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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 April to June 2019 (Q2: 2019).

2. Highlights of the results

Table A: Key labour market indicators

	Apr-Jun 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand				Per cent		
	Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4
Labour force	22 370	22 492	22 968	476	598	2,1	2,7
Employed	16 288	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	11 320	11 220	11 172	-49	-148	-0,4	-1,3
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 828	2 933	3 048	114	219	3,9	7,8
Agriculture	843	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2
Private households	1 296	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5
Unemployed	6 083	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
Not economically active	15 462	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0
Discouraged work-seekers	2 864	2 997	2 749	-248	-115	-8,3	-4,0
Other (not economically active)	12 598	12 793	12 716	-77	118	-0,6	0,9
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	27,2	27,6	29,0	1,4	1,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	58,8	59,8	1,0	0,7		

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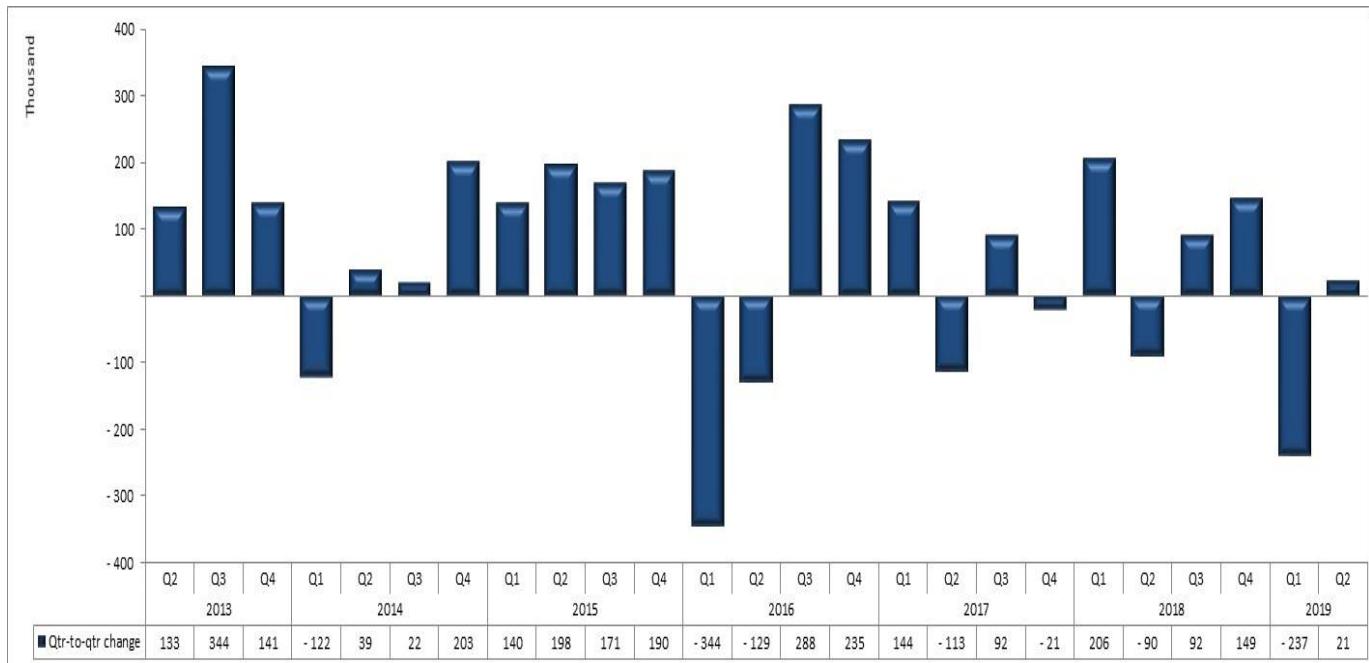
The working-age population increased by 150 000 or 0,4% in the second quarter of 2019 compared to the first quarter of the same year. Compared to Q2: 2018, the working-age population increased by 601 000 or 1,6%. The number of employed persons increased by 21 000 to 16,3 million in Q2: 2019, and the number of unemployed persons also increased by 455 000 to 6,7 million compared to Q1: 2019, resulting in an increase of 476 000 (up by 2,1%) in the number of people in the labour force. The absorption rate decreased by 0,2 of a percentage point to 42,4% and the unemployment rate increased by 1,4 percentage points to 29,0% compared to the first quarter of 2019.

Employment increased in two of the four sectors in Q2: 2019; with the informal sector recording the largest employment gains of 114 000 followed by the Agriculture sector with 5 000. The formal sector and Private households declined by 49 000 each resulting in the net increase of 21 000 in total employment. The number of discouraged work-seekers and the number of people who were not economically active for reasons other than discouragement decreased by 248 000 and 77 000, respectively, between the first and the second quarters of 2019, resulting in a net decrease of 326 000 in the not economically active population.

Compared to a year ago, employment increased by 0,2% (25 000), unemployment increased by 9,4% (573 000) and the number of persons who were not economically active increased by 3 000.

3. Employment

Figure 1: Quarter-to-quarter changes in employment, Q2: 2013 to Q2: 2019



Based on Figure 1, employment increased for the first time in quarter two since 2015, after experiencing declines in the past consecutive second quarters of 2016, 2017 and 2018. The largest second quarter increase in the number of employed persons was observed in Q2: 2015 (up by 198 000). Compared to the first quarter of 2019, the number of employed persons increased by 21 000 persons in Q2: 2019.

Table B: Employment by industry

Industry	Apr-Jun 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousands		Thousands		Per cent		Per cent
Total*	16 288	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Agriculture	843	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2
Mining	435	417	381	-36	-54	-8,7	-12,4
Manufacturing	1 744	1 780	1 789	9	45	0,5	2,6
Utilities	161	150	151	1	-9	0,9	-5,8
Construction	1 476	1 339	1 363	24	-113	1,8	-7,6
Trade	3 219	3 345	3 429	84	210	2,5	6,5
Transport	1 014	1 025	983	-42	-32	-4,1	-3,1
Finance	2 399	2 516	2 495	-21	96	-0,8	4,0
Community and social services	3 692	3 574	3 622	48	-70	1,3	-1,9
Private households	1 296	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5

*Note: Total includes 'Other' industries.

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

Note: Utilities refers to Electricity, gas and water supply.

Trade refers to Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles, motor cycles and personal and household goods; hotels and restaurants.

Finance refers to Financial intermediation, insurance, real estate and business services.

Table B shows that between Q1: 2019 and Q2: 2019, the number of employed persons increased in six of the ten industries, with the largest increases recorded in Trade (84 000), Community and social services (48 000), Construction (24 000) and Manufacturing (9 000). However, employment losses were recorded in Private households (49 000), Transport (42 000), Mining (36 000) and Finance and other business services (21 000).

Compared to the same period last year, employment gains of 25 000 persons were largely driven by Trade (210 000), Finance and other business services (96 000) and Manufacturing (45 000) in Q2: 2019. Meanwhile, Construction had the largest losses of 113 000 during the same period.

Figure 2a: Quarter-to-quarter employment changes in the formal sector, Q2: 2013 to Q2: 2019

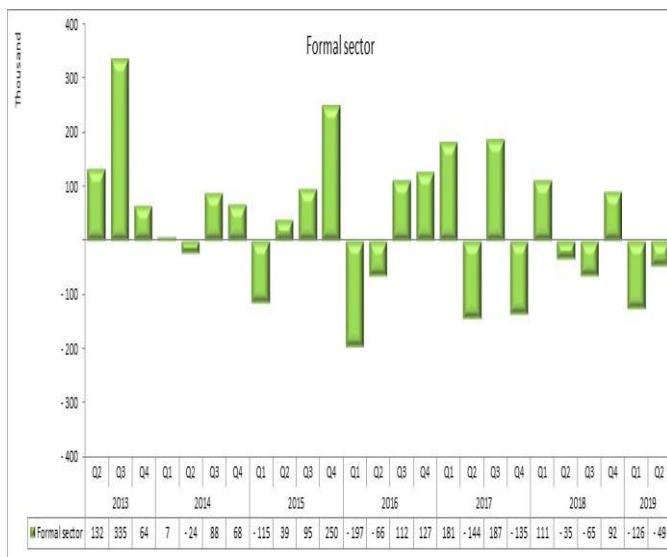
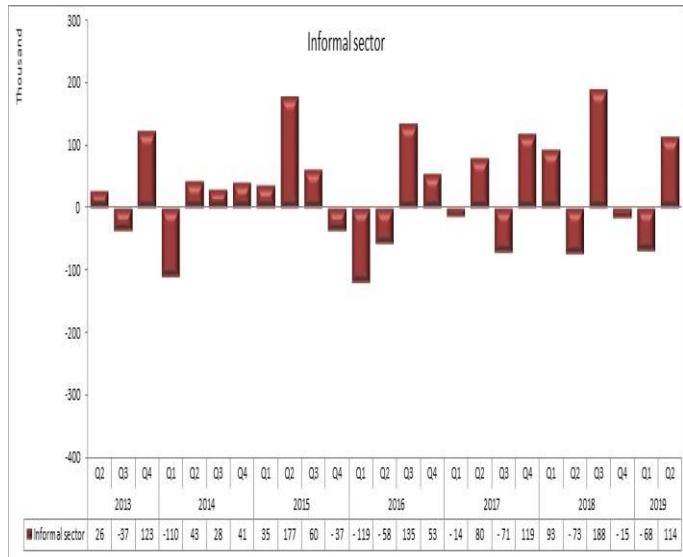
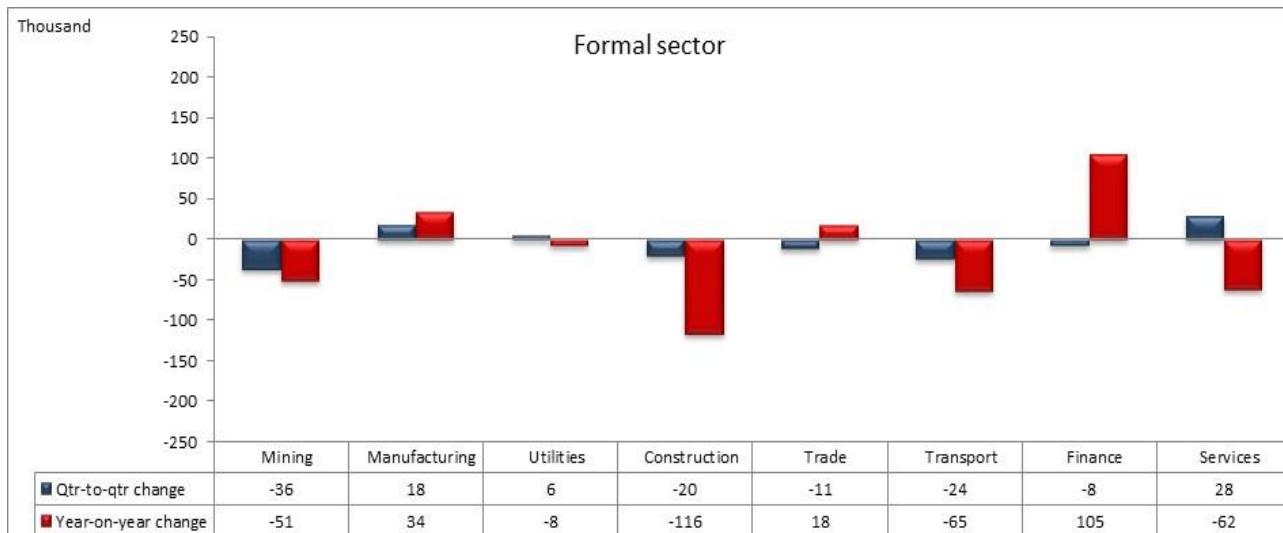


Figure 2b: Quarter-to-quarter employment changes in the informal sector, Q2: 2013 to Q2: 2019



Following a decrease in the formal sector employment in Q1: 2019 (126 000), employment declined by 49 000 in Q2: 2019 in this sector. The informal sector recorded an increase of 114 000 jobs in Q2: 2019 compared to Q1: 2019.

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



Note: Utilities refers to Electricity, gas and water supply.

Trade refers to Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles, motor cycles and personal and household goods; hotels and restaurants.

Finance refers to Financial intermediation, insurance, real estate and business services.

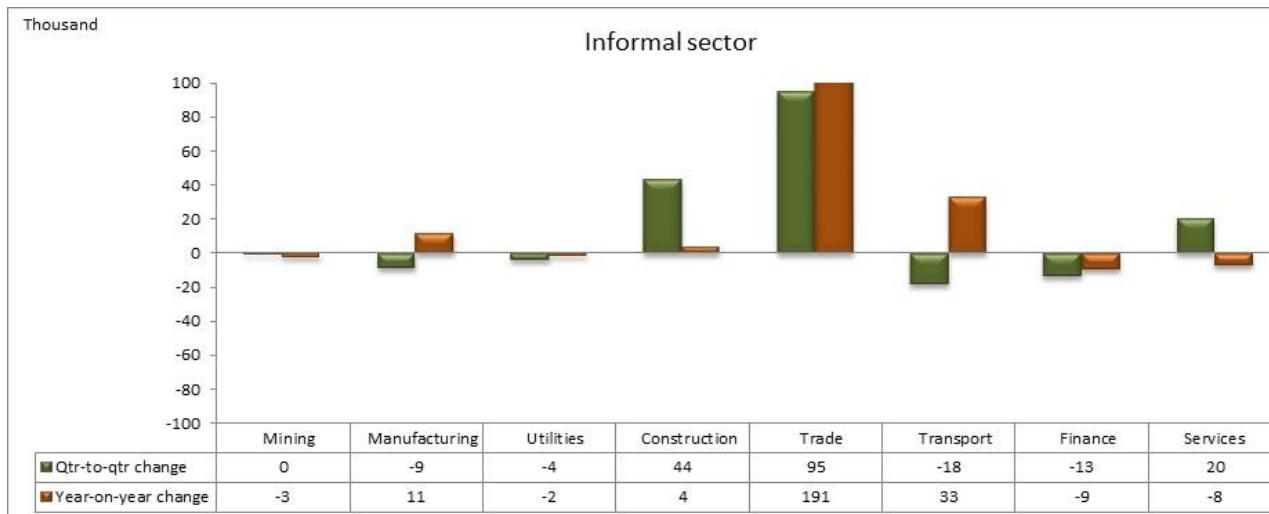
Services refers to Community, personal and social services.

The formal sector quarterly employment loss of 49 000 jobs was mainly driven by Mining (36 000), Transport (24 000), Construction (20 000), Trade (11 000) and Finance and other business services (8 000) in Q2: 2019. Community and social services recorded the largest employment gains of 28 000, followed by Manufacturing (18 000) and Utilities (6 000) in the same period.

Compared to the same period last year, a loss of 148 000 jobs in the formal sector employment was mainly driven by Construction (116 000), Transport (65 000), Community and social services (62 000), Mining (51 000) and Utilities

(8 000) in Q2: 2019. Formal sector employment in other industries increased with Finance and other business services recording the largest gains of 105 000, while Manufacturing and Trade gained 34 000 and 18 000 jobs, respectively.

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



In the second quarter of 2019, the informal sector employment increased by 114 000 persons compared to the first quarter of 2019. The gains in the informal sector employment was mainly driven by the Trade (95 000), Construction (44 000) and Community and social services (20 000) industries. Employment losses were recorded in Transport (18 000), Finance and other business services (13 000), Manufacturing (9 000) and Utilities (4 000), while informal sector employment in Mining remained unchanged.

Compared to Q2: 2018, employment in the informal sector increased in four industries. Annual employment gains were recorded in the Trade (191 000), Transport (33 000), Manufacturing (11 000) and Construction (4 000) industries. On the other hand, employment losses were recorded in the Finance and other business services (9 000), Community and social services (8 000), Mining (3 000) and Utilities (2 000) industries.

Table C: Employment by occupation

Occupation	Apr-Jun 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand					Per cent	
Total	16 288	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Manager	1 416	1 463	1 528	64	112	4,4	7,9
Professional	878	884	840	-44	-38	-5,0	-4,3
Technician	1 448	1 448	1 436	-12	-11	-0,8	-0,8
Clerk	1 704	1 679	1 708	29	4	1,7	0,2
Sales and services	2 635	2 667	2 687	20	53	0,7	2,0
Skilled agriculture	64	47	54	7	-10	14,3	-15,4
Craft and related trade	2 007	1 972	1 957	-15	-50	-0,7	-2,5
Plant and machine operator	1 364	1 380	1 386	6	22	0,5	1,6
Elementary	3 775	3 737	3 721	-16	-55	-0,4	-1,5
Domestic worker	996	1 013	995	-19	-2	-1,8	-0,2

*Note: Total includes 'Other' occupations.

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

Employment increased in five of the ten occupations in Q2: 2019 compared to the previous quarter. The largest increase was observed in Manager occupations (up by 64 000), followed by those in Clerical occupations (up by 29 000) and Sales and services (up by 20 000) occupations. Professional occupations (44 000) recorded the largest

employment losses, followed by Domestic worker (19 000) and Elementary (16 000) occupations, while Technician occupations recorded the lowest decrease of 12 000 jobs.

Year-on-year changes show that gains in employment were mainly driven by Manager occupations (112 000), followed by Sales and services (53 000), Plant and machine operator (22 000) and Clerk (4 000) occupations. Elementary (55 000), Craft and related trade (50 000), Professional (38 000), Technician (11 000), Skilled agriculture (10 000) and Domestic worker (2 000) occupations recorded losses in employment in Q2: 2019 compared to Q2: 2018.

Table D: Employment by province

Province	Apr-Jun 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand					Per cent	
	South Africa	16 288	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Western Cape	2 480	2 520	2 497	-22	18	-0,9	0,7
Eastern Cape	1 402	1 308	1 388	80	-15	6,1	-1,0
Northern Cape	317	321	301	-20	-16	-6,2	-5,1
Free State	788	803	808	6	20	0,7	2,6
KwaZulu-Natal	2 620	2 598	2 635	37	15	1,4	0,6
North West	977	970	918	-52	-59	-5,4	-6,1
Gauteng	5 055	5 162	5 066	-96	11	-1,9	0,2
Mpumalanga	1 212	1 209	1 243	34	31	2,8	2,6
Limpopo	1 436	1 401	1 456	55	20	3,9	1,4

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

Table D shows that the number of employed persons increased in five of the nine provinces between Q1: 2019 and Q2: 2019. The largest employment increases were recorded in Eastern Cape (up by 80 000), Limpopo (up by 55 000), KwaZulu-Natal (up by 37 000) and Mpumalanga (up by 34 000), while Gauteng and North West recorded the largest employment losses of 96 000 and 52 000 respectively.

Compared to Q2: 2018, the largest increase in employment was recorded in Mpumalanga (up by 31 000), Free State and Limpopo (up by 20 000 each), and Western Cape (up by 18 000). The decreases in the number of the employed persons were recorded in North West (down by 59 000), Northern Cape (down by 16 000) and Eastern Cape (down by 15 000).

3.1 Conditions of employment for employees

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

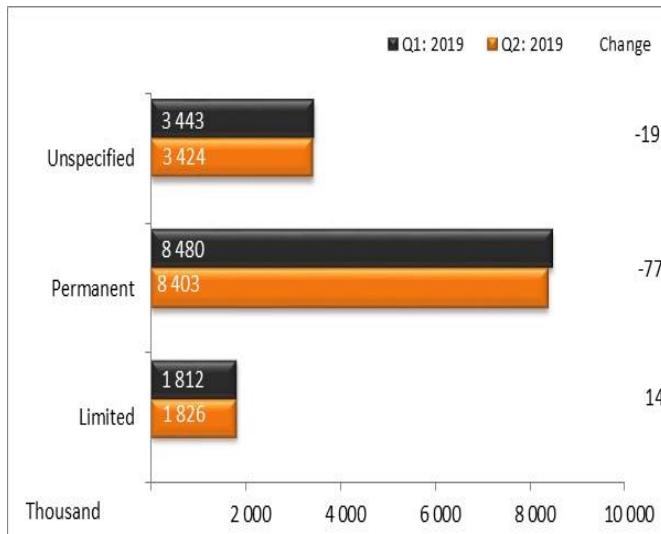
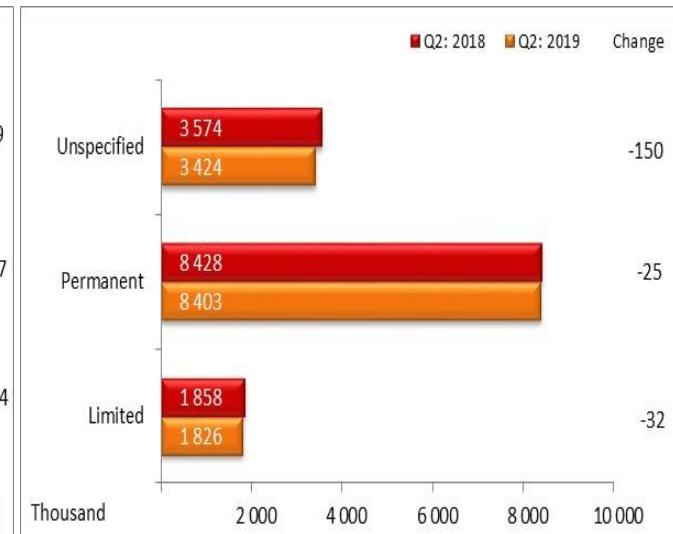


Figure 6: Year-on-year changes in nature of employment contract

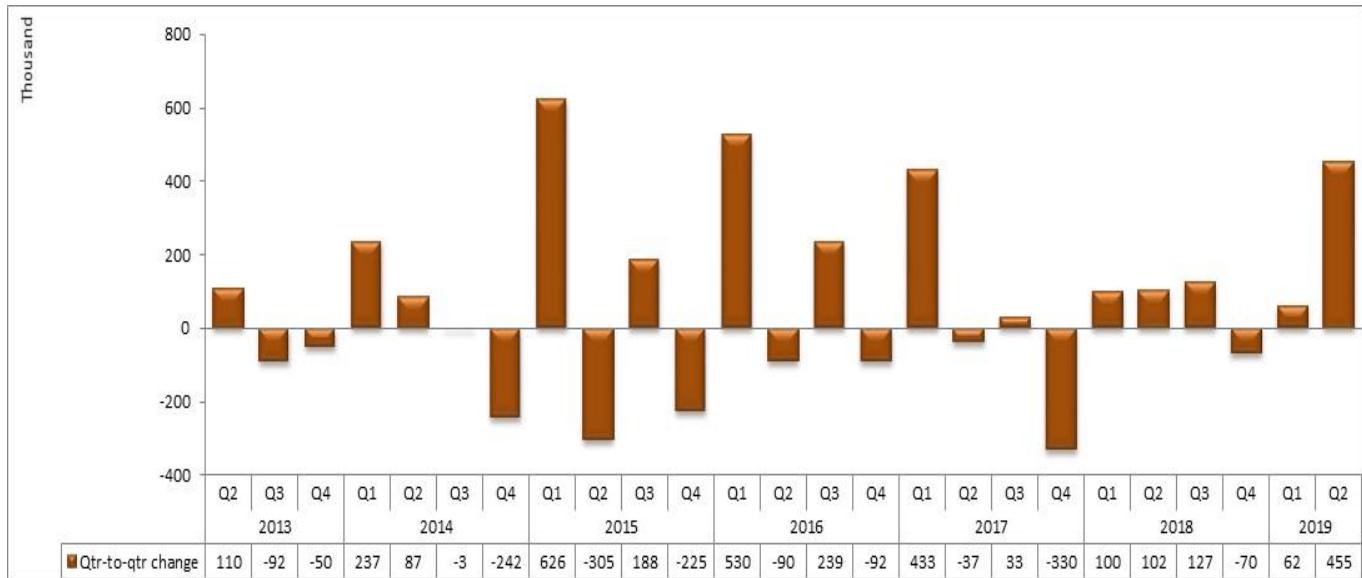


Figures 5 and 6 show that the majority of employees had permanent employment contracts. Between the first and the second quarters of 2019, the number of employees with contracts of limited duration increased by 14 000 while those with contracts of a permanent nature and contracts of unspecified duration decreased by 77 000 and 19 000 respectively.

The year-on-year comparisons indicate that the number of employees decreased irrespective of the nature of their employment contracts. The largest decrease was recorded among those with a contract of unspecified duration (down by 150 000), while the number of employees with contracts of a limited duration and those with contracts of a permanent nature declined by 32 000 and 25 000, respectively.

4. Unemployment and Not in employment, education or training (NEET)

Figure 7: Quarter-to-quarter changes in unemployment, Q2: 2013 to Q2: 2019



The number of unemployed persons increased by 455 000 in Q2: 2019 following an increase of 62 000 in the previous quarter. Notable from the above figure is that this is the highest increase in the number of unemployed persons in

the second quarter of the year since 2013. The only other increases in the second quarters of the year were recorded in Q2: 2013 (up by 110 000), followed by those in Q2: 2018 (up by 102 000) and Q2: 2014 (up by 87 000).

Figure 8: Proportion of the unemployed by education level, Q2: 2019

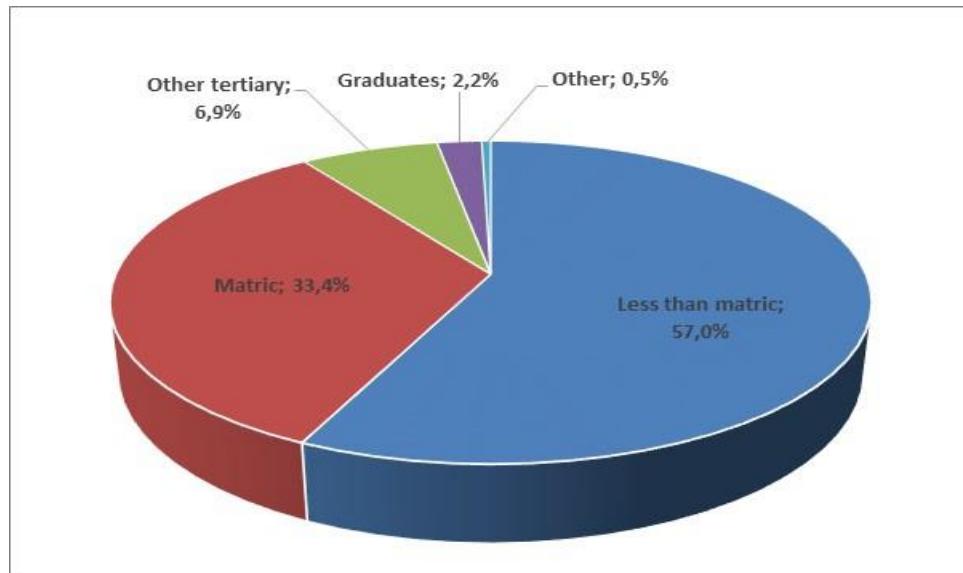


Figure 8 shows that of the 6,7 million unemployed persons, 57,0% had an education level below matric, followed by those with matric at 33,4% in the second quarter of 2019. Only 2,2% of the unemployed persons were graduates while 6,9% had other tertiary qualifications as their highest level of education.

