 657	36	0	2,2	0,0
Employed	825	817	818	812	804	-8	-21	-1,0	-2,6
Unemployed	832	820	824	809	853	44	22	5,5	2,6
Not economically active	1 217	1 245	1 250	1 278	1 250	-28	33	-2,2	2,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	50,2	50,1	50,2	49,9	51,5	1,6	1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	28,7	28,4	28,3	28,0	27,7	-0,3	-1,0		
Labour force participation rate	57,6	56,8	56,8	55,9	57,0	1,1	-0,6		

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 and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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	506	507	508	510	511	1	5	0,3	1,1
Labour Force	381	378	395	373	380	7	-1	1,8	-0,2
Employed	257	252	245	247	242	-5	-15	-2,0	-5,7
Unemployed	123	126	150	126	137	12	14	9,2	11,2
Not economically active	125	129	113	136	131	-5	6	-3,8	5,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,4	33,3	38,0	33,7	36,2	2,5	3,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,8	49,7	48,2	48,5	47,4	-1,1	-3,4		
Labour force participation rate	75,3	74,5	77,8	73,2	74,3	1,1	-1,0		
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	798	801	803	806	809	3	11	0,4	1,4
Labour Force	517	536	562	525	552	27	35	5,1	6,7
Employed	360	346	358	331	351	20	-9	6,0	-2,4
Unemployed	157	190	204	194	201	7	44	3,5	27,7
Not economically active	281	264	241	281	257	-24	-24	-8,4	-8,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,4	35,4	36,2	37,0	36,4	-0,6	6,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,1	43,3	44,6	41,1	43,4	2,3	-1,7		
Labour force participation rate	64,8	67,0	69,9	65,2	68,2	3,0	3,4		
<b>Notern Cape</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	783	785	787	790	792	2	9	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	532	533	539	540	544	3	12	0,6	2,2
Employed	299	292	307	321	321	0	22	-0,1	7,5
Unemployed	233	242	232	219	223	4	-11	1,7	-4,6
Not economically active	250	252	248	249	248	-1	-2	-0,4	-0,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	43,9	45,3	43,1	40,5	41,0	0,5	-2,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,2	37,2	39,0	40,7	40,5	-0,2	2,3		
Labour force participation rate	68,0	68,0	68,5	68,4	68,7	0,3	0,7		

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)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 887	1 888	1 890	1 892	1 895	3	8	0,1	0,4
Labour Force	1 316	1 305	1 336	1 321	1 323	1	7	0,1	0,5
Employed	767	777	821	806	814	9	48	1,1	6,2
Unemployed	549	529	514	516	508	-7	-40	-1,4	-7,4
Not economically active	571	583	554	571	572	1	1	0,2	0,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,7	40,5	38,5	39,0	38,4	-0,6	-3,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,6	41,1	43,5	42,6	43,0	0,4	2,4		
Labour force participation rate	69,7	69,1	70,7	69,8	69,8	0,0	0,1		
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 354	1 354	1 354	1 353	1 353	0	0	0,0	0,0
Labour Force	924	915	921	914	930	16	7	1,7	0,7
Employed	534	531	556	533	555	22	20	4,2	3,8
Unemployed	389	384	365	382	376	-6	-14	-1,6	-3,6
Not economically active	430	438	433	439	423	-16	-7	-3,6	-1,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	42,2	42,0	39,6	41,8	40,4	-1,4	-1,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,5	39,2	41,1	39,4	41,0	1,6	1,5		
Labour force participation rate	68,2	67,6	68,0	67,6	68,7	1,1	0,5		
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	533	534	536	539	542	3	8	0,5	1,6
Labour Force	392	390	415	407	392	-15	1	-3,6	0,1
Employed	232	246	265	273	260	-13	27	-4,9	11,7
Unemployed	159	144	150	134	133	-1	-27	-0,9	-16,7
Not economically active	141	144	121	132	149	17	8	13,1	5,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,7	37,0	36,1	32,9	33,8	0,9	-6,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	43,6	46,0	49,5	50,7	47,9	-2,8	4,3		
Labour force participation rate	73,5	73,0	77,4	75,5	72,5	-3,0	-1,0		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>									
Population 15–64 yrs	6 868	6 894	6 921	6 948	6 975	27	107	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	4 328	4 334	4 299	4 256	4 406	151	79	3,5	1,8
Employed	2 555	2 583	2 536	2 513	2 617	104	62	4,1	2,4
Unemployed	1 773	1 751	1 763	1 743	1 790	47	17	2,7	1,0
Not economically active	2 540	2 560	2 621	2 692	2 568	-124	28	-4,6	1,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,0	40,4	41,0	41,0	40,6	-0,4	-0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,2	37,5	36,6	36,2	37,5	1,3	0,3		
Labour force participation rate	63,0	62,9	62,1	61,3	63,2	1,9	0,2		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 476	4 496	4 516	4 536	4 556	20	80	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	2 676	2 660	2 635	2 633	2 747	115	72	4,4	2,7
Employed	1 377	1 399	1 379	1 346	1 412	65	34	4,9	2,5
Unemployed	1 298	1 261	1 255	1 286	1 336	49	37	3,8	2,9
Not economically active	1 800	1 836	1 881	1 903	1 808	-95	8	-5,0	0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	48,5	47,4	47,6	48,9	48,6	-0,3	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,8	31,1	30,5	29,7	31,0	1,3	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	59,8	59,2	58,3	58,0	60,3	2,3	0,5		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekhwini</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 392	2 398	2 405	2 412	2 419	7	27	0,3	1,1
Labour Force	1 652	1 675	1 665	1 623	1 659	36	7	2,2	0,4
Employed	1 178	1 184	1 157	1 167	1 205	39	28	3,3	2,3
Unemployed	474	491	508	457	454	-3	-21	-0,6	-4,3
Not economically active	740	723	740	788	760	-29	20	-3,6	2,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,7	29,3	30,5	28,1	27,4	-0,7	-1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	49,2	49,4	48,1	48,4	49,8	1,4	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	69,1	69,8	69,2	67,3	68,6	1,3	-0,5		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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	2 501	2 512	2 523	2 534	2 545	11	44	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	1 674	1 686	1 709	1 684	1 704	20	30	1,2	1,8
Employed	976	978	983	999	992	-7	16	-0,7	1,7
Unemployed	698	708	726	684	711	27	14	3,9	1,9
Not economically active	827	826	814	850	841	-9	14	-1,1	1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,7	42,0	42,5	40,6	41,8	1,2	0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,0	38,9	39,0	39,4	39,0	-0,4	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	66,9	67,1	67,7	66,4	66,9	0,5	0,0		
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	9 905	9 957	10 009	10 059	10 109	50	204	0,5	2,1
Labour Force	7 636	7 529	7 603	7 528	7 636	109	1	1,4	0,0
Employed	5 193	5 050	5 068	4 991	5 069	78	-124	1,6	-2,4
Unemployed	2 443	2 479	2 535	2 537	2 567	31	125	1,2	5,1
Not economically active	2 270	2 428	2 406	2 531	2 473	-58	203	-2,3	9,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,0	32,9	33,3	33,7	33,6	-0,1	1,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,4	50,7	50,6	49,6	50,1	0,5	-2,3		
Labour force participation rate	77,1	75,6	76,0	74,8	75,5	0,7	-1,6		
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 326	1 330	1 333	1 336	1 338	3	12	0,2	0,9
Labour Force	984	967	990	960	973	13	-11	1,4	-1,2
Employed	624	600	598	625	604	-21	-20	-3,4	-3,2
Unemployed	361	367	392	335	369	34	9	10,2	2,4
Not economically active	342	362	343	375	365	-10	24	-2,7	6,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,6	37,9	39,6	34,9	37,9	3,0	1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,0	45,1	44,9	46,8	45,1	-1,7	-1,9		
Labour force participation rate	74,2	72,7	74,3	71,9	72,7	0,8	-1,5		

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 metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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	2 503	2 513	2 523	2 532	2 541	9	39	0,4	1,5
Labour Force	1 965	1 918	1 958	1 930	1 923	-7	-42	-0,4	-2,1
Employed	1 296	1 259	1 274	1 222	1 253	31	-43	2,5	-3,3
Unemployed	669	659	685	708	670	-38	1	-5,3	0,2
Not economically active	537	594	564	602	618	16	81	2,7	15,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	34,0	34,4	35,0	36,7	34,9	-1,8	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,8	50,1	50,5	48,3	49,3	1,0	-2,5		
Labour force participation rate	78,5	76,3	77,6	76,2	75,7	-0,5	-2,8		
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 652	3 676	3 700	3 724	3 748	24	96	0,6	2,6
Labour Force	2 853	2 834	2 834	2 822	2 916	94	63	3,3	2,2
Employed	1 992	1 934	1 950	1 910	2 000	91	8	4,7	0,4
Unemployed	861	900	883	912	916	4	55	0,4	6,4
Not economically active	799	843	866	902	831	-71	33	-7,8	4,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,2	31,8	31,2	32,3	31,4	-0,9	1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,5	52,6	52,7	51,3	53,4	2,1	-1,1		
Labour force participation rate	78,1	77,1	76,6	75,8	77,8	2,0	-0,3		
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 424	2 439	2 453	2 467	2 481	14	57	0,6	2,4
Labour Force	1 833	1 810	1 821	1 815	1 823	8	-9	0,4	-0,5
Employed	1 281	1 257	1 246	1 234	1 212	-22	-69	-1,8	-5,4
Unemployed	552	553	575	582	612	30	60	5,2	10,8
Not economically active	592	629	632	652	658	6	66	0,9	11,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,1	30,5	31,6	32,0	33,5	1,5	3,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,8	51,6	50,8	50,0	48,8	-1,2	-4,0		
Labour force participation rate	75,6	74,2	74,2	73,6	73,5	-0,1	-2,1		

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)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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	2 841	2 853	2 866	2 877	2 889	12	49	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	2 071	2 068	2 057	2 061	2 081	21	11	1,0	0,5
Employed	1 217	1 212	1 204	1 242	1 197	-45	-20	-3,6	-1,7
Unemployed	854	857	853	819	884	65	31	8,0	3,6
Not economically active	770	785	808	817	808	-9	38	-1,1	4,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,2	41,4	41,5	39,7	42,5	2,8	1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,8	42,5	42,0	43,2	41,4	-1,8	-1,4		
Labour force participation rate	72,9	72,5	71,8	71,6	72,0	0,4	-0,9		
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 663	3 678	3 692	3 705	3 718	13	55	0,4	1,5
Labour Force	2 197	2 209	2 261	2 242	2 309	67	112	3,0	5,1
Employed	1 358	1 390	1 452	1 417	1 441	23	83	1,7	6,1
Unemployed	839	819	810	825	869	44	30	5,3	3,6
Not economically active	1 466	1 469	1 430	1 462	1 409	-54	-58	-3,7	-3,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	38,2	37,1	35,8	36,8	37,6	0,8	-0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,1	37,8	39,3	38,3	38,7	0,4	1,6		
Labour force participation rate	60,0	60,1	61,3	60,5	62,1	1,6	2,1		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 3.1: Employed by industry and sex – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Agriculture	875	835	810	849	847	-3	-28	-0,3	-3,3
Mining	447	434	446	411	397	-14	-50	-3,4	-11,2
Manufacturing	1 790	1 799	1 749	1 791	1 849	58	59	3,3	3,3
Utilities	145	148	153	149	143	-6	-2	-4,2	-1,5
Construction	1 505	1 395	1 365	1 390	1 431	40	-75	2,9	-5,0
Trade	3 207	3 265	3 286	3 240	3 276	36	69	1,1	2,1
Transport	965	954	988	1 001	960	-41	-4	-4,1	-0,4
Finance	2 378	2 395	2 463	2 373	2 402	30	24	1,3	1,0
Community and social services	3 569	3 560	3 616	3 691	3 785	95	216	2,6	6,1
Private households	1 319	1 311	1 313	1 270	1 275	5	-45	0,4	-3,4
Other	11	3	3	6	12	7	1	115,5	12,6
<b>Women</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>7 071</b>	<b>7 222</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>0,6</b>
Agriculture	278	264	252	267	285	18	7	6,6	2,7
Mining	60	61	53	45	42	-3	-18	-7,1	-30,0
Manufacturing	627	603	597	585	624	40	-2	6,8	-0,4
Utilities	31	31	43	38	34	-5	3	-11,9	8,8
Construction	199	174	158	174	149	-25	-51	-14,4	-25,4
Trade	1 573	1 578	1 563	1 536	1 553	17	-21	1,1	-1,3
Transport	199	171	190	197	193	-4	-6	-2,0	-2,8
Finance	1 009	1 003	1 008	976	1 026	50	17	5,1	1,7
Community and social services	2 199	2 172	2 248	2 259	2 328	68	129	3,0	5,9
Private households	1 001	1 018	1 010	990	982	-8	-18	-0,8	-1,8
Other	7	3	3	3	7	3	-1	98,6	-9,2
<b>Men</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>9 100</b>	<b>9 155</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Agriculture	597	571	558	582	561	-21	-36	-3,5	-6,0
Mining	387	373	393	365	355	-11	-32	-2,9	-8,2
Manufacturing	1 163	1 196	1 152	1 206	1 225	19	62	1,6	5,3
Utilities	114	116	110	111	109	-2	-5	-1,5	-4,3
Construction	1 306	1 221	1 206	1 217	1 282	65	-24	5,4	-1,9
Trade	1 634	1 686	1 722	1 704	1 723	19	89	1,1	5,5
Transport	766	783	798	804	767	-37	1	-4,6	0,2
Finance	1 369	1 392	1 455	1 397	1 377	-20	7	-1,4	0,5
Community and social services	1 370	1 388	1 369	1 432	1 458	26	87	1,8	6,4
Private households	319	294	303	280	293	13	-26	4,6	-8,3
Other	4			2	6	3	2	139,8	58,0

Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>-3,3</b>
Western Cape	215	180	159	193	208	15	-7	7,8	-3,1
Eastern Cape	87	90	86	94	91	-4	4	-3,9	4,2
Nothorn Cape	47	36	39	55	48	-6	1	-11,6	2,8
Free State	70	80	75	77	92	14	21	18,4	30,6
KwaZulu-Natal	141	123	121	106	115	9	-26	8,4	-18,7
North West	50	54	49	47	47	0	-3	-0,7	-5,9
Gauteng	36	34	44	36	29	-8	-7	-20,9	-19,2
Mpumalanga	89	95	100	104	87	-18	-2	-17,0	-2,7
Limpopo	140	144	138	136	130	-5	-10	-4,0	-6,8
<b>Mining</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>-3,4</b>	<b>-11,2</b>
Western Cape	4	3	5	4	2	-2	-1	-44,9	-31,6
Eastern Cape	0	1		2					
Nothorn Cape	28	33	33	25	24	0	-4	-1,7	-14,1
Free State	17	15	17	16	18	2	1	10,3	7,8
KwaZulu-Natal	7	9	5	4	7	2	-1	59,0	-11,4
North West	132	132	137	128	125	-3	-7	-2,1	-5,5
Gauteng	92	86	91	76	74	-3	-18	-3,9	-19,8
Mpumalanga	55	54	51	64	66	3	11	4,0	20,2
Limpopo	112	101	107	92	81	-11	-31	-11,9	-27,4
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>1 790</b>	<b>1 799</b>	<b>1 749</b>	<b>1 791</b>	<b>1 849</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>3,3</b>
Western Cape	359	339	330	328	351	23	-8	6,9	-2,3
Eastern Cape	149	129	128	115	144	29	-6	25,4	-3,7
Nothorn Cape	12	7	9	9	15	6	3	72,3	27,4
Free State	68	69	55	55	58	3	-10	5,9	-14,6
KwaZulu-Natal	295	295	330	361	371	10	76	2,9	25,8
North West	74	77	78	85	74	-10	0	-12,0	0,5
Gauteng	646	666	624	643	650	7	3	1,1	0,5
Mpumalanga	104	112	112	106	98	-8	-6	-7,7	-5,7
Limpopo	82	106	84	90	88	-2	6	-2,0	7,3

For all values of 10 000 or lower, the sample size is too small for reliable estimates.  
Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.



Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>Utilities</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-4,2</b>	<b>-1,5</b>
Western Cape	8	17	16	11	4	-7	-4	-60,9	-46,7
Eastern Cape	8	6	9	7	5	-2	-3	-27,5	-34,8
Nothorn Cape	3	2	5	3	9	5	6	160,6	226,1
Free State	12	11	11	9	7	-1	-5	-15,5	-39,2
KwaZulu-Natal	14	10	18	14	19	4	5	30,2	33,7
North West	1	5	5	5	5	0	3	-8,4	223,3
Gauteng	35	40	42	52	39	-14	3	-26,1	9,4
Mpumalanga	41	42	35	36	47	10	5	28,4	13,2
Limpopo	23	14	13	11	9	-2	-14	-18,0	-60,1
<b>Construction</b>	<b>1 505</b>	<b>1 395</b>	<b>1 365</b>	<b>1 390</b>	<b>1 431</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-75</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>-5,0</b>
Western Cape	228	229	231	227	214	-12	-14	-5,4	-5,9
Eastern Cape	168	139	157	146	154	8	-14	5,6	-8,5
Nothorn Cape	26	24	21	26	26	0	0	1,8	0,7
Free State	56	61	73	75	59	-16	4	-21,4	6,4
KwaZulu-Natal	228	235	199	196	211	15	-17	7,7	-7,3
North West	87	84	71	90	96	6	10	6,5	11,0
Gauteng	452	387	340	369	419	49	-34	13,3	-7,4
Mpumalanga	112	105	118	107	105	-2	-6	-1,9	-5,8
Limpopo	150	131	156	154	146	-8	-4	-5,2	-2,6
<b>Trade</b>	<b>3 207</b>	<b>3 265</b>	<b>3 286</b>	<b>3 240</b>	<b>3 276</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Western Cape	432	455	481	483	510	26	78	5,4	18,0
Eastern Cape	324	339	312	320	286	-34	-38	-10,5	-11,7
Nothorn Cape	44	54	45	45	48	3	4	6,0	8,1
Free State	175	165	178	163	176	13	1	7,7	0,8
KwaZulu-Natal	518	543	490	468	467	-1	-51	-0,2	-9,8
North West	179	197	200	206	197	-9	18	-4,4	10,2
Gauteng	1 008	963	990	1 003	1 004	1	-4	0,1	-0,4
Mpumalanga	227	255	254	254	261	7	34	2,7	15,1
Limpopo	301	295	335	298	328	30	26	10,0	8,7

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>Transport</b>	<b>965</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>1 001</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>-41</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-4,1</b>	<b>-0,4</b>
Western Cape	148	137	150	146	141	-5	-6	-3,2	-4,3
Eastern Cape	76	74	67	64	70	6	-6	9,1	-7,7
Nothorn Cape	12	11	9	12	10	-2	-2	-13,0	-13,2
Free State	43	44	51	39	35	-4	-8	-10,4	-18,5
KwaZulu-Natal	155	170	182	189	178	-12	23	-6,1	14,6
North West	38	31	35	36	33	-3	-5	-9,2	-12,8
Gauteng	384	374	383	399	383	-16	-1	-4,1	-0,2
Mpumalanga	69	55	57	59	52	-7	-17	-12,3	-24,6
Limpopo	40	59	55	55	58	2	17	4,0	43,2
<b>Finance</b>	<b>2 378</b>	<b>2 395</b>	<b>2 463</b>	<b>2 373</b>	<b>2 402</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Western Cape	379	417	424	459	436	-23	57	-5,1	15,0
Eastern Cape	162	166	169	152	134	-18	-28	-11,9	-17,1
Nothorn Cape	17	18	22	26	26	0	9	0,2	49,5
Free State	54	59	75	86	91	5	38	6,3	70,0
KwaZulu-Natal	332	346	320	318	323	5	-10	1,5	-2,9
North West	87	99	102	111	117	6	30	5,3	35,0
Gauteng	1 094	1 047	1 070	970	1 018	47	-76	4,9	-7,0
Mpumalanga	145	140	148	132	117	-14	-28	-10,8	-19,2
Limpopo	109	103	132	119	141	22	32	18,4	29,7
<b>Community and social services</b>	<b>3 569</b>	<b>3 560</b>	<b>3 616</b>	<b>3 691</b>	<b>3 785</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>6,1</b>
Western Cape	474	477	446	491	496	5	22	1,0	4,6
Eastern Cape	363	369	376	372	403	31	40	8,5	10,9
Nothorn Cape	86	81	97	100	95	-5	9	-4,7	10,8
Free State	190	176	198	200	200	0	10	0,0	5,5
KwaZulu-Natal	608	620	633	645	702	57	94	8,9	15,5
North West	242	210	230	218	228	10	-14	4,6	-5,8
Gauteng	1 055	1 064	1 091	1 062	1 069	7	14	0,6	1,3
Mpumalanga	265	245	227	264	252	-12	-12	-4,4	-4,7
Limpopo	285	318	319	338	339	1	53	0,2	18,7

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>1 319</b>	<b>1 311</b>	<b>1 313</b>	<b>1 270</b>	<b>1 275</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>-3,4</b>
Western Cape	159	150	157	148	165	16	6	11,0	3,6
Eastern Cape	105	103	119	120	111	-9	6	-7,6	6,0
Nothern Cape	24	25	28	22	20	-2	-4	-9,4	-17,4
Free State	82	96	88	84	77	-7	-5	-8,3	-6,6
KwaZulu-Natal	256	233	237	211	225	14	-31	6,4	-12,2
North West	86	89	78	72	70	-3	-16	-3,7	-18,9
Gauteng	381	387	391	373	376	3	-5	0,8	-1,4
Mpumalanga	110	109	100	115	111	-4	1	-3,3	0,8
Limpopo	116	119	114	123	121	-3	5	-2,3	4,2

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Table 3.3: Employed by sector and industry – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Total employed</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
<b>Formal and informal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>14 018</b>	<b>13 953</b>	<b>14 069</b>	<b>14 052</b>	<b>14 256</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>1,5</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Mining	447	434	446	411	397	-14	-50	-3,4	-11,2
Manufacturing	1 790	1 799	1 749	1 791	1 849	58	59	3,3	3,3
Utilities	145	148	153	149	143	-6	-2	-4,2	-1,5
Construction	1 505	1 395	1 365	1 390	1 431	40	-75	2,9	-5,0
Trade	3 207	3 265	3 286	3 240	3 276	36	69	1,1	2,1
Transport	965	954	988	1 001	960	-41	-4	-4,1	-0,4
Finance	2 378	2 395	2 463	2 373	2 402	30	24	1,3	1,0
Community and social services	3 569	3 560	3 616	3 691	3 785	95	216	2,6	6,1
Other	11	3	3	6	12	7	1	115,5	12,6
<b>Formal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>11 337</b>	<b>11 193</b>	<b>11 379</b>	<b>11 244</b>	<b>11 355</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>0,2</b>
Mining	441	426	440	401	394	-7	-47	-1,8	-10,7
Manufacturing	1 590	1 562	1 535	1 548	1 617	69	27	4,4	1,7
Utilities	139	142	150	146	138	-8	-1	-5,4	-0,9
Construction	1 050	965	951	958	939	-19	-111	-2,0	-10,6
Trade	2 107	2 126	2 169	2 143	2 183	40	77	1,9	3,6
Transport	714	696	715	711	675	-36	-39	-5,0	-5,4
Finance	2 163	2 182	2 248	2 156	2 132	-25	-32	-1,1	-1,5
Community and social services	3 123	3 091	3 169	3 176	3 266	90	142	2,8	4,6
Other	11	3	3	6	12	7	1	115,5	12,6
<b>Informal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>2 681</b>	<b>2 761</b>	<b>2 689</b>	<b>2 808</b>	<b>2 901</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>8,2</b>
Mining	6	8	6	10	3	-7	-3	-65,7	-46,6
Manufacturing	200	237	214	243	232	-10	32	-4,3	16,0
Utilities	6	6	3	4	5	2	-1	42,4	-16,4
Construction	456	430	414	432	492	59	36	13,7	7,9
Trade	1 101	1 139	1 117	1 097	1 093	-5	-8	-0,4	-0,7
Transport	251	258	273	291	286	-5	35	-1,8	13,8
Finance	215	213	215	217	271	54	56	25,0	26,0
Community and social services	446	469	447	515	520	4	74	0,8	16,5
Other									
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>-3,3</b>
<b>Private households</b>	<b>1 319</b>	<b>1 311</b>	<b>1 313</b>	<b>1 270</b>	<b>1 275</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>-3,4</b>

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 337	11 193	11 379	11 244	11 355	111	18	1,0	0,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 681	2 761	2 689	2 808	2 901	93	220	3,3	8,2
Agriculture	875	835	810	849	847	-3	-28	-0,3	-3,3
Private households	1 319	1 311	1 313	1 270	1 275	5	-45	0,4	-3,4
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>2 406</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>2 399</b>	<b>2 492</b>	<b>2 530</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1,5</b>	<b>5,1</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 763	1 815	1 839	1 892	1 862	-30	100	-1,6	5,6
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	270	258	244	258	295	36	25	14,1	9,1
Agriculture	215	180	159	193	208	15	-7	7,8	-3,1
Private households	159	150	157	148	165	16	6	11,0	3,6
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>5,0</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	546	565	566	606	576	-31	30	-5,0	5,4
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	87	86	68	88	106	18	19	20,2	21,3
Agriculture	202	163	145	168	191	23	-11	13,5	-5,6
Private households	60	57	75	58	68	10	8	17,2	13,3
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>1 511</b>	<b>1 531</b>	<b>1 545</b>	<b>1 571</b>	<b>1 589</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 217	1 249	1 273	1 286	1 287	1	70	0,1	5,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	183	172	176	170	189	19	6	10,9	3,3
Agriculture	13	17	14	25	17	-7	5	-30,1	35,3
Private households	99	93	83	90	97	6	-2	7,1	-2,2
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1 442</b>	<b>1 416</b>	<b>1 421</b>	<b>1 391</b>	<b>1 397</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>-3,1</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	923	906	904	859	885	26	-38	3,0	-4,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	327	317	312	317	311	-6	-16	-2,0	-4,9
Agriculture	87	90	86	94	91	-4	4	-3,9	4,2
Private households	105	103	119	120	111	-9	6	-7,6	6,0

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>825</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>-2,6</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	467	468	468	445	452	7	-15	1,7	-3,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	225	211	213	211	212	1	-13	0,3	-6,0
Agriculture	80	81	74	87	81	-6	1	-6,5	1,5
Private households	53	58	62	70	59	-11	6	-15,5	10,8
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>-2,0</b>	<b>-5,7</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	179	168	172	165	172	7	-7	4,0	-3,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	55	63	50	61	47	-13	-8	-22,0	-13,9
Agriculture	3	7	7	7	8	1	4	8,8	141,5
Private households	20	14	16	14	16	1	-4	8,7	-22,0
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson mandela bay</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>6,0</b>	<b>-2,4</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	277	270	264	249	261	12	-17	4,8	-6,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	47	43	49	46	52	6	5	13,9	10,6
Agriculture	4	2	5	1	2	1	-2	150,2	-47,5
Private households	31	31	41	36	36	0	5	1,1	15,9
<b>Nothorn Cape</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>7,5</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	197	192	208	209	225	16	28	7,7	13,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	30	39	33	36	28	-8	-2	-22,8	-7,8
Agriculture	47	36	39	55	48	-6	1	-11,6	2,8
Private households	24	25	28	22	20	-2	-4	-9,4	-17,4
<b>Free State</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>6,2</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	458	463	497	488	500	12	42	2,5	9,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	156	138	161	157	146	-11	-10	-6,7	-6,6
Agriculture	70	80	75	77	92	14	21	18,4	30,6
Private households	82	96	88	84	77	-7	-5	-8,3	-6,6

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>534</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4,2</b>	<b>3,8</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	300	297	311	300	314	14	14	4,8	4,7
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	108	93	113	102	98	-4	-10	-3,7	-9,6
Agriculture	69	78	72	76	91	15	22	19,4	31,8
Private households	57	62	60	55	52	-3	-5	-6,2	-9,3
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-4,9</b>	<b>11,7</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	158	166	186	188	185	-2	28	-1,3	17,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	48	45	48	55	48	-7	0	-12,4	0,3
Agriculture	1	1	3	1	1	-1	0	-39,1	-33,1
Private households	25	34	29	29	25	-4	0	-12,4	-0,6
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>2 555</b>	<b>2 583</b>	<b>2 536</b>	<b>2 513</b>	<b>2 617</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>4,1</b>	<b>2,4</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 730	1 785	1 762	1 784	1 824	40	95	2,3	5,5
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	428	442	415	412	453	41	25	10,0	5,8
Agriculture	141	123	121	106	115	9	-26	8,4	-18,7
Private households	256	233	237	211	225	14	-31	6,4	-12,2
<b>KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro</b>	<b>1 377</b>	<b>1 399</b>	<b>1 379</b>	<b>1 346</b>	<b>1 412</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>2,5</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	838	876	869	878	893	15	55	1,8	6,6
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	271	281	270	261	299	38	28	14,4	10,2
Agriculture	136	119	119	103	113	9	-23	8,8	-17,1
Private households	132	122	122	104	107	3	-25	3,1	-18,9
<b>KwaZulu-Natal – eThekweni</b>	<b>1 178</b>	<b>1 184</b>	<b>1 157</b>	<b>1 167</b>	<b>1 205</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	891	909	894	906	931	25	40	2,7	4,5
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	157	161	145	151	154	4	-3	2,4	-1,7
Agriculture	5	4	3	2	2	0	-3	-11,7	-59,9
Private households	124	111	115	107	118	10	-6	9,6	-5,0