Table E: Unemployment rate by province

	Official unemployment rate					Expanded unemployment rate				
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year- on-year change	Apr-Jun 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year- on-year change
	Per cent		Percentage points			Per cent		Percentage points		
South Africa	27,2	27,6	29,0	1,4	1,8	37,2	38,0	38,5	0,5	1,3
Western Cape	20,7	19,5	20,4	0,9	-0,3	23,2	22,7	23,8	1,1	0,6
Eastern Cape	34,2	37,4	35,4	-2,0	1,2	45,8	48,3	46,5	-1,8	0,7
Northern Cape	28,9	26,0	29,4	3,4	0,5	42,4	41,5	44,8	3,3	2,4
Free State	34,4	34,9	34,4	-0,5	0,0	40,1	40,1	41,6	1,5	1,5
KwaZulu-Natal	21,8	25,1	26,1	1,0	4,3	40,9	42,4	42,1	-0,3	1,2
North West	26,1	26,4	33,0	6,6	6,9	43,4	44,4	46,6	2,2	3,2
Gauteng	29,7	28,9	31,1	2,2	1,4	34,4	33,6	35,0	1,4	0,6
Mpumalanga	33,2	34,2	34,7	0,5	1,5	41,7	43,0	43,5	0,5	1,8
Limpopo	19,3	18,5	20,3	1,8	1,0	37,4	43,1	41,1	-2,0	3,7

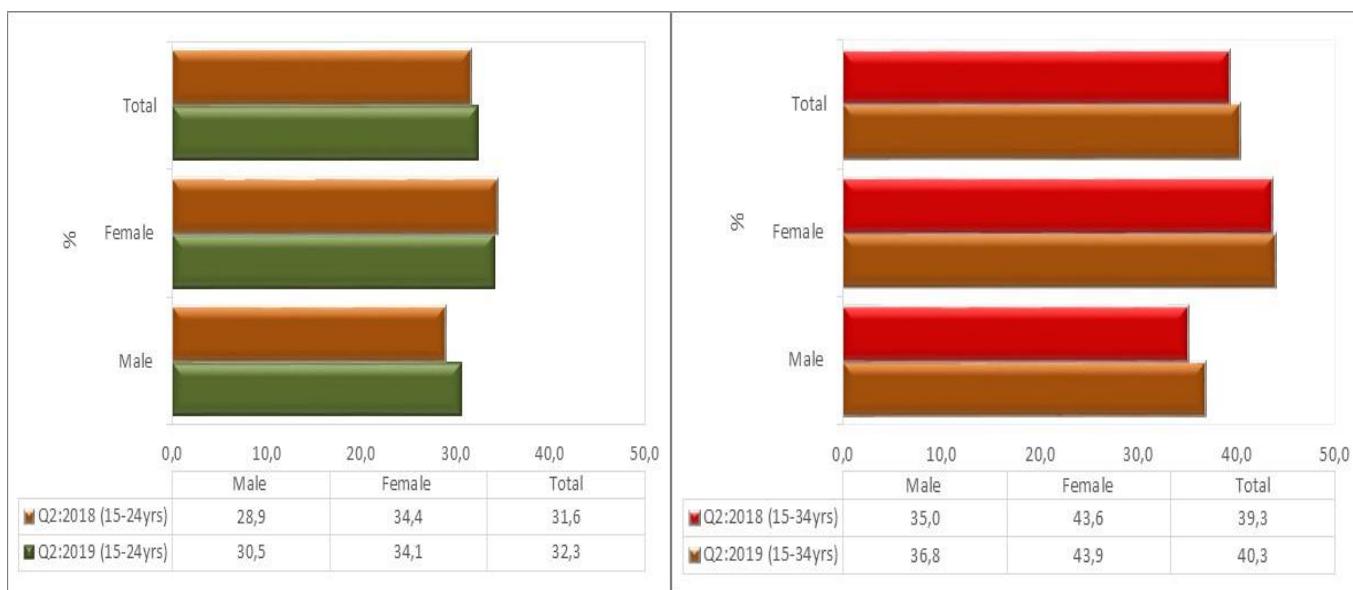
The official unemployment rate increased by 1,4 percentage points in Q2: 2019 compared to Q1: 2019. The official unemployment rate increased in seven of the nine provinces, with the largest increase recorded in North West (up by 6,6 percentage points), Northern Cape (up by 3,4 percentage points), Gauteng (up by 2,2 percentage points) and Limpopo (up by 1,8 percentage points). Eastern Cape and Free State were the only provinces that recorded decreases in the unemployment rate (2,0 percentage points and 0,5 of a percentage point, respectively). Year-on-year, the official unemployment rate increased by 1,8 percentage points. The official unemployment rate increased in seven of the nine provinces; the largest increase was observed in North West (up by 6,9 percentage points), followed by KwaZulu-Natal (up by 4,3 percentage points), Mpumalanga (up by 1,5 percentage points) and Gauteng

(up by 1,4 percentage points). The only decline in unemployment rate was observed in Western Cape (down by 0,3 of a percentage point) while the rate for Free State remained unchanged.

The expanded unemployment rate increased by 0,5 of a percentage point from 38,0% in Q1: 2019 to 38,5% in Q2: 2019. The largest increase was recorded in Northern Cape (up by 3,3 percentage points), followed by North West (up by 2,2 percentage points), Free State (up by 1,5 percentage points) and Gauteng (up by 1,4 percentage points). Limpopo, Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal were the only provinces that experienced a decrease in the expanded unemployment rate (down by 2,0 percentage points; 1,8 percentage points and 0,3 of a percentage point respectively). Compared to the same period last year, the expanded unemployment rate increased by 1,3 percentage points in Q2: 2019. All provinces recorded increases in the expanded unemployment rate. The largest increase was recorded in Limpopo (up by 3,7 percentage points), followed by North West and Northern Cape (up by 3,2 percentage points and 2,4 percentage points respectively).

Figure 9a: NEET rates for youth aged 15–24 years

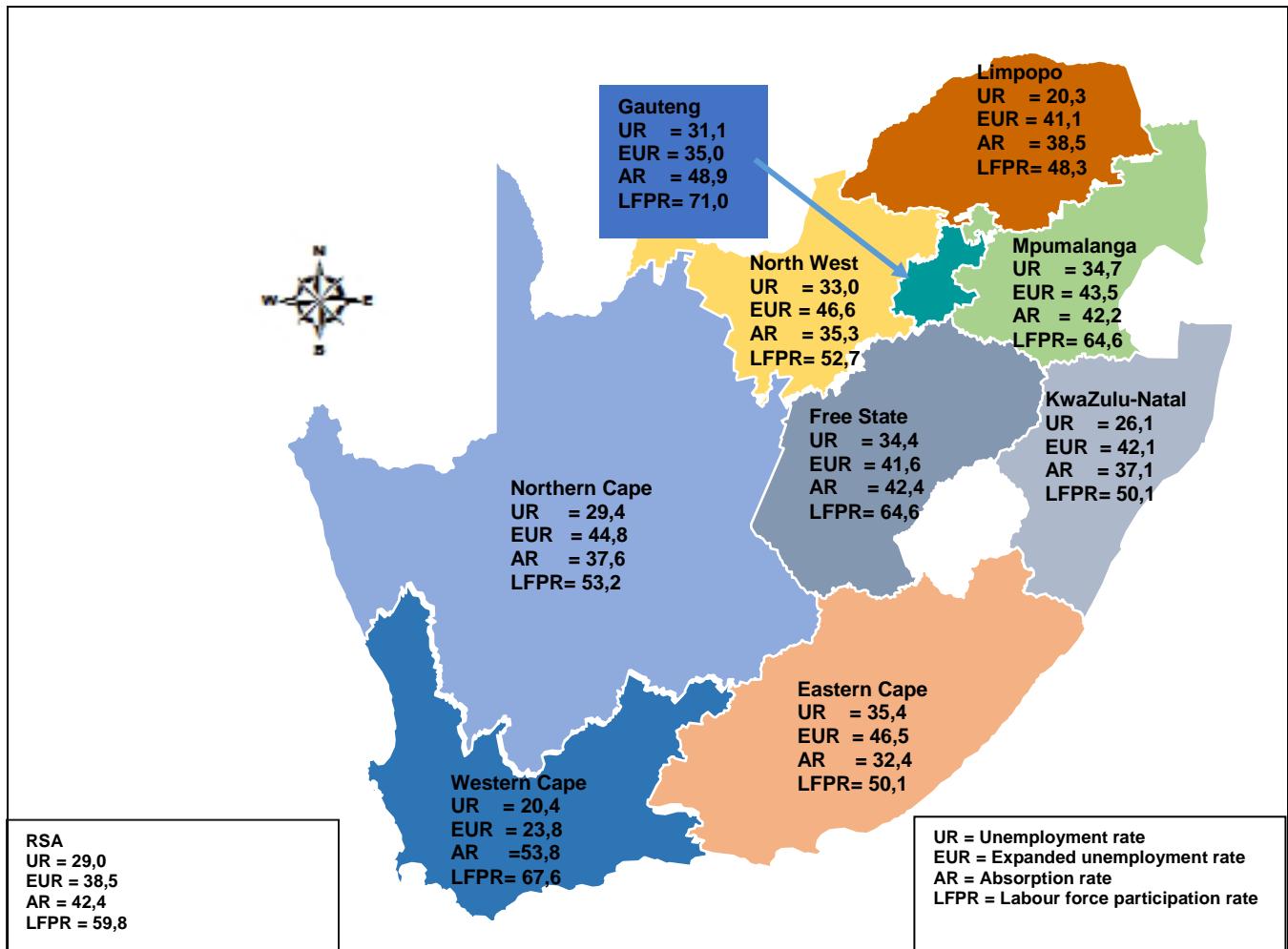
Figure 9b: NEET rates for youth aged 15–34 years by sex

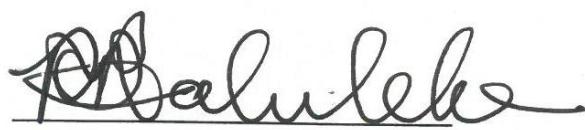


The percentage of young persons aged 15–24 years who were not in employment, education or training (NEET) increased from 31,6% in Q2: 2018 to 32,3% in Q2: 2019. In this age group, the NEET rate for males increased by 1,6 percentage points, while the rate for females decreased by 0,2 of a percentage point. The NEET rate for females was higher than that of their male counterparts in both years (Figure 9a).

Compared to Q2: 2018, the percentage of young persons aged 15–34 years who were not in employment, education or training (NEET) increased by 1,0 percentage point from 39,3% to 40,3% in Q2: 2019. The NEET rate for males increased by 1,8 percentage points while for females, the rate increased by 0,3 of a percentage point in Q2: 2019. In both Q2: 2018 and Q2: 2019, more than four in every ten young females were not in employment, education, or training (Figure 9b).

5. Summary of labour market measures at a glance, Q2: 2019




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6. Other labour market trends

6.1 Year-on-year changes

Figure 10: Year-on-year changes in total employment, Q2: 2011 to Q2: 2019

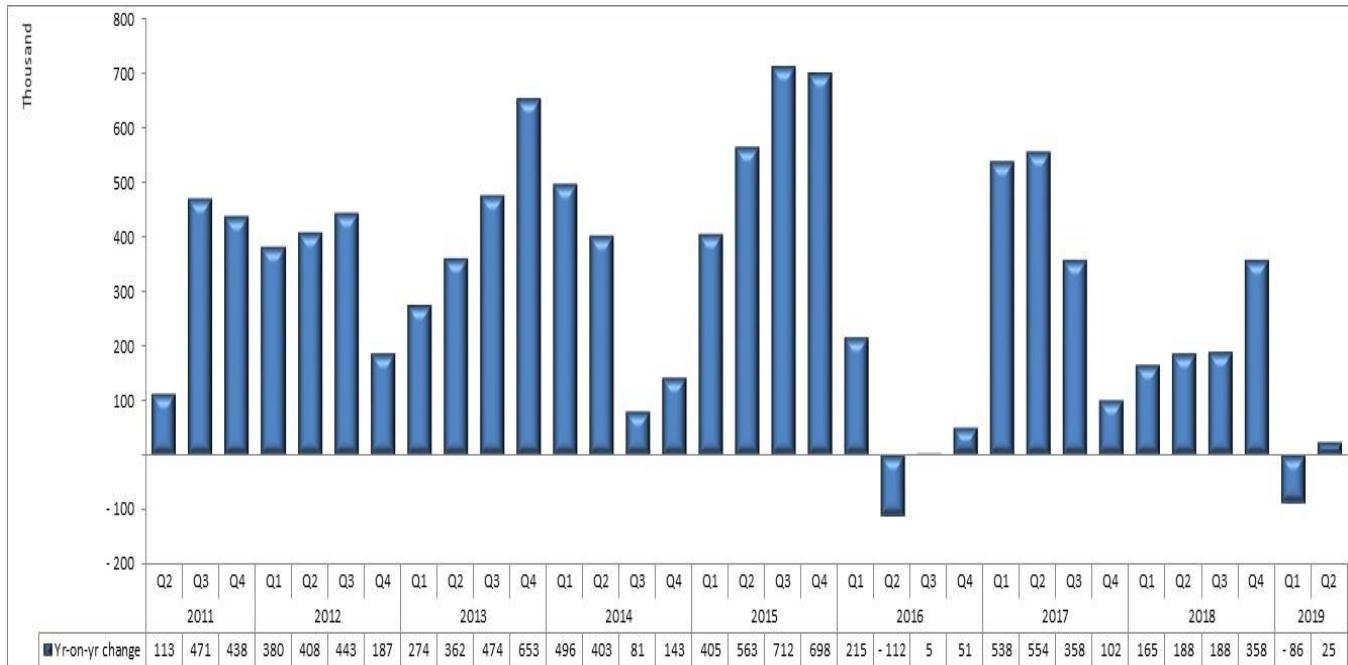


Figure 11: Year-on-year changes in formal-sector employment, Q2: 2011 to Q2: 2019

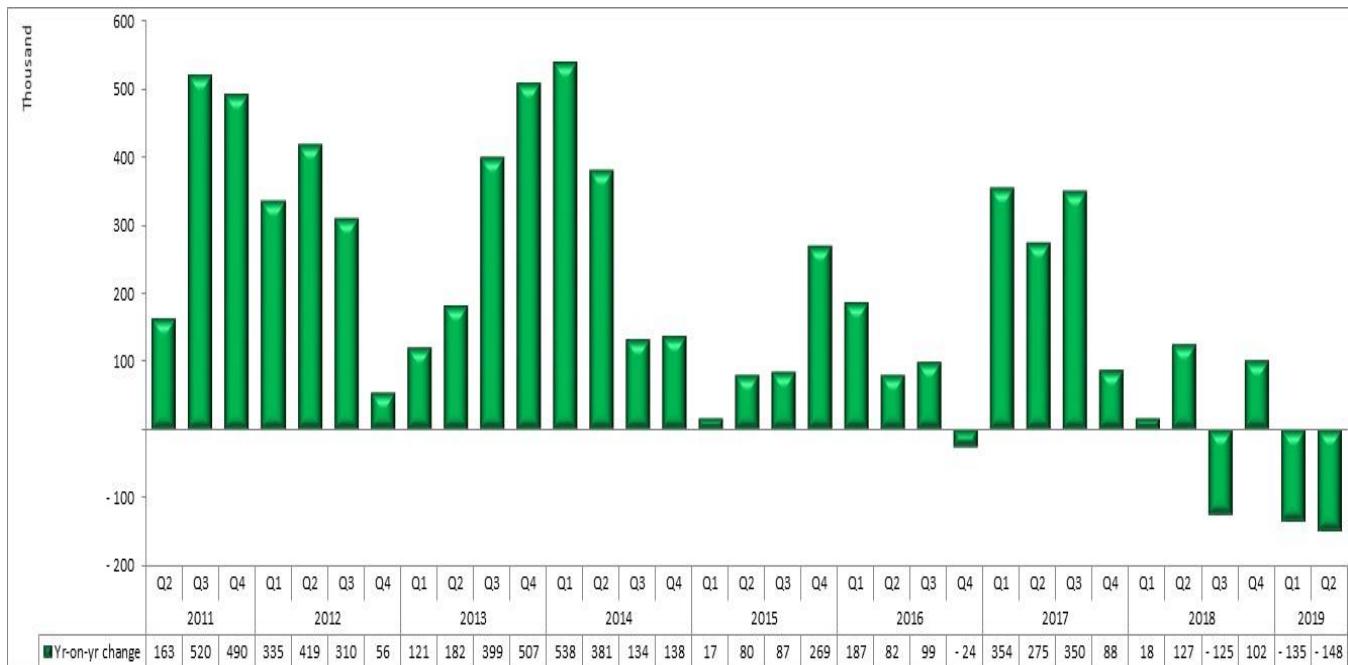
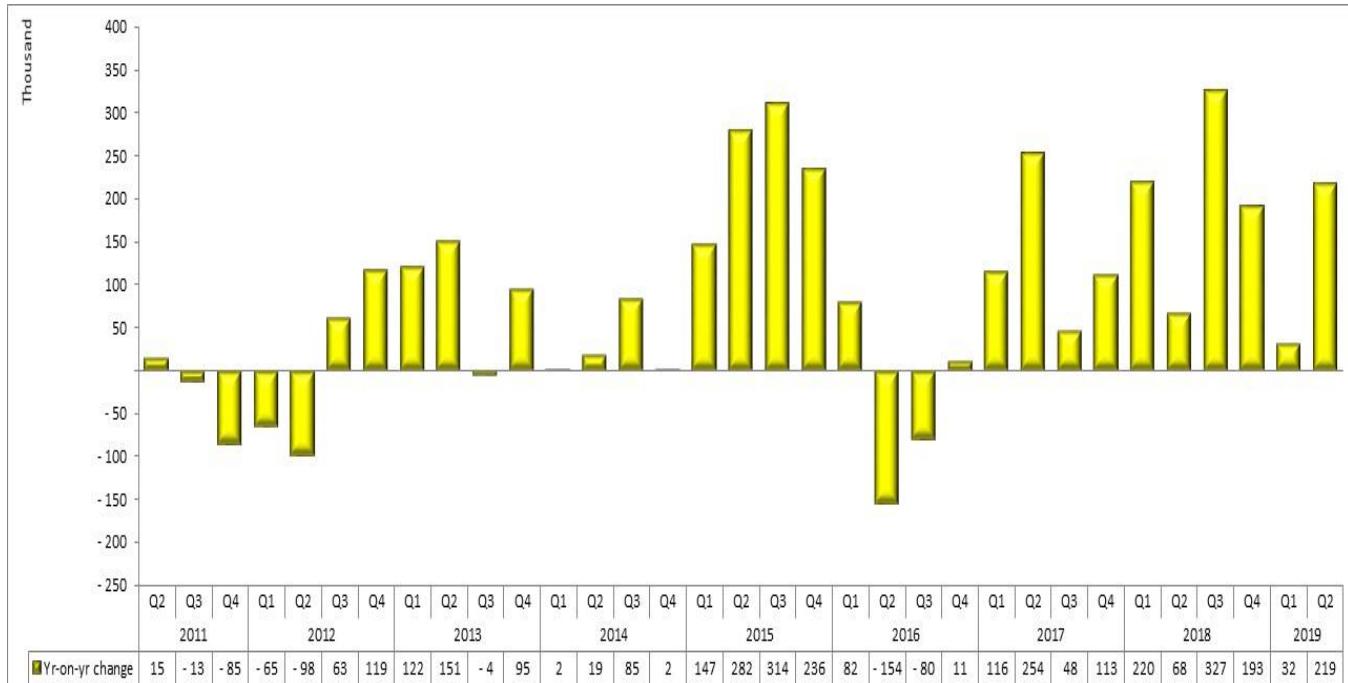


Figure 12: Year-on-year changes in informal-sector employment, Q2: 2011 to Q2: 2019

6.2 Trends in unemployment rate

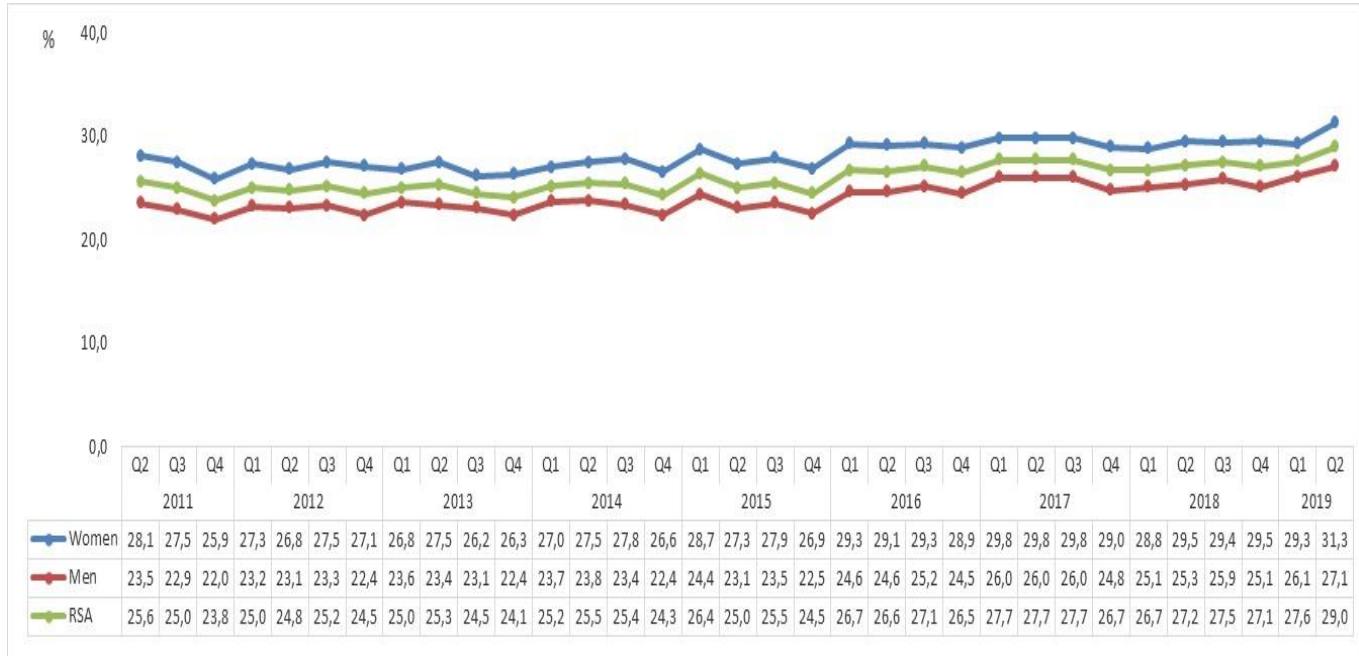
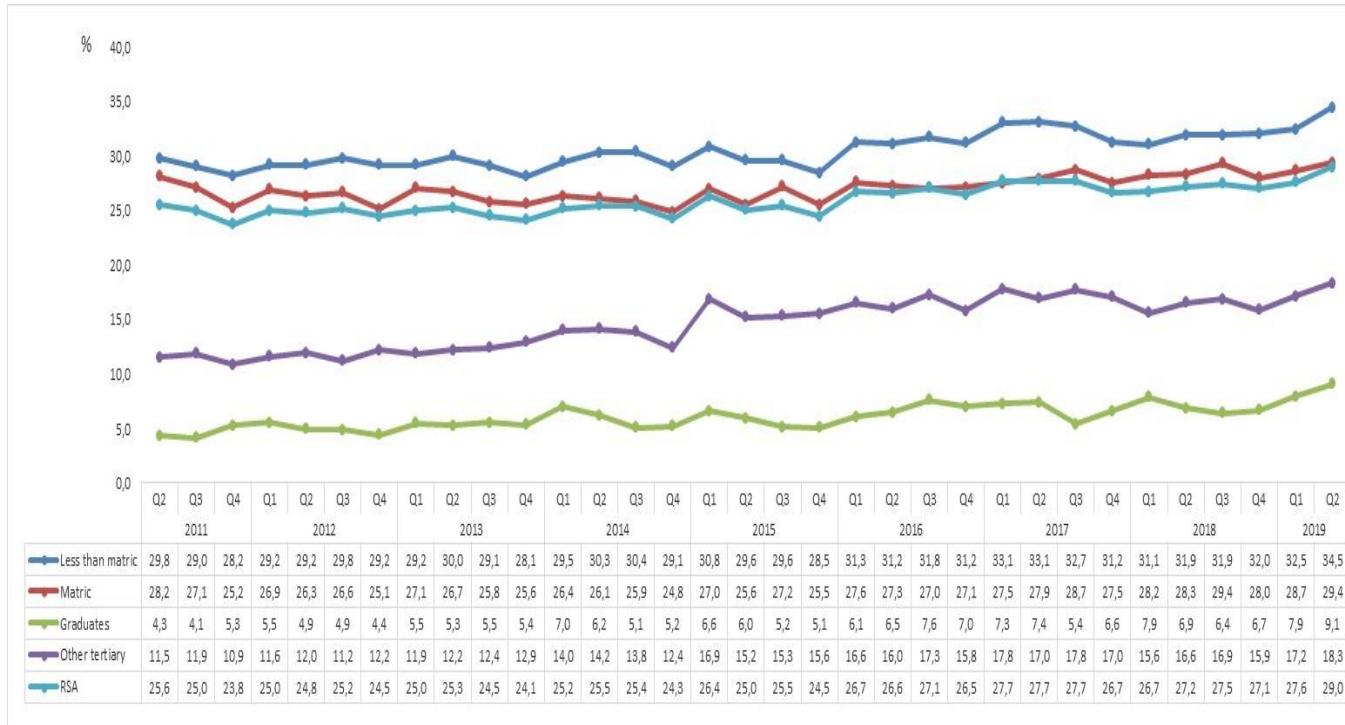
Figure 13: Unemployment rate by sex, Q2: 2011 to Q2: 2019

Figure 14: Unemployment rate by education status, Q2: 2011 to Q2: 2019

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:

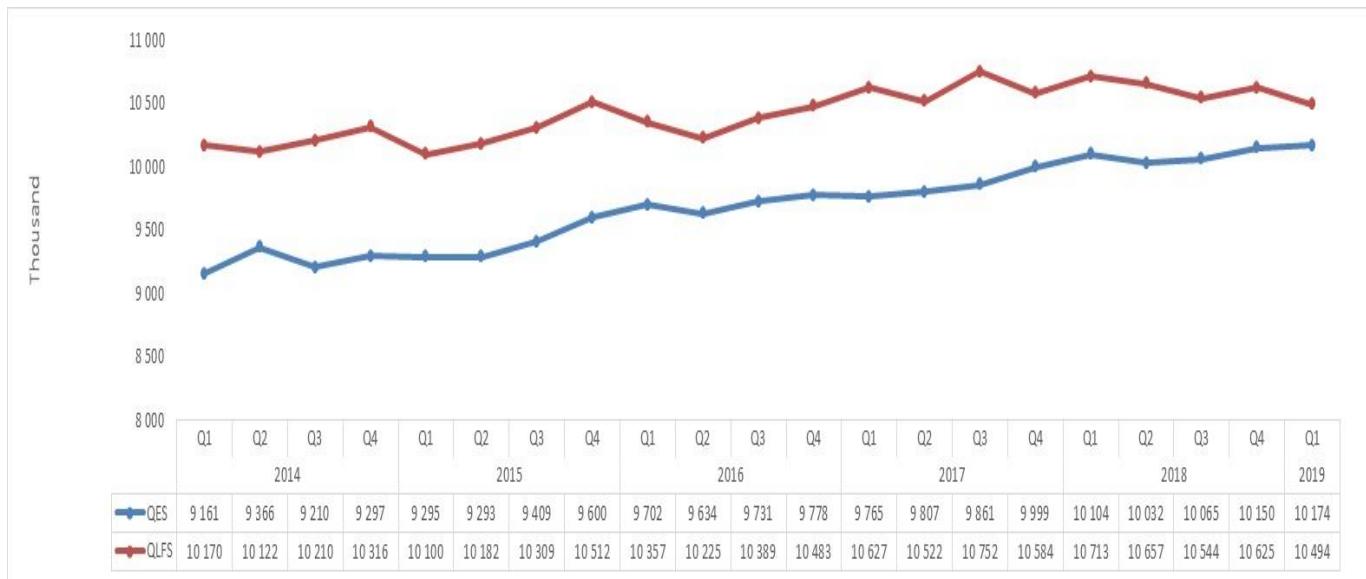
- Description of the employed, e.g. their demographic profile, education level, hours of work, etc.; and
- Unemployment and descriptors of the unemployed.

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-based 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-based survey is limited to workers 15 years of age and older, whereas the enterprise-based survey is not limited by age.
- The household-based 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

	QLFS	QES
Coverage	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
Sample size	Quarterly sample of approximately 30 000 dwellings in which households reside	Quarterly sample of 20 000 non-agricultural formal-sector businesses
Reference period	One week prior to the interview	Payroll on the last day of the quarter
Standard Industrial Classification (SIC)	All industries	Excluding Agriculture and Private households
Formal sector definition (excluding Agriculture and Private households)	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 a payroll of VAT-registered businesses

Figure 15: Formal sector employment trends in QLFS and QES, Q1: 2014 to Q1: 2019

8. Technical notes

8.1 Response details

Table G: Response rates by province and metropolitan area

Province/metropolitan area	Apr-Jun 2019
National	89,0
Western Cape	87,8
Non-metro	89,7
City of Cape Town	86,9
Eastern Cape	94,3
Non-metro	96,0
Buffalo City	94,0
Nelson Mandela Bay	88,0
Northern Cape	90,4
Free State	95,7
Non-metro	95,7
Mangaung	95,4
KwaZulu-Natal	93,5
Non-metro	93,8
eThekweni	93,1
North West	90,4
Gauteng	78,5
Non-metro	79,3
Ekurhuleni	79,6
City of Johannesburg	75,7
City of Tshwane	81,5
Mpumalanga	93,8
Limpopo	97,2

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 the 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 subgroups 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 subsampled 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 population estimates (from the Stats SA 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, the 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).¹ 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 scales 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, 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).

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

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

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 according to the **Official definition** 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.

Unemployed persons according to the **Expanded definition** are those (aged 15–64 years) who:

- a) Official unemployment (searched and available); **and**
- b) Available to work but are/or:
 - Discouraged work-seekers
 - Have other reasons for not searching

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

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

Appendix 1

Table 1: Population of working age (15–64 years)										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Both sexes	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6	
Women	19 122	19 195	19 267	19 339	19 411	72	289	0,4	1,5	
Men	18 710	18 790	18 867	18 944	19 022	78	312	0,4	1,7	
Population groups	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6	
Black/African	30 399	30 550	30 697	30 844	30 992	148	592	0,5	1,9	
Coloured	3 443	3 452	3 460	3 468	3 477	8	34	0,2	1,0	
Indian/Asian	1 003	1 005	1 007	1 009	1 011	2	9	0,2	0,9	
White	2 987	2 979	2 970	2 961	2 953	-8	-34	-0,3	-1,1	
South Africa	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6	
Western Cape	4 551	4 574	4 597	4 619	4 642	23	90	0,5	2,0	
Eastern Cape	4 240	4 253	4 265	4 277	4 289	12	49	0,3	1,2	
Northern Cape	794	796	798	800	802	2	8	0,3	1,0	
Free State	1 897	1 900	1 902	1 904	1 906	2	8	0,1	0,4	
KwaZulu-Natal	7 002	7 029	7 055	7 082	7 109	27	107	0,4	1,5	
North West	2 556	2 567	2 577	2 588	2 599	11	43	0,4	1,7	
Gauteng	10 159	10 210	10 260	10 310	10 360	50	200	0,5	2,0	
Mpumalanga	2 901	2 913	2 924	2 935	2 947	11	45	0,4	1,6	
Limpopo	3 731	3 744	3 756	3 768	3 780	12	49	0,3	1,3	

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

Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex – All population groups										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Both sexes										
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6	
Labour force	22 370	22 589	22 668	22 492	22 968	476	598	2,1	2,7	
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	11 320	11 255	11 346	11 220	11 172	-49	-148	-0,4	-1,3	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 828	3 017	3 001	2 933	3 048	114	219	3,9	7,8	
Agriculture	843	842	849	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2	
Private households	1 296	1 267	1 332	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5	
Unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4	
Not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0	
Discouraged work-seekers	2 864	2 733	2 841	2 997	2 749	-248	-115	-8,3	-4,0	
Other (not economically active)	12 598	12 662	12 625	12 793	12 716	-77	118	-0,6	0,9	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	27,2	27,5	27,1	27,6	29,0	1,4	1,8			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7			
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,5	59,4	58,8	59,8	1,0	0,7			
Women										
Population 15–64 yrs	19 122	19 195	19 267	19 339	19 411	72	289	0,4	1,5	
Labour force	10 119	10 240	10 276	10 174	10 383	209	263	2,1	2,6	
Employed	7 134	7 225	7 250	7 192	7 133	-59	-1	-0,8	0,0	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4 817	4 827	4 820	4 763	4 747	-15	-70	-0,3	-1,4	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	1 042	1 125	1 113	1 147	1 163	16	121	1,4	11,6	
Agriculture	278	277	285	278	248	-30	-30	-10,7	-10,8	
Private households	996	995	1 032	1 004	974	-30	-22	-3,0	-2,2	
Unemployed	2 986	3 016	3 027	2 982	3 250	268	264	9,0	8,8	
Not economically active	9 002	8 955	8 991	9 165	9 029	-137	26	-1,5	0,3	
Discouraged work-seekers	1 594	1 520	1 577	1 627	1 514	-113	-80	-6,9	-5,0	
Other (not economically active)	7 409	7 435	7 413	7 539	7 515	-24	106	-0,3	1,4	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	29,5	29,4	29,5	29,3	31,3	2,0	1,8			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	37,3	37,6	37,6	37,2	36,7	-0,5	-0,6			
Labour force participation rate	52,9	53,3	53,3	52,6	53,5	0,9	0,6			

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex – All population groups (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Men									
Population 15–64 yrs	18 710	18 790	18 867	18 944	19 022	78	312	0,4	1,7
Labour force	12 251	12 349	12 392	12 319	12 585	267	334	2,2	2,7
Employed	9 154	9 156	9 279	9 100	9 180	80	26	0,9	0,3
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	6 503	6 427	6 526	6 458	6 424	-34	-79	-0,5	-1,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	1 786	1 892	1 888	1 786	1 884	98	98	5,5	5,5
Agriculture	565	565	564	559	594	35	29	6,2	5,0
Private households	300	271	300	296	277	-19	-23	-6,5	-7,6
Unemployed	3 097	3 194	3 113	3 219	3 406	187	309	5,8	10,0
Not economically active	6 459	6 440	6 475	6 625	6 436	-189	-23	-2,9	-0,4
Discouraged work-seekers	1 270	1 213	1 263	1 371	1 235	-135	-35	-9,9	-2,8
Other (not economically active)	5 189	5 228	5 212	5 255	5 201	-54	12	-1,0	0,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	25,3	25,9	25,1	26,1	27,1	1,0	1,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	48,9	48,7	49,2	48,0	48,3	0,3	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	65,5	65,7	65,7	65,0	66,2	1,2	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									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
South Africa									
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6
Labour force	22 370	22 589	22 668	22 492	22 968	476	598	2,1	2,7
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
Not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	27,2	27,5	27,1	27,6	29,0	1,4	1,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,5	59,4	58,8	59,8	1,0	0,7		
Black/African									
Population 15–64 yrs	30 399	30 550	30 697	30 844	30 992	148	592	0,5	1,9
Labour force	17 509	17 798	17 908	17 714	18 201	487	692	2,7	4,0
Employed	12 172	12 265	12 461	12 201	12 250	49	79	0,4	0,6
Unemployed	5 337	5 533	5 446	5 513	5 951	438	614	7,9	11,5
Not economically active	12 891	12 752	12 789	13 130	12 791	-339	-100	-2,6	-0,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	30,5	31,1	30,4	31,1	32,7	1,6	2,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	40,0	40,1	40,6	39,6	39,5	-0,1	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	57,6	58,3	58,3	57,4	58,7	1,3	1,1		
Coloured									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 443	3 452	3 460	3 468	3 477	8	34	0,2	1,0
Labour force	2 236	2 172	2 162	2 201	2 175	-25	-61	-1,1	-2,7
Employed	1 716	1 700	1 696	1 711	1 687	-25	-30	-1,4	-1,7
Unemployed	520	473	466	489	489	0	-31	-0,1	-6,0
Not economically active	1 207	1 279	1 298	1 268	1 302	34	95	2,7	7,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	23,3	21,8	21,6	22,2	22,5	0,3	-0,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	49,8	49,2	49,0	49,3	48,5	-0,8	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	65,0	62,9	62,5	63,4	62,6	-0,8	-2,4		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.1: Labour force characteristics by population group (concluded)										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Indian/Asian										
Population 15–64 yrs	1 003	1 005	1 007	1 009	1 011	2	9	0,2	0,9	
Labour force	610	594	598	591	597	6	-13	1,0	-2,1	
Employed	547	534	524	524	530	6	-17	1,2	-3,0	
Unemployed	63	60	74	67	67	0	4	-0,5	6,0	
Not economically active	392	411	409	418	414	-4	21	-0,9	5,5	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	10,4	10,1	12,4	11,4	11,2	-0,2	0,8			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	54,6	53,1	52,0	51,9	52,4	0,5	-2,2			
Labour force participation rate	60,9	59,1	59,4	58,6	59,1	0,5	-1,8			
White										
Population 15–64 yrs	2 987	2 979	2 970	2 961	2 953	-8	-34	-0,3	-1,1	
Labour force	2 015	2 025	2 000	1 986	1 994	8	-21	0,4	-1,1	
Employed	1 853	1 881	1 847	1 855	1 845	-10	-8	-0,5	-0,4	
Unemployed	162	144	153	131	148	18	-14	13,6	-8,4	
Not economically active	972	953	970	976	959	-16	-13	-1,7	-1,3	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	8,0	7,1	7,6	6,6	7,4	0,8	-0,6			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	62,0	63,2	62,2	62,6	62,5	-0,1	0,5			
Labour force participation rate	67,5	68,0	67,3	67,1	67,5	0,4	0,0			

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by age group										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
15–64 years										
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6	
Labour force	22 370	22 589	22 668	22 492	22 968	476	598	2,1	2,7	
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2	
Unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4	
Not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	27,2	27,5	27,1	27,6	29,0	1,4	1,8			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7			
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,5	59,4	58,8	59,8	1,0	0,7			
15–24 years										
Population 15–24 yrs	10 311	10 308	10 303	10 297	10 292	-5	-19	0,0	-0,2	
Labour force	2 590	2 664	2 591	2 553	2 678	126	89	4,9	3,4	
Employed	1 200	1 257	1 173	1 143	1 168	24	-32	2,1	-2,7	
Unemployed	1 390	1 408	1 417	1 409	1 511	101	121	7,2	8,7	
Not economically active	7 721	7 644	7 712	7 745	7 614	-131	-107	-1,7	-1,4	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	53,7	52,8	54,7	55,2	56,4	1,2	2,7			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	11,6	12,2	11,4	11,1	11,3	0,2	-0,3			
Labour force participation rate	25,1	25,8	25,1	24,8	26,0	1,2	0,9			
25–34 years										
Population 25–34 yrs	9 927	9 963	9 999	10 035	10 070	36	143	0,4	1,4	
Labour force	7 334	7 404	7 415	7 375	7 452	76	117	1,0	1,6	
Employed	4 869	4 890	4 965	4 851	4 797	-55	-72	-1,1	-1,5	
Unemployed	2 466	2 514	2 450	2 524	2 655	131	189	5,2	7,7	
Not economically active	2 593	2 559	2 584	2 659	2 619	-41	26	-1,5	1,0	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	33,6	34,0	33,0	34,2	35,6	1,4	2,0			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	49,0	49,1	49,7	48,3	47,6	-0,7	-1,4			
Labour force participation rate	73,9	74,3	74,2	73,5	74,0	0,5	0,1			

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Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by age group (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
35–44 years									
Population 35–44 yrs	8 098	8 137	8 176	8 215	8 254	39	156	0,5	1,9
Labour force	6 537	6 535	6 596	6 505	6 632	128	96	2,0	1,5
Employed	5 147	5 100	5 147	5 090	5 088	-3	-59	-0,1	-1,1
Unemployed	1 390	1 435	1 449	1 414	1 545	130	155	9,2	11,1
Not economically active	1 562	1 602	1 580	1 710	1 622	-89	60	-5,2	3,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	21,3	22,0	22,0	21,7	23,3	1,6	2,0		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	63,6	62,7	63,0	62,0	61,6	-0,4	-2,0		
Labour force participation rate	80,7	80,3	80,7	79,2	80,4	1,2	-0,3		
45–54 years									
Population 45–54 yrs	5 664	5 716	5 767	5 819	5 871	52	207	0,9	3,6
Labour force	4 181	4 252	4 318	4 346	4 419	74	239	1,7	5,7
Employed	3 511	3 570	3 671	3 666	3 661	-5	150	-0,1	4,3
Unemployed	669	683	648	679	758	79	89	11,6	13,3
Not economically active	1 483	1 463	1 449	1 473	1 451	-21	-32	-1,5	-2,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	16,0	16,1	15,0	15,6	17,2	1,6	1,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	62,0	62,5	63,6	63,0	62,4	-0,6	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	73,8	74,4	74,9	74,7	75,3	0,6	1,5		
55–64 years									
Population 55–64 yrs	3 832	3 861	3 889	3 917	3 945	28	114	0,7	3,0
Labour force	1 729	1 734	1 749	1 714	1 786	73	57	4,2	3,3
Employed	1 561	1 564	1 573	1 540	1 599	59	38	3,8	2,4
Unemployed	168	170	176	174	187	14	19	7,9	11,4
Not economically active	2 102	2 127	2 140	2 203	2 159	-44	57	-2,0	2,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	9,7	9,8	10,0	10,1	10,5	0,4	0,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	40,7	40,5	40,4	39,3	40,5	1,2	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	45,1	44,9	45,0	43,7	45,3	1,6	0,2		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
South Africa										
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6	
Labour force	22 370	22 589	22 668	22 492	22 968	476	598	2,1	2,7	
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2	
Unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4	
Not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0	
Discouraged work-seekers	2 864	2 733	2 841	2 997	2 749	-248	-115	-8,3	-4,0	
Other	12 598	12 662	12 625	12 793	12 716	-77	118	-0,6	0,9	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	27,2	27,5	27,1	27,6	29,0	1,4	1,8			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7			
Labour force participation rate	59,1	59,5	59,4	58,8	59,8	1,0	0,7			
Western Cape										
Population 15–64 yrs	4 551	4 574	4 597	4 619	4 642	23	90	0,5	2,0	
Labour force	3 127	3 133	3 121	3 130	3 139	10	12	0,3	0,4	
Employed	2 480	2 494	2 520	2 520	2 497	-22	18	-0,9	0,7	
Unemployed	648	638	601	610	642	32	-6	5,2	-0,9	
Not economically active	1 424	1 442	1 475	1 489	1 502	13	79	0,9	5,5	
Discouraged work-seekers	44	58	72	72	64	-8	20	-11,3	46,0	
Other	1 380	1 383	1 403	1 417	1 438	21	58	1,5	4,2	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	20,7	20,4	19,3	19,5	20,4	0,9	-0,3			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	54,5	54,5	54,8	54,5	53,8	-0,7	-0,7			
Labour force participation rate	68,7	68,5	67,9	67,8	67,6	-0,2	-1,1			

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Western Cape – Non-metro										
Population 15–64 yrs	1 653	1 662	1 671	1 679	1 688	9	35	0,5	2,1	
Labour force	1 089	1 098	1 096	1 120	1 109	-11	20	-1,0	1,8	
Employed	875	888	924	936	909	-27	33	-2,9	3,8	
Unemployed	214	210	172	184	200	16	-14	8,7	-6,4	
Not economically active	564	564	575	559	579	20	15	3,6	2,7	
Discouraged work-seekers	30	41	56	49	50	2	20	3,4	67,7	
Other	534	523	519	510	529	18	-5	3,6	-0,9	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	19,6	19,1	15,7	16,4	18,0	1,6	-1,6			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	53,0	53,4	55,3	55,7	53,8	-1,9	0,8			
Labour force participation rate	65,9	66,1	65,6	66,7	65,7	-1,0	-0,2			
Western Cape – City of Cape Town										
Population 15–64 yrs	2 898	2 912	2 926	2 940	2 954	14	55	0,5	1,9	
Labour force	2 038	2 035	2 026	2 010	2 030	21	-8	1,0	-0,4	
Employed	1 604	1 606	1 597	1 584	1 589	5	-16	0,3	-1,0	
Unemployed	434	429	429	426	442	16	8	3,7	1,8	
Not economically active	860	878	900	930	923	-7	63	-0,7	7,4	
Discouraged work-seekers	14	17	17	24	14	-10	0	-41,4	-0,6	
Other	846	860	884	906	909	3	63	0,3	7,5	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	21,3	21,1	21,2	21,2	21,8	0,6	0,5			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	55,4	55,1	54,6	53,9	53,8	-0,1	-1,6			
Labour force participation rate	70,3	69,9	69,2	68,4	68,7	0,3	-1,6			

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Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Eastern Cape									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 240	4 253	4 265	4 277	4 289	12	49	0,3	1,2
Labour force	2 132	2 158	2 153	2 089	2 148	59	16	2,8	0,7
Employed	1 402	1 390	1 375	1 308	1 388	80	-15	6,1	-1,0
Unemployed	730	769	778	781	760	-21	31	-2,7	4,2
Not economically active	2 108	2 095	2 112	2 188	2 141	-47	33	-2,1	1,6
Discouraged work-seekers	412	365	373	381	366	-15	-45	-3,8	-11,0
Other	1 696	1 730	1 739	1 807	1 775	-33	78	-1,8	4,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	34,2	35,6	36,1	37,4	35,4	-2,0	1,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	33,1	32,7	32,2	30,6	32,4	1,8	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	50,3	50,7	50,5	48,8	50,1	1,3	-0,2		
Eastern Cape – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 916	2 923	2 931	2 938	2 946	8	30	0,3	1,0
Labour force	1 237	1 272	1 270	1 221	1 283	62	46	5,1	3,7
Employed	799	794	778	732	810	78	11	10,7	1,4
Unemployed	438	478	492	489	473	-16	35	-3,4	8,0
Not economically active	1 679	1 652	1 661	1 717	1 663	-54	-16	-3,2	-0,9
Discouraged work-seekers	384	348	341	344	333	-11	-51	-3,2	-13,3
Other	1 294	1 304	1 320	1 373	1 330	-43	35	-3,2	2,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	35,4	37,6	38,7	40,1	36,8	-3,3	1,4		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	27,4	27,2	26,6	24,9	27,5	2,6	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	42,4	43,5	43,3	41,6	43,6	2,0	1,2		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Eastern Cape – Buffalo City										
Population 15–64 yrs	512	514	515	517	518	2	6	0,3	1,2	
Labour force	342	339	315	323	334	10	-8	3,1	-2,4	
Employed	244	247	233	239	240	0	-4	0,1	-1,6	
Unemployed	98	91	82	84	94	10	-4	11,8	-4,3	
Not economically active	171	175	201	193	185	-9	14	-4,4	8,3	
Discouraged work-seekers	27	15	32	36	26	-10	-1	-27,8	-2,7	
Other	144	161	168	158	159	1	15	0,9	10,3	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	28,7	27,0	26,1	26,0	28,2	2,2	-0,5			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	47,5	48,1	45,1	46,3	46,2	-0,1	-1,3			
Labour force participation rate	66,7	65,9	61,1	62,6	64,3	1,7	-2,4			
Eastern Cape – Nelson Mandela Bay										
Population 15–64 yrs	812	815	818	822	825	3	12	0,4	1,5	
Labour force	553	548	568	544	531	-13	-22	-2,3	-4,0	
Employed	360	348	364	336	338	2	-22	0,5	-6,1	
Unemployed	194	200	204	208	194	-14	0	-6,9	-0,2	
Not economically active	259	267	251	278	293	16	35	5,7	13,3	
Discouraged work-seekers	1	2		1	7	6	6	761,2	655,1	
Other	258	266	251	277	286	9	28	3,4	11,0	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	35,0	36,4	35,9	38,2	36,4	-1,8	1,4			
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	44,3	42,7	44,5	40,9	41,0	0,1	-3,3			
Labour force participation rate	68,1	67,2	69,4	66,2	64,4	-1,8	-3,7			

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Northern Cape									
Population 15–64 yrs	794	796	798	800	802	2	8	0,3	1,0
Labour force	446	442	429	434	427	-7	-20	-1,6	-4,4
Employed	317	323	322	321	301	-20	-16	-6,2	-5,1
Unemployed	129	120	107	113	125	13	-3	11,2	-2,7
Not economically active	348	354	369	366	376	9	28	2,5	8,0
Discouraged work-seekers	66	63	63	84	76	-8	11	-9,7	16,2
Other	282	291	306	282	299	17	17	6,2	6,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,9	27,0	25,0	26,0	29,4	3,4	0,5		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	40,0	40,5	40,3	40,1	37,6	-2,5	-2,4		
Labour force participation rate	56,2	55,6	53,8	54,2	53,2	-1,0	-3,0		
Free State									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 897	1 900	1 902	1 904	1 906	2	8	0,1	0,4
Labour force	1 202	1 215	1 202	1 233	1 232	-2	30	-0,2	2,5
Employed	788	774	806	803	808	6	20	0,7	2,6
Unemployed	414	441	396	431	423	-7	10	-1,7	2,3
Not economically active	696	685	699	670	674	4	-21	0,6	-3,1
Discouraged work-seekers	82	70	91	77	121	44	39	57,5	47,3
Other	614	615	609	594	554	-40	-60	-6,7	-9,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	34,4	36,3	32,9	34,9	34,4	-0,5	0,0		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	41,5	40,7	42,4	42,2	42,4	0,2	0,9		
Labour force participation rate	63,3	63,9	63,2	64,8	64,6	-0,2	1,3		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Free State – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 353	1 353	1 352	1 352	1 351	-1	-2	0,0	-0,2
Labour force	821	839	825	847	840	-7	19	-0,9	2,3
Employed	526	517	541	541	533	-7	7	-1,3	1,3
Unemployed	294	321	284	306	306	0	12	0,0	4,1
Not economically active	533	514	527	505	511	7	-21	1,3	-4,0
Discouraged work-seekers	76	61	76	57	93	37	17	65,2	22,9
Other	457	453	451	448	418	-30	-39	-6,7	-8,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	35,8	38,3	34,4	36,2	36,5	0,3	0,7		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	38,9	38,2	40,0	40,0	39,5	-0,5	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	60,6	62,0	61,0	62,7	62,2	-0,5	1,6		
Free State – Mangaung									
Population 15–64 yrs	544	547	550	552	555	3	11	0,5	2,0
Labour force	381	376	378	387	392	5	11	1,4	2,8
Employed	262	257	265	262	275	13	13	4,9	5,1
Unemployed	120	120	112	124	117	-7	-3	-5,9	-2,1
Not economically active	163	171	172	166	163	-3	0	-1,6	0,0
Discouraged work-seekers	6	9	14	20	27	7	21	35,7	363,2
Other	157	162	158	146	136	-10	-21	-6,7	-13,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	31,4	31,8	29,7	32,2	29,9	-2,3	-1,5		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	48,1	46,9	48,3	47,5	49,5	2,0	1,4		
Labour force participation rate	70,0	68,8	68,7	70,0	70,6	0,6	0,6		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
KwaZulu-Natal									
Population 15–64 yrs	7 002	7 029	7 055	7 082	7 109	27	107	0,4	1,5
Labour force	3 349	3 420	3 561	3 469	3 563	94	214	2,7	6,4
Employed	2 620	2 635	2 648	2 598	2 635	37	15	1,4	0,6
Unemployed	729	786	913	872	929	57	199	6,5	27,3
Not economically active	3 653	3 608	3 494	3 612	3 545	-67	-107	-1,9	-2,9
Discouraged work-seekers	887	814	765	824	758	-66	-129	-8,0	-14,6
Other	2 765	2 795	2 730	2 788	2 787	-1	22	0,0	0,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	21,8	23,0	25,6	25,1	26,1	1,0	4,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	37,4	37,5	37,5	36,7	37,1	0,4	-0,3		
Labour force participation rate	47,8	48,7	50,5	49,0	50,1	1,1	2,3		
KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 576	4 596	4 616	4 636	4 655	20	79	0,4	1,7
Labour force	1 835	1 940	2 054	1 963	2 080	117	245	5,9	13,4
Employed	1 397	1 424	1 469	1 438	1 475	37	78	2,6	5,6
Unemployed	437	516	585	525	604	79	167	15,1	38,1
Not economically active	2 741	2 656	2 562	2 672	2 576	-97	-166	-3,6	-6,0
Discouraged work-seekers	757	661	628	732	606	-126	-152	-17,2	-20,0
Other	1 984	1 995	1 934	1 941	1 970	30	-14	1,5	-0,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	23,8	26,6	28,5	26,7	29,1	2,4	5,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	30,5	31,0	31,8	31,0	31,7	0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	40,1	42,2	44,5	42,3	44,7	2,4	4,6		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
KwaZulu-Natal – eThekwini									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 426	2 433	2 439	2 446	2 453	7	28	0,3	1,1
Labour force	1 515	1 480	1 507	1 506	1 484	-23	-31	-1,5	-2,0
Employed	1 222	1 211	1 179	1 160	1 159	-1	-63	0,0	-5,2
Unemployed	292	269	328	347	324	-22	32	-6,4	11,1
Not economically active	911	952	933	940	969	29	58	3,1	6,4
Discouraged work-seekers	130	153	137	92	152	60	23	65,0	17,3
Other	781	799	796	848	817	-31	36	-3,6	4,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	19,3	18,2	21,8	23,0	21,9	-1,1	2,6		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	50,4	49,8	48,3	47,4	47,3	-0,1	-3,1		
Labour force participation rate	62,4	60,8	61,8	61,6	60,5	-1,1	-1,9		
North West									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 556	2 567	2 577	2 588	2 599	11	43	0,4	1,7
Labour force	1 323	1 360	1 325	1 318	1 370	52	47	4,0	3,6
Employed	977	979	973	970	918	-52	-59	-5,4	-6,1
Unemployed	346	381	352	348	452	104	106	30,0	30,7
Not economically active	1 232	1 207	1 253	1 270	1 228	-42	-4	-3,3	-0,3
Discouraged work-seekers	323	300	313	339	260	-78	-62	-23,1	-19,3
Other	909	906	940	931	968	37	58	3,9	6,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	26,1	28,0	26,6	26,4	33,0	6,6	6,9		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	38,2	38,1	37,7	37,5	35,3	-2,2	-2,9		
Labour force participation rate	51,8	53,0	51,4	50,9	52,7	1,8	0,9		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Gauteng									
Population 15–64 yrs	10 159	10 210	10 260	10 310	10 360	50	200	0,5	2,0
Labour force	7 195	7 216	7 276	7 263	7 358	95	163	1,3	2,3
Employed	5 055	5 077	5 163	5 162	5 066	-96	11	-1,9	0,2
Unemployed	2 140	2 139	2 113	2 102	2 292	190	152	9,1	7,1
Not economically active	2 965	2 994	2 984	3 046	3 002	-44	37	-1,5	1,3
Discouraged work-seekers	428	413	425	413	367	-46	-60	-11,1	-14,1
Other	2 537	2 581	2 559	2 633	2 635	1	97	0,1	3,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	29,7	29,6	29,0	28,9	31,1	2,2	1,4		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	49,8	49,7	50,3	50,1	48,9	-1,2	-0,9		
Labour force participation rate	70,8	70,7	70,9	70,5	71,0	0,5	0,2		
Gauteng – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 341	1 344	1 347	1 349	1 352	3	11	0,2	0,8
Labour force	854	853	805	812	874	62	20	7,6	2,4
Employed	611	608	590	580	580	0	-31	0,0	-5,1
Unemployed	242	245	215	232	294	62	52	26,6	21,4
Not economically active	488	491	542	537	478	-59	-10	-11,0	-2,0
Discouraged work-seekers	120	123	152	131	79	-52	-41	-39,6	-34,0
Other	368	368	389	406	399	-7	31	-1,8	8,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,4	28,7	26,8	28,6	33,6	5,0	5,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	45,6	45,2	43,8	43,0	42,9	-0,1	-2,7		
Labour force participation rate	63,6	63,5	59,8	60,2	64,6	4,4	1,0		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Gauteng – Ekurhuleni									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 551	2 560	2 569	2 578	2 587	9	36	0,3	1,4
Labour force	1 821	1 802	1 842	1 853	1 907	54	86	2,9	4,7
Employed	1 213	1 245	1 268	1 295	1 299	5	86	0,4	7,1
Unemployed	608	557	574	558	607	49	0	8,8	-0,1
Not economically active	730	758	726	725	680	-45	-50	-6,2	-6,8
Discouraged work-seekers	104	110	102	117	110	-7	6	-6,0	5,5
Other	626	648	625	608	570	-38	-56	-6,2	-8,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	33,4	30,9	31,2	30,1	31,8	1,7	-1,6		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	47,6	48,6	49,4	50,2	50,2	0,0	2,6		
Labour force participation rate	71,4	70,4	71,7	71,9	73,7	1,8	2,3		
Gauteng – City of Johannesburg									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 772	3 796	3 820	3 844	3 868	24	96	0,6	2,6
Labour force	2 822	2 825	2 856	2 859	2 813	-46	-9	-1,6	-0,3
Employed	2 019	1 999	2 029	2 008	1 950	-58	-70	-2,9	-3,4
Unemployed	803	826	827	851	864	12	61	1,4	7,5
Not economically active	949	971	964	985	1 055	70	105	7,1	11,1
Discouraged work-seekers	86	71	84	70	99	29	13	40,8	15,3
Other	864	899	880	915	956	41	92	4,5	10,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,5	29,2	29,0	29,8	30,7	0,9	2,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	53,5	52,7	53,1	52,2	50,4	-1,8	-3,1		
Labour force participation rate	74,8	74,4	74,8	74,4	72,7	-1,7	-2,1		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Gauteng – City of Tshwane									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 496	2 510	2 524	2 539	2 553	14	57	0,6	2,3
Labour force	1 698	1 736	1 772	1 739	1 764	24	66	1,4	3,9
Employed	1 211	1 225	1 277	1 279	1 237	-43	26	-3,3	2,1
Unemployed	487	511	496	460	527	67	40	14,6	8,2
Not economically active	798	774	752	799	789	-10	-9	-1,3	-1,1
Discouraged work-seekers	118	109	87	96	80	-16	-38	-16,4	-32,4
Other	679	666	665	703	709	6	30	0,8	4,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,7	29,4	28,0	26,4	29,9	3,5	1,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	48,5	48,8	50,6	50,4	48,4	-2,0	-0,1		
Labour force participation rate	68,0	69,2	70,2	68,5	69,1	0,6	1,1		
Mpumalanga									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 901	2 913	2 924	2 935	2 947	11	45	0,4	1,6
Labour force	1 815	1 824	1 832	1 837	1 905	68	90	3,7	4,9
Employed	1 212	1 231	1 245	1 209	1 243	34	31	2,8	2,6
Unemployed	603	592	587	627	661	34	58	5,4	9,7
Not economically active	1 086	1 089	1 092	1 099	1 042	-57	-44	-5,1	-4,1
Discouraged work-seekers	209	206	198	185	210	25	1	13,7	0,5
Other	877	883	893	913	832	-82	-45	-9,0	-5,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	33,2	32,5	32,0	34,2	34,7	0,5	1,5		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	41,8	42,3	42,6	41,2	42,2	1,0	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	62,6	62,6	62,7	62,6	64,6	2,0	2,0		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Limpopo									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 731	3 744	3 756	3 768	3 780	12	49	0,3	1,3
Labour force	1 781	1 821	1 769	1 719	1 826	107	46	6,2	2,6
Employed	1 436	1 478	1 477	1 401	1 456	55	20	3,9	1,4
Unemployed	345	344	292	318	370	53	26	16,6	7,5
Not economically active	1 950	1 922	1 987	2 049	1 954	-95	4	-4,6	0,2
Discouraged work-seekers	414	444	542	622	526	-96	112	-15,5	27,0
Other	1 536	1 478	1 445	1 427	1 428	1	-108	0,1	-7,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	19,3	18,9	16,5	18,5	20,3	1,8	1,0		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	38,5	39,5	39,3	37,2	38,5	1,3	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	47,7	48,7	47,1	45,6	48,3	2,7	0,6		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Both sexes									
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6
Labour force	25 922	26 139	26 235	26 286	26 539	253	617	1,0	2,4
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	11 320	11 255	11 346	11 220	11 172	-49	-148	-0,4	-1,3
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 828	3 017	3 001	2 933	3 048	114	219	3,9	7,8
Agriculture	843	842	849	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2
Private households	1 296	1 267	1 332	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5
Unemployed	9 634	9 759	9 706	9 994	10 226	232	592	2,3	6,1
Not economically active	11 910	11 846	11 899	11 997	11 894	-103	-16	-0,9	-0,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,2	37,3	37,0	38,0	38,5	0,5	1,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	68,5	68,8	68,8	68,7	69,1	0,4	0,6		
Women									
Population 15–64 yrs	19 122	19 195	19 267	19 339	19 411	72	289	0,4	1,5
Labour force	12 124	12 288	12 320	12 302	12 414	112	289	0,9	2,4
Employed	7 134	7 225	7 250	7 192	7 133	-59	-1	-0,8	0,0
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4 817	4 827	4 820	4 763	4 747	-15	-70	-0,3	-1,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	1 042	1 125	1 113	1 147	1 163	16	121	1,4	11,6
Agriculture	278	277	285	278	248	-30	-30	-10,7	-10,8
Private households	996	995	1 032	1 004	974	-30	-22	-3,0	-2,2
Unemployed	4 991	5 064	5 071	5 110	5 281	171	290	3,4	5,8
Not economically active	6 997	6 907	6 946	7 037	6 997	-40	0	-0,6	0,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	41,2	41,2	41,2	41,5	42,5	1,0	1,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	37,3	37,6	37,6	37,2	36,7	-0,5	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	63,4	64,0	63,9	63,6	64,0	0,4	0,6		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Men									
Population 15–64 yrs	18 710	18 790	18 867	18 944	19 022	78	312	0,4	1,7
Labour force	13 798	13 851	13 915	13 984	14 125	141	328	1,0	2,4
Employed	9 154	9 156	9 279	9 100	9 180	80	26	0,9	0,3
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	6 503	6 427	6 526	6 458	6 424	-34	-79	-0,5	-1,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	1 786	1 892	1 888	1 786	1 884	98	98	5,5	5,5
Agriculture	565	565	564	559	594	35	29	6,2	5,0
Private households	300	271	300	296	277	-19	-23	-6,5	-7,6
Unemployed	4 644	4 695	4 635	4 885	4 946	61	302	1,2	6,5
Not economically active	4 912	4 939	4 952	4 960	4 897	-63	-16	-1,3	-0,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	33,7	33,9	33,3	34,9	35,0	0,1	1,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	48,9	48,7	49,2	48,0	48,3	0,3	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	73,7	73,7	73,8	73,8	74,3	0,5	0,6		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.5: Labour force characteristics by population group – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
South Africa									
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6
Labour force	25 922	26 139	26 235	26 286	26 539	253	617	1,0	2,4
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Unemployed	9 634	9 759	9 706	9 994	10 226	232	592	2,3	6,1
Not economically active	11 910	11 846	11 899	11 997	11 894	-103	-16	-0,9	-0,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,2	37,3	37,0	38,0	38,5	0,5	1,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	68,5	68,8	68,8	68,7	69,1	0,4	0,6		
Black/African									
Population 15–64 yrs	30 399	30 550	30 697	30 844	30 992	148	592	0,5	1,9
Labour force	20 796	21 069	21 172	21 211	21 483	272	687	1,3	3,3
Employed	12 172	12 265	12 461	12 201	12 250	49	79	0,4	0,6
Unemployed	8 624	8 804	8 710	9 010	9 233	223	609	2,5	7,1
Not economically active	9 604	9 481	9 525	9 633	9 509	-124	-95	-1,3	-1,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	41,5	41,8	41,1	42,5	43,0	0,5	1,5		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	40,0	40,1	40,6	39,6	39,5	-0,1	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	68,4	69,0	69,0	68,8	69,3	0,5	0,9		
Coloured									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 443	3 452	3 460	3 468	3 477	8	34	0,2	1,0
Labour force	2 374	2 349	2 359	2 403	2 382	-22	7	-0,9	0,3
Employed	1 716	1 700	1 696	1 711	1 687	-25	-30	-1,4	-1,7
Unemployed	658	649	664	692	695	3	37	0,4	5,6
Not economically active	1 068	1 103	1 101	1 065	1 095	30	27	2,8	2,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	27,7	27,6	28,1	28,8	29,2	0,4	1,5		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	49,8	49,2	49,0	49,3	48,5	-0,8	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	69,0	68,0	68,2	69,3	68,5	-0,8	-0,5		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.5: Labour force characteristics by population group – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Indian/Asian									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 003	1 005	1 007	1 009	1 011	2	9	0,2	0,9
Labour force	654	647	638	623	628	5	-26	0,8	-4,0
Employed	547	534	524	524	530	6	-17	1,2	-3,0
Unemployed	107	113	114	99	97	-1	-10	-1,5	-9,2
Not economically active	348	358	369	386	383	-3	35	-0,7	10,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	16,4	17,5	17,9	15,9	15,5	-0,4	-0,9		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	54,6	53,1	52,0	51,9	52,4	0,5	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	65,3	64,4	63,4	61,7	62,1	0,4	-3,2		
White									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 987	2 979	2 970	2 961	2 953	-8	-34	-0,3	-1,1
Labour force	2 098	2 074	2 066	2 049	2 047	-2	-51	-0,1	-2,4
Employed	1 853	1 881	1 847	1 855	1 845	-10	-8	-0,5	-0,4
Unemployed	245	193	218	194	201	8	-43	4,0	-17,7
Not economically active	889	904	904	913	906	-6	17	-0,7	1,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	11,7	9,3	10,6	9,4	9,8	0,4	-1,9		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	62,0	63,2	62,2	62,6	62,5	-0,1	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	70,2	69,6	69,6	69,2	69,3	0,1	-0,9		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.6: Labour force characteristics by age group – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
15–64 years									
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6
Labour force	25 922	26 139	26 235	26 286	26 539	253	617	1,0	2,4
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Unemployed	9 634	9 759	9 706	9 994	10 226	232	592	2,3	6,1
Not economically active	11 910	11 846	11 899	11 997	11 894	-103	-16	-0,9	-0,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,2	37,3	37,0	38,0	38,5	0,5	1,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	68,5	68,8	68,8	68,7	69,1	0,4	0,6		
15–24 years									
Population 15–24 yrs	10 311	10 308	10 303	10 297	10 292	-5	-19	0,0	-0,2
Labour force	3 653	3 703	3 624	3 698	3 685	-13	32	-0,3	0,9
Employed	1 200	1 257	1 173	1 143	1 168	24	-32	2,1	-2,7
Unemployed	2 453	2 446	2 451	2 554	2 517	-37	65	-1,5	2,6
Not economically active	6 658	6 605	6 679	6 600	6 607	8	-51	0,1	-0,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	67,1	66,1	67,6	69,1	68,3	-0,8	1,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	11,6	12,2	11,4	11,1	11,3	0,2	-0,3		
Labour force participation rate	35,4	35,9	35,2	35,9	35,8	-0,1	0,4		
25–34 years									
Population 25–34 yrs	9 927	9 963	9 999	10 035	10 070	36	143	0,4	1,4
Labour force	8 576	8 631	8 677	8 666	8 729	63	154	0,7	1,8
Employed	4 869	4 890	4 965	4 851	4 797	-55	-72	-1,1	-1,5
Unemployed	3 707	3 741	3 712	3 815	3 933	118	226	3,1	6,1
Not economically active	1 351	1 332	1 322	1 368	1 341	-27	-10	-2,0	-0,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	43,2	43,3	42,8	44,0	45,1	1,1	1,9		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	49,0	49,1	49,7	48,3	47,6	-0,7	-1,4		
Labour force participation rate	86,4	86,6	86,8	86,4	86,7	0,3	0,3		