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>976</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	696	680	695	710	715	5	19	0,7	2,8
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	144	156	162	169	160	-9	16	-5,4	11,4
Agriculture	50	54	49	47	47	0	-3	-0,7	-5,9
Private households	86	89	78	72	70	-3	-16	-3,7	-18,9
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>5 193</b>	<b>5 050</b>	<b>5 068</b>	<b>4 991</b>	<b>5 069</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>-124</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>-2,4</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4 056	3 897	4 001	3 859	3 870	12	-185	0,3	-4,6
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	720	732	632	723	794	71	73	9,8	10,2
Agriculture	36	34	44	36	29	-8	-7	-20,9	-19,2
Private households	381	387	391	373	376	3	-5	0,8	-1,4
<b>Gauteng – Non-metro</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-3,4</b>	<b>-3,2</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	452	436	449	442	404	-37	-48	-8,5	-10,6
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	103	104	73	105	108	4	5	3,5	5,3
Agriculture	16	12	16	18	18	0	2	-1,1	13,3
Private households	53	48	60	61	74	13	20	20,6	38,1
<b>Gauteng – Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>1 296</b>	<b>1 259</b>	<b>1 274</b>	<b>1 222</b>	<b>1 253</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-43</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>-3,3</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 005	977	1 018	970	989	19	-16	1,9	-1,6
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	189	187	161	164	183	19	-6	11,7	-3,0
Agriculture	8	8	13	7	2	-6	-7	-76,7	-79,4
Private households	94	87	83	81	79	-2	-15	-2,1	-16,1
<b>Gauteng – City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1 992</b>	<b>1 934</b>	<b>1 950</b>	<b>1 910</b>	<b>2 000</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>0,4</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 545	1 485	1 519	1 459	1 493	34	-53	2,3	-3,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	308	300	276	306	357	50	49	16,4	15,9
Agriculture	5	6	8	5	3	-2	-2	-36,7	-40,9
Private households	134	143	148	140	148	8	14	5,8	10,5

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>1 281</b>	<b>1 257</b>	<b>1 246</b>	<b>1 234</b>	<b>1 212</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>-69</b>	<b>-1,8</b>	<b>-5,4</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 054	1 000	1 016	988	985	-3	-69	-0,3	-6,5
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	121	141	122	148	145	-2	25	-1,7	20,4
Agriculture	7	7	7	6	6	0	0	0,3	-3,3
Private households	100	109	100	91	75	-16	-25	-17,6	-24,6
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>1 217</b>	<b>1 212</b>	<b>1 204</b>	<b>1 242</b>	<b>1 197</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-3,6</b>	<b>-1,7</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	761	714	699	707	712	5	-49	0,7	-6,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	256	293	305	315	287	-29	30	-9,1	11,8
Agriculture	89	95	100	104	87	-18	-2	-17,0	-2,7
Private households	110	109	100	115	111	-4	1	-3,3	0,8
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>1 358</b>	<b>1 390</b>	<b>1 452</b>	<b>1 417</b>	<b>1 441</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>6,1</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	753	741	775	737	761	24	8	3,3	1,0
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	349	386	425	421	428	8	79	1,8	22,7
Agriculture	140	144	138	136	130	-5	-10	-4,0	-6,8
Private households	116	119	114	123	121	-3	5	-2,3	4,2

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Table 3.5: Employed by sex and occupation – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Manager	1 448	1 469	1 398	1 390	1 422	32	-26	2,3	-1,8
Professional	895	897	959	906	873	-33	-22	-3,7	-2,5
Technician	1 435	1 457	1 450	1 477	1 415	-62	-20	-4,2	-1,4
Clerk	1 751	1 746	1 783	1 657	1 746	89	-5	5,4	-0,3
Sales and services	2 478	2 447	2 571	2 597	2 692	95	214	3,6	8,6
Skilled agriculture	69	58	69	83	62	-21	-6	-24,8	-9,0
Craft and related trade	2 018	1 969	1 921	1 935	1 994	58	-24	3,0	-1,2
Plant and machine operator	1 332	1 283	1 321	1 317	1 359	42	27	3,2	2,0
Elementary	3 778	3 726	3 670	3 788	3 823	35	45	0,9	1,2
Domestic worker	1 007	1 041	1 045	1 016	991	-24	-16	-2,4	-1,5
Other	2	6	5	5	1	-4	-2	-82,8	-66,3
<b>Women</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>7 071</b>	<b>7 222</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>0,6</b>
Manager	497	459	445	437	436	-1	-61	-0,3	-12,2
Professional	455	446	471	438	442	5	-13	1,1	-2,8
Technician	790	784	773	795	770	-25	-20	-3,1	-2,5
Clerk	1 264	1 269	1 270	1 184	1 266	82	2	7,0	0,2
Sales and services	1 232	1 161	1 236	1 258	1 322	64	90	5,1	7,3
Skilled agriculture	10	11	17	15	14	-2	4	-10,0	36,9
Craft and related trade	202	198	199	228	215	-12	13	-5,4	6,5
Plant and machine operator	181	149	167	158	171	13	-9	8,4	-5,2
Elementary	1 582	1 603	1 554	1 587	1 637	50	54	3,2	3,4
Domestic worker	969	996	992	969	948	-20	-21	-2,1	-2,2
Other	1	1	1	3		-3	-1	-100,0	-100,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>9 100</b>	<b>9 155</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Manager	951	1 010	953	952	986	34	35	3,5	3,7
Professional	440	451	489	468	430	-38	-10	-8,1	-2,2
Technician	645	673	677	683	645	-38	0	-5,5	0,0
Clerk	487	477	513	473	480	7	-8	1,4	-1,5
Sales and services	1 246	1 286	1 336	1 339	1 370	31	123	2,3	9,9
Skilled agriculture	59	47	52	68	49	-19	-10	-28,1	-16,8
Craft and related trade	1 815	1 772	1 722	1 708	1 778	71	-37	4,1	-2,0
Plant and machine operator	1 151	1 133	1 154	1 159	1 188	29	36	2,5	3,1
Elementary	2 195	2 123	2 115	2 202	2 186	-15	-9	-0,7	-0,4
Domestic worker	38	45	52	47	43	-4	5	-8,3	14,3
Other	2	5	4	2	1	-1	-1	-57,7	-54,8

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Table 3.6: Employed by sex and status in employment – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Employee	13 758	13 613	13 949	13 778	13 964	186	207	1,4	1,5
Employer	904	893	761	832	805	-26	-99	-3,2	-10,9
Own-account worker	1 472	1 506	1 399	1 473	1 540	67	68	4,6	4,6
Unpaid household member	78	87	82	89	68	-21	-10	-23,3	-13,2
<b>Women</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>7 071</b>	<b>7 222</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>0,6</b>
Employee	6 276	6 169	6 270	6 194	6 347	153	70	2,5	1,1
Employer	198	192	152	181	150	-31	-48	-17,1	-24,0
Own-account worker	654	664	652	646	683	37	29	5,8	4,5
Unpaid household member	54	53	51	50	42	-8	-12	-15,8	-23,1
<b>Men</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>9 100</b>	<b>9 155</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Employee	7 481	7 444	7 679	7 584	7 617	34	136	0,4	1,8
Employer	706	702	609	650	655	5	-51	0,7	-7,2
Own-account worker	818	842	748	827	857	30	38	3,6	4,7
Unpaid household member	24	34	31	39	26	-13	2	-32,7	8,8

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Table 3.7: Employed by sex and usual hours of work – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	359	309	326	329	351	22	-8	6,6	-2,3
Working 15-29 hours per week	1 109	1 156	1 104	1 092	1 113	21	5	1,9	0,4
Working 30-39 hours per week	1 120	1 061	1 079	1 135	1 167	32	47	2,9	4,2
Working 40-45 hours per week	8 863	8 783	8 968	8 917	9 127	210	265	2,4	3,0
Working more than 45 hours per week	4 762	4 791	4 714	4 697	4 619	-78	-143	-1,7	-3,0
<b>Women</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>7 125</b>	<b>7 071</b>	<b>7 222</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>0,6</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	195	179	189	190	210	20	16	10,7	8,1
Working 15-29 hours per week	730	754	710	709	708	-1	-22	-0,2	-3,1
Working 30-39 hours per week	707	641	671	682	722	40	15	5,9	2,1
Working 40-45 hours per week	3 918	3 879	3 934	3 868	4 001	133	83	3,4	2,1
Working more than 45 hours per week	1 633	1 625	1 620	1 622	1 581	-41	-52	-2,5	-3,2
<b>Men</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 067</b>	<b>9 100</b>	<b>9 155</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>1,4</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	164	130	137	139	140	1	-24	1,0	-14,6
Working 15-29 hours per week	379	402	395	383	406	22	27	5,8	7,1
Working 30-39 hours per week	413	420	408	453	445	-8	33	-1,7	7,9
Working 40-45 hours per week	4 945	4 904	5 034	5 048	5 126	78	181	1,5	3,7
Working more than 45 hours per week	3 129	3 166	3 094	3 075	3 037	-37	-91	-1,2	-2,9

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Pension/retirement fund contribution</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	6 620	6 567	6 675	6 573	6 634	61	14	0,9	0,2
No	6 852	6 760	7 048	6 922	7 097	175	245	2,5	3,6
Don't know	285	286	225	283	232	-50	-53	-17,8	-18,5
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	2 844	2 783	2 834	2 709	2 804	95	-40	3,5	-1,4
No	3 320	3 275	3 351	3 360	3 442	81	121	2,4	3,7
Don't know	112	111	85	124	101	-23	-11	-18,8	-9,7
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	3 776	3 784	3 841	3 863	3 830	-33	54	-0,9	1,4
No	3 532	3 485	3 697	3 562	3 656	94	124	2,6	3,5
Don't know	173	175	140	158	132	-27	-42	-17,0	-24,2
<b>Entitled to any paid leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	9 186	9 092	9 388	9 031	9 267	236	81	2,6	0,9
No	4 392	4 361	4 444	4 571	4 571	0	178	0,0	4,1
Don't know	179	159	117	176	126	-49	-53	-28,0	-29,5
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	4 084	3 995	4 126	3 950	4 131	181	47	4,6	1,2
No	2 125	2 106	2 104	2 160	2 161	1	36	0,1	1,7
Don't know	68	67	41	84	54	-30	-13	-35,4	-19,9
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	5 102	5 097	5 262	5 081	5 136	54	34	1,1	0,7
No	2 267	2 255	2 340	2 411	2 409	-1	142	-0,1	6,3
Don't know	112	92	77	92	72	-20	-40	-21,3	-35,4

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	9 796	9 761	9 918	9 674	9 839	165	44	1,7	0,4
No	3 962	3 852	4 031	4 104	4 125	21	163	0,5	4,1
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	4 391	4 306	4 377	4 248	4 368	120	-23	2,8	-0,5
No	1 886	1 863	1 894	1 946	1 979	33	94	1,7	5,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	5 405	5 455	5 541	5 426	5 472	46	67	0,8	1,2
No	2 077	1 989	2 138	2 158	2 146	-12	69	-0,6	3,3
<b>Entitled to maternity/paternity leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	7 995	7 984	8 130	7 821	8 020	200	26	2,6	0,3
No	5 763	5 629	5 819	5 957	5 944	-13	181	-0,2	3,1
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	3 736	3 654	3 724	3 589	3 755	166	19	4,6	0,5
No	2 540	2 515	2 547	2 605	2 592	-14	51	-0,5	2,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	4 259	4 330	4 407	4 232	4 265	33	6	0,8	0,2
No	3 222	3 114	3 272	3 352	3 352	0	130	0,0	4,0

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>UIF contribution</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	8 297	8 241	8 276	8 296	8 326	29	29	0,4	0,3
No	5 206	5 093	5 426	5 240	5 410	170	204	3,2	3,9
Don't know	254	279	246	241	228	-13	-26	-5,5	-10,2
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	3 549	3 447	3 394	3 421	3 518	97	-31	2,8	-0,9
No	2 612	2 587	2 770	2 675	2 732	56	120	2,1	4,6
Don't know	115	135	107	98	97	-1	-18	-0,7	-15,7
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	4 748	4 794	4 882	4 876	4 808	-68	60	-1,4	1,3
No	2 594	2 505	2 656	2 565	2 678	114	84	4,4	3,2
Don't know	139	144	140	144	131	-13	-8	-8,7	-5,6
<b>Medical aid benefits</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	4 149	4 115	4 196	4 061	4 145	84	-5	2,1	-0,1
No	9 465	9 342	9 592	9 518	9 691	173	227	1,8	2,4
Don't know	144	155	161	199	128	-71	-16	-35,6	-10,9
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	1 827	1 788	1 837	1 762	1 820	57	-8	3,3	-0,4
No	4 392	4 321	4 373	4 358	4 476	119	84	2,7	1,9
Don't know	57	60	60	74	51	-23	-6	-31,4	-11,1
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	2 322	2 327	2 358	2 299	2 325	26	3	1,2	0,1
No	5 073	5 022	5 220	5 161	5 215	55	142	1,1	2,8
Don't know	86	96	101	125	77	-47	-9	-38,1	-10,7

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>Income tax (PAYE/SITE) deduction</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	7 557	7 558	7 679	7 462	7 648	186	91	2,5	1,2
No	5 938	5 766	5 996	6 013	6 058	45	121	0,8	2,0
Don't know	263	289	274	303	258	-45	-5	-14,9	-2,0
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	3 248	3 215	3 273	3 129	3 274	145	26	4,6	0,8
No	2 922	2 854	2 900	2 943	2 956	12	33	0,4	1,1
Don't know	107	100	98	122	117	-4	11	-3,6	10,2
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	4 309	4 343	4 406	4 333	4 374	41	65	1,0	1,5
No	3 015	2 912	3 097	3 070	3 103	33	88	1,1	2,9
Don't know	157	189	176	181	140	-41	-16	-22,5	-10,3
<b>Conditions of employment</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Written contract	11 031	11 001	11 171	11 079	11 276	197	245	1,8	2,2
Verbal agreement	2 727	2 611	2 778	2 699	2 689	-10	-38	-0,4	-1,4
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Written contract	5 060	4 984	5 045	4 994	5 149	156	90	3,1	1,8
Verbal agreement	1 217	1 185	1 225	1 201	1 198	-3	-19	-0,2	-1,6
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Written contract	5 971	6 017	6 126	6 085	6 126	41	155	0,7	2,6
Verbal agreement	1 510	1 427	1 552	1 499	1 491	-7	-19	-0,5	-1,2

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Nature of contract/agreement</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Limited duration	1 857	1 786	1 856	1 898	1 936	38	79	2,0	4,3
Permanent nature	8 493	8 427	8 570	8 439	8 491	52	-2	0,6	0,0
Unspecified duration	3 408	3 400	3 523	3 441	3 536	95	128	2,8	3,8
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Limited duration	950	919	904	962	963	1	13	0,1	1,4
Permanent nature	3 766	3 673	3 749	3 641	3 751	110	-15	3,0	-0,4
Unspecified duration	1 560	1 577	1 617	1 592	1 632	40	72	2,5	4,6
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Limited duration	906	867	952	936	973	37	67	4,0	7,4
Permanent nature	4 726	4 754	4 821	4 799	4 740	-59	14	-1,2	0,3
Unspecified duration	1 849	1 823	1 905	1 849	1 904	55	55	3,0	3,0
<b>Trade union membership</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 777</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Yes	3 947	3 933	3 993	3 990	4 145	155	198	3,9	5,0
No	9 370	9 238	9 560	9 339	9 435	96	65	1,0	0,7
Don't know	441	442	397	448	384	-64	-57	-14,3	-12,9
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Yes	1 680	1 646	1 668	1 705	1 768	63	88	3,7	5,2
No	4 413	4 351	4 464	4 331	4 444	113	31	2,6	0,7
Don't know	183	172	138	157	135	-22	-48	-14,0	-26,2
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Yes	2 267	2 287	2 324	2 285	2 377	92	110	4,0	4,9
No	4 957	4 887	5 095	5 008	4 991	-17	34	-0,3	0,7
Don't know	258	270	259	291	249	-42	-9	-14,4	-3,5