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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)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
35–44 years									
Population 35–44 yrs	8 098	8 137	8 176	8 215	8 254	39	156	0,5	1,9
Labour force	7 204	7 215	7 263	7 219	7 306	87	103	1,2	1,4
Employed	5 147	5 100	5 147	5 090	5 088	-3	-59	-0,1	-1,1
Unemployed	2 057	2 115	2 116	2 129	2 218	90	161	4,2	7,8
Not economically active	895	922	913	996	948	-48	53	-4,8	6,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,6	29,3	29,1	29,5	30,4	0,9	1,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	63,6	62,7	63,0	62,0	61,6	-0,4	-2,0		
Labour force participation rate	89,0	88,7	88,8	87,9	88,5	0,6	-0,5		
45–54 years									
Population 45–54 yrs	5 664	5 716	5 767	5 819	5 871	52	207	0,9	3,6
Labour force	4 613	4 703	4 762	4 837	4 872	35	258	0,7	5,6
Employed	3 511	3 570	3 671	3 666	3 661	-5	150	-0,1	4,3
Unemployed	1 102	1 133	1 091	1 170	1 210	40	108	3,4	9,8
Not economically active	1 051	1 012	1 005	982	999	17	-52	1,7	-4,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	23,9	24,1	22,9	24,2	24,8	0,6	0,9		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	62,0	62,5	63,6	63,0	62,4	-0,6	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	81,4	82,3	82,6	83,1	83,0	-0,1	1,6		
55–64 years									
Population 55–64 yrs	3 832	3 861	3 889	3 917	3 945	28	114	0,7	3,0
Labour force	1 877	1 888	1 909	1 867	1 947	81	70	4,3	3,7
Employed	1 561	1 564	1 573	1 540	1 599	59	38	3,8	2,4
Unemployed	316	324	336	326	348	22	32	6,6	10,1
Not economically active	1 955	1 973	1 980	2 051	1 998	-52	44	-2,5	2,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	16,8	17,1	17,6	17,5	17,9	0,4	1,1		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	40,7	40,5	40,4	39,3	40,5	1,2	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	49,0	48,9	49,1	47,6	49,3	1,7	0,3		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
South Africa									
Population 15–64 yrs	37 832	37 985	38 134	38 283	38 433	150	601	0,4	1,6
Labour force	25 922	26 139	26 235	26 286	26 539	253	617	1,0	2,4
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Unemployed	9 634	9 759	9 706	9 994	10 226	232	592	2,3	6,1
Not economically active	11 910	11 846	11 899	11 997	11 894	-103	-16	-0,9	-0,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,2	37,3	37,0	38,0	38,5	0,5	1,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	43,1	43,1	43,3	42,6	42,4	-0,2	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	68,5	68,8	68,8	68,7	69,1	0,4	0,6		
Western Cape									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 551	4 574	4 597	4 619	4 642	23	90	0,5	2,0
Labour force	3 229	3 268	3 276	3 261	3 278	17	49	0,5	1,5
Employed	2 480	2 494	2 520	2 520	2 497	-22	18	-0,9	0,7
Unemployed	749	774	755	741	780	39	32	5,3	4,2
Not economically active	1 323	1 306	1 321	1 358	1 364	6	41	0,4	3,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	23,2	23,7	23,1	22,7	23,8	1,1	0,6		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	54,5	54,5	54,8	54,5	53,8	-0,7	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	70,9	71,4	71,3	70,6	70,6	0,0	-0,3		
Western Cape – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 653	1 662	1 671	1 679	1 688	9	35	0,5	2,1
Labour force	1 155	1 184	1 198	1 193	1 187	-7	32	-0,6	2,7
Employed	875	888	924	936	909	-27	33	-2,9	3,8
Unemployed	280	296	274	257	278	21	-2	8,1	-0,6
Not economically active	498	478	473	486	501	15	3	3,2	0,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	24,2	25,0	22,9	21,6	23,4	1,8	-0,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	53,0	53,4	55,3	55,7	53,8	-1,9	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	69,9	71,3	71,7	71,1	70,3	-0,8	0,4		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Western Cape – City of Cape Town									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 898	2 912	2 926	2 940	2 954	14	55	0,5	1,9
Labour force	2 073	2 084	2 078	2 067	2 091	24	18	1,1	0,9
Employed	1 604	1 606	1 597	1 584	1 589	5	-16	0,3	-1,0
Unemployed	469	478	481	484	502	18	33	3,8	7,1
Not economically active	825	829	848	872	863	-10	38	-1,1	4,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	22,6	22,9	23,1	23,4	24,0	0,6	1,4		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	55,4	55,1	54,6	53,9	53,8	-0,1	-1,6		
Labour force participation rate	71,5	71,5	71,0	70,3	70,8	0,5	-0,7		
Eastern Cape									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 240	4 253	4 265	4 277	4 289	12	49	0,3	1,2
Labour force	2 585	2 573	2 585	2 527	2 595	68	10	2,7	0,4
Employed	1 402	1 390	1 375	1 308	1 388	80	-15	6,1	-1,0
Unemployed	1 183	1 184	1 210	1 220	1 208	-12	25	-1,0	2,1
Not economically active	1 655	1 680	1 680	1 749	1 694	-56	39	-3,2	2,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	45,8	46,0	46,8	48,3	46,5	-1,8	0,7		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	33,1	32,7	32,2	30,6	32,4	1,8	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	61,0	60,5	60,6	59,1	60,5	1,4	-0,5		
Eastern Cape – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 916	2 923	2 931	2 938	2 946	8	30	0,3	1,0
Labour force	1 656	1 655	1 656	1 606	1 668	62	12	3,9	0,7
Employed	799	794	778	732	810	78	11	10,7	1,4
Unemployed	857	861	877	874	858	-16	1	-1,9	0,1
Not economically active	1 260	1 268	1 275	1 332	1 278	-54	18	-4,1	1,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	51,7	52,0	53,0	54,4	51,4	-3,0	-0,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	27,4	27,2	26,6	24,9	27,5	2,6	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	56,8	56,6	56,5	54,7	56,6	1,9	-0,2		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Eastern Cape – Buffalo City									
Population 15–64 yrs	512	514	515	517	518	2	6	0,3	1,2
Labour force	375	368	360	377	384	8	9	2,0	2,5
Employed	244	247	233	239	240	0	-4	0,1	-1,6
Unemployed	131	121	128	137	145	8	13	5,5	10,1
Not economically active	138	146	155	140	134	-6	-3	-4,4	-2,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	35,0	32,8	35,5	36,4	37,6	1,2	2,6		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	47,5	48,1	45,1	46,3	46,2	-0,1	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	73,2	71,6	69,9	72,8	74,1	1,3	0,9		
Eastern Cape – Nelson Mandela Bay									
Population 15–64 yrs	812	815	818	822	825	3	12	0,4	1,5
Labour force	554	550	569	545	543	-2	-11	-0,3	-2,0
Employed	360	348	364	336	338	2	-22	0,5	-6,1
Unemployed	195	202	205	209	205	-3	11	-1,6	5,4
Not economically active	258	266	250	277	281	5	24	1,7	9,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	35,2	36,7	36,0	38,3	37,8	-0,5	2,6		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	44,3	42,7	44,5	40,9	41,0	0,1	-3,3		
Labour force participation rate	68,3	67,4	69,5	66,3	65,9	-0,4	-2,4		
Northern Cape									
Population 15–64 yrs	794	796	798	800	802	2	8	0,3	1,0
Labour force	551	539	524	549	546	-3	-6	-0,6	-1,0
Employed	317	323	322	321	301	-20	-16	-6,2	-5,1
Unemployed	234	216	203	228	244	16	11	7,2	4,5
Not economically active	243	257	274	251	257	6	14	2,2	5,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	42,4	40,1	38,6	41,5	44,8	3,3	2,4		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	40,0	40,5	40,3	40,1	37,6	-2,5	-2,4		
Labour force participation rate	69,4	67,7	65,7	68,6	68,0	-0,6	-1,4		

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Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Free State									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 897	1 900	1 902	1 904	1 906	2	8	0,1	0,4
Labour force	1 316	1 323	1 329	1 341	1 384	43	68	3,2	5,2
Employed	788	774	806	803	808	6	20	0,7	2,6
Unemployed	528	549	522	538	576	37	48	7,0	9,1
Not economically active	581	577	573	562	522	-41	-60	-7,3	-10,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	40,1	41,5	39,3	40,1	41,6	1,5	1,5		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	41,5	40,7	42,4	42,2	42,4	0,2	0,9		
Labour force participation rate	69,4	69,6	69,9	70,5	72,6	2,1	3,2		
Free State – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 353	1 353	1 352	1 352	1 351	-1	-2	0,0	-0,2
Labour force	920	928	919	923	954	31	34	3,4	3,8
Employed	526	517	541	541	533	-7	7	-1,3	1,3
Unemployed	393	410	378	382	421	38	28	10,1	7,0
Not economically active	434	425	433	429	397	-32	-37	-7,4	-8,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	42,7	44,2	41,1	41,4	44,1	2,7	1,4		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	38,9	38,2	40,0	40,0	39,5	-0,5	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	67,9	68,6	68,0	68,3	70,6	2,3	2,7		
Free State – Mangaung									
Population 15–64 yrs	544	547	550	552	555	3	11	0,5	2,0
Labour force	397	395	410	419	430	12	34	2,8	8,5
Employed	262	257	265	262	275	13	13	4,9	5,1
Unemployed	135	139	144	156	155	-1	20	-0,6	15,0
Not economically active	148	151	140	134	125	-9	-23	-6,7	-15,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	34,1	35,1	35,2	37,4	36,1	-1,3	2,0		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	48,1	46,9	48,3	47,5	49,5	2,0	1,4		
Labour force participation rate	72,9	72,3	74,5	75,8	77,5	1,7	4,6		

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Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
KwaZulu-Natal									
Population 15–64 yrs	7 002	7 029	7 055	7 082	7 109	27	107	0,4	1,5
Labour force	4 435	4 481	4 509	4 509	4 551	43	116	0,9	2,6
Employed	2 620	2 635	2 648	2 598	2 635	37	15	1,4	0,6
Unemployed	1 816	1 846	1 862	1 911	1 916	6	101	0,3	5,5
Not economically active	2 566	2 548	2 546	2 573	2 557	-16	-9	-0,6	-0,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	40,9	41,2	41,3	42,4	42,1	-0,3	1,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	37,4	37,5	37,5	36,7	37,1	0,4	-0,3		
Labour force participation rate	63,3	63,7	63,9	63,7	64,0	0,3	0,7		
KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	4 576	4 596	4 616	4 636	4 655	20	79	0,4	1,7
Labour force	2 755	2 811	2 832	2 877	2 882	5	127	0,2	4,6
Employed	1 397	1 424	1 469	1 438	1 475	37	78	2,6	5,6
Unemployed	1 358	1 388	1 363	1 439	1 407	-32	49	-2,2	3,6
Not economically active	1 821	1 785	1 784	1 759	1 773	14	-48	0,8	-2,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	49,3	49,4	48,1	50,0	48,8	-1,2	-0,5		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	30,5	31,0	31,8	31,0	31,7	0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	60,2	61,2	61,4	62,1	61,9	-0,2	1,7		
KwaZulu-Natal – eThekweni									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 426	2 433	2 439	2 446	2 453	7	28	0,3	1,1
Labour force	1 680	1 669	1 677	1 632	1 669	37	-11	2,3	-0,7
Employed	1 222	1 211	1 179	1 160	1 159	-1	-63	0,0	-5,2
Unemployed	458	459	498	472	509	38	52	8,0	11,3
Not economically active	745	763	762	815	784	-30	39	-3,7	5,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	27,2	27,5	29,7	28,9	30,5	1,6	3,3		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	50,4	49,8	48,3	47,4	47,3	-0,1	-3,1		
Labour force participation rate	69,3	68,6	68,8	66,7	68,0	1,3	-1,3		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
North West									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 556	2 567	2 577	2 588	2 599	11	43	0,4	1,7
Labour force	1 727	1 746	1 704	1 745	1 719	-25	-8	-1,5	-0,5
Employed	977	979	973	970	918	-52	-59	-5,4	-6,1
Unemployed	750	767	731	774	801	27	51	3,4	6,8
Not economically active	829	821	874	844	880	36	51	4,3	6,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	43,4	43,9	42,9	44,4	46,6	2,2	3,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	38,2	38,1	37,7	37,5	35,3	-2,2	-2,9		
Labour force participation rate	67,6	68,0	66,1	67,4	66,1	-1,3	-1,5		
Gauteng									
Population 15–64 yrs	10 159	10 210	10 260	10 310	10 360	50	200	0,5	2,0
Labour force	7 707	7 724	7 780	7 770	7 793	23	86	0,3	1,1
Employed	5 055	5 077	5 163	5 162	5 066	-96	11	-1,9	0,2
Unemployed	2 652	2 647	2 617	2 609	2 727	119	75	4,5	2,8
Not economically active	2 452	2 486	2 480	2 539	2 567	27	114	1,1	4,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	34,4	34,3	33,6	33,6	35,0	1,4	0,6		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	49,8	49,7	50,3	50,1	48,9	-1,2	-0,9		
Labour force participation rate	75,9	75,6	75,8	75,4	75,2	-0,2	-0,7		
Gauteng – Non-metro									
Population 15–64 yrs	1 341	1 344	1 347	1 349	1 352	3	11	0,2	0,8
Labour force	993	991	979	972	977	4	-16	0,4	-1,6
Employed	611	608	590	580	580	0	-31	0,0	-5,1
Unemployed	381	382	389	392	397	4	16	1,1	4,1
Not economically active	349	354	368	377	375	-2	27	-0,4	7,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	38,4	38,6	39,7	40,4	40,6	0,2	2,2		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	45,6	45,2	43,8	43,0	42,9	-0,1	-2,7		
Labour force participation rate	74,0	73,7	72,7	72,1	72,2	0,1	-1,8		

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Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Gauteng – Ekurhuleni									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 551	2 560	2 569	2 578	2 587	9	36	0,3	1,4
Labour force	1 939	1 934	1 966	1 992	2 031	38	92	1,9	4,7
Employed	1 213	1 245	1 268	1 295	1 299	5	86	0,4	7,1
Unemployed	725	689	698	698	731	33	6	4,8	0,8
Not economically active	612	626	603	585	556	-29	-56	-5,0	-9,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,4	35,6	35,5	35,0	36,0	1,0	-1,4		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	47,6	48,6	49,4	50,2	50,2	0,0	2,6		
Labour force participation rate	76,0	75,5	76,5	77,3	78,5	1,2	2,5		
Gauteng – City of Johannesburg									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 772	3 796	3 820	3 844	3 868	24	96	0,6	2,6
Labour force	2 918	2 917	2 950	2 939	2 928	-11	10	-0,4	0,3
Employed	2 019	1 999	2 029	2 008	1 950	-58	-70	-2,9	-3,4
Unemployed	899	918	921	932	978	47	80	5,0	8,9
Not economically active	854	879	870	905	940	35	86	3,9	10,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	30,8	31,5	31,2	31,7	33,4	1,7	2,6		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	53,5	52,7	53,1	52,2	50,4	-1,8	-3,1		
Labour force participation rate	77,4	76,8	77,2	76,5	75,7	-0,8	-1,7		
Gauteng – City of Tshwane									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 496	2 510	2 524	2 539	2 553	14	57	0,6	2,3
Labour force	1 858	1 883	1 886	1 866	1 858	-9	0	-0,5	0,0
Employed	1 211	1 225	1 277	1 279	1 237	-43	26	-3,3	2,1
Unemployed	647	658	609	587	621	34	-26	5,8	-4,0
Not economically active	638	627	639	672	695	23	58	3,4	9,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	34,8	34,9	32,3	31,4	33,4	2,0	-1,4		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	48,5	48,8	50,6	50,4	48,4	-2,0	-0,1		
Labour force participation rate	74,4	75,0	74,7	73,5	72,8	-0,7	-1,6		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Mpumalanga									
Population 15–64 yrs	2 901	2 913	2 924	2 935	2 947	11	45	0,4	1,6
Labour force	2 078	2 099	2 114	2 120	2 202	82	124	3,9	6,0
Employed	1 212	1 231	1 245	1 209	1 243	34	31	2,8	2,6
Unemployed	866	867	869	911	959	48	93	5,3	10,7
Not economically active	823	814	810	815	745	-71	-79	-8,7	-9,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	41,7	41,3	41,1	43,0	43,5	0,5	1,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	41,8	42,3	42,6	41,2	42,2	1,0	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	71,6	72,1	72,3	72,2	74,7	2,5	3,1		
Limpopo									
Population 15–64 yrs	3 731	3 744	3 756	3 768	3 780	12	49	0,3	1,3
Labour force	2 294	2 387	2 414	2 464	2 471	7	177	0,3	7,7
Employed	1 436	1 478	1 477	1 401	1 456	55	20	3,9	1,4
Unemployed	857	909	937	1 062	1 015	-47	157	-4,5	18,3
Not economically active	1 437	1 357	1 342	1 304	1 310	5	-127	0,4	-8,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,4	38,1	38,8	43,1	41,1	-2,0	3,7		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	38,5	39,5	39,3	37,2	38,5	1,3	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	61,5	63,8	64,3	65,4	65,4	0,0	3,9		

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

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 3.1: Employed by industry and sex – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Both sexes	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Agriculture	843	842	849	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2
Mining	435	406	438	417	381	-36	-54	-8,7	-12,4
Manufacturing	1 744	1 719	1 766	1 780	1 789	9	45	0,5	2,6
Utilities	161	156	134	150	151	1	-9	0,9	-5,8
Construction	1 476	1 502	1 481	1 339	1 363	24	-113	1,8	-7,6
Trade	3 219	3 305	3 320	3 345	3 429	84	210	2,5	6,5
Transport	1 014	996	965	1 025	983	-42	-32	-4,1	-3,1
Finance	2 399	2 502	2 611	2 516	2 495	-21	96	-0,8	4,0
Community and social services	3 692	3 675	3 624	3 574	3 622	48	-70	1,3	-1,9
Private households	1 296	1 267	1 332	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5
Other	8	11	9	7	6	-2	-2	-20,8	-24,0
Women	7 134	7 225	7 250	7 192	7 133	-59	-1	-0,8	0,0
Agriculture	278	277	285	278	248	-30	-30	-10,7	-10,8
Mining	60	51	66	62	52	-10	-7	-16,0	-12,4
Manufacturing	584	572	594	626	577	-49	-7	-7,9	-1,1
Utilities	48	35	35	42	48	6	1	14,1	1,2
Construction	157	151	151	152	147	-5	-10	-3,5	-6,5
Trade	1 537	1 592	1 509	1 530	1 622	93	86	6,0	5,6
Transport	203	202	180	200	175	-25	-28	-12,5	-14,0
Finance	1 019	1 078	1 141	1 058	1 016	-41	-2	-3,9	-0,2
Community and social services	2 246	2 265	2 251	2 234	2 270	36	24	1,6	1,1
Private households	996	995	1 032	1 004	974	-30	-22	-3,0	-2,2
Other	6	5	6	5	2	-2	-4	-50,6	-63,2
Men	9 154	9 156	9 279	9 100	9 180	80	26	0,9	0,3
Agriculture	565	565	564	559	594	35	29	6,2	5,0
Mining	376	355	371	355	329	-26	-47	-7,4	-12,4
Manufacturing	1 160	1 147	1 172	1 154	1 212	59	52	5,1	4,5
Utilities	113	121	99	108	103	-5	-10	-4,3	-8,8
Construction	1 318	1 351	1 330	1 186	1 216	29	-103	2,5	-7,8
Trade	1 682	1 713	1 811	1 815	1 806	-9	124	-0,5	7,4
Transport	811	793	785	825	808	-17	-3	-2,1	-0,4
Finance	1 381	1 424	1 469	1 459	1 479	20	98	1,4	7,1
Community and social services	1 446	1 410	1 373	1 340	1 352	12	-94	0,9	-6,5
Private households	300	271	300	296	277	-19	-23	-6,5	-7,6
Other	1	5	3	3	3	1	2	32,4	163,0

Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Agriculture	843	842	849	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2
Western Cape	181	183	213	225	182	-44	1	-19,3	0,3
Eastern Cape	97	88	78	84	97	13	0	15,2	0,1
Northern Cape	44	42	39	41	33	-8	-11	-18,5	-25,8
Free State	71	74	57	60	60	0	-12	0,1	-16,3
KwaZulu-Natal	122	121	136	134	134	0	12	0,0	10,2
North West	43	60	62	62	61	-1	17	-1,8	39,8
Gauteng	32	34	31	31	33	2	1	7,7	3,3
Mpumalanga	94	91	96	76	101	25	7	32,3	6,9
Limpopo	158	148	138	124	141	17	-16	13,9	-10,4
Mining	435	406	438	417	381	-36	-54	-8,7	-12,4
Western Cape	4	4	4	4	3	-2	-1	-38,9	-36,4
Eastern Cape	1	1	1	1					
Northern Cape	23	23	27	28	26	-2	3	-7,4	12,9
Free State	23	24	24	17	20	3	-4	14,7	-15,8
KwaZulu-Natal	6	9	8	9	7	-2	1	-26,5	23,8
North West	147	133	130	136	122	-15	-25	-10,7	-17,0
Gauteng	72	61	65	50	50	0	-22	-0,7	-30,3
Mpumalanga	72	64	73	71	68	-4	-4	-5,0	-5,5
Limpopo	88	89	106	100	86	-14	-2	-13,6	-2,2
Manufacturing	1 744	1 719	1 766	1 780	1 789	9	45	0,5	2,6
Western Cape	339	297	325	346	357	11	19	3,2	5,5
Eastern Cape	127	118	123	113	119	6	-8	5,4	-6,0
Northern Cape	11	13	17	17	17	0	6	-1,0	51,7
Free State	58	65	71	77	62	-15	4	-19,1	7,1
KwaZulu-Natal	350	346	338	348	352	4	2	1,2	0,6
North West	49	54	55	75	72	-3	23	-4,2	47,0
Gauteng	612	627	637	620	627	7	15	1,2	2,5
Mpumalanga	117	120	109	97	101	4	-16	4,0	-13,6
Limpopo	80	79	91	86	81	-5	0	-6,1	0,1

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Utilities	161	156	134	150	151	1	-9	0,9	-5,8
Western Cape	10	13	10	10	11	1	1	12,0	12,7
Eastern Cape	4	3	2	5	4	-1	-1	-20,3	-17,1
Northern Cape	5	6	4	4	3	-1	-2	-19,9	-33,4
Free State	10	11	10	8	12	3	1	41,4	11,6
KwaZulu-Natal	17	14	9	10	12	2	-5	21,9	-31,2
North West	11	7	10	9	6	-3	-5	-36,4	-48,4
Gauteng	51	51	37	52	53	1	2	1,3	3,7
Mpumalanga	41	42	37	38	40	2	-1	4,5	-2,9
Limpopo	11	9	15	14	12	-3	1	-19,4	4,5
Construction	1 476	1 502	1 481	1 339	1 363	24	-113	1,8	-7,6
Western Cape	233	233	223	220	214	-6	-19	-2,7	-8,0
Eastern Cape	163	172	164	136	147	10	-16	7,7	-10,0
Northern Cape	24	25	24	18	16	-2	-7	-11,2	-30,4
Free State	51	64	58	56	60	4	9	6,6	16,7
KwaZulu-Natal	229	238	244	230	237	7	8	3,0	3,5
North West	94	79	87	65	70	5	-25	7,1	-26,2
Gauteng	419	413	430	375	382	7	-38	1,8	-9,0
Mpumalanga	112	115	106	101	109	9	-3	8,6	-2,4
Limpopo	150	163	146	137	128	-9	-22	-6,5	-14,5
Trade	3 219	3 305	3 320	3 345	3 429	84	210	2,5	6,5
Western Cape	511	501	486	506	518	13	8	2,5	1,5
Eastern Cape	301	309	281	265	294	29	-7	11,0	-2,4
Northern Cape	50	50	48	46	49	4	-1	7,8	-1,8
Free State	162	141	140	155	168	13	5	8,2	3,3
KwaZulu-Natal	466	511	521	534	556	22	90	4,1	19,4
North West	190	197	179	191	161	-30	-29	-15,9	-15,3
Gauteng	975	979	1 043	1 066	1 070	4	95	0,4	9,8
Mpumalanga	247	262	267	258	257	0	10	-0,2	4,2
Limpopo	318	354	354	325	355	30	38	9,4	11,8

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Transport	1 014	996	965	1 025	983	-42	-32	-4,1	-3,1
Western Cape	157	160	158	133	126	-7	-31	-5,1	-19,6
Eastern Cape	62	71	71	82	76	-6	14	-7,4	22,6
Northern Cape	11	14	11	14	9	-5	-2	-34,1	-16,8
Free State	41	35	40	42	37	-5	-4	-11,3	-9,8
KwaZulu-Natal	194	176	178	184	171	-13	-23	-7,1	-11,7
North West	34	33	32	45	38	-7	4	-16,3	10,3
Gauteng	405	389	358	389	386	-3	-19	-0,7	-4,7
Mpumalanga	58	67	60	69	66	-4	7	-5,3	12,5
Limpopo	51	51	56	66	73	7	22	11,1	43,1
Finance	2 399	2 502	2 611	2 516	2 495	-21	96	-0,8	4,0
Western Cape	423	456	469	444	455	12	33	2,6	7,7
Eastern Cape	137	132	148	127	147	20	10	15,6	7,0
Northern Cape	24	22	19	20	22	1	-3	7,2	-11,5
Free State	84	71	91	77	88	11	4	14,2	4,3
KwaZulu-Natal	327	347	369	335	347	11	19	3,4	5,9
North West	100	98	94	89	93	4	-7	4,1	-7,2
Gauteng	1 063	1 112	1 139	1 168	1 089	-79	26	-6,8	2,4
Mpumalanga	122	143	161	155	143	-12	22	-7,7	17,8
Limpopo	119	120	120	101	112	11	-7	10,7	-5,9
Community and social services	3 692	3 675	3 624	3 574	3 622	48	-70	1,3	-1,9
Western Cape	462	499	484	492	491	-1	29	-0,2	6,2
Eastern Cape	402	390	390	388	381	-7	-22	-1,9	-5,4
Northern Cape	105	100	104	109	101	-7	-3	-6,9	-3,3
Free State	202	197	219	198	210	12	8	5,8	4,0
KwaZulu-Natal	684	657	605	580	593	12	-92	2,1	-13,4
North West	231	241	237	212	227	15	-4	7,2	-1,7
Gauteng	1 040	1 017	1 029	1 026	1 020	-7	-20	-0,6	-1,9
Mpumalanga	238	227	229	240	248	7	9	3,1	3,9
Limpopo	327	347	329	328	352	24	25	7,4	7,6

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Private households	1 296	1 267	1 332	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5
Western Cape	161	147	148	139	140	0	-21	0,3	-13,1
Eastern Cape	108	104	118	107	124	17	16	15,8	14,8
Northern Cape	20	27	29	25	25	0	4	0,0	21,3
Free State	84	92	96	112	92	-20	9	-17,7	10,5
KwaZulu-Natal	225	217	239	232	226	-6	1	-2,8	0,5
North West	77	76	85	84	70	-14	-7	-17,2	-9,2
Gauteng	378	384	387	378	351	-27	-27	-7,2	-7,3
Mpumalanga	111	101	109	103	110	6	-1	6,1	-0,9
Limpopo	134	118	120	120	115	-5	-18	-4,2	-13,8

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Table 3.3: Employed by sector and industry – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Total employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Formal and informal sector (non-agricultural)	14 148	14 271	14 348	14 154	14 219	66	71	0,5	0,5
Mining	435	406	438	417	381	-36	-54	-8,7	-12,4
Manufacturing	1 744	1 719	1 766	1 780	1 789	9	45	0,5	2,6
Utilities	161	156	134	150	151	1	-9	0,9	-5,8
Construction	1 476	1 502	1 481	1 339	1 363	24	-113	1,8	-7,6
Trade	3 219	3 305	3 320	3 345	3 429	84	210	2,5	6,5
Transport	1 014	996	965	1 025	983	-42	-32	-4,1	-3,1
Finance	2 399	2 502	2 611	2 516	2 495	-21	96	-0,8	4,0
Community and social services	3 692	3 675	3 624	3 574	3 622	48	-70	1,3	-1,9
Other	8	11	9	7	6	-2	-2	-20,8	-24,0
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	11 320	11 255	11 346	11 220	11 172	-49	-148	-0,4	-1,3
Mining	427	400	432	412	376	-36	-51	-8,8	-12,0
Manufacturing	1 529	1 500	1 529	1 545	1 563	18	34	1,2	2,2
Utilities	155	152	134	142	148	6	-8	4,1	-5,0
Construction	982	961	937	885	866	-20	-116	-2,2	-11,8
Trade	2 138	2 149	2 128	2 167	2 156	-11	18	-0,5	0,9
Transport	745	721	690	704	680	-24	-65	-3,4	-8,7
Finance	2 143	2 178	2 351	2 256	2 248	-8	105	-0,3	4,9
Community and social services	3 192	3 182	3 137	3 102	3 130	28	-62	0,9	-2,0
Other	8	11	9	7	5	-2	-3	-32,7	-35,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 828	3 017	3 001	2 933	3 048	114	219	3,9	7,8
Mining	8	6	6	5	5	0	-3	-5,6	-34,7
Manufacturing	215	218	237	235	226	-9	11	-3,9	5,4
Utilities	5	4		8	4	-4	-2	-53,4	-28,2
Construction	493	541	544	453	497	44	4	9,6	0,7
Trade	1 081	1 156	1 191	1 177	1 272	95	191	8,1	17,7
Transport	270	275	276	321	303	-18	33	-5,7	12,3
Finance	257	323	259	261	247	-13	-9	-5,2	-3,7
Community and social services	500	493	488	472	492	20	-8	4,3	-1,5
Other					1				
Agriculture	843	842	849	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2
Private households	1 296	1 267	1 332	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
South Africa	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	11 320	11 255	11 346	11 220	11 172	-49	-148	-0,4	-1,3
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 828	3 017	3 001	2 933	3 048	114	219	3,9	7,8
Agriculture	843	842	849	837	842	5	-1	0,6	-0,2
Private households	1 296	1 267	1 332	1 301	1 251	-49	-45	-3,8	-3,5
Western Cape	2 480	2 494	2 520	2 520	2 497	-22	18	-0,9	0,7
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 856	1 883	1 867	1 869	1 848	-21	-8	-1,1	-0,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	282	281	293	286	328	42	46	14,6	16,4
Agriculture	181	183	213	225	182	-44	1	-19,3	0,3
Private households	161	147	148	139	140	0	-21	0,3	-13,1
Western Cape – Non-metro	875	888	924	936	909	-27	33	-2,9	3,8
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	557	564	545	566	568	2	11	0,3	2,0
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	98	102	120	99	117	18	19	17,9	19,2
Agriculture	160	163	191	209	164	-45	5	-21,4	3,1
Private households	61	59	68	61	59	-2	-2	-3,7	-2,5
Western Cape – City of Cape Town	1 604	1 606	1 597	1 584	1 589	5	-16	0,3	-1,0
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 299	1 319	1 321	1 303	1 280	-23	-19	-1,7	-1,5
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	184	179	173	187	211	24	27	12,9	14,9
Agriculture	22	21	22	16	17	1	-4	7,2	-20,4
Private households	100	87	81	78	81	3	-19	3,4	-19,5
Eastern Cape	1 402	1 390	1 375	1 308	1 388	80	-15	6,1	-1,0
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	884	859	882	810	838	29	-46	3,5	-5,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	314	339	297	307	329	22	15	7,1	4,8
Agriculture	97	88	78	84	97	13	0	15,2	0,1
Private households	108	104	118	107	124	17	16	15,8	14,8

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	
Eastern Cape – Non-metro	799	794	778	732	810	78	11	10,7	1,4	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	438	418	432	403	429	26	-10	6,5	-2,2	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	203	224	204	194	224	30	21	15,7	10,4	
Agriculture	91	87	69	72	87	14	-4	19,8	-4,5	
Private households	67	64	74	63	71	8	4	12,0	5,6	
Eastern Cape – Buffalo City	244	247	233	239	240	0	-4	0,1	-1,6	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	176	181	167	164	164	0	-11	0,1	-6,5	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	52	49	45	53	48	-5	-4	-9,9	-7,7	
Agriculture	3	1	3	4	6	1	3	27,8	87,3	
Private households	13	16	17	18	22	4	9	23,0	69,5	
Eastern Cape – Nelson Mandela Bay	360	348	364	336	338	2	-22	0,5	-6,1	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	270	259	283	243	245	2	-25	1,0	-9,1	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	59	66	48	60	56	-3	-2	-5,5	-3,6	
Agriculture	3		5	7	5	-3	2	-36,4	53,5	
Private households	28	23	27	26	31	5	3	20,3	11,9	
Northern Cape	317	323	322	321	301	-20	-16	-6,2	-5,1	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	226	226	217	218	204	-13	-21	-6,1	-9,4	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	27	27	36	38	39	1	12	2,5	44,9	
Agriculture	44	42	39	41	33	-8	-11	-18,5	-25,8	
Private households	20	27	29	25	25	0	4	0,0	21,3	
Free State	788	774	806	803	808	6	20	0,7	2,6	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	483	474	519	488	511	23	28	4,6	5,7	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	150	133	134	143	146	3	-4	1,9	-3,0	
Agriculture	71	74	57	60	60	0	-12	0,1	-16,3	
Private households	84	92	96	112	92	-20	9	-17,7	10,5	

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Free State – Non-metro	526	517	541	541	533	-7	7	-1,3	1,3
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	302	299	325	305	312	7	10	2,2	3,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	101	87	88	97	97	1	-4	0,8	-3,9
Agriculture	70	71	55	56	57	2	-13	2,9	-18,9
Private households	53	61	73	83	67	-16	14	-19,5	26,6
Free State – Mangaung	262	257	265	262	275	13	13	4,9	5,1
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	181	175	194	183	199	16	17	8,8	9,6
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	49	47	45	46	48	2	0	4,2	-1,0
Agriculture	1	3	2	4	2	-2	2	-39,0	234,0
Private households	31	32	24	29	25	-4	-5	-12,7	-17,3
KwaZulu-Natal	2 620	2 635	2 648	2 598	2 635	37	15	1,4	0,6
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 816	1 816	1 768	1 759	1 782	23	-34	1,3	-1,9
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	457	480	505	472	493	21	36	4,4	7,9
Agriculture	122	121	136	134	134	0	12	0,0	10,2
Private households	225	217	239	232	226	-6	1	-2,8	0,5
KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro	1 397	1 424	1 469	1 438	1 475	37	78	2,6	5,6
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	867	886	882	887	922	35	55	3,9	6,3
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	302	316	332	304	309	5	8	1,7	2,5
Agriculture	119	116	130	128	127	-1	8	-1,1	6,8
Private households	110	106	125	118	117	-1	7	-0,9	6,8
KwaZulu-Natal – eThekweni	1 222	1 211	1 179	1 160	1 159	-1	-63	0,0	-5,2
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	949	931	885	872	860	-12	-89	-1,4	-9,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	155	164	174	168	184	16	28	9,3	18,3
Agriculture	3	5	6	6	7	1	4	22,1	145,0
Private households	115	111	114	114	109	-5	-6	-4,7	-5,6

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
North West	977	979	973	970	918	-52	-59	-5,4	-6,1
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	692	692	682	655	656	1	-36	0,2	-5,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	165	150	144	169	132	-38	-33	-22,3	-20,2
Agriculture	43	60	62	62	61	-1	17	-1,8	39,8
Private households	77	76	85	84	70	-14	-7	-17,2	-9,2
Gauteng	5 055	5 077	5 163	5 162	5 066	-96	11	-1,9	0,2
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3 889	3 830	3 883	3 925	3 844	-82	-45	-2,1	-1,2
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	756	829	862	827	838	11	82	1,3	10,9
Agriculture	32	34	31	31	33	2	1	7,7	3,3
Private households	378	384	387	378	351	-27	-27	-7,2	-7,3
Gauteng – Non-metro	611	608	590	580	580	0	-31	0,0	-5,1
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	430	418	395	406	416	10	-14	2,4	-3,3
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	104	118	126	104	100	-4	-4	-3,8	-4,0
Agriculture	19	12	14	16	14	-2	-6	-12,1	-28,8
Private households	58	61	55	54	51	-4	-7	-6,9	-12,9
Gauteng – Ekurhuleni	1 213	1 245	1 268	1 295	1 299	5	86	0,4	7,1
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	965	1 001	1 029	1 054	1 011	-43	46	-4,1	4,8
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	161	168	167	170	212	42	51	24,7	31,8
Agriculture	4	5	4	6	6	0	1	-6,5	34,2
Private households	83	71	68	64	71	6	-12	10,0	-14,8
Gauteng – City of Johannesburg	2 019	1 999	2 029	2 008	1 950	-58	-70	-2,9	-3,4
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 494	1 445	1 426	1 399	1 389	-10	-104	-0,7	-7,0
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	365	395	415	421	386	-35	21	-8,3	5,8
Agriculture	1	4	2	3	3	-1	1	-17,7	99,0
Private households	160	156	186	184	172	-12	12	-6,7	7,7

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	Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent		
Gauteng – City of Tshwane	1 211	1 225	1 277	1 279	1 237	-43	26	-3,3	2,1	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 000	966	1 033	1 066	1 028	-38	28	-3,6	2,8	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	126	148	154	132	140	7	14	5,6	11,1	
Agriculture	7	14	11	6	11	5	4	86,9	52,6	
Private households	78	97	79	75	58	-17	-20	-23,3	-25,8	
Mpumalanga	1 212	1 231	1 245	1 209	1 243	34	31	2,8	2,6	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	734	720	736	726	718	-8	-16	-1,1	-2,1	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	273	319	305	304	315	11	41	3,5	15,1	
Agriculture	94	91	96	76	101	25	7	32,3	6,9	
Private households	111	101	109	103	110	6	-1	6,1	-0,9	
Limpopo	1 436	1 478	1 477	1 401	1 456	55	20	3,9	1,4	
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	741	754	793	771	771	0	30	-0,1	4,1	
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	404	457	425	386	428	43	24	11,1	5,9	
Agriculture	158	148	138	124	141	17	-16	13,9	-10,4	
Private households	134	118	120	120	115	-5	-18	-4,2	-13,8	

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Table 3.5: Employed by sex and occupation – South Africa

	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Both sexes	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Manager	1 416	1 431	1 444	1 463	1 528	64	112	4,4	7,9
Professional	878	948	878	884	840	-44	-38	-5,0	-4,3
Technician	1 448	1 399	1 474	1 448	1 436	-12	-11	-0,8	-0,8
Clerk	1 704	1 689	1 704	1 679	1 708	29	4	1,7	0,2
Sales and services	2 635	2 653	2 687	2 667	2 687	20	53	0,7	2,0
Skilled agriculture	64	58	66	47	54	7	-10	14,3	-15,4
Craft and related trade	2 007	2 018	2 073	1 972	1 957	-15	-50	-0,7	-2,5
Plant and machine operator	1 364	1 382	1 394	1 380	1 386	6	22	0,5	1,6
Elementary	3 775	3 814	3 780	3 737	3 721	-16	-55	-0,4	-1,5
Domestic worker	996	984	1 029	1 013	995	-19	-2	-1,8	-0,2
Women	7 134	7 225	7 250	7 192	7 133	-59	-1	-0,8	0,0
Manager	449	446	428	415	469	54	20	13,0	4,4
Professional	428	495	471	479	441	-38	13	-7,9	3,1
Technician	800	754	784	779	763	-17	-37	-2,1	-4,6
Clerk	1 235	1 241	1 227	1 222	1 229	7	-6	0,6	-0,5
Sales and services	1 265	1 346	1 362	1 329	1 286	-43	21	-3,2	1,7
Skilled agriculture	16	11	14	7	8	1	-8	15,9	-52,1
Craft and related trade	220	204	202	229	226	-4	6	-1,6	2,7
Plant and machine operator	183	176	180	189	171	-19	-12	-9,8	-6,6
Elementary	1 572	1 600	1 584	1 567	1 588	20	16	1,3	1,0
Domestic worker	966	952	997	974	953	-20	-13	-2,1	-1,3
Men	9 154	9 156	9 279	9 100	9 180	80	26	0,9	0,3
Manager	967	985	1 016	1 049	1 059	10	92	1,0	9,5
Professional	450	453	407	404	398	-6	-51	-1,5	-11,4
Technician	648	645	690	669	674	5	26	0,8	4,0
Clerk	469	448	477	457	479	22	10	4,8	2,1
Sales and services	1 370	1 307	1 326	1 339	1 401	63	32	4,7	2,3
Skilled agriculture	47	48	51	40	46	6	-1	14,1	-3,0
Craft and related trade	1 787	1 814	1 871	1 742	1 731	-11	-56	-0,6	-3,1
Plant and machine operator	1 181	1 205	1 214	1 191	1 215	25	35	2,1	2,9
Elementary	2 204	2 215	2 196	2 169	2 133	-36	-71	-1,7	-3,2
Domestic worker	30	31	32	39	41	2	11	4,3	35,8

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Table 3.6: Employed by sex and status in employment – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent	
Both sexes	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Employee	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Employer	785	839	882	832	901	69	117	8,3	14,9
Own-account worker	1 549	1 607	1 570	1 617	1 657	39	107	2,4	6,9
Unpaid household member	94	93	85	107	102	-5	8	-4,7	8,2
Women	7 134	7 225	7 250	7 192	7 133	-59	-1	-0,8	0,0
Employee	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Employer	147	166	172	150	182	33	36	21,7	24,2
Own-account worker	629	671	652	674	698	24	69	3,5	11,0
Unpaid household member	53	66	65	80	70	-10	16	-12,9	30,4
Men	9 154	9 156	9 279	9 100	9 180	80	26	0,9	0,3
Employee	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Employer	638	673	710	682	719	37	81	5,4	12,7
Own-account worker	921	936	918	943	959	15	38	1,6	4,1
Unpaid household member	41	27	19	27	32	5	-8	19,4	-20,9

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Table 3.7: Employed by sex and usual hours of work – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Both sexes	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Working less than 15 hours per week	342	374	359	337	345	8	4	2,5	1,1
Working 15–29 hours per week	1 082	1 126	1 215	1 195	1 141	-54	59	-4,5	5,4
Working 30–39 hours per week	1 101	1 126	1 104	1 091	1 119	28	17	2,5	1,6
Working 40–45 hours per week	9 156	8 940	9 111	9 048	8 897	-151	-259	-1,7	-2,8
Working more than 45 hours per week	4 606	4 814	4 740	4 620	4 811	191	204	4,1	4,4
Women	7 134	7 225	7 250	7 192	7 133	-59	-1	-0,8	0,0
Working less than 15 hours per week	202	225	200	186	214	29	13	15,4	6,3
Working 15–29 hours per week	692	729	774	754	725	-29	33	-3,9	4,8
Working 30–39 hours per week	652	677	654	694	685	-9	33	-1,3	5,1
Working 40–45 hours per week	4 038	3 949	3 981	4 028	3 907	-120	-130	-3,0	-3,2
Working more than 45 hours per week	1 550	1 645	1 640	1 530	1 601	71	51	4,7	3,3
Men	9 154	9 156	9 279	9 100	9 180	80	26	0,9	0,3
Working less than 15 hours per week	140	149	159	151	131	-20	-9	-13,4	-6,4
Working 15–29 hours per week	390	398	441	441	416	-25	26	-5,6	6,6
Working 30–39 hours per week	449	449	450	397	434	37	-16	9,3	-3,5
Working 40–45 hours per week	5 119	4 991	5 130	5 021	4 990	-31	-129	-0,6	-2,5
Working more than 45 hours per week	3 056	3 169	3 100	3 090	3 209	119	153	3,9	5,0

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent	
Pension/retirement fund contribution									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	6 673	6 465	6 563	6 588	6 597	9	-76	0,1	-1,1
No	6 950	7 119	7 138	6 884	6 758	-126	-193	-1,8	-2,8
Don't know	237	256	290	264	299	35	62	13,1	26,2
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	2 862	2 769	2 795	2 783	2 828	44	-34	1,6	-1,2
No	3 346	3 444	3 436	3 402	3 247	-154	-99	-4,5	-3,0
Don't know	97	109	130	103	108	5	12	5,2	12,0
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	3 811	3 697	3 769	3 804	3 769	-35	-42	-0,9	-1,1
No	3 604	3 675	3 703	3 482	3 510	29	-94	0,8	-2,6
Don't know	140	148	160	161	190	29	50	18,2	36,0
Entitled to any paid leave									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	9 153	9 115	9 291	9 188	9 113	-75	-40	-0,8	-0,4
No	4 576	4 605	4 553	4 438	4 395	-43	-180	-1,0	-3,9
Don't know	131	121	147	109	145	36	14	33,2	10,3
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	4 072	4 037	4 098	4 055	4 039	-15	-32	-0,4	-0,8
No	2 176	2 235	2 194	2 186	2 094	-92	-81	-4,2	-3,7
Don't know	58	49	68	48	50	2	-8	4,3	-13,9
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	5 081	5 078	5 194	5 134	5 074	-60	-8	-1,2	-0,2
No	2 400	2 370	2 358	2 252	2 301	49	-99	2,2	-4,1
Don't know	74	71	79	61	95	34	22	55,6	29,2

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Entitled to paid sick leave									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	9 730	9 654	9 820	9 849	9 695	-155	-35	-1,6	-0,4
No	4 130	4 187	4 172	3 886	3 958	72	-172	1,9	-4,2
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	4 344	4 286	4 380	4 358	4 316	-41	-27	-0,9	-0,6
No	1 961	2 035	1 981	1 931	1 867	-63	-94	-3,3	-4,8
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	5 386	5 368	5 440	5 492	5 378	-113	-8	-2,1	-0,1
No	2 169	2 152	2 191	1 955	2 091	136	-78	6,9	-3,6
Entitled to maternity/paternity leave									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	7 870	7 884	8 056	8 029	7 805	-223	-64	-2,8	-0,8
No	5 990	5 957	5 935	5 706	5 848	141	-142	2,5	-2,4
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	3 660	3 685	3 726	3 713	3 656	-57	-4	-1,5	-0,1
No	2 645	2 637	2 634	2 575	2 528	-48	-118	-1,8	-4,4
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	4 210	4 199	4 330	4 316	4 150	-166	-60	-3,9	-1,4
No	3 345	3 320	3 301	3 131	3 320	189	-25	6,0	-0,7