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>How annual salary increment is negotiated</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>13 949</b>	<b>13 778</b>	<b>13 964</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Individual and employer	1 128	1 069	1 149	1 032	1 105	73	-23	7,1	-2,0
Union and employer	3 110	3 002	3 097	3 023	3 072	49	-38	1,6	-1,2
Bargaining council	1 028	1 087	1 128	1 140	1 142	2	114	0,2	11,1
Employer only	7 578	7 593	7 674	7 702	7 754	52	176	0,7	2,3
No regular increment	798	748	786	777	811	34	13	4,4	1,6
Other	115	113	116	103	80	-23	-35	-22,3	-30,4
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>6 270</b>	<b>6 194</b>	<b>6 347</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Individual and employer	490	471	498	476	479	3	-11	0,6	-2,2
Union and employer	1 314	1 228	1 257	1 218	1 257	39	-57	3,2	-4,3
Bargaining council	493	528	554	552	566	14	73	2,5	14,8
Employer only	3 536	3 565	3 550	3 565	3 621	56	85	1,6	2,4
No regular increment	395	341	369	346	386	40	-9	11,6	-2,3
Other	49	37	43	38	38	0	-11	0,0	-22,4
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>7 679</b>	<b>7 584</b>	<b>7 617</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Individual and employer	638	598	651	557	626	69	-12	12,4	-1,9
Union and employer	1 796	1 774	1 839	1 805	1 816	11	20	0,6	1,1
Bargaining council	535	559	574	588	576	-12	41	-2,0	7,7
Employer only	4 042	4 029	4 124	4 137	4 134	-3	92	-0,1	2,3
No regular increment	403	408	417	432	425	-7	22	-1,6	5,5
Other	66	76	73	65	42	-23	-24	-35,4	-36,4

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Table 3.9: Time-related underemployment – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>-55</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>-7,3</b>	<b>-7,7</b>
Women	458	427	418	441	420	-20	-38	-4,6	-8,2
Men	298	299	296	312	278	-35	-21	-11,1	-6,9
<b>As Per centage of the labour force (both sexes)</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>-0,3</b>		
Women	4,5	4,2	4,1	4,4	4,1	-0,3	-0,4		
Men	2,4	2,4	2,4	2,6	2,3	-0,3	-0,1		
<b>As Per centage of total employment (both sexes)</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>4,4</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>4,3</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>-0,4</b>		
Women	6,4	6,0	5,9	6,2	5,8	-0,4	-0,6		
Men	3,3	3,3	3,3	3,4	3,0	-0,4	-0,3		
<b>Industry</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>-55</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>-7,3</b>	<b>-7,7</b>
Agriculture	18	25	14	20	15	-5	-3	-25,3	-15,5
Mining	1	1	1						
Manufacturing	24	27	39	36	38	2	14	4,3	59,9
Utilities				1	1	0		34,8	
Construction	70	64	74	75	69	-6	-2	-8,1	-2,2
Trade	136	113	108	124	93	-31	-43	-25,1	-31,7
Transport	14	13	19	24	16	-9	2	-35,9	14,2
Finance	53	42	49	55	54	-1	2	-2,1	2,9
Community and social services	168	181	165	183	171	-12	3	-6,6	1,5
Private households	273	258	245	235	242	7	-31	3,1	-11,3
<b>Occupation</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>-55</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>-7,3</b>	<b>-7,7</b>
Manager	12	16	13	12	15	2	3	20,3	22,5
Professional	10	7	11	18	2	-16	-7	-87,1	-75,8
Technician	24	33	30	34	21	-12	-3	-36,5	-11,3
Clerk	13	14	22	23	18	-5	4	-22,9	33,2
Sales and services	72	79	76	75	66	-10	-6	-12,9	-8,4
Skilled agriculture	1	2	2	5	2	-4	1	-69,0	49,2
Craft and related trade	61	71	79	84	77	-6	16	-7,6	26,9
Plant and machine operator	17	15	19	22	11	-10	-6	-47,7	-34,2
Elementary	366	310	293	312	316	5	-50	1,5	-13,6
Domestic worker	179	178	168	168	169	1	-10	0,6	-5,8

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<b>Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa</b>									
	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</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>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>5 880</b>	<b>5 980</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-234</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
Job losers	2 038	1 953	2 023	1 886	1 951	65	-87	3,4	-4,3
Job leavers	365	346	338	336	291	-45	-74	-13,3	-20,2
New entrants	2 345	2 407	2 321	2 347	2 293	-54	-52	-2,3	-2,2
Re-entrants	300	312	321	270	262	-8	-38	-2,9	-12,6
Other	1 166	1 158	1 207	1 042	1 183	142	17	13,6	1,5
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>5 880</b>	<b>5 980</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-234</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
Long-term unemployment (1 year and more)	4 088	4 153	4 181	4 022	4 098	76	10	1,9	0,2
Short-term unemployment (less than 1 year)	2 126	2 023	2 029	1 858	1 882	25	-243	1,3	-11,5
<b>Long-term unemployment (%)</b>									
Proportion of the labour force	18,2	18,6	18,7	18,2	18,3	0,1	0,1		
Proportion of the unemployed	65,8	67,2	67,3	68,4	68,5	0,1	2,7		
<b>Those who have worked in the past 5 years</b>									
<b>Previous occupation</b>	<b>2 703</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>2 683</b>	<b>2 492</b>	<b>2 504</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-199</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>-7,4</b>
Manager	61	62	74	57	52	-5	-9	-8,9	-14,9
Professional	58	53	57	53	48	-5	-11	-9,6	-18,3
Technician	155	141	146	154	125	-29	-30	-18,8	-19,4
Clerk	296	277	276	295	283	-12	-13	-3,9	-4,5
Sales and services	399	421	421	398	460	62	61	15,6	15,2
Skilled agriculture	7	8	4	4	7	3	0	61,1	2,3
Craft and related trade	441	451	468	417	417	0	-25	-0,1	-5,6
Plant and machine operator	203	184	189	172	188	17	-14	9,7	-7,1
Elementary	891	810	849	767	751	-16	-140	-2,1	-15,7
Domestic worker	191	204	195	174	173	-2	-19	-1,0	-9,8

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Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa (concluded)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>2 703</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>2 683</b>	<b>2 492</b>	<b>2 504</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-199</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>-7,4</b>
Agriculture	178	139	140	135	139	4	-39	3,2	-21,8
Mining	56	54	55	36	37	1	-19	3,5	-34,5
Manufacturing	307	281	297	252	237	-15	-70	-5,8	-22,7
Utilities	14	14	17	20	15	-5	1	-24,3	9,4
Construction	449	444	467	401	439	38	-10	9,4	-2,1
Trade	594	560	572	579	559	-19	-35	-3,3	-5,9
Transport	149	158	120	102	113	11	-36	10,4	-24,1
Finance	353	339	366	368	380	12	27	3,2	7,7
Community and social services	349	367	390	355	354	-2	5	-0,5	1,4
Private households	255	257	259	245	232	-13	-23	-5,4	-9,1
Other	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.

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

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Table 5: Characteristics of the not economically active – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>15 474</b>	<b>15 320</b>	<b>-154</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>4,7</b>
Student	6 029	6 140	6 245	6 341	6 137	-204	108	-3,2	1,8
Homemaker	2 517	2 689	2 545	2 671	2 522	-149	5	-5,6	0,2
Illness/disability	1 621	1 572	1 586	1 573	1 557	-15	-64	-1,0	-3,9
Too old/young to work	1 339	1 380	1 394	1 449	1 433	-16	94	-1,1	7,0
Discouraged work-seekers	2 277	2 361	2 436	2 538	2 787	249	510	9,8	22,4
Other	850	799	767	903	884	-19	34	-2,1	3,9
<b>Inactivity rate by age (both sexes)</b>	<b>39,5</b>	<b>40,1</b>	<b>40,1</b>	<b>41,2</b>	<b>40,7</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>1,2</b>		
15–24 yrs	72,1	73,1	73,2	74,1	74,4	0,3	2,3		
25–54 yrs	22,6	23,1	23,1	24,5	23,7	-0,8	1,1		
55–64 yrs	53,8	55,3	54,1	55,2	54,2	-1,0	0,4		
<b>Inactivity rate by age (women)</b>	<b>45,4</b>	<b>46,4</b>	<b>46,3</b>	<b>47,5</b>	<b>46,8</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>1,4</b>		
15–24 yrs	74,3	75,6	75,9	76,7	77,1	0,4	2,8		
25–54 yrs	29,8	30,5	30,5	31,9	30,8	-1,1	1,0		
55–64 yrs	61,6	63,8	62,6	63,6	62,3	-1,3	0,7		
<b>Inactivity rate by age (men)</b>	<b>33,4</b>	<b>33,7</b>	<b>33,6</b>	<b>34,8</b>	<b>34,4</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>1,0</b>		
15–24 yrs	69,9	70,5	70,5	71,5	71,7	0,2	1,8		
25–54 yrs	15,3	15,6	15,8	17,1	16,6	-0,5	1,3		
55–64 yrs	44,3	44,9	43,8	44,8	44,2	-0,6	-0,1		

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Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Age group of the employed</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
15–24 yrs	1 315	1 226	1 322	1 305	1 257	-48	-58	-3,7	-4,4
25–34 yrs	4 966	4 907	4 871	4 790	4 890	100	-76	2,1	-1,5
35–44 yrs	5 016	5 040	5 027	5 081	5 154	74	138	1,5	2,8
45–54 yrs	3 393	3 420	3 426	3 445	3 488	43	95	1,3	2,8
55–64 yrs	1 522	1 506	1 545	1 551	1 588	37	66	2,4	4,3
<b>Age group of the unemployed</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>5 880</b>	<b>5 980</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-234</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
15–24 yrs	1 559	1 552	1 444	1 365	1 381	17	-178	1,2	-11,4
25–34 yrs	2 395	2 399	2 454	2 397	2 413	16	18	0,7	0,7
35–44 yrs	1 412	1 450	1 478	1 343	1 363	21	-48	1,5	-3,4
45–54 yrs	670	623	663	636	668	32	-2	5,1	-0,2
55–64 yrs	178	153	171	140	154	14	-24	10,2	-13,5
<b>Age group of the not economically active</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>15 474</b>	<b>15 320</b>	<b>-154</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>4,7</b>
15–24 yrs	7 440	7 537	7 550	7 644	7 674	30	234	0,4	3,1
25–34 yrs	2 380	2 473	2 493	2 667	2 587	-80	207	-3,0	8,7
35–44 yrs	1 474	1 453	1 477	1 598	1 542	-56	67	-3,5	4,6
45–54 yrs	1 358	1 424	1 425	1 484	1 458	-26	100	-1,8	7,3
55–64 yrs	1 981	2 053	2 026	2 081	2 059	-22	78	-1,1	4,0
<b>Highest level of education of the employed</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
No schooling	334	341	337	344	292	-52	-41	-15,1	-12,4
Less than primary completed	1 106	1 063	1 082	1 031	1 029	-2	-77	-0,2	-7,0
Primary completed	605	592	594	572	611	39	6	6,8	1,0
Secondary not completed	5 458	5 333	5 353	5 397	5 594	197	136	3,6	2,5
Secondary completed	5 091	5 200	5 192	5 323	5 226	-97	135	-1,8	2,6
Tertiary	3 450	3 388	3 465	3 304	3 453	149	3	4,5	0,1
Other	168	183	169	200	173	-27	5	-13,6	2,7

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Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>5 880</b>	<b>5 980</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-234</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
No schooling	84	72	76	60	64	4	-20	6,8	-24,1
Less than primary completed	346	361	354	360	361	1	14	0,3	4,1
Primary completed	260	278	252	220	210	-10	-50	-4,6	-19,2
Secondary not completed	3 002	2 901	2 881	2 689	2 749	61	-252	2,3	-8,4
Secondary completed	1 933	2 014	2 095	2 021	2 057	36	124	1,8	6,4
Tertiary	541	513	513	488	493	5	-49	1,1	-9,0
Other	47	39	39	44	47	3	0	7,4	-0,6
<b>Highest level of education of the not economically active</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>15 474</b>	<b>15 320</b>	<b>-154</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>4,7</b>
No schooling	658	639	622	624	615	-9	-43	-1,4	-6,5
Less than primary completed	1 441	1 460	1 538	1 537	1 439	-99	-2	-6,4	-0,2
Primary completed	865	978	985	1 018	847	-171	-17	-16,8	-2,0
Secondary not completed	7 829	8 007	8 005	8 360	8 034	-326	205	-3,9	2,6
Secondary completed	3 113	3 124	3 099	3 185	3 613	427	499	13,4	16,0
Tertiary	562	582	586	586	629	44	67	7,4	12,0
Other	166	151	137	163	143	-21	-23	-12,6	-14,0
<b>Employed</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Attending educational institution	387	332	376	357	340	-17	-47	-4,7	-12,1
Not attending educational institution	15 825	15 768	15 816	15 814	16 037	223	212	1,4	1,3
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>5 880</b>	<b>5 980</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-234</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
Attending educational institution	118	102	102	135	107	-28	-11	-20,8	-9,5
Not attending educational institution	6 096	6 075	6 108	5 745	5 873	128	-222	2,2	-3,6
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>15 474</b>	<b>15 320</b>	<b>-154</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>4,7</b>
Attending educational institution	5 937	6 092	6 195	6 257	5 999	-258	63	-4,1	1,1
Not attending educational institution	8 698	8 849	8 776	9 217	9 321	104	623	1,1	7,2

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<b>Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (concluded)</b>									
	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</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>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>16 192</b>	<b>16 171</b>	<b>16 378</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,0</b>
Married	6 326	6 264	6 424	6 300	6 363	63	36	1,0	0,6
Living together like husband and wife	1 995	2 005	1 910	2 031	2 070	38	75	1,9	3,7
Widow/widower	517	501	492	492	486	-6	-31	-1,2	-6,0
Divorced or separated	523	529	511	497	494	-4	-30	-0,7	-5,7
Never married	6 850	6 801	6 855	6 850	6 965	115	115	1,7	1,7
<b>Current marital status of the unemployed</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>6 210</b>	<b>5 880</b>	<b>5 980</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-234</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
Married	1 044	988	1 005	966	941	-25	-103	-2,6	-9,9
Living together like husband and wife	680	674	679	631	646	14	-34	2,3	-5,0
Widow/widower	71	82	78	67	72	5	1	6,7	1,7
Divorced or separated	119	95	99	95	104	10	-14	10,2	-11,9
Never married	4 301	4 338	4 349	4 120	4 217	97	-84	2,3	-1,9
<b>Current marital status of the not economically active</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>14 971</b>	<b>15 474</b>	<b>15 320</b>	<b>-154</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>-1,0</b>	<b>4,7</b>
Married	2 621	2 754	2 704	2 764	2 761	-2	140	-0,1	5,4
Living together like husband and wife	767	761	766	808	808	0	41	0,1	5,4
Widow/widower	600	566	584	613	618	5	18	0,8	3,1
Divorced or separated	217	259	243	242	231	-11	15	-4,4	6,7
Never married	10 430	10 602	10 674	11 048	10 902	-147	472	-1,3	4,5