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
UIF contribution									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	8 355	8 327	8 470	8 418	8 303	-115	-52	-1,4	-0,6
No	5 300	5 286	5 282	5 048	5 060	12	-240	0,2	-4,5
Don't know	205	229	240	269	291	21	86	8,0	41,7
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	3 574	3 529	3 561	3 550	3 476	-74	-98	-2,1	-2,7
No	2 638	2 696	2 690	2 615	2 574	-41	-64	-1,6	-2,4
Don't know	93	97	109	123	134	11	40	8,7	43,5
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	4 781	4 798	4 909	4 868	4 827	-41	46	-0,8	1,0
No	2 662	2 590	2 592	2 433	2 486	53	-177	2,2	-6,6
Don't know	112	132	131	146	157	11	45	7,4	40,3
Medical aid benefits									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	4 111	4 046	4 078	4 007	4 076	69	-35	1,7	-0,8
No	9 632	9 677	9 775	9 582	9 420	-162	-212	-1,7	-2,2
Don't know	117	117	138	146	157	10	40	7,1	34,1
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	1 800	1 775	1 767	1 725	1 807	82	7	4,8	0,4
No	4 457	4 495	4 536	4 506	4 306	-200	-152	-4,4	-3,4
Don't know	48	52	57	57	71	13	23	23,1	48,1
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	2 310	2 272	2 311	2 282	2 269	-13	-42	-0,6	-1,8
No	5 175	5 182	5 239	5 077	5 115	38	-60	0,7	-1,2
Don't know	69	65	81	89	86	-3	17	-3,2	24,4

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
Income tax (PAYE/SITE) deduction									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	7 661	7 428	7 530	7 488	7 407	-81	-254	-1,1	-3,3
No	5 944	6 114	6 161	5 935	5 882	-52	-61	-0,9	-1,0
Don't know	255	298	301	313	364	51	108	16,3	42,5
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	3 268	3 154	3 198	3 192	3 151	-40	-117	-1,3	-3,6
No	2 936	3 050	3 044	2 980	2 885	-94	-51	-3,2	-1,7
Don't know	101	118	119	117	146	30	46	25,2	45,5
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	4 393	4 275	4 332	4 296	4 256	-41	-137	-0,9	-3,1
No	3 007	3 064	3 117	2 955	2 997	42	-11	1,4	-0,4
Don't know	155	181	183	196	217	21	63	10,9	40,5
Condition of employment									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Written contract	11 139	11 061	11 161	11 092	10 900	-192	-239	-1,7	-2,1
Verbal agreement	2 721	2 779	2 831	2 643	2 753	110	33	4,2	1,2
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Written contract	5 080	5 047	5 075	5 041	4 951	-90	-129	-1,8	-2,5
Verbal agreement	1 225	1 275	1 286	1 247	1 232	-15	7	-1,2	0,6
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Written contract	6 059	6 014	6 086	6 051	5 948	-103	-110	-1,7	-1,8
Verbal agreement	1 496	1 505	1 545	1 396	1 521	125	25	9,0	1,7

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent	
Nature of contract/agreement (both sexes)									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Limited duration	1 858	1 827	1 961	1 812	1 826	14	-32	0,8	-1,7
Permanent nature	8 428	8 407	8 504	8 480	8 403	-77	-25	-0,9	-0,3
Unspecified duration	3 574	3 607	3 526	3 443	3 424	-19	-150	-0,6	-4,2
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Limited duration	965	960	1 001	950	939	-11	-26	-1,2	-2,7
Permanent nature	3 737	3 694	3 753	3 700	3 719	19	-18	0,5	-0,5
Unspecified duration	1 603	1 668	1 606	1 638	1 526	-112	-77	-6,8	-4,8
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Limited duration	894	867	959	862	887	25	-7	2,9	-0,8
Permanent nature	4 691	4 713	4 752	4 780	4 684	-96	-7	-2,0	-0,1
Unspecified duration	1 971	1 939	1 920	1 805	1 899	94	-72	5,2	-3,7
Trade union membership (both sexes)									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Yes	4 150	4 062	4 041	3 978	3 931	-47	-219	-1,2	-5,3
No	9 336	9 389	9 587	9 329	9 250	-79	-86	-0,8	-0,9
Don't know	374	390	363	429	472	43	98	10,0	26,2
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Yes	1 787	1 685	1 707	1 715	1 703	-12	-84	-0,7	-4,7
No	4 375	4 477	4 506	4 401	4 299	-102	-76	-2,3	-1,7
Don't know	143	159	147	173	182	9	39	5,2	27,3
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Yes	2 362	2 377	2 334	2 263	2 228	-35	-134	-1,5	-5,7
No	4 961	4 912	5 081	4 928	4 951	23	-10	0,5	-0,2
Don't know	232	230	216	256	290	34	58	13,3	25,0

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Per cent	Per cent	
How annual salary increment is negotiated									
Both sexes	13 860	13 841	13 992	13 735	13 653	-82	-207	-0,6	-1,5
Individual and employer	1 098	1 035	1 176	1 176	1 220	44	122	3,7	11,1
Union and employer	3 141	3 156	3 102	3 064	2 973	-91	-168	-3,0	-5,3
Bargaining council	1 119	1 025	1 069	1 057	1 112	55	-7	5,2	-0,6
Employer only	7 570	7 651	7 592	7 449	7 383	-66	-187	-0,9	-2,5
No regular increment	864	904	964	920	853	-67	-11	-7,3	-1,3
Other	68	70	89	70	113	43	45	61,4	66,2
Women	6 305	6 322	6 360	6 288	6 183	-105	-122	-1,7	-1,9
Individual and employer	443	450	520	502	533	31	90	6,2	20,3
Union and employer	1 314	1 250	1 232	1 268	1 207	-61	-107	-4,8	-8,1
Bargaining council	551	523	555	547	587	40	36	7,3	6,5
Employer only	3 557	3 628	3 564	3 539	3 420	-119	-137	-3,4	-3,9
No regular increment	413	442	459	410	386	-24	-27	-5,9	-6,5
Other	28	28	31	23	50	27	22	117,4	78,6
Men	7 555	7 519	7 631	7 447	7 470	23	-85	0,3	-1,1
Individual and employer	655	585	656	674	686	12	31	1,8	4,7
Union and employer	1 828	1 906	1 870	1 796	1 766	-30	-62	-1,7	-3,4
Bargaining council	568	502	514	510	524	14	-44	2,7	-7,7
Employer only	4 013	4 023	4 028	3 910	3 963	53	-50	1,4	-1,2
No regular increment	451	462	505	510	467	-43	16	-8,4	3,5
Other	40	42	58	47	63	16	23	34,0	57,5

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Table 3.9: Time-related underemployment – South Africa										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Both sexes	735	783	754	786	738	-47	3	-6,0	0,5	
Women	418	461	443	453	436	-17	18	-3,7	4,4	
Men	317	323	311	333	302	-31	-15	-9,2	-4,8	
As percentage of the labour force (both sexes)	3,3	3,5	3,3	3,5	3,2	-0,3	-0,1			
Women	4,1	4,5	4,3	4,5	4,2	-0,3	0,1			
Men	2,6	2,6	2,5	2,7	2,4	-0,3	-0,2			
As percentage of total employment (both sexes)	4,5	4,8	4,6	4,8	4,5	-0,3	0,0			
Women	5,9	6,4	6,1	6,3	6,1	-0,2	0,2			
Men	3,5	3,5	3,4	3,7	3,3	-0,4	-0,2			
Industry	735	783	754	786	738	-47	3	-6,0	0,5	
Agriculture	21	27	25	24	23	-1	2	-6,1	7,2	
Mining	0			2						
Manufacturing	34	38	29	31	33	2	-1	6,0	-3,9	
Utilities	2	2								
Construction	73	91	88	83	72	-11	-1	-13,6	-1,1	
Trade	120	124	112	121	123	2	3	1,8	2,7	
Transport	13	24	22	18	25	6	12	32,8	92,2	
Finance	54	52	53	63	61	-3	6	-4,2	11,9	
Community and social services	184	197	177	193	174	-18	-9	-9,5	-5,0	
Private households	234	228	247	250	228	-22	-6	-8,8	-2,7	
Occupation	735	783	754	786	738	-47	3	-6,0	0,5	
Manager	12	18	15	15	16	1	3	4,3	27,7	
Professional	7	7	8	7	6	-1	-1	-13,4	-15,7	
Technician	33	31	28	43	31	-12	-2	-27,6	-6,3	
Clerk	22	22	25	19	20	2	-2	9,5	-8,1	
Sales and services	86	83	72	89	81	-9	-5	-9,5	-6,2	
Skilled agriculture	2	2	3	3	1	-3	-2	-80,7	-72,3	
Craft and related trade	70	81	85	81	72	-9	2	-10,7	2,7	
Plant and machine operator	17	26	25	24	28	4	11	17,1	68,1	
Elementary	333	355	324	343	318	-25	-15	-7,2	-4,6	
Domestic worker	151	159	168	162	165	3	14	2,1	9,1	

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Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
Job losers	1 973	1 939	1 805	1 945	2 050	105	77	5,4	3,9
Job leavers	277	316	308	296	306	9	28	3,1	10,2
New entrants	2 358	2 518	2 572	2 452	2 590	138	232	5,6	9,8
Re-entrants	267	260	267	308	330	22	63	7,1	23,4
Other	1 207	1 176	1 188	1 199	1 380	181	173	15,1	14,4
Unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
Long-term unemployment (1 year and more)	4 185	4 272	4 363	4 278	4 757	480	573	11,2	13,7
Short-term unemployment (less than 1 year)	1 898	1 937	1 776	1 923	1 898	-25	0	-1,3	0,0
Long-term unemployment (%)									
Proportion of the labour force	18,7	18,9	19,2	19,0	20,7	1,7	2,0		
Proportion of the unemployed	68,8	68,8	71,1	69,0	71,5	2,5	2,7		
Those who have worked in the past 5 years									
Previous occupation	2 518	2 515	2 379	2 549	2 685	136	167	5,3	6,6
Manager	70	67	65	56	69	14	0	24,5	-0,5
Professional	38	53	48	57	47	-10	9	-18,2	23,4
Technician	132	124	124	118	149	32	18	26,9	13,6
Clerk	282	259	253	304	301	-3	19	-1,0	6,7
Sales and services	424	443	388	424	453	29	28	6,7	6,7
Skilled agriculture	6	5	6	6	10	4	4	72,1	72,6
Craft and related trade	419	428	393	423	431	9	12	2,1	2,9
Plant and machine operator	179	179	192	212	216	4	37	2,1	20,7
Elementary	763	807	741	783	830	46	67	5,9	8,8
Domestic worker	201	151	169	167	179	12	-22	6,9	-11,0
Other	4	1	1						

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Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Previous industry	2 518	2 515	2 379	2 549	2 685	136	167	5,3	6,6
Agriculture	148	139	115	124	150	26	3	21,2	1,8
Mining	49	62	47	52	45	-6	-3	-12,3	-6,6
Manufacturing	260	266	245	254	321	67	61	26,4	23,5
Utilities	22	21	12	16	15	-1	-7	-7,7	-31,8
Construction	438	428	399	451	444	-7	5	-1,6	1,2
Trade	556	598	576	575	604	29	48	5,1	8,7
Transport	117	117	115	139	130	-9	12	-6,6	10,6
Finance	365	345	327	366	360	-6	-5	-1,7	-1,4
Community and social services	324	327	319	342	371	29	47	8,6	14,5
Private households	236	212	223	231	245	14	9	5,9	3,8
Other	3	1							

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Table 5: Characteristics of the not economically active – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0
Student	6 219	6 250	6 286	6 135	6 278	143	59	2,3	1,0
Homemaker	2 577	2 561	2 540	2 602	2 516	-86	-61	-3,3	-2,4
Illness/disability	1 502	1 570	1 581	1 640	1 554	-85	53	-5,2	3,5
Too old/young to work	1 456	1 407	1 466	1 543	1 501	-42	45	-2,7	3,1
Discouraged work-seekers	2 864	2 733	2 841	2 997	2 749	-248	-115	-8,3	-4,0
Other	845	875	752	874	867	-7	22	-0,8	2,6
Inactivity rate by age (both sexes)	40,9	40,5	40,6	41,2	40,2	-1,0	-0,7		
15–24 yrs	74,9	74,2	74,9	75,2	74,0	-1,2	-0,9		
25–54 yrs	23,8	23,6	23,4	24,3	23,5	-0,8	-0,3		
55–64 yrs	54,9	55,1	55,0	56,3	54,7	-1,6	-0,2		
Inactivity rate by age (women)	47,1	46,7	46,7	47,4	46,5	-0,9	-0,6		
15–24 yrs	78,0	77,2	77,2	77,8	76,6	-1,2	-1,4		
25–54 yrs	31,0	30,6	30,8	31,5	30,9	-0,6	-0,1		
55–64 yrs	62,3	62,7	62,4	63,9	62,5	-1,4	0,2		
Inactivity rate by age (men)	34,5	34,3	34,3	35,0	33,8	-1,2	-0,7		
15–24 yrs	71,8	71,1	72,6	72,6	71,4	-1,2	-0,4		
25–54 yrs	16,6	16,6	16,1	17,1	16,2	-0,9	-0,4		
55–64 yrs	45,7	45,8	46,0	46,8	45,2	-1,6	-0,5		

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Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Age group of the employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
15–24 yrs	1 200	1 257	1 173	1 143	1 168	24	-32	2,1	-2,7
25–34 yrs	4 869	4 890	4 965	4 851	4 797	-55	-72	-1,1	-1,5
35–44 yrs	5 147	5 100	5 147	5 090	5 088	-3	-59	-0,1	-1,1
45–54 yrs	3 511	3 570	3 671	3 666	3 661	-5	150	-0,1	4,3
55–64 yrs	1 561	1 564	1 573	1 540	1 599	59	38	3,8	2,4
Age group of the unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
15–24 yrs	1 390	1 408	1 417	1 409	1 511	101	121	7,2	8,7
25–34 yrs	2 466	2 514	2 450	2 524	2 655	131	189	5,2	7,7
35–44 yrs	1 390	1 435	1 449	1 414	1 545	130	155	9,2	11,1
45–54 yrs	669	683	648	679	758	79	89	11,6	13,3
55–64 yrs	168	170	176	174	187	14	19	7,9	11,4
Age group of the not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0
15–24 yrs	7 721	7 644	7 712	7 745	7 614	-131	-107	-1,7	-1,4
25–34 yrs	2 593	2 559	2 584	2 659	2 619	-41	26	-1,5	1,0
35–44 yrs	1 562	1 602	1 580	1 710	1 622	-89	60	-5,2	3,8
45–54 yrs	1 483	1 463	1 449	1 473	1 451	-21	-32	-1,5	-2,2
55–64 yrs	2 102	2 127	2 140	2 203	2 159	-44	57	-2,0	2,7
Highest level of education of the employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
No schooling	296	286	312	303	295	-9	-1	-2,9	-0,5
Less than primary completed	1 006	987	947	913	961	48	-46	5,2	-4,5
Primary completed	590	626	643	652	624	-28	35	-4,2	5,9
Secondary not completed	5 470	5 572	5 553	5 363	5 361	-2	-109	0,0	-2,0
Secondary completed	5 338	5 245	5 410	5 325	5 347	22	9	0,4	0,2
Tertiary	3 418	3 478	3 473	3 533	3 511	-21	93	-0,6	2,7
Other	170	187	190	202	214	12	44	5,9	26,1

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Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Highest level of education of the unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
No schooling	67	77	67	75	80	5	13	7,1	20,0
Less than primary completed	326	319	355	337	353	16	28	4,7	8,6
Primary completed	225	231	222	237	270	32	45	13,6	19,9
Secondary not completed	2 818	2 863	2 868	2 825	3 102	277	284	9,8	10,1
Secondary completed	2 110	2 181	2 102	2 142	2 224	82	114	3,8	5,4
Tertiary	504	504	482	547	596	49	92	9,0	18,3
Other	34	34	43	37	30	-7	-4	-17,8	-11,0
Highest level of education of the not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0
No schooling	621	602	582	616	575	-41	-46	-6,7	-7,4
Less than primary completed	1 502	1 534	1 477	1 387	1 396	9	-106	0,7	-7,1
Primary completed	903	956	1 008	899	934	35	30	3,9	3,4
Secondary not completed	8 236	8 234	8 319	8 280	8 142	-139	-94	-1,7	-1,1
Secondary completed	3 450	3 327	3 321	3 790	3 616	-174	166	-4,6	4,8
Tertiary	590	596	588	662	647	-15	57	-2,3	9,7
Other	159	147	172	156	155	0	-4	-0,2	-2,5
Employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Attending educational institution	316	359	351	326	350	24	34	7,4	10,7
Not attending educational institution	15 972	16 021	16 178	15 965	15 963	-3	-9	0,0	-0,1
Unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
Attending educational institution	116	126	112	108	124	16	9	14,6	7,5
Not attending educational institution	5 967	6 084	6 027	6 092	6 531	439	564	7,2	9,5
Not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0
Attending educational institution	6 171	6 155	6 215	6 015	6 126	111	-44	1,8	-0,7
Not attending educational institution	9 291	9 240	9 251	9 775	9 339	-437	48	-4,5	0,5

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Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Current marital status of the employed	16 288	16 380	16 529	16 291	16 313	21	25	0,1	0,2
Married	6 274	6 201	6 292	6 238	6 283	45	9	0,7	0,1
Living together like husband and wife	2 047	2 075	2 091	2 032	2 047	15	0	0,7	0,0
Widow/widower	459	497	487	488	487	-2	28	-0,3	6,1
Divorced or separated	500	506	512	510	523	13	24	2,6	4,7
Never married	7 008	7 101	7 148	7 024	6 973	-50	-35	-0,7	-0,5
Current marital status of the unemployed	6 083	6 209	6 139	6 201	6 655	455	573	7,3	9,4
Married	911	908	932	943	1 039	96	128	10,2	14,0
Living together like husband and wife	674	751	673	697	731	35	57	5,0	8,4
Widow/widower	87	81	79	83	86	3	-1	3,5	-1,5
Divorced or separated	105	100	87	87	92	5	-13	6,0	-12,4
Never married	4 305	4 369	4 368	4 392	4 708	315	403	7,2	9,4
Current marital status of the not economically active	15 462	15 395	15 466	15 791	15 465	-326	3	-2,1	0,0
Married	2 738	2 745	2 754	2 798	2 737	-61	-2	-2,2	-0,1
Living together like husband and wife	865	860	830	866	798	-68	-67	-7,8	-7,8
Widow/widower	614	625	661	634	572	-62	-42	-9,8	-6,9
Divorced or separated	219	233	245	253	254	1	35	0,6	15,8
Never married	11 025	10 932	10 975	11 241	11 105	-136	80	-1,2	0,7

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Table 7: Profile of those not in employment, education or training – South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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
Both sexes	15 258	15 324	15 278	15 868	15 870	2	612	0,0	4,0
Women	8 839	8 812	8 836	9 048	9 086	39	247	0,4	2,8
Men	6 419	6 512	6 442	6 820	6 783	-37	365	-0,5	5,7
Age group	15 258	15 324	15 278	15 868	15 870	2	612	0,0	4,0
15–24 yrs	3 260	3 206	3 205	3 423	3 327	-96	67	-2,8	2,0
25–34 yrs	4 687	4 701	4 682	4 843	4 883	40	195	0,8	4,2
35–44 yrs	2 897	2 988	2 985	3 083	3 120	37	222	1,2	7,7
45–54 yrs	2 146	2 135	2 093	2 144	2 197	53	52	2,5	2,4
55–64 yrs	2 267	2 293	2 313	2 375	2 343	-31	76	-1,3	3,4
Population groups	15 258	15 324	15 278	15 868	15 870	2	612	0,0	4,0
Black/African	12 849	12 916	12 827	13 399	13 384	-15	535	-0,1	4,2
Coloured	1 309	1 345	1 342	1 377	1 386	9	77	0,7	5,9
Indian/Asian	328	346	362	368	367	-1	39	-0,3	12,0
White	772	717	747	724	732	9	-39	1,2	-5,1
South Africa	15 258	15 324	15 278	15 868	15 870	2	612	0,0	4,0
Western Cape	1 470	1 496	1 486	1 535	1 589	55	120	3,6	8,2
Eastern Cape	2 029	2 073	2 104	2 157	2 053	-104	24	-4,8	1,2
Northern Cape	380	372	369	366	384	19	4	5,1	1,2
Free State	765	779	760	773	799	26	34	3,4	4,4
KwaZulu-Natal	3 070	3 064	3 092	3 256	3 183	-73	113	-2,2	3,7
North West	1 185	1 163	1 159	1 237	1 262	25	77	2,0	6,5
Gauteng	3 724	3 744	3 676	3 730	3 849	119	125	3,2	3,4
Mpumalanga	1 172	1 178	1 170	1 216	1 215	0	44	0,0	3,7
Limpopo	1 463	1 455	1 463	1 599	1 535	-64	71	-4,0	4,9

Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
South Africa										
Subsistence farming	1 686	1 657	1 844	2 054	1 907	-147	221	-7,2	13,1	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	4 271	4 464	4 656	4 220	3 990	-230	-281	-5,4	-6,6	
Producing other goods for household use	149	189	193	189	164	-25	15	-13,4	9,9	
Construction or major repairs to own or household ^a	379	409	424	435	437	1	58	0,3	15,3	
Hunting or fishing for household use	51	21	24	28	35	6	-16	22,3	-31,5	
Involvement in at least one activity	5 422	5 613	5 838	5 589	5 319	-271	-103	-4,8	-1,9	
Employed	1 510	1 611	1 735	1 656	1 587	-69	78	-4,1	5,1	
Unemployed	885	931	986	913	1 007	94	122	10,3	13,8	
Not economically active	3 027	3 071	3 117	3 020	2 725	-296	-302	-9,8	-10,0	
Western Cape										
Subsistence farming	8	5	4	3	5	1	-3	42,4	-38,1	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	113	113	136	97	74	-23	-38	-23,5	-34,2	
Producing other goods for household use	1	.	.	.	2	.	1	.	194,7	
Construction or major repairs to own or household ^a	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Hunting or fishing for household use	120	119	140	100	80	-20	-40	-19,8	-33,2	
Involvement in at least one activity	69	63	85	55	38	-17	-31	-31,3	-45,4	
Employed	23	26	26	23	19	-4	-4	-16,1	-16,6	
Unemployed	28	30	28	22	23	1	-5	4,6	-16,7	
Not economically active										
Eastern Cape										
Subsistence farming	461	409	503	651	539	-112	78	-17,2	16,9	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	979	1 082	1 155	923	830	-94	-149	-10,1	-15,2	
Producing other goods for household use	5	10	10	17	9	-8	4	-47,5	81,4	
Construction or major repairs to own or household ^a	154	159	173	181	199	18	45	10,0	29,0	
Hunting or fishing for household use	3	2	1	2	4	2	1	131,8	45,4	
Involvement in at least one activity	1 236	1 318	1 382	1 280	1 146	-134	-91	-10,5	-7,3	
Employed	266	275	313	297	304	8	38	2,5	14,2	
Unemployed	222	277	295	275	260	-15	38	-5,3	17,1	
Not economically active	748	765	775	708	581	-127	-167	-17,9	-22,3	
	1 686	1 657	1 844	2 054	1 907	-147	221	-7,2	13,1	

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Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Northern Cape										
Subsistence farming	15	15	17	12	16	4	1	31,9	7,0	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	110	83	96	105	115	10	5	9,4	5,0	
Producing other goods for household use	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	-15,3	-31,3	
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	0	2	.	.	1	.	0	.	11,0	
Hunting or fishing for household use	0	1	.	3	1	-2	1	-71,7	139,2	
Involvement in at least one activity	121	96	108	115	127	12	7	10,7	5,4	
Employed	28	22	20	23	16	-6	-11	-28,0	-41,1	
Unemployed	25	20	27	19	26	7	1	36,9	2,3	
Not economically active	68	54	60	73	85	12	17	15,8	25,6	
Free State										
Subsistence farming	118	81	121	120	125	5	7	4,5	6,0	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	45	45	31	46	35	-11	-11	-24,2	-23,4	
Producing other goods for household use	1	1	2	0	2	2	1	384,6	45,0	
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	2	4	2	3	3	0	1	8,7	61,6	
Hunting or fishing for household use	5	5	6	8	2	-6	-3	-71,1	-56,3	
Involvement in at least one activity	157	120	149	167	155	-12	-2	-7,3	-1,1	
Employed	61	59	57	73	71	-2	10	-2,9	16,4	
Unemployed	60	33	47	52	47	-5	-13	-8,9	-21,6	
Not economically active	35	29	45	42	37	-5	1	-12,9	4,0	
KwaZulu-Natal										
Subsistence farming	744	790	850	837	843	7	100	0,8	13,4	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 102	1 199	1 235	1 152	1 073	-79	-28	-6,8	-2,6	
Producing other goods for household use	113	150	154	134	121	-13	7	-9,9	6,5	
Construction or major repairs to own or household	97	99	98	75	92	18	-5	23,6	-5,4	
Hunting or fishing for household use	19	10	12	10	19	9	0	94,7	0,3	
Involvement in at least one activity	1 644	1 772	1 812	1 738	1 695	-43	51	-2,5	3,1	
Employed	444	514	539	514	476	-38	32	-7,4	7,3	
Unemployed	194	202	248	204	255	50	61	24,6	31,5	
Not economically active	1 007	1 056	1 025	1 020	965	-56	-42	-5,4	-4,2	

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	Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
North West										
Subsistence farming	21	30	38	31	28	-3	7	-10,6	32,2	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	437	517	604	549	416	-133	-21	-24,2	-4,8	
Producing other goods for household use	1	3	2	1	1	0	0	-14,9	29,2	
Construction or major repairs to own or household	21	51	64	68	64	-4	44	-5,9	212,8	
Hunting or fishing for household use	0	.	.	.	1	.	0	.	111,5	
Involvement in at least one activity	450	529	617	558	426	-132	-24	-23,7	-5,4	
Employed	131	147	153	163	125	-38	-6	-23,4	-4,6	
Unemployed	67	71	88	52	54	2	-12	3,6	-18,7	
Not economically active	253	311	377	343	247	-96	-6	-28,0	-2,3	
Gauteng										
Subsistence farming	30	51	25	29	49	20	18	67,4	59,5	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	126	132	102	114	166	52	40	46,1	31,9	
Producing other goods for household use	13	11	8	15	9	-6	-4	-40,2	-29,7	
Construction or major repairs to own or household	60	39	38	43	29	-14	-31	-32,1	-51,6	
Hunting or fishing for household use	10	1	2	1	5	4	-5	350,8	-47,6	
Involvement in at least one activity	191	203	157	174	242	68	51	38,8	26,8	
Employed	104	107	89	95	122	27	18	28,6	17,6	
Unemployed	63	62	52	48	81	32	17	67,1	27,3	
Not economically active	23	34	16	31	39	8	16	25,9	66,3	
Mpumalanga										
Subsistence farming	96	100	83	146	86	-61	-10	-41,4	-10,4	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	434	411	445	421	463	42	28	10,0	6,5	
Producing other goods for household use	13	11	15	21	16	-5	3	-23,0	20,6	
Construction or major repairs to own or household	6	13	5	2	8	6	1	305,1	19,1	
Hunting or fishing for household use	2	2	1	1	.	.	.	.	.
Involvement in at least one activity	487	480	510	530	529	-1	42	-0,3	8,6	
Employed	127	125	160	153	151	-1	24	-0,9	19,3	
Unemployed	128	147	125	136	167	31	38	22,8	29,8	
Not economically active	232	208	226	242	211	-31	-21	-12,8	-9,0	

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Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (concluded)										
	Apr-Jun 2018	Jul-Sep 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019	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	
Limpopo										
Subsistence farming	194	175	203	226	217	-8	23	-3,8	12,0	
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	925	881	851	813	817	4	-107	0,6	-11,6	
Producing other goods for household use	1	1	2	.	4	.	3	.	251,9	
Construction or major repairs to own or household	36	42	44	64	41	-23	4	-36,2	11,7	
Hunting or fishing for household use	11	2	2	4	3	-2	-8	-36,1	-75,3	
Involvement in at least one activity	1 016	975	962	926	919	-7	-97	-0,8	-9,5	
Employed	281	299	320	284	284	0	4	-0,1	1,3	
Unemployed	102	93	77	104	98	-6	-4	-5,6	-4,0	
Not economically active	633	582	565	538	537	-1	-96	-0,2	-15,2	

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Appendix 2

Table 2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Both sexes						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,5	0,6	476	264	688	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,7	21	-152	194	0,81
Formal sector (non-agriculture)	1,0	1,0	-49	-212	115	0,56
Informal sector (non-agriculture)	2,2	2,1	114	-4	233	0,06
Agriculture	4,5	4,9	5	-54	64	0,87
Private households	2,9	2,9	-49	-113	15	0,13
Unemployed	1,6	2,0	455	253	656	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-326	-538	-113	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	3,2	3,6	-248	-421	-76	0,01
Other (not economically active)	0,7	0,8	-77	-254	99	0,39
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,7	1,4	0,7	2,1	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,6	0,7	-0,1	-0,6	0,3	0,63
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	1,0	0,5	1,6	0,00
Women						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,7	0,8	209	71	347	0,00
Employed	1,0	1,0	-59	-169	51	0,29
Formal sector (non-agriculture)	1,4	1,5	-15	-121	91	0,78
Informal sector (non-agriculture)	3,0	3,1	16	-55	88	0,65
Agriculture	7,0	9,0	-30	-63	4	0,08
Private households	3,3	3,2	-30	-83	23	0,26
Unemployed	2,3	2,4	268	143	393	0,00
Not economically active	0,8	0,9	-137	-274	1	0,05
Discouraged work-seekers	3,5	3,8	-113	-213	-13	0,03
Other (not economically active)	0,9	1,0	-24	-147	99	0,70
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,0	2,0	-0,2	-1,1	0,8	0,77
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,0	1,0	-0,4	-1,1	0,2	0,18
Labour force participation rate	0,8	0,7	-0,7	-1,4	0,0	0,04

Table 2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex (concluded)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Men						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,5	0,6	267	125	409	0,00
Employed	0,7	0,8	80	-55	215	0,24
Formal sector (non-agriculture)	1,1	1,0	-34	-155	88	0,59
Informal sector (non-agriculture)	2,7	2,5	98	9	187	0,03
Agriculture	4,9	5,2	35	-8	78	0,12
Private households	5,6	6,3	-19	-55	17	0,30
Unemployed	1,9	2,3	187	51	322	0,01
Not economically active	1,0	1,1	-189	-331	-47	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	4,1	4,4	-135	-253	-18	0,02
Other (not economically active)	1,1	1,1	-54	-165	58	0,35
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	2,1	0,9	0,0	1,9	0,06
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,8	0,2	-0,5	0,9	0,53
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	1,1	0,4	1,9	0,00

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				
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019								
South Africa										
Population 15–64 yrs										
Labour force	0,5	0,6	476	264	688	0,00				
Employed	0,6	0,7	21	-152	194	0,81				
Unemployed	1,6	2,0	455	253	656	0,00				
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-326	-538	-113	0,00				
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,7	1,4	0,7	2,1	0,00				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,6	0,7	-0,1	-0,6	0,3	0,63				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	1,0	0,5	1,6	0,00				
Black/African										
Population 15–64 yrs										
Labour force	0,5	0,7	487	295	679	0,00				
Employed	0,7	0,8	49	-110	208	0,54				
Unemployed	1,7	2,1	438	250	626	0,00				
Not economically active	0,7	0,9	-339	-531	-147	0,00				
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	1,5	1,7	1,6	0,7	2,4	0,00				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,8	0,0	-0,5	0,5	0,91				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,7	1,3	0,7	1,9	0,00				
Coloured										
Population 15–64 yrs										
Labour force	1,5	1,1	-25	-84	34	0,40				
Employed	1,7	1,6	-25	-75	25	0,33				
Unemployed	6,0	5,0	0	-59	58	0,99				
Not economically active	2,5	1,8	34	-25	92	0,26				
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	5,4	4,8	0,2	-2,1	2,6	0,84				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	1,6	-0,8	-2,3	0,6	0,25				
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,1	-0,9	-2,6	0,8	0,31				

Table 2.1A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group (concluded)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Indian/Asian						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,7	3,1	6	-25	37	0,70
Employed	3,6	2,9	6	-16	28	0,57
Unemployed	15,6	15,6	0	-29	29	0,98
Not economically active	3,8	4,5	-4	-35	27	0,80
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	15,8	14,1	-0,2	-4,7	4,3	0,94
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,6	2,9	0,5	-1,7	2,7	0,64
Labour force participation rate	2,7	3,1	0,5	-2,6	3,5	0,76
White						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,6	1,4	8	-47	63	0,78
Employed	1,8	1,9	-10	-68	49	0,74
Unemployed	11,5	17,8	18	-30	66	0,47
Not economically active	3,2	2,9	-16	-71	39	0,56
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	11,4	17,7	0,9	-1,5	3,2	0,47
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,8	1,9	-0,2	-2,1	1,8	0,88
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,4	0,5	-1,4	2,3	0,63

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
South Africa						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,5	0,6	476	264	688	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,7	21	-152	194	0,81
Unemployed	1,6	2,0	455	253	656	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-326	-538	-113	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	3,2	3,6	-248	-421	-76	0,01
Other (not economically active)	0,7	0,8	-77	-254	99	0,39
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,7	1,4	0,7	2,1	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,6	0,7	-0,1	-0,6	0,3	0,63
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	1,0	0,5	1,6	0,00
Western Cape						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,1	0,9	10	-65	84	0,80
Employed	1,4	1,3	-22	-86	42	0,50
Unemployed	5,0	4,6	32	-23	86	0,25
Not economically active	2,4	2,0	13	-61	87	0,73
Discouraged work-seekers	27,6	21,9	-8	-49	33	0,69
Other (not economically active)	2,1	2,1	21	-41	84	0,50
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,5	4,3	1,0	-0,6	2,5	0,22
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,4	1,3	-0,7	-2,1	0,6	0,29
Labour force participation rate	1,1	0,9	-0,1	-1,7	1,5	0,88

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Western Cape – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,0	1,6	-11	-67	45	0,69
Employed	2,6	1,5	-27	-70	15	0,21
Unemployed	11,3	11,2	16	-31	63	0,50
Not economically active	4,0	3,0	20	-36	76	0,48
Discouraged work-seekers	38,0	27,1	2	-37	40	0,93
Other (not economically active)	2,7	3,4	18	-17	54	0,31
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	10,8	10,0	1,6	-2,1	5,3	0,39
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,6	1,5	-1,9	-4,5	0,6	0,14
Labour force participation rate	2,0	1,6	-1,0	-4,3	2,3	0,55
Western Cape – City of Cape Town						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,4	1,2	21	-29	70	0,41
Employed	1,5	1,7	5	-41	51	0,82
Unemployed	5,0	4,6	16	-10	41	0,24
Not economically active	2,9	2,6	-7	-56	42	0,78
Discouraged work-seekers	29,3	22,6	-10	-23	3	0,15
Other (not economically active)	3,0	2,8	3	-48	54	0,91
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,4	4,5	0,6	-0,6	1,7	0,36
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,5	1,7	-0,1	-1,6	1,5	0,92
Labour force participation rate	1,4	1,2	0,4	-1,3	2,1	0,65

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Eastern Cape						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,0	2,2	59	-6	124	0,07
Employed	2,4	2,9	80	21	139	0,01
Unemployed	4,5	5,2	-21	-79	37	0,48
Not economically active	1,9	2,2	-47	-112	18	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	8,0	8,5	-15	-66	37	0,58
Other (not economically active)	2,7	2,9	-33	-99	34	0,34
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	3,5	4,3	-2,0	-4,3	0,3	0,09
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,4	2,9	1,8	0,4	3,2	0,01
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,2	1,2	-0,3	2,8	0,11
Eastern Cape – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,9	3,3	62	4	120	0,04
Employed	3,6	4,4	78	23	134	0,01
Unemployed	6,5	7,8	-16	-63	30	0,49
Not economically active	2,1	2,5	-54	-112	4	0,07
Discouraged work-seekers	7,8	8,9	-11	-60	38	0,66
Other (not economically active)	2,9	3,5	-43	-101	14	0,14
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,9	6,3	-3,2	-6,5	0,0	0,05
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,6	4,4	2,6	0,7	4,5	0,01
Labour force participation rate	2,9	3,3	2,0	0,0	4,0	0,05

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Eastern Cape – Buffalo City						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,7	2,6	10	-15	35	0,42
Employed	2,9	2,3	0	-9	9	0,98
Unemployed	6,2	10,0	10	-15	34	0,43
Not economically active	4,5	4,7	-9	-33	16	0,50
Discouraged work-seekers	38,4	35,0	-10	-23	3	0,15
Other (not economically active)	11,6	4,2	1	-29	32	0,93
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,1	8,0	2,2	-3,4	7,8	0,44
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,9	2,3	-0,1	-1,9	1,7	0,91
Labour force participation rate	2,7	2,6	1,8	-3,0	6,5	0,47
Eastern Cape – Nelson Mandela Bay						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	3,7	3,6	-13	-26	1	0,06
Employed	4,8	5,3	2	-16	20	0,86
Unemployed	7,2	5,9	-14	-36	8	0,20
Not economically active	7,3	6,5	16	2	29	0,02
Discouraged work-seekers	94,9	18,0	6	3	9	0,00
Other (not economically active)	7,4	6,5	9	-5	24	0,22
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,7	5,6	-1,8	-5,4	1,8	0,33
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,8	5,3	0,1	-2,1	2,2	0,97
Labour force participation rate	3,7	3,6	-1,8	-3,4	-0,2	0,03

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Northern Cape						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	3,3	3,1	-7	-26	12	0,46
Employed	4,7	5,2	-20	-46	6	0,13
Unemployed	3,0	7,2	13	-7	32	0,20
Not economically active	3,9	3,5	9	-10	28	0,34
Discouraged work-seekers	6,9	9,2	-8	-28	12	0,43
Other (not economically active)	5,1	3,9	17	-3	38	0,09
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,7	7,7	3,4	-1,2	8,0	0,15
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,7	5,2	-2,6	-5,8	0,7	0,12
Labour force participation rate	3,3	3,1	-1,0	-3,4	1,3	0,39
Free State						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,5	1,7	-2	-36	32	0,91
Employed	2,8	2,6	6	-32	43	0,77
Unemployed	6,4	6,9	-7	-42	27	0,67
Not economically active	2,8	3,0	4	-30	38	0,82
Discouraged work-seekers	16,9	14,6	44	10	78	0,01
Other (not economically active)	2,5	1,8	-40	-69	-11	0,01
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,6	5,9	-0,6	-3,1	2,0	0,67
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,8	2,6	0,2	-1,7	2,2	0,81
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,7	-0,2	-1,9	1,6	0,85

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Free State – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,8	2,3	-7	-35	21	0,61
Employed	3,4	3,1	-7	-43	29	0,69
Unemployed	8,3	9,3	0	-32	32	1,00
Not economically active	2,9	3,7	7	-21	35	0,64
Discouraged work-seekers	20,8	18,1	37	4	69	0,03
Other (not economically active)	2,9	1,8	-30	-57	-3	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,1	7,6	0,3	-3,4	4,0	0,87
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	3,1	-0,5	-3,2	2,1	0,70
Labour force participation rate	1,8	2,3	-0,5	-2,6	1,6	0,63
Free State – Mangaung						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,9	1,8	5	-13	24	0,57
Employed	4,8	4,6	13	3	23	0,01
Unemployed	8,4	6,0	-7	-19	5	0,23
Not economically active	6,7	4,3	-3	-21	16	0,78
Discouraged work-seekers	26,8	17,4	7	-3	17	0,17
Other (not economically active)	5,2	4,8	-10	-21	2	0,09
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	8,0	7,3	-2,3	-4,2	-0,5	0,02
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,8	4,6	2,1	0,3	3,8	0,02
Labour force participation rate	2,9	1,8	0,6	-2,7	4,0	0,71

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
KwaZulu-Natal						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,5	2,3	94	-42	230	0,18
Employed	1,7	1,8	37	-29	103	0,27
Unemployed	5,5	7,9	57	-61	175	0,34
Not economically active	1,4	2,3	-67	-203	69	0,33
Discouraged work-seekers	6,7	7,6	-66	-169	37	0,21
Other (not economically active)	1,9	2,6	-1	-112	110	0,99
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,7	6,2	0,9	-1,6	3,4	0,46
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	1,8	0,4	-0,6	1,3	0,42
Labour force participation rate	1,5	2,3	1,1	-0,8	3,1	0,24
KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,5	3,5	117	-7	240	0,07
Employed	2,7	3,0	37	-18	93	0,19
Unemployed	8,4	11,3	79	-28	186	0,15
Not economically active	1,8	2,8	-97	-220	27	0,13
Discouraged work-seekers	7,4	9,1	-126	-223	-29	0,01
Other (not economically active)	2,5	3,2	30	-61	120	0,52
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,1	8,7	2,3	-1,4	6,0	0,23
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	3,0	0,7	-0,5	1,9	0,27
Labour force participation rate	2,5	3,5	2,3	-0,3	5,0	0,09

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
KwaZulu-Natal – eThekwini						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,1	2,3	-23	-77	32	0,41
Employed	1,6	1,5	-1	-35	34	0,98
Unemployed	5,0	8,7	-22	-71	27	0,37
Not economically active	1,8	3,5	29	-25	84	0,29
Discouraged work-seekers	13,6	10,2	60	27	93	0,00
Other (not economically active)	2,0	3,9	-31	-95	34	0,35
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,6	6,8	-1,1	-3,9	1,6	0,41
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,6	1,5	-0,2	-1,6	1,3	0,83
Labour force participation rate	1,1	2,3	-1,1	-3,3	1,1	0,33
North West						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	3,2	3,5	52	-6	111	0,08
Employed	3,7	4,1	-52	-102	-2	0,04
Unemployed	7,7	9,8	104	36	173	0,00
Not economically active	3,3	3,9	-42	-100	17	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	11,2	14,4	-78	-122	-34	0,00
Other (not economically active)	3,8	3,5	37	-16	89	0,17
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,6	7,9	6,6	2,5	10,7	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,7	4,1	-2,2	-4,1	-0,2	0,03
Labour force participation rate	3,2	3,5	1,8	-0,4	4,1	0,11

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,8	0,8	95	-8	197	0,07
Employed	1,2	1,3	-96	-207	16	0,09
Unemployed	2,3	2,6	190	92	288	0,00
Not economically active	1,9	1,9	-44	-147	58	0,40
Discouraged work-seekers	9,0	11,1	-46	-123	31	0,24
Other (not economically active)	2,1	1,7	1	-88	91	0,97
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,2	2,4	2,2	1,0	3,5	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,2	1,3	-1,2	-2,2	-0,1	0,03
Labour force participation rate	0,8	0,8	0,6	-0,4	1,6	0,26
Gauteng – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	3,2	3,1	62	26	97	0,00
Employed	4,7	4,5	0	-24	24	0,99
Unemployed	9,4	9,5	62	27	97	0,00
Not economically active	4,8	5,7	-59	-94	-24	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	14,8	16,7	-52	-100	-4	0,03
Other (not economically active)	7,6	4,8	-7	-57	43	0,78
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	8,8	8,2	5,0	1,9	8,2	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,7	4,5	-0,1	-1,8	1,7	0,93
Labour force participation rate	3,2	3,1	4,5	1,8	7,1	0,00

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng – Ekurhuleni						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,5	1,2	54	-1	109	0,05
Employed	1,9	1,9	5	-48	57	0,86
Unemployed	4,1	4,1	49	3	95	0,04
Not economically active	3,8	3,4	-45	-100	10	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	13,3	15,8	-7	-36	22	0,63
Other (not economically active)	4,0	3,9	-38	-76	0	0,05
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	3,5	3,7	1,7	-0,5	3,9	0,12
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	1,9	0,0	-2,0	2,1	0,99
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,2	1,8	-0,3	4,0	0,09
Gauteng – City of Johannesburg						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,0	1,4	-46	-112	20	0,18
Employed	1,8	2,5	-58	-124	9	0,09
Unemployed	2,6	4,1	12	-57	81	0,73
Not economically active	3,0	3,7	70	4	136	0,04
Discouraged work-seekers	21,5	21,9	29	-13	70	0,17
Other (not economically active)	3,2	3,5	41	-13	96	0,14
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,7	4,1	0,9	-1,3	3,1	0,41
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,8	2,5	-1,8	-3,5	-0,1	0,04
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,4	-1,7	-3,4	0,1	0,06

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng – City of Tshwane						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,2	1,5	24	-26	75	0,34
Employed	3,0	2,0	-43	-121	35	0,28
Unemployed	6,6	5,6	67	25	109	0,00
Not economically active	4,8	3,4	-10	-61	41	0,69
Discouraged work-seekers	24,3	33,9	-16	-50	19	0,37
Other (not economically active)	4,3	2,6	6	-38	49	0,80
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,0	4,8	3,4	0,6	6,3	0,02
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	2,0	-2,0	-5,0	1,1	0,21
Labour force participation rate	2,2	1,5	0,6	-1,4	2,6	0,57
Mpumalanga						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,4	2,1	68	16	120	0,01
Employed	3,4	2,7	34	-10	78	0,13
Unemployed	6,5	6,7	34	-22	90	0,23
Not economically active	4,0	3,8	-57	-109	-4	0,03
Discouraged work-seekers	12,3	12,8	25	-13	63	0,19
Other (not economically active)	3,2	3,3	-82	-125	-39	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,6	5,5	0,6	-1,9	3,0	0,65
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	2,7	1,0	-0,5	2,5	0,19
Labour force participation rate	2,4	2,1	2,1	0,3	3,8	0,02

Table 2.3A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (concluded)						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Limpopo						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,0	2,3	107	42	173	0,00
Employed	2,1	2,7	55	-14	123	0,12
Unemployed	7,8	9,0	53	6	100	0,03
Not economically active	1,7	2,1	-95	-161	-29	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	5,4	6,3	-96	-161	-31	0,00
Other (not economically active)	1,4	2,5	1	-77	79	0,97
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,9	8,2	1,8	-0,7	4,3	0,15
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,1	2,7	1,3	-0,5	3,1	0,15
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,3	2,7	1,0	4,4	0,00

Table 3.1A: Sampling variability for the employed by industry and sex

	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Both sexes	0,6	0,7	21	-152	194	0,81
Agriculture	4,5	4,9	5	-54	64	0,87
Mining	6,6	5,0	-36	-73	1	0,05
Manufacturing	2,8	2,9	9	-70	88	0,82
Utilities	10,8	11,9	1	-24	27	0,91
Construction	3,3	3,3	24	-61	109	0,58
Trade	1,8	1,8	84	-35	203	0,16
Transport	3,8	3,5	-42	-110	26	0,22
Finance	2,1	2,2	-21	-116	74	0,66
Community and social services	1,8	1,8	48	-61	157	0,38
Private households	2,9	2,9	-49	-113	15	0,13
Women	1,0	1,0	-59	-169	51	0,29
Agriculture	7,0	9,0	-30	-63	4	0,08
Mining	14,9	17,2	-10	-26	6	0,22
Manufacturing	4,4	4,6	-49	-90	-8	0,02
Utilities	17,4	19,5	6	-8	20	0,40
Construction	8,8	9,1	-5	-32	21	0,69
Trade	2,6	2,7	93	16	169	0,02
Transport	7,7	9,4	-25	-54	4	0,09
Finance	3,2	3,5	-41	-105	22	0,20
Community and social services	2,3	2,3	36	-41	113	0,36
Private households	3,3	3,2	-30	-83	23	0,26
Men	0,7	0,8	80	-55	215	0,24
Agriculture	4,9	5,2	35	-8	78	0,12
Mining	7,3	5,4	-26	-60	7	0,13
Manufacturing	3,2	3,3	59	-5	122	0,07
Utilities	11,9	12,0	-5	-26	17	0,67
Construction	3,5	3,4	29	-51	109	0,47
Trade	2,4	2,5	-9	-91	74	0,84
Transport	4,3	3,8	-17	-77	42	0,57
Finance	2,6	2,6	20	-45	86	0,54
Community and social services	2,5	2,9	12	-58	83	0,73
Private households	5,6	6,3	-19	-55	17	0,30

Table 3.4A: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector						
	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
South Africa	0,6	0,7	21	-152	194	0,81
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1,0	1,0	-49	-212	115	0,56
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2,2	2,1	114	-4	233	0,06
Agriculture	4,5	4,9	5	-54	64	0,87
Private households	2,9	2,9	-49	-113	15	0,13
Western Cape	1,4	1,3	-22	-86	42	0,50
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1,9	2,2	-21	-99	58	0,60
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	5,7	6,4	42	4	80	0,03
Agriculture	7,3	7,2	-44	-72	-15	0,00
Private households	9,9	8,6	0	-25	25	0,98
Western Cape – Non-metro	2,6	1,5	-27	-70	15	0,21
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,0	3,3	2	-38	42	0,92
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	8,4	8,1	18	-1	36	0,06
Agriculture	7,1	7,3	-45	-72	-18	0,00
Private households	14,7	15,0	-2	-23	18	0,83
Western Cape – City of Cape Town	1,5	1,7	5	-41	51	0,82
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	2,2	2,8	-23	-94	48	0,53
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	7,3	8,8	24	-9	57	0,15
Agriculture	36,1	30,7	1	-8	11	0,81
Private households	13,5	10,2	3	-11	16	0,70
Eastern Cape	2,4	2,9	80	21	139	0,01
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,8	3,8	29	-24	81	0,28
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	5,8	6,9	22	-20	64	0,31
Agriculture	15,6	11,4	13	-12	38	0,31
Private households	9,9	9,6	17	-4	38	0,12
Eastern Cape – Non-metro	3,6	4,4	78	23	134	0,01
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	5,4	6,0	26	-21	73	0,27
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	7,1	9,2	30	-6	66	0,10
Agriculture	17,6	11,4	14	-9	38	0,23
Private households	13,7	14,6	8	-9	24	0,36

Table 3.4A: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (continued)

	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Eastern Cape – Buffalo City	2,9	2,3	0	-9	9	0,98
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	7,3	7,3	0	-14	14	0,98
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	11,8	15,0	-5	-16	5	0,33
Agriculture	61,3	76,8	1	-3	5	0,54
Private households	27,8	25,1	4	-9	17	0,54
Eastern Cape – Nelson Mandela Bay	4,8	5,3	2	-16	20	0,86
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	7,1	5,9	2	-16	20	0,80
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	15,5	10,6	-3	-22	15	0,73
Agriculture	11,5	61,5	-3	-9	3	0,39
Private households	14,3	6,3	5	1	9	0,01
Northern Cape	4,7	5,2	-20	-46	6	0,13
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	7,5	7,0	-13	-31	4	0,14
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	14,0	13,5	1	-4	6	0,69
Agriculture	10,6	31,1	-8	-24	9	0,36
Private households	20,6	21,0	0	-5	5	1,00
Free State	2,8	2,6	6	-32	43	0,77
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,1	3,6	23	-7	52	0,13
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	6,0	10,3	3	-25	30	0,84
Agriculture	13,7	15,3	0	-7	7	0,99
Private households	8,7	10,6	-20	-32	-7	0,00
Free State – Non-metro	3,4	3,1	-7	-43	29	0,69
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	5,3	5,7	7	-17	30	0,59
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	8,5	14,3	1	-23	25	0,95
Agriculture	14,4	15,9	2	-5	8	0,63
Private households	10,6	11,6	-16	-28	-5	0,01
Free State – Mangaung	4,8	4,6	13	3	23	0,01
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	6,3	2,3	16	-1	33	0,06
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	5,4	11,7	2	-12	16	0,78
Agriculture	33,9	37,5	-2	-4	1	0,27
Private households	15,0	23,3	-4	-8	1	0,12

Table 3.4A: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (continued)

	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
KwaZulu-Natal	1,7	1,8	37	-29	103	0,27
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	2,5	2,4	23	-35	81	0,44
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	6,4	5,0	21	-33	75	0,45
Agriculture	19,0	16,7	0	-19	19	1,00
Private households	7,7	8,5	-6	-31	18	0,61
KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro	2,7	3,0	37	-18	93	0,19
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,3	3,8	35	-15	84	0,17
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	8,4	6,2	5	-39	49	0,82
Agriculture	19,7	17,5	-1	-20	17	0,88
Private households	11,9	12,4	-1	-23	20	0,92
KwaZulu-Natal – eThekwini	1,6	1,5	-1	-35	34	0,98
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	2,7	2,8	-12	-42	18	0,43
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	9,4	8,3	16	-15	47	0,32
Agriculture	49,1	39,0	1	-3	5	0,50
Private households	9,6	11,3	-5	-17	6	0,35
North West	3,7	4,1	-52	-102	-2	0,04
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,7	5,8	1	-55	58	0,97
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	6,2	9,9	-38	-73	-3	0,04
Agriculture	13,3	18,0	-1	-16	14	0,89
Private households	11,0	10,7	-14	-33	5	0,14
Gauteng	1,2	1,3	-96	-207	16	0,09
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1,9	1,8	-82	-186	23	0,13
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	3,6	3,8	11	-47	68	0,71
Agriculture	28,9	35,6	2	-15	19	0,78
Private households	5,5	5,3	-27	-60	6	0,11
Gauteng – Non-metro	4,7	4,5	0	-24	24	0,99
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	7,6	6,9	10	-14	33	0,41
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	7,0	10,1	-4	-30	22	0,76
Agriculture	47,9	52,7	-2	-12	9	0,72
Private households	10,4	18,7	-4	-17	10	0,59

Table 3.4A: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (concluded)

	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng – Ekurhuleni	1,9	1,9	5	-48	57	0,86
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	2,8	2,1	-43	-109	23	0,20
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	7,9	7,6	42	11	73	0,01
Agriculture	25,8	35,8	0	-6	5	0,88
Private households	14,0	8,4	6	-12	24	0,48
Gauteng – City of Johannesburg	1,8	2,5	-58	-124	9	0,09
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	2,9	3,5	-10	-50	29	0,61
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	5,0	5,5	-35	-72	2	0,07
Agriculture	78,7	27,6	-1	-6	4	0,83
Private households	8,7	7,8	-12	-31	7	0,20
Gauteng – City of Tshwane	3,0	2,0	-43	-121	35	0,28
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,6	2,9	-38	-112	36	0,31
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	10,9	8,5	7	-10	25	0,40
Agriculture	66,2	81,2	5	-6	16	0,36
Private households	10,1	11,7	-17	-32	-3	0,02
Mpumalanga	3,4	2,7	34	-10	78	0,13
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,2	3,2	-8	-37	21	0,60
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	10,4	9,0	11	-23	44	0,53
Agriculture	7,8	13,4	25	5	44	0,01
Private households	7,9	7,5	6	-11	23	0,46
Limpopo	2,1	2,7	55	-14	123	0,12
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,8	3,4	0	-46	45	0,99
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	5,6	4,6	43	3	82	0,03
Agriculture	8,0	12,0	17	-7	41	0,15
Private households	10,2	7,3	-5	-29	19	0,68

Table 3.5A: Sampling variability for the employed by sex and occupation

	Coefficient of variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
Both sexes	0,6	0,7	21	-152	194	0,81
Manager	3,0	3,4	65	-15	146	0,11
Professional	4,6	4,7	-44	-116	28	0,23
Technician	2,7	3,0	-12	-85	62	0,76
Clerk	2,7	2,7	30	-52	112	0,47
Sales and services	2,2	2,0	20	-87	126	0,71
Skilled agriculture	15,0	15,5	7	-8	22	0,37
Craft and related trade	2,5	2,5	-15	-109	80	0,76
Plant and machine operator	2,9	2,7	6	-67	80	0,87
Elementary	1,7	1,8	-16	-136	104	0,79
Domestic worker	3,3	3,1	-19	-74	36	0,50
Women	1,0	1,0	-59	-169	51	0,29
Manager	5,3	5,3	54	12	96	0,01
Professional	5,3	6,3	-38	-84	8	0,11
Technician	3,6	3,8	-17	-68	34	0,52
Clerk	3,1	3,2	7	-64	79	0,84
Sales and services	2,9	2,9	-43	-115	29	0,24
Skilled agriculture	34,5	34,2	1	-5	7	0,74
Craft and related trade	6,7	6,4	-4	-35	27	0,81
Plant and machine operator	7,4	7,3	-19	-43	6	0,14
Elementary	2,5	2,8	20	-55	96	0,60
Domestic worker	3,3	3,2	-20	-73	32	0,45
Men	0,7	0,8	80	-55	215	0,24
Manager	3,1	3,3	11	-48	70	0,71
Professional	5,9	5,8	-6	-51	39	0,79
Technician	4,0	4,5	5	-50	60	0,85
Clerk	4,9	4,8	23	-24	69	0,34
Sales and services	2,8	2,6	63	-9	134	0,09
Skilled agriculture	16,1	17,0	6	-8	20	0,43
Craft and related trade	2,7	2,6	-11	-97	75	0,80
Plant and machine operator	3,0	3,0	25	-43	93	0,47
Elementary	2,3	2,5	-36	-131	59	0,45
Domestic worker	16,3	15,5	2	-15	18	0,84