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Table 7: Profile of those not in education and not in employment – South Africa									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>14 962</b>	<b>15 194</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>2,7</b>
Women	8 498	8 631	8 579	8 716	8 763	48	265	0,5	3,1
Men	6 296	6 293	6 305	6 247	6 431	184	135	3,0	2,2
<b>Age group</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>14 962</b>	<b>15 194</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>2,7</b>
15–24 yrs	3 340	3 320	3 126	3 068	3 343	275	3	9,0	0,1
25–34 yrs	4 445	4 504	4 581	4 674	4 662	-12	216	-0,3	4,9
35–44 yrs	2 842	2 857	2 905	2 890	2 859	-30	18	-1,0	0,6
45–54 yrs	2 010	2 036	2 078	2 110	2 119	9	109	0,4	5,4
55–64 yrs	2 156	2 206	2 195	2 221	2 211	-10	55	-0,4	2,5
<b>Population groups</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>14 962</b>	<b>15 194</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>2,7</b>
Black African	12 501	12 512	12 465	12 566	12 795	229	294	1,8	2,4
Coloured	1 315	1 376	1 361	1 350	1 300	-50	-15	-3,7	-1,2
Indian/Asian	319	345	340	332	364	32	45	9,7	14,2
White	659	690	719	714	735	21	77	3,0	11,7
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>14 885</b>	<b>14 962</b>	<b>15 194</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>2,7</b>
Western Cape	1 458	1 496	1 524	1 465	1 445	-19	-13	-1,3	-0,9
Eastern Cape	1 914	1 960	1 959	2 005	2 009	3	94	0,2	4,9
North West	379	389	377	362	366	5	-13	1,3	-3,4
Free State	807	779	740	749	743	-6	-64	-0,7	-7,9
KwaZulu-Natal	3 054	3 025	3 012	3 026	3 106	79	51	2,6	1,7
North West	1 133	1 125	1 139	1 127	1 150	23	17	2,0	1,5
Gauteng	3 414	3 537	3 578	3 678	3 695	17	281	0,5	8,2
Mpumalanga	1 161	1 167	1 150	1 103	1 201	98	40	8,9	3,5
Limpopo	1 472	1 445	1 407	1 447	1 479	32	7	2,2	0,5

Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
Subsistence farming	2 082	1 909	1 723	1 942	2 153	211	71	10,9	3,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	4 496	4 584	4 849	4 369	4 427	58	-69	1,3	-1,5
Produce other goods for household use	139	137	144	143	122	-21	-17	-14,8	-12,5
Construction or major repairs to own or household	686	626	613	422	393	-30	-293	-7,0	-42,7
Hunting or fishing for household use	43	30	26	25	37	12	-6	46,4	-14,3
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>6 137</b>	<b>6 009</b>	<b>6 186</b>	<b>5 679</b>	<b>5 844</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>-293</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>-4,8</b>
Employed	1 824	1 742	1 816	1 655	1 669	14	-155	0,8	-8,5
Unemployed	1 096	1 027	1 105	959	969	11	-126	1,1	-11,5
Not economically active	3 218	3 240	3 265	3 065	3 206	140	-12	4,6	-0,4
<b>Western Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	3	6	4	6	8	1	5	19,8	176,2
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	33	37	25	153	117	-36	83	-23,7	250,8
Produce other goods for household use	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Construction or major repairs to own or household	.	1	3	.	3	.	.	.	.
Hunting or fishing for household use	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>-22,4</b>	<b>245,6</b>
Employed	20	27	14	90	70	-19	50	-21,7	243,9
Unemployed	7	5	5	34	22	-12	15	-36,4	223,5
Not economically active	9	12	12	35	32	-4	23	-10,8	266,8
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	553	507	440	488	664	176	111	36,0	20,0
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	935	995	1 104	967	974	7	40	0,8	4,3
Produce other goods for household use	11	9	12	13	9	-4	-2	-29,5	-16,5
Construction or major repairs to own or household	120	181	155	190	183	-7	63	-3,6	53,0
Hunting or fishing for household use	4	3	1	3	6	3	3	87,4	77,1
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 226</b>	<b>1 240</b>	<b>1 306</b>	<b>1 251</b>	<b>1 347</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>7,7</b>	<b>9,9</b>
Employed	301	280	296	298	310	12	9	4,1	3,0
Unemployed	230	237	254	244	280	35	50	14,5	21,5
Not economically active	695	723	756	709	758	49	63	6,9	9,0

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Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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>Nothorn Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	23	22	21	24	15	-9	-8	-38,9	-36,0
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	86	94	135	96	91	-5	5	-5,4	5,4
Produce other goods for household use	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	230,8	-39,6
Construction or major repairs to own or household	0	1	1	.	0	.	0	.	46,8
Hunting or fishing for household use	3	2	2	1	3	2	0	196,4	8,9
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-7,8</b>	<b>-3,7</b>
Employed	24	21	27	26	23	-3	-1	-11,5	-5,0
Unemployed	23	23	27	17	19	2	-4	10,8	-17,5
Not economically active	55	61	91	63	56	-7	1	-11,4	2,7
<b>Free State</b>									
Subsistence farming	97	113	106	124	122	-2	25	-1,3	25,7
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	73	49	52	32	40	8	-34	23,6	-46,0
Produce other goods for household use	.	3	3	1	2	1	.	175,6	.
Construction or major repairs to own or household	1	1	.	1	4	3	3	559,3	497,5
Hunting or fishing for household use	3	4	2	2	3	1	-1	72,9	-17,1
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>5,4</b>	<b>-0,4</b>
Employed	69	64	75	65	71	6	1	9,0	1,9
Unemployed	33	43	37	45	45	0	13	-0,3	38,9
Not economically active	60	48	44	43	46	3	-15	5,9	-24,4
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
Subsistence farming	880	868	788	836	888	52	8	6,2	0,9
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 344	1 282	1 301	1 144	1 158	14	-186	1,2	-13,8
Produce other goods for household use	90	100	103	93	91	-2	0	-2,2	0,2
Construction or major repairs to own or household	115	80	118	86	100	14	-15	15,7	-13,2
Hunting or fishing for household use	20	10	8	4	11	7	-9	207,0	-45,2
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 900</b>	<b>1 843</b>	<b>1 843</b>	<b>1 702</b>	<b>1 754</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>-146</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>-7,7</b>
Employed	498	472	479	417	463	45	-35	10,9	-7,0
Unemployed	272	233	252	215	193	-22	-79	-10,3	-29,1
Not economically active	1 130	1 138	1 113	1 070	1 099	29	-32	2,7	-2,8

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Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)									
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Jul-Sep 2017	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	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	57	43	52	31	25	-6	-31	-19,4	-55,7
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	434	368	500	413	461	48	27	11,6	6,3
Produce other goods for household use	6	4	3	1	3	2	-3	203,2	-53,8
Construction or major repairs to own or household	23	11	27	8	2	-6	-22	-79,6	-93,0
Hunting or fishing for household use	2	1	2	2	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11,2</b>	<b>2,2</b>
Employed	133	108	182	131	133	2	0	1,8	-0,1
Unemployed	67	40	75	45	72	27	5	60,1	8,2
Not economically active	261	235	265	248	266	18	5	7,2	1,9
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Subsistence farming	21	14	18	45	34	-11	13	-24,8	63,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	137	205	189	191	138	-53	1	-27,9	0,4
Produce other goods for household use	14	12	10	22	2	-20	-12	-90,2	-84,9
Construction or major repairs to own or household	365	292	268	78	43	-35	-322	-44,6	-88,2
Hunting or fishing for household use	3	3	3	10	6	-4	3	-37,4	89,6
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>-98</b>	<b>-299</b>	<b>-32,8</b>	<b>-59,9</b>
Employed	267	271	235	160	108	-52	-159	-32,4	-59,5
Unemployed	155	158	167	92	57	-35	-98	-38,3	-63,3
Not economically active	77	69	63	46	35	-11	-42	-23,5	-54,5
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
Subsistence farming	179	159	110	171	183	12	5	6,9	2,6
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	509	549	579	505	481	-24	-28	-4,8	-5,4
Produce other goods for household use	16	7	9	13	14	1	-3	6,9	-16,4
Construction or major repairs to own or household	19	20	11	22	16	-7	-4	-29,6	-18,6
Hunting or fishing for household use	2	4	2	.	3	.	0	.	9,8
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-40</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>-6,2</b>
Employed	217	212	204	170	164	-6	-53	-3,5	-24,3
Unemployed	163	163	170	152	163	11	0	7,4	0,0
Not economically active	266	273	283	284	279	-5	13	-1,9	4,9

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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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</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	271	178	183	216	215	-1	-55	-0,6	-20,5
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	945	1 006	964	868	967	100	23	11,5	2,4
Produce other goods for household use	1	2	3	1	2	0	1	27,5	67,3
Construction or major repairs to own or household	43	39	30	38	43	5	0	11,9	-0,5
Hunting or fishing for household use	5	4	5	4	4	0	0	11,9	-4,3
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 104</b>	<b>1 093</b>	<b>1 060</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>1 081</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>10,5</b>	<b>-2,1</b>
Employed	293	286	304	298	326	28	33	9,5	11,3
Unemployed	146	125	118	113	118	5	-28	4,2	-19,2
Not economically active	665	682	638	567	637	69	-28	12,2	-4,2

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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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
Both Sexes						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	307	117	496	0,00
Employed	0,7	0,7	206	31	382	0,02
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	0,9	1,0	111	-60	282	0,20
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,3	2,1	93	-39	225	0,17
Agriculture	4,5	3,8	-3	-74	68	0,94
Private households	2,9	2,4	5	-60	70	0,88
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	100	-77	278	0,27
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	-154	-343	35	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	3,3	3,4	249	115	384	0,00
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	-403	-606	-200	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,6	0,0	-0,6	0,8	0,82
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,4	-0,1	0,8	0,12
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,1	1,1	0,03
Women						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,7	0,7	184	52	316	0,01
Employed	0,9	0,8	151	35	267	0,01
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,3	1,3	112	8	216	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	3,0	2,9	29	-39	96	0,40
Agriculture	7,4	8,4	18	-16	51	0,30
Private households	3,2	2,7	-8	-63	48	0,79
Unemployed	2,2	2,0	33	-89	155	0,59
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	-111	-243	21	0,10
Discouraged work-seekers	3,6	3,7	151	52	250	0,00
Other (not economically active)	0,9	0,9	-262	-402	-122	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,9	1,7	-0,2	-1,2	0,8	0,71
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,9	0,8	0,6	0,0	1,3	0,04
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,1	1,5	0,03

Table 2A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Men</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,6	0,6	123	3	242	0,05
Employed	0,8	0,9	55	-63	174	0,36
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,1	1,2	-1	-120	117	0,99
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,8	2,5	64	-35	164	0,20
Agriculture	5,5	4,2	-21	-75	33	0,45
Private households	6,2	5,6	13	-19	44	0,42
Unemployed	2,3	2,4	67	-50	184	0,26
Not economically active	1,0	1,1	-43	-163	77	0,48
Discouraged work-seekers	4,3	4,3	98	17	179	0,02
Other (not economically active)	1,0	1,2	-141	-262	-20	0,02
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,2	2,2	0,3	-0,6	1,2	0,49
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,8	0,9	0,0	-0,6	0,7	0,79
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	0,4	-0,3	1,0	0,25



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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,5	0,5	307	117	496	0,00
Employed	0,7	0,7	206	31	382	0,02
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	100	-77	278	0,27
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	-154	-343	35	0,11
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,6	0,0	-0,6	0,8	0,82
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,4	-0,1	0,8	0,12
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,1	1,1	0,03
<b>Black/African</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,6	0,6	248	83	414	0,00
Employed	0,8	0,8	166	8	324	0,04
Unemployed	2,0	1,9	82	-82	247	0,33
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	-99	-264	67	0,24
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,8	1,6	0,1	-0,8	0,9	0,92
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	0,3	-0,2	0,9	0,19
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	0,5	0,0	1,1	0,06
<b>Coloured</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,4	0,8	68	5	130	0,04
Employed	2,3	1,9	69	3	135	0,04
Unemployed	4,4	6,3	-2	-60	57	0,96
Not economically active	2,4	1,5	-58	-121	4	0,07
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,6	6,2	-0,8	-3,2	1,6	0,53
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,3	1,9	1,9	0,0	3,8	0,06
Labour force participation rate	1,4	0,8	1,8	0,0	3,6	0,06

<b>Table 2.1A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Indian/Asian</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	2,9	2,9	2	-33	38	0,90
Employed	2,8	2,8	-14	-42	15	0,34
Unemployed	14,4	15,3	16	-2	34	0,08
Not economically active	4,3	4,4	0	-35	35	1,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	13,3	14,0	2,6	0,0	5,3	0,05
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,8	2,8	-1,5	-4,3	1,4	0,30
Labour force participation rate	2,9	2,9	0,1	-3,4	3,6	0,96
<b>White</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,5	2,0	-11	-64	41	0,67
Employed	1,9	2,2	-15	-60	30	0,52
Unemployed	11,0	11,2	3	-26	33	0,82
Not economically active	3,3	4,2	3	-49	56	0,90
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	11,3	11,2	0,2	-1,2	1,6	0,76
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,9	2,2	-0,4	-1,8	1,2	0,67
Labour force participation rate	1,5	2,0	-0,2	-2,0	1,6	0,83

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	307	117	496	0,00
Employed	0,7	0,7	206	31	382	0,02
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	100	-77	278	0,27
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	-154	-343	35	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	3,3	3,4	249	115	384	0,00
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	-403	-606	-200	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,6	0,0	-0,6	0,8	0,82
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,4	-0,1	0,8	0,12
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,1	1,1	0,03
<b>Western Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,2	1,1	56	-17	129	0,14
Employed	1,4	1,4	38	-35	111	0,31
Unemployed	4,0	5,7	18	-41	76	0,55
Not economically active	2,6	2,4	-33	-107	40	0,37
Discouraged work-seekers	18,8	12,3	6	-20	32	0,66
Other (not economically active)	2,5	2,5	-39	-110	32	0,28
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,7	5,3	0,2	-1,5	2,0	0,80
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,4	1,4	0,6	-1,1	2,2	0,49
Labour force participation rate	1,2	1,1	0,9	-0,7	2,5	0,28

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,0	1,6	15	-28	58	0,50
Employed	2,3	2,4	20	-31	71	0,44
Unemployed	10,6	12,4	-5	-42	32	0,78
Not economically active	4,0	3,3	-6	-49	37	0,79
Discouraged work-seekers	22,1	14,1	9	-15	33	0,46
Other (not economically active)	3,9	3,9	-15	-51	22	0,43
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	9,9	12,0	-0,7	-3,9	2,6	0,69
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,3	2,4	0,9	-2,2	4,0	0,57
Labour force participation rate	2,0	1,6	0,6	-2,1	3,2	0,69
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,5	1,4	41	-18	101	0,17
Employed	1,8	1,7	18	-32	69	0,48
Unemployed	3,9	6,4	23	-21	67	0,31
Not economically active	3,5	3,5	-27	-87	32	0,36
Discouraged work-seekers	34,9	25,7	-3	-13	7	0,57
Other (not economically active)	3,3	3,5	-24	-86	37	0,44
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,6	5,7	0,7	-1,2	2,6	0,48
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,8	1,7	0,4	-1,4	2,1	0,68
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,4	1,1	-1,0	3,2	0,30

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Eastern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,8	24	-41	89	0,47
Employed	2,4	2,5	7	-54	67	0,83
Unemployed	5,0	4,1	17	-41	76	0,56
Not economically active	1,6	1,9	-12	-77	53	0,72
Discouraged work-seekers	9,1	9,6	28	-26	82	0,31
Other (not economically active)	1,8	2,6	-40	-123	44	0,35
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,3	3,5	0,5	-2,0	2,8	0,73
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,4	2,5	0,1	-1,4	1,5	0,94
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,8	0,4	-1,1	2,0	0,59
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,4	2,9	-3	-61	54	0,91
Employed	3,3	3,7	-8	-60	43	0,75
Unemployed	6,6	6,7	5	-38	49	0,82
Not economically active	1,9	2,3	11	-46	69	0,70
Discouraged work-seekers	9,4	10,0	16	-36	68	0,54
Other (not economically active)	2,2	3,3	-5	-84	74	0,91
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,5	5,4	0,5	-2,5	3,5	0,74
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,3	3,7	-0,3	-2,1	1,4	0,68
Labour force participation rate	2,4	2,9	-0,3	-2,2	1,7	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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,5	3,2	1	-14	16	0,92
Employed	4,3	4,8	-5	-24	14	0,61
Unemployed	8,4	4,3	6	-12	23	0,53
Not economically active	5,4	6,9	1	-14	16	0,93
Discouraged work-seekers	20,9	35,2	12	-3	27	0,13
Other (not economically active)	6,1	4,2	-11	-22	0	0,05
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,3	5,1	1,5	-3,3	6,4	0,53
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,3	4,8	-1,1	-4,8	2,6	0,56
Labour force participation rate	2,5	3,2	-0,1	-3,0	2,9	0,98
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	2,1	27	0	53	0,05
Employed	5,3	4,3	20	-6	46	0,13
Unemployed	10,4	2,4	7	-30	43	0,71
Not economically active	3,5	4,5	-24	-50	3	0,08
Discouraged work-seekers	99,6	94,2	0	-2	2	0,70
Other (not economically active)	3,4	4,7	-24	-50	2	0,07
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	9,6	4,2	-0,6	-6,3	5,2	0,85
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,3	4,3	2,3	-0,9	5,5	0,16
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,1	3,1	-0,2	6,3	0,07

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Nothern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,7	3,4	14	-10	38	0,24
Employed	6,9	6,4	0	-21	20	0,97
Unemployed	6,5	9,3	15	1	28	0,03
Not economically active	4,7	4,5	-12	-36	12	0,32
Discouraged work-seekers	11,9	12,2	-10	-33	12	0,38
Other (not economically active)	4,1	4,9	-2	-23	19	0,86
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	9,3	10,2	2,4	-0,1	4,8	0,06
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	6,9	6,4	-0,2	-2,7	2,4	0,90
Labour force participation rate	3,7	3,4	1,6	-1,4	4,7	0,29
<b>Free State</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,3	1,6	16	-11	43	0,24
Employed	3,6	2,9	9	-29	46	0,65
Unemployed	7,4	7,5	7	-35	50	0,73
Not economically active	2,2	2,9	-14	-41	13	0,32
Discouraged work-seekers	8,9	13,4	-21	-43	0	0,05
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,2	8	-24	40	0,63
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,2	6,6	0,2	-3,1	3,5	0,91
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,6	2,9	0,4	-1,6	2,4	0,69
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,6	0,7	-0,6	2,2	0,28

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,5	1,4	30	10	51	0,00
Employed	4,6	3,9	22	-8	52	0,15
Unemployed	9,2	9,1	8	-13	30	0,45
Not economically active	2,3	2,3	-31	-51	-10	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	10,4	14,1	-14	-34	7	0,19
Other (not economically active)	3,4	1,9	-17	-44	10	0,22
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,8	8,4	-0,2	-3,0	2,5	0,86
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,6	3,9	1,6	-0,6	3,9	0,15
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,4	2,3	0,7	3,8	0,00
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	4,3	-14	-31	3	0,10
Employed	5,6	3,8	-13	-36	9	0,25
Unemployed	11,8	13,0	-1	-38	36	0,97
Not economically active	5,4	9,3	17	0	34	0,05
Discouraged work-seekers	13,0	41,8	-8	-14	-2	0,01
Other (not economically active)	7,0	10,7	25	8	41	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	12,0	10,0	0,9	-7,7	9,4	0,84
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,6	3,8	-2,8	-6,9	1,5	0,21
Labour force participation rate	2,2	4,3	-2,9	-6,1	0,1	0,06



<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,8	58	-37	153	0,23
Employed	2,0	1,9	104	28	180	0,01
Unemployed	6,3	6,2	-46	-116	24	0,20
Not economically active	1,4	1,7	-31	-126	64	0,52
Discouraged work-seekers	6,6	7,5	132	58	207	0,00
Other (not economically active)	1,8	1,8	-163	-274	-53	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,6	5,4	-1,8	-3,6	0,0	0,05
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,0	1,9	1,3	0,3	2,5	0,02
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,8	0,7	-0,7	2,0	0,35
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,6	2,8	39	-37	115	0,31
Employed	3,4	3,0	65	4	127	0,04
Unemployed	8,9	8,8	-26	-84	31	0,37
Not economically active	1,7	1,9	-19	-95	57	0,62
Discouraged work-seekers	7,2	8,3	111	40	182	0,00
Other (not economically active)	2,3	2,2	-130	-224	-37	0,01
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,0	7,4	-2,0	-4,6	0,7	0,15
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	3,0	1,3	-0,1	2,7	0,06
Labour force participation rate	2,6	2,8	0,7	-1,0	2,4	0,42

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekweni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,4	1,8	19	-39	77	0,52
Employed	1,9	2,2	39	-8	85	0,10
Unemployed	8,4	8,3	-20	-59	20	0,33
Not economically active	2,3	3,1	-12	-70	46	0,68
Discouraged work-seekers	16,8	15,3	21	-3	46	0,09
Other (not economically active)	2,7	3,1	-33	-94	28	0,29
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,6	7,6	-1,6	-3,8	0,7	0,17
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	2,2	1,4	-0,5	3,4	0,14
Labour force participation rate	1,4	1,8	0,6	-1,8	3,0	0,62
<b>North West</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,8	2,7	25	-37	87	0,43
Employed	3,4	3,4	-7	-69	55	0,83
Unemployed	7,8	7,5	32	-23	87	0,25
Not economically active	3,0	3,0	-14	-77	48	0,65
Discouraged work-seekers	8,6	8,9	11	-39	61	0,66
Other (not economically active)	2,9	4,1	-25	-97	46	0,48
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,1	6,8	1,9	-1,8	5,7	0,31
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	3,4	-0,4	-2,9	2,0	0,72
Labour force participation rate	2,8	2,7	0,8	-1,7	3,2	0,54

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Gauteng</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,9	0,9	55	-50	159	0,31
Employed	1,3	1,4	78	-20	176	0,12
Unemployed	3,1	2,9	-23	-122	76	0,64
Not economically active	2,2	2,0	-4	-109	100	0,94
Discouraged work-seekers	8,1	7,8	62	8	116	0,03
Other (not economically active)	1,9	1,7	-66	-156	23	0,15
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,7	2,7	-0,5	-1,8	0,7	0,37
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,3	1,4	0,5	-0,5	1,5	0,29
Labour force participation rate	0,9	0,9	0,2	-0,9	1,2	0,72
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	4,0	3,5	-18	-68	33	0,50
Employed	5,1	4,6	-21	-80	38	0,48
Unemployed	12,4	8,1	4	-29	37	0,82
Not economically active	7,2	5,8	20	-31	71	0,43
Discouraged work-seekers	22,5	13,3	26	9	43	0,00
Other (not economically active)	5,9	5,1	-6	-53	41	0,81
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	10,9	7,5	1,1	-3,1	5,2	0,63
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,1	4,6	-1,7	-6,1	2,7	0,45
Labour force participation rate	4,0	3,5	-1,5	-5,3	2,4	0,46

Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	1,5	-26	-68	15	0,21
Employed	3,2	3,1	31	-7	68	0,11
Unemployed	5,0	4,4	-57	-95	-19	0,00
Not economically active	4,4	3,8	36	-6	77	0,09
Discouraged work-seekers	15,6	12,9	12	-14	38	0,36
Other (not economically active)	3,9	3,9	24	-16	63	0,25
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,0	4,8	-2,7	-4,4	-0,9	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,2	3,1	1,0	-0,5	2,5	0,17
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,5	-1,3	-2,9	0,3	0,12
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,8	1,2	149	79	220	0,00
Employed	1,4	2,0	91	29	152	0,00
Unemployed	5,8	5,1	59	-4	121	0,07
Not economically active	4,4	3,7	-126	-196	-55	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	15,9	22,1	-28	-51	-4	0,02
Other (not economically active)	3,7	2,6	-98	-153	-42	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,4	4,7	0,6	-1,4	2,6	0,55
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,4	2,0	2,1	0,4	3,7	0,01
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,2	3,5	1,6	5,4	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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,0	1,9	-51	-97	-5	0,03
Employed	2,3	2,4	-22	-66	22	0,33
Unemployed	4,5	6,2	-29	-91	33	0,36
Not economically active	2,1	3,7	65	19	112	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	9,0	13,5	51	13	89	0,01
Other (not economically active)	2,7	3,4	14	-23	51	0,46
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,8	5,5	-0,9	-4,2	2,3	0,57
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,3	2,4	-1,2	-2,9	0,6	0,20
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,9	-2,4	-4,3	-0,6	0,01
<b>Mpumalanga</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,1	1,7	22	-23	68	0,34
Employed	2,4	2,9	-45	-104	14	0,14
Unemployed	7,2	5,2	67	9	125	0,02
Not economically active	3,2	2,8	-10	-56	35	0,65
Discouraged work-seekers	9,5	9,4	12	-10	35	0,28
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,0	-23	-68	22	0,32
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,0	4,9	3,5	0,3	6,6	0,03
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,4	2,9	-1,8	-3,8	0,3	0,10
Labour force participation rate	2,1	1,7	0,6	-1,1	2,1	0,52

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Oct-Dec 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Limpopo</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	2,2	36	-25	97	0,24
Employed	2,1	1,7	23	-35	81	0,43
Unemployed	8,0	7,6	13	-30	56	0,56
Not economically active	1,4	2,0	-23	-84	38	0,45
Discouraged work-seekers	9,7	8,8	29	-21	79	0,25
Other (not economically active)	2,8	1,8	-52	-129	24	0,18
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,4	6,1	0,3	-1,9	2,5	0,78
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,1	1,7	0,4	-1,1	2,1	0,53
Labour force participation rate	1,6	2,2	0,8	-0,8	2,5	0,33

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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Agriculture	4,5	3,8	-3	-74	68	0,94
Mining	6,5	7,6	-14	-62	34	0,57
Manufacturing	2,8	3,1	58	-32	149	0,21
Utilities	10,0	12,9	-6	-31	19	0,63
Construction	2,9	3,0	40	-52	132	0,39
Trade	1,9	2,0	36	-97	168	0,60
Transport	3,3	3,3	-41	-103	21	0,20
Finance	2,6	2,2	30	-80	139	0,59
Community and social services	1,8	1,7	95	-15	204	0,09
Private households	2,9	2,4	5	-60	70	0,88
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Agriculture	7,4	8,4	18	-16	51	0,30
Mining	17,3	16,7	-3	-16	10	0,64
Manufacturing	4,5	4,9	40	-10	90	0,12
Utilities	17,4	20,6	-5	-14	5	0,36
Construction	8,3	8,0	-25	-54	4	0,09
Trade	2,7	2,6	17	-57	91	0,66
Transport	8,2	7,7	-4	-34	26	0,80
Finance	3,9	3,0	50	-14	114	0,13
Community and social services	2,1	1,9	68	-9	146	0,09
Private households	3,2	2,7	-8	-63	48	0,79
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>-63</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>0,36</b>
Agriculture	5,5	4,2	-21	-75	33	0,45
Mining	7,1	8,0	-11	-56	35	0,64
Manufacturing	3,1	3,3	19	-50	88	0,59
Utilities	11,5	13,9	-2	-24	20	0,88
Construction	3,0	3,2	65	-19	150	0,13
Trade	2,6	2,7	19	-74	112	0,69
Transport	3,6	3,7	-37	-89	16	0,17
Finance	3,0	3,0	-20	-97	57	0,61
Community and social services	2,7	2,9	26	-44	96	0,46
Private households	6,2	5,6	13	-19	44	0,42

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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	1,0	111	-60	282	0,20
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,1	93	-39	225	0,17
Agriculture	4,5	3,8	-3	-74	68	0,94
Private households	2,9	2,4	5	-60	70	0,88
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>0,31</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,0	2,3	-30	-132	73	0,57
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,8	7,4	36	-19	91	0,19
Agriculture	6,6	5,4	15	-16	47	0,34
Private households	8,3	7,5	16	-9	41	0,20
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>0,44</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,3	4,0	-31	-106	45	0,42
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	15,0	18,7	18	-26	62	0,42
Agriculture	5,4	5,0	23	0	45	0,05
Private households	13,2	14,8	10	-5	25	0,18
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>-32</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>0,48</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,7	1	-71	73	0,98
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,5	5,5	19	-16	53	0,29
Agriculture	36,7	33,3	-7	-30	15	0,52
Private households	11,4	7,9	6	-14	27	0,53
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-54</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>0,83</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	3,1	26	-19	71	0,26
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,3	7,3	-6	-52	39	0,78
Agriculture	18,0	19,2	-4	-17	10	0,59
Private households	8,3	8,5	-9	-32	14	0,44
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-60</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0,75</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,6	4,6	7	-30	44	0,70
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,1	7,7	1	-42	44	0,98
Agriculture	18,8	20,6	-6	-19	8	0,41
Private households	12,7	10,5	-11	-30	8	0,27



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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>4,3</b>	<b>4,8</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0,61</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	3,4	7	0	13	0,06
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	14,3	24,4	-13	-23	-4	0,01
Agriculture	66,2	63,8	1	-2	3	0,59
Private households	22,9	19,9	1	-5	7	0,68
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>	<b>5,3</b>	<b>4,3</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0,13</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,1	6,4	12	-13	37	0,35
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	28,2	20,4	6	-4	16	0,22
Agriculture	101,2	101,6	1	-1	4	0,33
Private households	9,0	17,2	0	-11	12	0,95
<b>Notthern Cape</b>	<b>6,9</b>	<b>6,4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0,97</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	11,1	7,8	16	-3	35	0,10
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	20,6	17,2	-8	-24	8	0,32
Agriculture	31,6	13,1	-6	-50	37	0,77
Private households	9,9	12,8	-2	-6	2	0,30
<b>Free State</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0,65</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,8	4,9	12	-18	42	0,43
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,7	6,7	-11	-33	12	0,36
Agriculture	7,8	4,9	14	2	27	0,03
Private households	9,4	9,0	-7	-20	6	0,29
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>4,6</b>	<b>3,9</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>0,15</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,5	6,2	14	-13	42	0,30
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	11,0	9,0	-4	-22	15	0,69
Agriculture	7,9	4,9	15	2	27	0,02
Private households	12,5	12,1	-3	-16	9	0,59
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0,25</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,9	7,8	-2	-15	10	0,70
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	14,0	9,3	-7	-20	6	0,30
Agriculture	62,9	98,6	-1	-2	1	0,37
Private households	13,7	12,2	-4	-7	0	0,03