Table 2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex

	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value				
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019								
Both sexes										
Population 15–64 yrs										
Labour force	0,5	0,6	598	281	914	0,00				
Employed	0,7	0,7	25	-278	328	0,87				
Formal sector (non-agriculture)	0,9	1,0	-148	-422	126	0,29				
Informal sector (non-agriculture)	2,1	2,1	219	44	394	0,01				
Agriculture	4,1	4,9	-1	-94	91	0,98				
Private households	2,7	2,9	-45	-148	58	0,39				
Unemployed	1,8	2,0	573	234	911	0,00				
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	3	-313	320	0,98				
Discouraged work-seekers	3,5	3,6	-115	-347	116	0,33				
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	118	-138	375	0,36				
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	1,8	0,5	3,1	0,01				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,6	-1,4	0,2	0,13				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	0,6	-0,2	1,5	0,14				
Women										
Population 15–64 yrs										
Labour force	0,7	0,8	263	50	477	0,02				
Employed	0,9	1,0	-1	-182	181	0,99				
Formal sector (non-agriculture)	1,4	1,5	-70	-250	111	0,45				
Informal sector (non-agriculture)	3,2	3,1	121	28	214	0,01				
Agriculture	10,0	9,0	-30	-96	36	0,37				
Private households	2,9	3,2	-22	-107	63	0,61				
Unemployed	2,2	2,4	264	61	467	0,01				
Not economically active	0,8	0,9	26	-187	240	0,81				
Discouraged work-seekers	3,7	3,8	-80	-225	66	0,28				
Other (not economically active)	0,9	1,0	106	-78	290	0,26				
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	1,9	2,1	1,8	0,1	3,5	0,03				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,9	1,0	-0,6	-1,5	0,4	0,24				
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,8	0,6	-0,5	1,7	0,31				

Table 2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Men						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,6	0,6	334	139	529	0,00
Employed	0,8	0,8	26	-188	239	0,81
Formal sector (non-agriculture)	1,1	1,0	-79	-264	107	0,41
Informal sector (non-agriculture)	2,4	2,5	98	-30	226	0,13
Agriculture	4,6	5,2	29	-43	100	0,43
Private households	5,9	6,3	-23	-72	27	0,37
Unemployed	2,2	2,3	309	103	515	0,00
Not economically active	1,1	1,1	-23	-218	172	0,82
Discouraged work-seekers	4,4	4,4	-35	-166	96	0,60
Other (not economically active)	1,1	1,1	12	-145	170	0,88
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,0	2,1	1,8	0,3	3,3	0,02
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,8	0,8	-0,7	-1,8	0,5	0,25
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	0,7	-0,4	1,7	0,19

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
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
South Africa						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,5	0,6	598	281	914	0,00
Employed	0,7	0,7	25	-278	328	0,87
Unemployed	1,8	2,0	573	234	911	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	3	-313	320	0,98
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	1,8	0,5	3,1	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,6	-1,4	0,2	0,13
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	0,6	-0,2	1,5	0,14
Black/African						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,6	0,7	692	393	992	0,00
Employed	0,8	0,8	79	-191	348	0,57
Unemployed	2,0	2,1	614	291	937	0,00
Not economically active	0,8	0,9	-100	-400	199	0,51
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,7	2,2	0,7	3,7	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,8	0,8	-0,5	-1,4	0,4	0,25
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,7	1,1	0,2	2,1	0,02
Coloured						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,2	1,1	-61	-118	-4	0,04
Employed	1,7	1,6	-30	-104	45	0,44
Unemployed	4,2	5,0	-31	-91	28	0,30
Not economically active	2,2	1,8	95	38	152	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,0	4,8	-0,8	-3,4	1,9	0,56
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	1,6	-1,3	-3,5	0,8	0,22
Labour force participation rate	1,2	1,1	-2,4	-4,0	-0,7	0,01

Table 2.1B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group (concluded)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Indian/Asian						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,3	3,1	-13	-56	30	0,56
Employed	1,9	2,9	-17	-49	16	0,31
Unemployed	15,1	15,6	4	-24	32	0,79
Not economically active	3,6	4,5	21	-22	64	0,33
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	13,6	14,1	0,9	-3,3	5,0	0,68
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	2,9	-2,1	-5,3	1,1	0,20
Labour force participation rate	2,3	3,1	-1,8	-6,0	2,5	0,41
White						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,7	1,4	-21	-101	59	0,60
Employed	2,0	1,9	-8	-106	91	0,88
Unemployed	11,5	17,8	-14	-76	49	0,67
Not economically active	3,5	2,9	-13	-93	67	0,75
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	11,4	17,7	-0,6	-3,7	2,5	0,71
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,0	1,9	0,5	-2,9	3,8	0,79
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,4	0,1	-2,6	2,8	0,97

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province

	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
South Africa						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,5	0,6	598	281	914	0,00
Employed	0,7	0,7	25	-278	328	0,87
Unemployed	1,8	2,0	573	234	911	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	3	-313	320	0,98
Discouraged work-seekers	3,5	3,6	-115	-347	116	0,33
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	118	-138	375	0,36
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	1,8	0,5	3,1	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,6	-1,4	0,2	0,13
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	0,6	-0,2	1,5	0,14
Western Cape						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,2	0,9	12	-64	87	0,76
Employed	1,5	1,3	18	-73	109	0,70
Unemployed	4,2	4,6	-6	-71	60	0,86
Not economically active	2,6	2,0	79	3	154	0,04
Discouraged work-seekers	15,8	21,9	20	-1	42	0,07
Other (not economically active)	2,8	2,1	58	-23	140	0,16
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	3,9	4,3	-0,3	-2,3	1,8	0,80
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,5	1,3	-0,7	-2,7	1,3	0,50
Labour force participation rate	1,2	0,9	-1,1	-2,7	0,6	0,20

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Western Cape – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,8	1,6	20	-20	59	0,34
Employed	2,4	1,5	33	-22	89	0,24
Unemployed	7,5	11,2	-14	-68	40	0,62
Not economically active	3,4	3,0	15	-24	55	0,45
Discouraged work-seekers	18,2	27,1	20	2	39	0,03
Other (not economically active)	3,5	3,4	-5	-52	42	0,84
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,2	10,0	-1,6	-6,3	3,2	0,51
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,4	1,5	0,9	-2,5	4,2	0,61
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,6	-0,2	-2,6	2,2	0,86
Western Cape – City of Cape Town						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,7	1,2	-8	-78	62	0,83
Employed	1,9	1,7	-16	-89	57	0,67
Unemployed	5,1	4,6	8	-33	48	0,70
Not economically active	3,9	2,6	63	-7	133	0,08
Discouraged work-seekers	30,3	22,6	0	-12	12	0,99
Other (not economically active)	4,1	2,8	63	-11	137	0,09
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,5	4,5	0,5	-1,5	2,4	0,64
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	1,7	-1,6	-4,1	0,9	0,22
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,2	-1,6	-4,0	0,8	0,19

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Eastern Cape						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,0	2,2	16	-103	135	0,79
Employed	2,5	2,9	-15	-114	84	0,77
Unemployed	5,9	5,2	31	-74	135	0,57
Not economically active	2,0	2,2	33	-86	152	0,59
Discouraged work-seekers	8,7	8,5	-45	-109	18	0,16
Other (not economically active)	2,3	2,9	78	-35	192	0,18
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,8	4,3	1,2	-2,8	5,2	0,57
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,5	2,9	-0,7	-3,0	1,6	0,54
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,2	-0,2	-3,0	2,6	0,89
Eastern Cape – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	3,2	3,3	46	-62	154	0,40
Employed	3,5	4,4	11	-74	96	0,80
Unemployed	8,1	7,8	35	-53	123	0,43
Not economically active	2,3	2,5	-16	-124	92	0,77
Discouraged work-seekers	8,6	8,9	-51	-112	10	0,10
Other (not economically active)	2,5	3,5	35	-65	135	0,49
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,2	6,3	1,5	-4,1	7,0	0,60
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,5	4,4	0,1	-2,8	3,0	0,95
Labour force participation rate	3,2	3,3	1,1	-2,6	4,8	0,55

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Eastern Cape – Buffalo City						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	4,2	2,6	-8	-39	23	0,61
Employed	6,0	2,3	-4	-36	28	0,81
Unemployed	7,0	10,0	-4	-24	16	0,68
Not economically active	8,3	4,7	14	-17	45	0,38
Discouraged work-seekers	51,6	35,0	-1	-17	16	0,93
Other (not economically active)	12,6	4,2	15	-21	50	0,41
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,4	8,0	-0,6	-6,4	5,3	0,85
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	6,0	2,3	-1,3	-7,5	4,9	0,68
Labour force participation rate	4,2	2,6	-2,3	-8,4	3,8	0,45
Eastern Cape – Nelson Mandela Bay						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,1	3,6	-22	-62	18	0,27
Employed	4,3	5,3	-22	-63	20	0,30
Unemployed	11,9	5,9	0	-54	54	0,99
Not economically active	4,5	6,5	35	-5	74	0,09
Discouraged work-seekers	96,0	18,0	6	3	9	0,00
Other (not economically active)	4,4	6,5	28	-11	68	0,16
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	10,4	5,6	1,4	-7,1	9,9	0,75
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,3	5,3	-3,3	-8,4	1,8	0,20
Labour force participation rate	2,1	3,6	-3,7	-8,5	1,1	0,13

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Northern Cape						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	4,0	3,1	-20	-54	15	0,26
Employed	7,3	5,2	-16	-57	24	0,43
Unemployed	6,7	7,2	-3	-29	22	0,79
Not economically active	5,2	3,5	28	-6	62	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	7,3	9,2	11	-10	31	0,31
Other (not economically active)	5,4	3,9	17	-11	45	0,23
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	9,2	7,7	0,5	-5,5	6,5	0,87
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	7,3	5,2	-2,4	-7,5	2,7	0,35
Labour force participation rate	4,0	3,1	-3,0	-7,3	1,3	0,17
Free State						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,7	1,7	30	-11	71	0,15
Employed	3,3	2,6	20	-40	80	0,51
Unemployed	4,0	6,9	10	-49	68	0,75
Not economically active	3,0	3,0	-21	-62	19	0,30
Discouraged work-seekers	10,2	14,6	39	11	66	0,01
Other (not economically active)	2,8	1,8	-60	-94	-26	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,3	5,9	-0,1	-4,6	4,5	0,98
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,3	2,6	0,9	-2,3	4,1	0,58
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,7	1,3	-0,9	3,4	0,24

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Free State – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,1	2,3	19	-16	54	0,29
Employed	4,4	3,1	7	-41	55	0,78
Unemployed	4,7	9,3	12	-40	64	0,65
Not economically active	3,2	3,7	-21	-57	14	0,23
Discouraged work-seekers	10,8	18,1	17	-9	43	0,19
Other (not economically active)	3,0	1,8	-39	-64	-13	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,4	7,6	0,6	-5,1	6,4	0,83
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,4	3,1	0,6	-3,0	4,1	0,75
Labour force participation rate	2,1	2,3	1,5	-1,1	4,1	0,25
Free State – Mangaung						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	3,0	1,8	11	-9	31	0,30
Employed	4,2	4,6	13	-22	49	0,46
Unemployed	7,6	6,0	-3	-29	24	0,85
Not economically active	7,0	4,3	0	-20	20	0,99
Discouraged work-seekers	24,3	17,4	21	12	31	0,00
Other (not economically active)	6,6	4,8	-21	-43	1	0,06
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,9	7,3	-1,5	-8,8	5,8	0,68
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,2	4,6	1,5	-5,0	7,9	0,65
Labour force participation rate	3,0	1,8	0,6	-3,1	4,3	0,76

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
KwaZulu-Natal						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,8	2,3	214	36	392	0,02
Employed	1,9	1,8	15	-104	134	0,80
Unemployed	5,7	7,9	199	59	339	0,01
Not economically active	1,6	2,3	-107	-285	71	0,24
Discouraged work-seekers	7,6	7,6	-129	-239	-19	0,02
Other (not economically active)	2,0	2,6	22	-124	167	0,77
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,9	6,2	4,3	1,2	7,4	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	1,8	-0,4	-2,0	1,3	0,68
Labour force participation rate	1,8	2,3	2,3	-0,2	4,8	0,07
KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,8	3,5	245	86	404	0,00
Employed	3,0	3,0	78	-24	181	0,13
Unemployed	8,8	11,3	167	44	289	0,01
Not economically active	1,9	2,8	-166	-325	-6	0,04
Discouraged work-seekers	8,8	9,1	-152	-252	-51	0,00
Other (not economically active)	2,4	3,2	-14	-137	109	0,83
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,4	8,7	5,2	0,7	9,7	0,02
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	3,0	1,2	-1,1	3,4	0,30
Labour force participation rate	2,8	3,5	4,6	1,1	8,0	0,01

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
KwaZulu-Natal – eThekwini						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,0	2,3	-31	-109	48	0,44
Employed	2,4	1,5	-63	-124	-2	0,04
Unemployed	5,2	8,7	32	-36	101	0,35
Not economically active	3,3	3,5	58	-20	137	0,15
Discouraged work-seekers	9,9	10,2	23	-21	67	0,32
Other (not economically active)	3,8	3,9	36	-45	116	0,38
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,0	6,8	2,6	-1,3	6,5	0,20
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,4	1,5	-3,1	-5,7	-0,6	0,02
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,3	-2,0	-5,2	1,3	0,23
North West						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	3,3	3,5	47	-74	168	0,44
Employed	3,9	4,1	-59	-156	38	0,23
Unemployed	7,9	9,8	106	-8	221	0,07
Not economically active	3,5	3,9	-4	-125	117	0,95
Discouraged work-seekers	8,9	14,4	-62	-161	36	0,21
Other (not economically active)	3,8	3,5	58	-32	149	0,20
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,8	7,9	6,9	0,0	13,7	0,05
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,9	4,1	-2,9	-6,7	0,9	0,13
Labour force participation rate	3,3	3,5	1,0	-3,7	5,6	0,69

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	0,8	0,8	163	-3	329	0,05
Employed	1,3	1,3	11	-190	212	0,92
Unemployed	3,3	2,6	152	-51	355	0,14
Not economically active	2,0	1,9	37	-129	203	0,66
Discouraged work-seekers	8,7	11,1	-60	-168	48	0,27
Other (not economically active)	1,9	1,7	97	-30	225	0,13
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	3,0	2,4	1,4	-1,2	4,0	0,28
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,3	1,3	-0,9	-2,8	1,1	0,39
Labour force participation rate	0,8	0,8	0,2	-1,4	1,8	0,80
Gauteng – Non-metro						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,8	3,1	20	-48	89	0,56
Employed	3,2	4,5	-31	-104	42	0,40
Unemployed	8,5	9,5	52	-8	111	0,09
Not economically active	4,8	5,7	-10	-78	59	0,78
Discouraged work-seekers	15,2	16,7	-41	-89	8	0,10
Other (not economically active)	2,9	4,8	31	-3	64	0,07
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,1	8,2	5,3	-1,1	11,6	0,11
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,2	4,5	-2,7	-8,1	2,7	0,33
Labour force participation rate	2,8	3,1	1,0	-4,1	6,1	0,70

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng – Ekurhuleni						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,0	1,2	86	2	170	0,05
Employed	2,7	1,9	86	-6	178	0,07
Unemployed	6,9	4,1	0	-107	107	1,00
Not economically active	4,9	3,4	-50	-134	34	0,24
Discouraged work-seekers	12,7	15,8	6	-41	52	0,81
Other (not economically active)	5,4	3,9	-56	-130	19	0,15
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,8	3,7	-1,5	-6,6	3,6	0,56
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	1,9	2,7	-0,9	6,3	0,14
Labour force participation rate	2,0	1,2	2,3	-1,0	5,6	0,16
Gauteng – City of Johannesburg						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,1	1,4	-9	-102	84	0,85
Employed	2,2	2,5	-70	-220	81	0,36
Unemployed	6,0	4,1	61	-81	202	0,40
Not economically active	3,2	3,7	105	12	198	0,03
Discouraged work-seekers	21,1	21,9	13	-40	67	0,63
Other (not economically active)	2,4	3,5	92	15	169	0,02
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,6	4,1	2,2	-2,7	7,2	0,37
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,2	2,5	-3,1	-7,1	0,8	0,12
Labour force participation rate	1,1	1,4	-2,1	-4,5	0,3	0,09

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)

	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng – City of Tshwane						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,7	1,5	66	-30	161	0,18
Employed	2,0	2,0	26	-45	97	0,48
Unemployed	5,4	5,6	40	-41	121	0,33
Not economically active	3,7	3,4	-9	-104	87	0,86
Discouraged work-seekers	20,1	33,9	-38	-108	31	0,28
Other (not economically active)	4,0	2,6	30	-41	100	0,41
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,6	4,8	1,2	-2,5	5,0	0,53
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,0	2,0	-0,1	-2,9	2,7	0,96
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,5	1,1	-2,7	4,8	0,58
Mpumalanga						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	1,9	2,1	90	-7	187	0,07
Employed	2,5	2,7	31	-66	129	0,53
Unemployed	7,0	6,7	58	-76	193	0,39
Not economically active	3,2	3,8	-44	-142	53	0,37
Discouraged work-seekers	9,7	12,8	1	-70	72	0,98
Other (not economically active)	3,3	3,3	-45	-122	31	0,25
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,8	5,5	1,5	-4,6	7,7	0,63
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,5	2,7	0,4	-2,9	3,7	0,81
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,1	2,1	-1,2	5,4	0,22

Table 2.3B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (concluded)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Limpopo						
Population 15–64 yrs						
Labour force	2,1	2,3	46	-78	169	0,47
Employed	2,3	2,7	20	-60	99	0,63
Unemployed	8,3	9,0	26	-68	120	0,59
Not economically active	1,9	2,1	4	-120	128	0,95
Discouraged work-seekers	7,9	6,3	112	21	202	0,02
Other (not economically active)	1,9	2,5	-108	-209	-6	0,04
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,5	8,2	0,9	-3,3	5,2	0,67
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,3	2,7	0,0	-2,1	2,1	0,99
Labour force participation rate	2,1	2,3	0,6	-2,7	3,9	0,73

Table 3.1B: Sampling variability for the employed by industry and sex

	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Both sexes	0,7	0,7	25	-278	328	0,87
Agriculture	4,1	4,9	-1	-94	91	0,98
Mining	5,8	5,0	-54	-113	5	0,07
Manufacturing	2,6	2,9	45	-88	178	0,50
Utilities	12,0	11,9	-9	-59	40	0,71
Construction	2,8	3,3	-113	-230	4	0,06
Trade	2,0	1,8	210	37	382	0,02
Transport	3,4	3,5	-32	-125	62	0,51
Finance	2,4	2,2	96	-53	244	0,21
Community and social services	1,8	1,8	-70	-247	107	0,44
Private households	2,7	2,9	-45	-148	58	0,39
Women	0,9	1,0	-1	-182	181	0,99
Agriculture	10,0	9,0	-30	-96	36	0,37
Mining	14,1	17,2	-7	-27	12	0,45
Manufacturing	4,2	4,6	-7	-78	65	0,86
Utilities	20,5	19,5	1	-26	27	0,97
Construction	7,7	9,1	-10	-45	24	0,56
Trade	2,5	2,7	86	-27	198	0,14
Transport	7,3	9,4	-28	-69	13	0,17
Finance	3,2	3,5	-2	-99	94	0,96
Community and social services	1,9	2,3	24	-111	159	0,73
Private households	2,9	3,2	-22	-107	63	0,61
Men	0,8	0,8	26	-188	239	0,81
Agriculture	4,6	5,2	29	-43	100	0,43
Mining	5,8	5,4	-47	-101	8	0,09
Manufacturing	3,0	3,3	52	-49	153	0,31
Utilities	12,4	12,0	-10	-45	26	0,58
Construction	3,0	3,4	-103	-211	6	0,06
Trade	2,7	2,5	124	3	245	0,05
Transport	3,8	3,8	-3	-88	82	0,94
Finance	3,0	2,6	98	-7	203	0,07
Community and social services	2,7	2,9	-94	-198	11	0,08
Private households	5,9	6,3	-23	-72	27	0,37

Table 3.4B: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector

	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
South Africa	0,7	0,7	25	-278	328	0,87
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	0,9	1,0	-148	-422	126	0,29
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2,1	2,1	219	44	394	0,01
Agriculture	4,1	4,9	-1	-94	91	0,98
Private households	2,7	2,9	-45	-148	58	0,39
Western Cape	1,5	1,3	18	-73	109	0,70
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1,8	2,2	-8	-104	88	0,87
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	7,2	6,4	46	-10	102	0,11
Agriculture	6,9	7,2	1	-28	29	0,97
Private households	6,9	8,6	-21	-49	7	0,15
Western Cape – Non-metro	2,4	1,5	33	-22	89	0,24
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,4	3,3	11	-39	60	0,66
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	13,4	8,1	19	-10	48	0,20
Agriculture	7,0	7,3	5	-22	32	0,72
Private households	11,4	15,0	-2	-20	17	0,87
Western Cape – City of Cape Town	1,9	1,7	-16	-89	57	0,67
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	2,3	2,8	-19	-104	66	0,66
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	8,4	8,8	27	-21	76	0,27
Agriculture	29,9	30,7	-4	-15	6	0,41
Private households	8,8	10,2	-19	-42	3	0,09
Eastern Cape	2,5	2,9	-15	-114	84	0,77
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,3	3,8	-46	-122	30	0,23
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	6,5	6,9	15	-45	76	0,62
Agriculture	14,7	11,4	0	-33	33	0,99
Private households	10,5	9,6	16	-18	50	0,36
Eastern Cape – Non-metro	3,5	4,4	11	-74	96	0,80
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	5,2	6,0	-10	-71	52	0,76
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	8,2	9,2	21	-31	74	0,43
Agriculture	15,5	11,4	-4	-35	27	0,80
Private households	12,9	14,6	4	-27	34	0,81

Table 3.4B: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Eastern Cape – Buffalo City	6,0	2,3	-4	-36	28	0,81
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,4	7,3	-11	-39	16	0,41
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	16,5	15,0	-4	-23	15	0,69
Agriculture	52,9	76,8	3	-6	11	0,54
Private households	10,9	25,1	9	-2	19	0,10
Eastern Cape – Nelson Mandela Bay	4,3	5,3	-22	-63	20	0,30
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	6,5	5,9	-25	-59	10	0,16
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	14,4	10,6	-2	-26	21	0,86
Agriculture	41,5	61,5	2	-5	8	0,63
Private households	24,6	6,3	3	-8	14	0,55
Northern Cape	7,3	5,2	-16	-57	24	0,43
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	9,1	7,0	-21	-56	13	0,23
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	17,9	13,5	12	3	21	0,01
Agriculture	14,2	31,1	-11	-41	18	0,44
Private households	23,3	21,0	4	-10	18	0,54
Free State	3,3	2,6	20	-40	80	0,51
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,6	3,6	28	-13	69	0,19
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	8,7	10,3	-4	-47	38	0,84
Agriculture	12,7	15,3	-12	-40	17	0,43
Private households	7,7	10,6	9	-12	30	0,41
Free State – Non-metro	4,4	3,1	7	-41	55	0,78
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	5,2	5,7	10	-23	43	0,54
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	11,8	14,3	-4	-43	35	0,84
Agriculture	12,8	15,9	-13	-42	15	0,36
Private households	10,9	11,6	14	1	27	0,04
Free State – Mangaung	4,2	4,6	13	-22	49	0,46
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	8,5	2,3	17	-7	42	0,16
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	11,0	11,7	0	-18	17	0,96
Agriculture	101,0	37,5	2	1	3	0,00
Private households	9,6	23,3	-5	-21	11	0,52

Table 3.4B: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (continued)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
KwaZulu-Natal	1,9	1,8	15	-104	134	0,80
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	2,8	2,4	-34	-134	65	0,50
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	6,2	5,0	36	-41	113	0,35
Agriculture	13,0	16,7	12	-13	38	0,33
Private households	5,4	8,5	1	-39	41	0,96
KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro	3,0	3,0	78	-24	181	0,13
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,9	3,8	55	-32	142	0,22
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	8,5	6,2	8	-58	73	0,82
Agriculture	13,3	17,5	8	-16	33	0,52
Private households	8,4	12,4	7	-21	36	0,61
KwaZulu-Natal – eThekwinia	2,4	1,5	-63	-124	-2	0,04
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,0	2,8	-89	-139	-39	0,00
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	7,7	8,3	28	-10	67	0,15
Agriculture	57,3	39,0	4	-2	11	0,19
Private households	6,7	11,3	-6	-35	22	0,65
North West	3,9	4,1	-59	-156	38	0,23
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	4,5	5,8	-36	-115	42	0,37
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	6,6	9,9	-33	-70	3	0,08
Agriculture	26,1	18,0	17	-15	49	0,29
Private households	11,3	10,7	-7	-32	17	0,57
Gauteng	1,3	1,3	11	-190	212	0,92
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1,7	1,8	-45	-241	151	0,65
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	3,8	3,8	82	-6	170	0,07
Agriculture	18,7	35,6	1	-25	28	0,94
Private households	5,4	5,3	-27	-89	34	0,38
Gauteng – Non-metro	3,2	4,5	-31	-104	42	0,40
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,8	6,9	-14	-78	49	0,66
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	10,5	10,1	-4	-34	26	0,79
Agriculture	27,0	52,7	-6	-24	13	0,55
Private households	14,6	18,7	-7	-37	22	0,61

Table 3.4B: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (concluded)						
	Coefficient of variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Gauteng – Ekurhuleni	2,7	1,9	86	-6	178	0,07
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,6	2,1	46	-43	135	0,31
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	10,6	7,6	51	5	97	0,03
Agriculture	56,4	35,8	1	-5	8	0,66
Private households	11,5	8,4	-12	-39	14	0,36
Gauteng – City of Johannesburg	2,2	2,5	-70	-220	81	0,36
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,2	3,5	-104	-252	43	0,16
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	3,3	5,5	21	-34	77	0,45
Agriculture	101,2	27,6	1	-2	4	0,39
Private households	9,4	7,8	12	-32	57	0,59
Gauteng – City of Tshwane	2,0	2,0	26	-45	97	0,48
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1,9	2,9	28	-36	92	0,39
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	13,4	8,5	14	-26	54	0,50
Agriculture	19,3	81,2	4	-14	22	0,66
Private households	6,7	11,7	-20	-38	-2	0,03
Mpumalanga	2,5	2,7	31	-66	129	0,53
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,9	3,2	-16	-86	55	0,66
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	6,4	9,0	41	-27	109	0,23
Agriculture	5,6	13,4	7	-17	30	0,58
Private households	7,6	7,5	-1	-28	26	0,94
Limpopo	2,3	2,7	20	-60	99	0,63
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3,0	3,4	30	-37	98	0,38
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	5,1	4,6	24	-24	72	0,33
Agriculture	10,5	12,0	-16	-64	31	0,50
Private households	10,6	7,3	-18	-51	14	0,27

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
	Apr-Jun 2018	Apr-Jun 2019				
Both sexes	0,7	0,7	25	-278	328	0,87
Manager	3,3	3,4	112	-31	254	0,12
Professional	4,4	4,7	-38	-150	74	0,51
Technician	2,8	3,0	-11	-129	106	0,85
Clerk	2,4	2,7	4	-117	124	0,95
Sales and services	2,1	2,0	53	-96	201	0,49
Skilled agriculture	14,4	15,5	-10	-32	12	0,39
Craft and related trade	2,5	2,5	-50	-178	79	0,45
Plant and machine operator	3,0	2,7	22	-74	119	0,65
Elementary	1,7	1,8	-55	-234	125	0,55
Domestic worker	2,9	3,1	-2	-88	84	0,97
Women	0,9	1,0	-1	-182	181	0,99
Manager	5,7	5,3	20	-50	89	0,58
Professional	5,7	6,3	13	-63	89	0,74
Technician	3,8	3,8	-37	-119	45	0,38
Clerk	2,8	3,2	-6	-104	92	0,90
Sales and services	3,0	2,9	21	-83	125	0,69
Skilled agriculture	27,6	34,2	-8	-19	2	0,10
Craft and related trade	7,0	6,4	6	-36	48	0,78
Plant and machine operator	7,7	7,3	-12	-47	23	0,50
Elementary	2,7	2,8	16	-100	132	0,79
Domestic worker	3,0	3,2	-13	-98	73	0,77
Men	0,8	0,8	26	-188	239	0,81
Manager	3,3	3,3	92	-4	189	0,06
Professional	5,3	5,8	-51	-117	15	0,13
Technician	4,0	4,5	26	-55	107	0,53
Clerk	4,9	4,8	10	-53	73	0,76
Sales and services	2,7	2,6	32	-70	133	0,54
Skilled agriculture	15,0	17,0	-1	-20	17	0,88
Craft and related trade	2,5	2,6	-56	-176	65	0,36
Plant and machine operator	3,2	3,0	35	-59	128	0,47
Elementary	2,3	2,5	-71	-219	77	0,35
Domestic worker	20,7	15,5	11	-7	29	0,24