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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,1	2,3	40	-30	111	0,26
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,8	5,6	41	-14	96	0,14
Agriculture	14,6	13,3	9	-9	26	0,32
Private households	6,1	6,4	14	-6	33	0,17
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>0,04</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,8	4,1	15	-36	67	0,55
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,3	7,7	38	-12	87	0,13
Agriculture	14,9	13,5	9	-8	26	0,29
Private households	9,7	9,0	3	-12	18	0,67
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekweni</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>0,10</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,9	2,1	25	-25	75	0,32
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,6	6,6	4	-20	27	0,76
Agriculture	60,0	59,5	0	-4	3	0,88
Private households	7,4	9,2	10	-2	23	0,10
<b>North West</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>-69</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>0,83</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,3	3,9	5	-48	59	0,85
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,6	9,0	-9	-34	16	0,47
Agriculture	20,4	14,8	0	-12	11	0,96
Private households	11,3	12,9	-3	-16	10	0,69
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>0,12</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,7	1,8	12	-91	115	0,82
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,4	4,3	71	-6	148	0,07
Agriculture	17,3	16,7	-8	-18	3	0,16
Private households	6,1	4,5	3	-39	45	0,89
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>	<b>5,1</b>	<b>4,6</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-80</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,48</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,8	6,2	-37	-108	34	0,30
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	16,2	7,2	4	-23	30	0,78
Agriculture	24,2	20,2	0	-6	6	0,95
Private households	13,9	9,8	13	-7	32	0,20

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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0,11</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,3	4,5	19	-26	64	0,41
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,3	5,6	19	-16	54	0,28
Agriculture	49,9	74,3	-6	-12	0	0,07
Private households	5,9	8,3	-2	-14	11	0,79
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,9	2,8	34	-25	93	0,26
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,0	7,3	50	-11	111	0,11
Agriculture	31,3	60,7	-2	-6	2	0,39
Private households	12,0	8,6	8	-19	35	0,56
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>-66</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0,33</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,4	-3	-48	42	0,89
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,4	12,6	-2	-24	19	0,82
Agriculture	35,1	36,3	0	-5	5	1,00
Private households	13,5	8,6	-16	-39	7	0,17
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-104</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0,14</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,7	3,5	5	-32	43	0,79
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,9	7,2	-29	-62	5	0,10
Agriculture	14,5	9,6	-18	-38	2	0,09
Private households	12,6	8,3	-4	-25	17	0,72
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>0,43</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,2	3,3	24	-15	63	0,23
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	4,3	8	-34	50	0,72
Agriculture	6,3	11,2	-5	-36	25	0,73
Private households	9,8	7,6	-3	-18	12	0,70

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
	Oct-Dec 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Manager	3,3	3,4	32	-45	110	0,41
Professional	3,9	4,0	-33	-97	30	0,30
Technician	3,2	3,0	-62	-141	16	0,12
Clerk	2,5	2,6	89	11	167	0,03
Sales and services	2,2	2,2	95	-3	193	0,06
Skilled agriculture	13,5	15,1	-21	-44	2	0,08
Craft and related trade	2,4	2,5	58	-38	155	0,24
Plant and machine operator	2,9	2,7	42	-33	117	0,27
Elementary	1,9	1,7	35	-93	163	0,60
Domestic worker	3,2	2,8	-24	-81	33	0,41
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Manager	5,8	6,2	-1	-47	44	0,96
Professional	4,8	4,8	5	-36	46	0,82
Technician	3,9	4,0	-25	-77	28	0,35
Clerk	2,9	2,8	82	17	148	0,01
Sales and services	2,8	2,8	64	-5	133	0,07
Skilled agriculture	28,6	27,5	-2	-12	9	0,77
Craft and related trade	7,0	7,0	-12	-41	17	0,40
Plant and machine operator	8,9	7,7	13	-13	40	0,32
Elementary	2,5	2,2	50	-15	115	0,13
Domestic worker	3,2	2,8	-20	-74	34	0,46
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>-63</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>0,36</b>
Manager	3,6	3,3	34	-25	92	0,26
Professional	4,8	5,0	-38	-77	1	0,05
Technician	4,3	4,0	-38	-97	22	0,22
Clerk	4,4	4,8	7	-36	50	0,76
Sales and services	2,9	2,7	31	-36	98	0,36
Skilled agriculture	14,3	16,9	-19	-39	1	0,06
Craft and related trade	2,5	2,7	71	-21	162	0,13
Plant and machine operator	3,0	3,0	29	-43	100	0,43
Elementary	2,4	2,3	-15	-115	84	0,76
Domestic worker	15,9	17,2	-4	-21	13	0,65

Table 2B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Both Sexes</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-68	-344	207	0,63
Employed	0,7	0,7	165	-89	420	0,20
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	0,9	1,0	18	-250	286	0,90
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,2	2,1	220	66	375	0,01
Agriculture	5,1	3,8	-28	-122	65	0,55
Private households	2,7	2,4	-45	-137	47	0,34
Unemployed	1,6	1,8	-234	-479	11	0,06
Not economically active	0,8	0,7	686	410	962	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,2	3,4	510	290	730	0,00
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	176	-73	425	0,16
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,6	-1,0	-1,9	0,0	0,05
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,2	-1,0	0,4	0,42
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,2	-1,9	-0,4	0,00
<b>Women</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,7	0,7	-94	-274	85	0,30
Employed	0,9	0,8	40	-122	201	0,63
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,3	1,3	-41	-195	114	0,60
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	3,2	2,9	91	1	182	0,05
Agriculture	8,2	8,4	7	-38	53	0,75
Private households	3,1	2,7	-18	-96	59	0,64
Unemployed	2,0	2,0	-134	-287	19	0,09
Not economically active	0,9	0,8	389	210	569	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,6	3,7	331	197	466	0,00
Other (not economically active)	0,9	0,9	58	-106	222	0,49
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,7	-1,0	-2,3	0,3	0,12
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,9	0,8	-0,4	-1,2	0,5	0,38
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	-1,4	-2,3	-0,4	0,01

<b>Table 2B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Men</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,6	26	-147	198	0,77
Employed	0,8	0,9	126	-53	304	0,17
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,0	1,2	59	-123	241	0,53
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,5	2,5	129	14	244	0,03
Agriculture	4,9	4,2	-36	-103	32	0,30
Private households	5,3	5,6	-26	-74	22	0,28
Unemployed	1,8	2,4	-100	-260	60	0,22
Not economically active	1,0	1,1	297	124	469	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	5,0	4,3	179	50	307	0,01
Other (not economically active)	1,1	1,2	118	-37	272	0,13
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,7	2,2	-0,9	-2,1	0,3	0,16
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,8	0,9	-0,2	-1,1	0,8	0,71
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	-1,0	-2,0	-0,1	0,03

Table 2.1B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,5	0,5	-68	-344	207	0,63
Employed	0,7	0,7	165	-89	420	0,20
Unemployed	1,6	1,8	-234	-479	11	0,06
Not economically active	0,8	0,7	686	410	962	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,6	-1,0	-1,9	0,0	0,05
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,2	-1,0	0,4	0,42
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,2	-1,9	-0,4	0,00
<b>Black/African</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,6	0,6	-21	-272	230	0,87
Employed	0,8	0,8	213	-7	433	0,06
Unemployed	1,6	1,9	-234	-465	-4	0,05
Not economically active	0,9	0,8	625	374	876	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,6	-1,3	-2,4	-0,2	0,02
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	-0,1	-0,8	0,6	0,78
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	-1,2	-2,1	-0,4	0,00
<b>Coloured</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,2	0,8	49	-8	106	0,09
Employed	1,4	1,9	41	-35	117	0,29
Unemployed	6,2	6,3	8	-61	78	0,82
Not economically active	2,3	1,5	-11	-69	46	0,70
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,5	6,2	-0,2	-3,1	2,9	0,93
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,4	1,9	0,6	-1,6	2,9	0,57
Labour force participation rate	1,2	0,8	0,7	-1,0	2,4	0,40

Table 2.1B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Indian/Asian</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	2,8	2,9	-22	-60	15	0,25
Employed	2,7	2,8	-13	-48	21	0,46
Unemployed	12,7	15,3	-9	-36	18	0,50
Not economically active	4,8	4,4	31	-7	69	0,11
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	11,5	14,0	-1,1	-5,1	3,0	0,61
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,7	2,8	-1,8	-5,3	1,7	0,31
Labour force participation rate	2,8	2,9	-2,8	-6,6	1,0	0,15
<b>White</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,3	2,0	-74	-153	4	0,06
Employed	1,6	2,2	-76	-160	9	0,08
Unemployed	11,7	11,2	1	-40	42	0,95
Not economically active	3,1	4,2	42	-37	120	0,30
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	11,7	11,2	0,3	-1,7	2,3	0,76
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,6	2,2	-1,8	-4,6	1,0	0,20
Labour force participation rate	1,3	2,0	-1,8	-4,3	0,9	0,20



<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-68	-344	207	0,63
Employed	0,7	0,7	165	-89	420	0,20
Unemployed	1,6	1,8	-234	-479	11	0,06
Not economically active	0,8	0,7	686	410	962	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,2	3,4	510	290	730	0,00
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	176	-73	425	0,16
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,6	-1,0	-1,9	0,0	0,05
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,2	-1,0	0,4	0,42
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,2	-1,9	-0,4	0,00
<b>Western Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,3	1,1	84	-20	188	0,12
Employed	1,9	1,4	123	21	226	0,02
Unemployed	5,5	5,7	-40	-121	41	0,34
Not economically active	3,0	2,4	9	-95	113	0,87
Discouraged work-seekers	22,6	12,3	15	-4	33	0,12
Other (not economically active)	3,2	2,5	-6	-111	99	0,91
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,2	5,3	-1,8	-4,3	0,6	0,14
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	1,4	1,7	-0,7	3,9	0,17
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,1	0,5	-1,9	2,8	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
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,1	1,6	-2	-56	52	0,95
Employed	3,0	2,4	45	-18	108	0,16
Unemployed	8,0	12,4	-47	-79	-14	0,01
Not economically active	4,6	3,3	38	-16	92	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	28,6	14,1	12	-4	28	0,14
Other (not economically active)	5,1	3,9	26	-28	81	0,35
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,1	12,0	-4,2	-7,3	-1,1	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	2,4	1,5	-2,4	5,4	0,45
Labour force participation rate	2,1	1,6	-1,6	-5,0	1,7	0,33
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,8	1,4	85	-8	178	0,07
Employed	2,5	1,7	78	-6	162	0,07
Unemployed	7,1	6,4	7	-68	82	0,85
Not economically active	4,1	3,5	-30	-123	63	0,53
Discouraged work-seekers	29,1	25,7	3	-6	11	0,56
Other (not economically active)	4,2	3,5	-32	-126	62	0,50
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,6	5,7	-0,6	-4,0	2,7	0,72
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,5	1,7	1,7	-1,3	4,6	0,26
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,4	1,6	-1,6	4,9	0,33

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Eastern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,8	43	-42	128	0,32
Employed	1,9	2,5	-45	-121	32	0,25
Unemployed	3,9	4,1	87	22	153	0,01
Not economically active	1,6	1,9	7	-78	92	0,87
Discouraged work-seekers	8,3	9,6	-16	-89	56	0,66
Other (not economically active)	2,2	2,6	23	-75	121	0,64
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,2	3,5	3,4	0,8	6,0	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	2,5	-1,4	-3,3	0,4	0,11
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,8	0,4	-1,6	2,4	0,69
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	2,9	22	-45	90	0,52
Employed	2,3	3,7	-21	-84	41	0,51
Unemployed	4,6	6,7	44	-9	96	0,11
Not economically active	1,7	2,3	11	-57	79	0,76
Discouraged work-seekers	8,4	10,0	-35	-105	36	0,33
Other (not economically active)	2,5	3,3	45	-41	132	0,30
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,3	5,4	2,8	-0,8	6,5	0,13
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,3	3,7	-1,0	-3,2	1,1	0,34
Labour force participation rate	2,2	2,9	0,2	-2,1	2,6	0,82

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	4,2	3,2	-16	-56	24	0,44
Employed	6,5	4,8	-15	-42	13	0,29
Unemployed	8,3	4,3	-1	-23	21	0,92
Not economically active	10,9	6,9	21	-19	61	0,30
Discouraged work-seekers	33,5	35,2	19	2	36	0,03
Other (not economically active)	10,5	4,2	2	-32	37	0,89
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,8	5,1	1,0	-3,1	5,1	0,62
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	6,5	4,8	-3,4	-8,8	2,0	0,22
Labour force participation rate	4,2	3,2	-3,9	-11,7	4,0	0,34
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,0	2,1	36	5	67	0,02
Employed	3,5	4,3	-9	-43	25	0,62
Unemployed	10,3	2,4	45	13	77	0,01
Not economically active	3,7	4,5	-25	-56	6	0,12
Discouraged work-seekers	68,6	94,2	0	-2	2	0,87
Other (not economically active)	3,7	4,7	-25	-56	6	0,12
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	9,1	4,2	6,1	0,5	11,8	0,03
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,5	4,3	-1,7	-6,0	2,5	0,43
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,1	3,6	-0,3	7,4	0,07

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Notern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,9	3,4	24	-2	51	0,07
Employed	5,6	6,4	22	-16	61	0,26
Unemployed	6,1	9,3	2	-21	25	0,86
Not economically active	3,5	4,5	-15	-41	11	0,26
Discouraged work-seekers	8,9	12,2	-19	-30	-7	0,00
Other (not economically active)	3,5	4,9	3	-19	26	0,76
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,5	10,2	-1,2	-7,0	4,7	0,69
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,6	6,4	2,3	-2,5	7,3	0,34
Labour force participation rate	2,9	3,4	2,4	-0,9	5,8	0,15
<b>Free State</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,6	23	-9	55	0,16
Employed	3,5	2,9	48	-10	105	0,10
Unemployed	3,9	7,5	-24	-89	40	0,46
Not economically active	2,6	2,9	-15	-47	17	0,36
Discouraged work-seekers	6,7	13,4	-20	-41	0	0,05
Other (not economically active)	3,0	3,2	5	-18	28	0,66
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,4	6,6	-2,7	-7,7	2,4	0,29
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,5	2,9	2,4	-0,7	5,4	0,13
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,6	0,9	-0,8	2,7	0,27

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,5	1,4	8	-22	38	0,62
Employed	2,8	3,9	20	-20	61	0,32
Unemployed	4,5	9,1	-13	-59	34	0,59
Not economically active	2,4	2,3	-8	-38	22	0,61
Discouraged work-seekers	9,1	14,1	1	-19	21	0,94
Other (not economically active)	2,6	1,9	-9	-27	10	0,35
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,2	8,4	-1,8	-6,9	3,2	0,47
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,8	3,9	1,5	-1,5	4,5	0,32
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,4	0,6	-1,7	2,8	0,61
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	4,0	4,3	16	4	27	0,01
Employed	9,8	3,8	27	-14	68	0,20
Unemployed	7,4	13,0	-12	-56	33	0,61
Not economically active	7,9	9,3	-7	-19	4	0,22
Discouraged work-seekers	8,4	41,8	-21	-25	-17	0,00
Other (not economically active)	9,6	10,7	14	0	27	0,05
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	11,2	10,0	-4,5	-16,8	7,6	0,46
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	9,8	3,8	4,3	-3,4	12,1	0,27
Labour force participation rate	4,0	4,3	1,9	-0,3	4,0	0,09

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	1,8	-76	-220	68	0,30
Employed	2,0	1,9	62	-63	187	0,33
Unemployed	4,4	6,2	-138	-231	-44	0,00
Not economically active	1,9	1,7	183	39	327	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	10,8	7,5	196	39	354	0,02
Other (not economically active)	2,3	1,8	-14	-154	127	0,85
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,5	5,4	-3,5	-5,9	-1,1	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,0	1,9	0,3	-1,5	2,1	0,73
Labour force participation rate	1,9	1,8	-1,8	-3,9	0,2	0,08
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,1	2,8	-82	-205	40	0,19
Employed	3,4	3,0	34	-81	150	0,56
Unemployed	6,2	8,8	-116	-190	-43	0,00
Not economically active	2,4	1,9	162	40	285	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	12,9	8,3	205	51	360	0,01
Other (not economically active)	2,9	2,2	-43	-168	82	0,50
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,9	7,4	-5,0	-8,6	-1,4	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	3,0	0,2	-2,3	2,8	0,87
Labour force participation rate	3,1	2,8	-2,6	-5,3	0,2	0,07

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekweni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	1,8	6	-71	84	0,87
Employed	1,7	2,2	28	-24	79	0,29
Unemployed	5,7	8,3	-21	-80	37	0,48
Not economically active	2,9	3,1	21	-57	98	0,60
Discouraged work-seekers	10,1	15,3	-9	-45	27	0,63
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,1	29	-37	96	0,38
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,8	7,6	-1,5	-4,6	1,7	0,35
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	2,2	0,6	-1,6	2,7	0,59
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,8	-0,5	-3,7	2,8	0,79
<b>North West</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,5	2,7	10	-79	98	0,83
Employed	3,0	3,4	16	-52	85	0,64
Unemployed	5,9	7,5	-7	-79	66	0,85
Not economically active	2,8	3,0	34	-54	123	0,45
Discouraged work-seekers	10,9	8,9	42	-19	103	0,17
Other (not economically active)	2,9	4,1	-8	-94	78	0,86
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,2	6,8	-0,7	-5,2	3,8	0,76
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	3,4	0,0	-2,8	2,7	0,99
Labour force participation rate	2,5	2,7	-0,5	-4,0	3,0	0,76



Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Gauteng</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,7	0,9	-238	-392	-84	0,00
Employed	1,1	1,4	-124	-260	11	0,07
Unemployed	2,8	2,9	-114	-262	34	0,13
Not economically active	1,9	2,0	442	288	596	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	10,4	7,8	238	149	327	0,00
Other (not economically active)	1,9	1,7	204	81	327	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,6	2,7	-0,6	-2,4	1,1	0,48
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,1	1,4	-2,3	-3,6	-0,9	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,9	-3,9	-5,4	-2,3	0,00
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,0	3,5	-62	-120	-3	0,04
Employed	3,8	4,6	-20	-52	12	0,22
Unemployed	8,0	8,1	-42	-92	9	0,11
Not economically active	4,2	5,8	74	15	133	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	20,5	13,3	54	15	93	0,01
Other (not economically active)	3,7	5,1	20	-12	53	0,22
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,6	7,5	-2,7	-7,0	1,6	0,21
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,8	4,6	-1,9	-4,3	0,5	0,11
Labour force participation rate	2,0	3,5	-5,3	-9,6	-0,8	0,02

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,2	1,5	-59	-121	3	0,06
Employed	2,0	3,1	-43	-93	6	0,09
Unemployed	6,0	4,4	-16	-71	39	0,57
Not economically active	3,7	3,8	98	36	159	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	13,3	12,9	20	-8	48	0,16
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,9	78	22	133	0,01
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,2	4,8	0,1	-2,3	2,6	0,91
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,0	3,1	-2,5	-4,4	-0,5	0,01
Labour force participation rate	1,2	1,5	-3,4	-5,9	-1,0	0,01
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,0	1,2	31	-60	122	0,51
Employed	1,9	2,0	8	-88	104	0,87
Unemployed	5,2	5,1	23	-82	127	0,67
Not economically active	3,1	3,7	65	-26	156	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	26,0	22,1	42	-19	102	0,18
Other (not economically active)	3,2	2,6	23	-50	97	0,54
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,9	4,7	0,5	-2,8	3,9	0,77
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	2,0	-1,1	-3,8	1,4	0,37
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,2	-1,1	-3,6	1,3	0,37

Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	1,9	-148	-242	-55	0,00
Employed	2,2	2,4	-69	-146	8	0,08
Unemployed	4,2	6,2	-79	-159	0	0,05
Not economically active	4,8	3,7	206	112	299	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	24,8	13,5	123	79	166	0,00
Other (not economically active)	5,1	3,4	83	3	163	0,04
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,7	5,5	-2,3	-6,2	1,7	0,26
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,2	2,4	-4,0	-7,2	-0,9	0,01
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,9	-7,7	-11,5	-3,9	0,00
<b>Mpumalanga</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,0	1,7	-6	-86	74	0,88
Employed	2,6	2,9	-20	-102	62	0,63
Unemployed	4,5	5,2	14	-40	68	0,61
Not economically active	3,3	2,8	55	-25	135	0,18
Discouraged work-seekers	12,5	9,4	37	-7	81	0,10
Other (not economically active)	2,8	3,0	18	-42	78	0,56
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,9	4,9	0,9	-2,1	3,9	0,55
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,6	2,9	-1,4	-4,3	1,5	0,33
Labour force participation rate	2,0	1,7	-1,2	-4,1	1,5	0,37

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Limpopo</b>						
<b>Population 15–64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,6	2,2	68	-26	161	0,16
Employed	3,2	1,7	83	-9	174	0,08
Unemployed	7,6	7,6	-15	-80	51	0,66
Not economically active	2,3	2,0	-13	-107	80	0,78
Discouraged work-seekers	9,6	8,8	37	-29	104	0,27
Other (not economically active)	2,5	1,8	-51	-135	34	0,24
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,1	6,1	-1,7	-5,1	1,8	0,36
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,2	1,7	1,6	-0,8	4,2	0,18
Labour force participation rate	2,6	2,2	1,1	-1,4	3,7	0,38

<b>Table 3.1B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Industry and Sex</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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>-89</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>0,20</b>
Agriculture	5,1	3,8	-28	-122	65	0,55
Mining	7,5	7,6	-50	-113	13	0,12
Manufacturing	2,7	3,1	59	-76	195	0,39
Utilities	12,5	12,9	-2	-42	38	0,91
Construction	3,0	3,0	-75	-193	43	0,21
Trade	2,1	2,0	69	-113	251	0,46
Transport	3,5	3,3	-4	-98	90	0,93
Finance	2,3	2,2	24	-115	163	0,73
Community and social services	2,1	1,7	216	38	394	0,02
Private households	2,7	2,4	-45	-137	47	0,34
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-122</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>0,63</b>
Agriculture	8,2	8,4	7	-38	53	0,75
Mining	14,1	16,7	-18	-39	3	0,09
Manufacturing	4,1	4,9	-2	-78	74	0,95
Utilities	23,4	20,6	3	-13	18	0,73
Construction	7,3	8,0	-51	-90	-11	0,01
Trade	2,6	2,6	-21	-125	84	0,70
Transport	7,7	7,7	-6	-48	37	0,80
Finance	3,4	3,0	17	-67	102	0,69
Community and social services	2,5	1,9	129	2	255	0,05
Private households	3,1	2,7	-18	-96	59	0,64
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>-53</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>0,17</b>
Agriculture	4,9	4,2	-36	-103	32	0,30
Mining	7,5	8,0	-32	-88	24	0,26
Manufacturing	3,1	3,3	62	-36	159	0,22
Utilities	11,9	13,9	-5	-40	30	0,78
Construction	3,1	3,2	-24	-133	84	0,66
Trade	2,8	2,7	89	-39	218	0,17
Transport	3,7	3,7	1	-78	80	0,97
Finance	2,7	3,0	7	-100	114	0,90
Community and social services	2,8	2,9	87	-18	193	0,10
Private households	5,3	5,6	-26	-74	22	0,28

<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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>-89</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>0,20</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	1,0	18	-250	286	0,90
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,2	2,1	220	66	375	0,01
Agriculture	5,1	3,8	-28	-122	65	0,55
Private households	2,7	2,4	-45	-137	47	0,34
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,7	2,3	100	-20	219	0,10
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,5	7,4	25	-38	87	0,44
Agriculture	9,1	5,4	-7	-59	45	0,80
Private households	10,6	7,5	6	-32	44	0,77
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>0,16</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,1	4,0	30	-32	92	0,35
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	14,6	18,7	19	-27	65	0,43
Agriculture	9,4	5,0	-11	-61	38	0,66
Private households	11,5	14,8	8	-15	31	0,50
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>0,07</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	2,7	70	-32	172	0,18
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,2	5,5	6	-36	48	0,78
Agriculture	40,0	33,3	5	-14	24	0,64
Private households	15,1	7,9	-2	-33	29	0,89
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-121</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0,25</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	3,1	-38	-107	30	0,27
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,6	7,3	-16	-68	36	0,54
Agriculture	15,6	19,2	4	-27	35	0,82
Private households	7,0	8,5	6	-20	32	0,64
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-84</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0,51</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	4,6	-15	-64	35	0,56
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,6	7,7	-13	-61	34	0,58
Agriculture	16,4	20,6	1	-29	31	0,94
Private households	10,6	10,5	6	-11	23	0,50

<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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>6,5</b>	<b>4,8</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>-42</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0,29</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,3	3,4	-7	-36	22	0,64
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	20,8	24,4	-8	-16	1	0,08
Agriculture	62,0	63,8	4	-3	11	0,22
Private households	18,0	19,9	-4	-17	8	0,48
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>4,3</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>-43</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0,62</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,5	6,4	-17	-55	21	0,38
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,2	20,4	5	-13	23	0,59
Agriculture	75,7	101,6	-2	-4	0	0,05
Private households	8,4	17,2	5	-10	20	0,53
<b>Nothorn Cape</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>6,4</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0,26</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,9	7,8	28	-6	61	0,11
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,6	17,2	-2	-15	10	0,72
Agriculture	27,5	13,1	1	-35	37	0,94
Private households	19,9	12,8	-4	-13	5	0,36
<b>Free State</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>0,10</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	4,9	42	0	83	0,05
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,3	6,7	-10	-38	18	0,47
Agriculture	11,7	4,9	21	6	37	0,01
Private households	10,2	9,0	-5	-24	13	0,56
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>3,9</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0,32</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,9	6,2	14	-21	50	0,43
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,1	9,0	-10	-27	7	0,23
Agriculture	11,7	4,9	22	7	37	0,00
Private households	10,1	12,1	-5	-22	11	0,52
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>9,8</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0,20</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,9	7,8	28	6	49	0,01
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	20,4	9,3	0	-23	23	0,99
Agriculture	94,2	98,6	0	-4	4	0,84
Private households	24,5	12,2	0	-9	9	0,97

<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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>-63</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>0,33</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,3	95	-9	198	0,07
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,4	5,6	25	-31	81	0,38
Agriculture	13,1	13,3	-26	-48	-5	0,02
Private households	7,2	6,4	-31	-79	17	0,20
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>-81</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>0,56</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,7	4,1	55	-41	151	0,26
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,8	7,7	28	-21	76	0,26
Agriculture	13,5	13,5	-23	-44	-2	0,03
Private households	12,0	9,0	-25	-60	10	0,16
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekweni</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>0,29</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,1	2,1	40	-3	82	0,07
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,8	6,6	-3	-29	24	0,84
Agriculture	38,0	59,5	-3	-8	2	0,18
Private households	7,7	9,2	-6	-40	28	0,72
<b>North West</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-52</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>0,64</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,3	3,9	19	-46	84	0,56
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,6	9,0	16	-27	59	0,45
Agriculture	17,7	14,8	-3	-15	9	0,63
Private households	10,7	12,9	-16	-44	11	0,25
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-124</b>	<b>-260</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0,07</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,4	1,8	-185	-345	-26	0,02
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,8	4,3	73	-9	156	0,08
Agriculture	21,3	16,7	-7	-25	11	0,45
Private households	4,2	4,5	-5	-50	40	0,82
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>4,6</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-52</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0,22</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,8	6,2	-48	-112	16	0,14
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,6	7,2	5	-27	38	0,74
Agriculture	32,1	20,2	2	-9	13	0,71
Private households	13,7	9,8	20	-4	45	0,11



<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>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>-43</b>	<b>-93</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0,09</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,9	4,5	-16	-76	45	0,61
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,4	5,6	-6	-38	27	0,73
Agriculture	49,3	74,3	-7	-14	1	0,08
Private households	8,3	8,3	-15	-34	4	0,12
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-88</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>0,87</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,8	-53	-174	68	0,39
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,8	7,3	49	-2	100	0,06
Agriculture	59,1	60,7	-2	-10	6	0,62
Private households	7,6	8,6	14	-15	43	0,34
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>-69</b>	<b>-146</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0,08</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,6	2,4	-69	-131	-6	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,7	12,6	25	-23	73	0,31
Agriculture	37,4	36,3	0	-9	8	0,96
Private households	7,2	8,6	-25	-41	-8	0,00
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-102</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>0,63</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,2	3,5	-49	-120	22	0,18
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,4	7,2	30	-17	77	0,21
Agriculture	18,3	9,6	-2	-48	43	0,92
Private households	9,3	8,3	1	-18	19	0,93
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>0,08</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,3	3,3	8	-70	86	0,84
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,9	4,3	79	17	141	0,01
Agriculture	15,1	11,2	-10	-36	16	0,47
Private households	7,4	7,6	5	-25	35	0,75

Table 3.5B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Sex and Occupation						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2018				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>-89</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>0,20</b>
Manager	3,1	3,4	-26	-143	92	0,67
Professional	3,5	4,0	-22	-107	62	0,61
Technician	3,0	3,0	-20	-135	95	0,73
Clerk	2,5	2,6	-5	-121	111	0,93
Sales and services	2,1	2,2	214	78	349	0,00
Skilled agriculture	10,4	15,1	-6	-30	18	0,61
Craft and related trade	2,3	2,5	-24	-146	98	0,70
Plant and machine operator	2,5	2,7	27	-60	113	0,54
Elementary	1,9	1,7	45	-119	209	0,59
Domestic worker	3,2	2,8	-16	-95	64	0,70
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-122</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>0,63</b>
Manager	4,8	6,2	-61	-123	1	0,06
Professional	4,8	4,8	-13	-69	44	0,66
Technician	4,0	4,0	-20	-105	65	0,64
Clerk	2,8	2,8	2	-95	100	0,96
Sales and services	2,8	2,8	90	-2	183	0,06
Skilled agriculture	30,1	27,5	4	-5	13	0,43
Craft and related trade	7,0	7,0	13	-26	52	0,51
Plant and machine operator	8,0	7,7	-9	-48	29	0,63
Elementary	2,6	2,2	54	-36	145	0,24
Domestic worker	3,2	2,8	-21	-98	56	0,59
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>-53</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>0,17</b>
Manager	3,3	3,3	35	-49	119	0,41
Professional	5,2	5,0	-10	-66	47	0,74
Technician	3,8	4,0	0	-72	72	1,00
Clerk	4,7	4,8	-8	-70	55	0,81
Sales and services	2,8	2,7	123	32	215	0,01
Skilled agriculture	11,7	16,9	-10	-31	12	0,37
Craft and related trade	2,4	2,7	-37	-156	82	0,54
Plant and machine operator	2,8	3,0	36	-45	118	0,38
Elementary	2,3	2,3	-9	-133	115	0,89
Domestic worker	15,2	17,2	5	-13	23	0,56