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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 above who live in South Africa. However, this report will only cover labour market activities of persons aged between 15 and 64 years.

This report presents the key findings of the QLFS conducted in April–June, 2009 (Q2:2009).

2. Highlights of the results

Table A: Key labour market indicators

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	P-value (Qrt to Qrt)
	Thousand					
Population 15–64 yrs	30 705	30 987	31 080	93	375	
Labour force	17 844	17 820	17 495	-325	-349	0,00
Employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	0,00
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9 415	9 449	9 356	-93	-59	0,16
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 340	2 150	2 109	-41	-231	0,34
Agriculture	790	738	710	-28	-80	0,41
Private households	1 185	1 299	1 194	-105	9	0,00
Unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	0,45
Not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	1 079	1 215	1 517	302	438	0,00
Other (not economically active)	11 783	11 951	12 068	117	285	0,15
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	23,1	23,5	23,6	0,1	0,5	0,79
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	44,7	44,0	43,0	-1,0	-1,7	0,00
Labour force participation rate	58,1	57,5	56,3	-1,2	-1,8	0,00

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

The number of persons in the labour force decreased by 325 000 from 17,8 million Q1:2009 to 17,5 million in Q2:2009. Table A shows that employment decreased by 2,0 percent between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009. A total of 267 thousand jobs were lost between the two quarters, with most job losses recorded in private households (105 000), followed by the formal sector (93 000).

While employment fell by a substantial 267 thousand from Q1:2009, this decline did not translate to an increase in the number of unemployed persons but rather to the increase in the number of persons who are not economically active (419 000) with the majority of them being discouraged work-seekers (302 000); the number of unemployed persons decreased by 59 thousand. As a result, there was virtually no change in the unemployment rate between the two quarters.

Compared to Q2:2008, there was an annual decrease of 2,6 percent (360 000) in employment; an increase of 11 thousand in the number of unemployed persons and a massive increase of 724 thousand in the number of persons who are not economically active – 438 thousand being discouraged work-seekers.

3. Employment

Table B: Employment by industry

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
						Thousand	
Total	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Agriculture	790	738	710	-28	-80	-3,8	-10,1
Mining	346	333	319	-14	-27	-4,2	-7,8
Manufacturing	1 968	1 882	1 873	-9	-95	-0,5	-4,8
Utilities	97	100	93	-7	-4	-7,0	-4,1
Construction	1 138	1 126	1 117	-9	-21	-0,8	-1,8
Trade	3 105	3 021	2 962	-59	-143	-2,0	-4,6
Transport	774	757	727	-30	-47	-4,0	-6,1
Finance	1 687	1 725	1 710	-15	23	-0,9	1,4
Community and social services	2 635	2 651	2 664	13	29	0,5	1,1
Private households	1 185	1 299	1 194	-105	9	-8,1	0,8
Other	4	5	2	-3	-2	-60,0	-50,0

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

Table B indicates that between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009, job losses were recorded in all industries but Community and social services. Most of the jobs losses were in Private households which accounted for 105 thousand of the job losses, followed by Trade (59 000), Transport (30 000) and Agriculture (28 000).

The year-on-year comparisons also show that job losses were experienced in most of the industries with Trade accounting for 143 thousand of the job losses, followed by Manufacturing (95 000) and Agriculture (80 000). There were some job gains in Community and social services (29 000), Finance (23 000) and Private households (9 000) although there was an overall decline of 360 thousand in employment between Q2:2008 and Q2:2009.

Table C: Employment by province

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Jan–Mar 2009
						Thousand
Total	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	100,0
Western Cape	1 891	1 965	1 898	-67	7	14,2
Eastern Cape	1 363	1 311	1 353	42	-10	10,1
Northern Cape	297	278	283	5	-14	2,1
Free State	831	812	773	-39	-58	5,8
KwaZulu Natal	2 614	2 514	2 457	-57	-157	18,4
North West	900	885	849	-36	-51	6,4
Gauteng	4 061	4 030	3 953	-77	-108	29,6
Mpumalanga	900	936	897	-39	-3	6,7
Limpopo	874	905	906	1	32	6,8

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

Table C shows that between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009, employment decreased in most provinces except Eastern Cape, Northern Cape and Limpopo. The highest number of job losses was observed in Gauteng (77 000) followed by Western Cape (67 000) and KwaZulu-Natal (57 000).

The year-on-year comparisons (Q2:2008 and Q2:2009) show that KwaZulu-Natal and Gauteng were the hardest hit provinces in terms of job losses, recording 157 thousand and 108 thousand job losses respectively.

Figure 1: Formal sector employment by industry

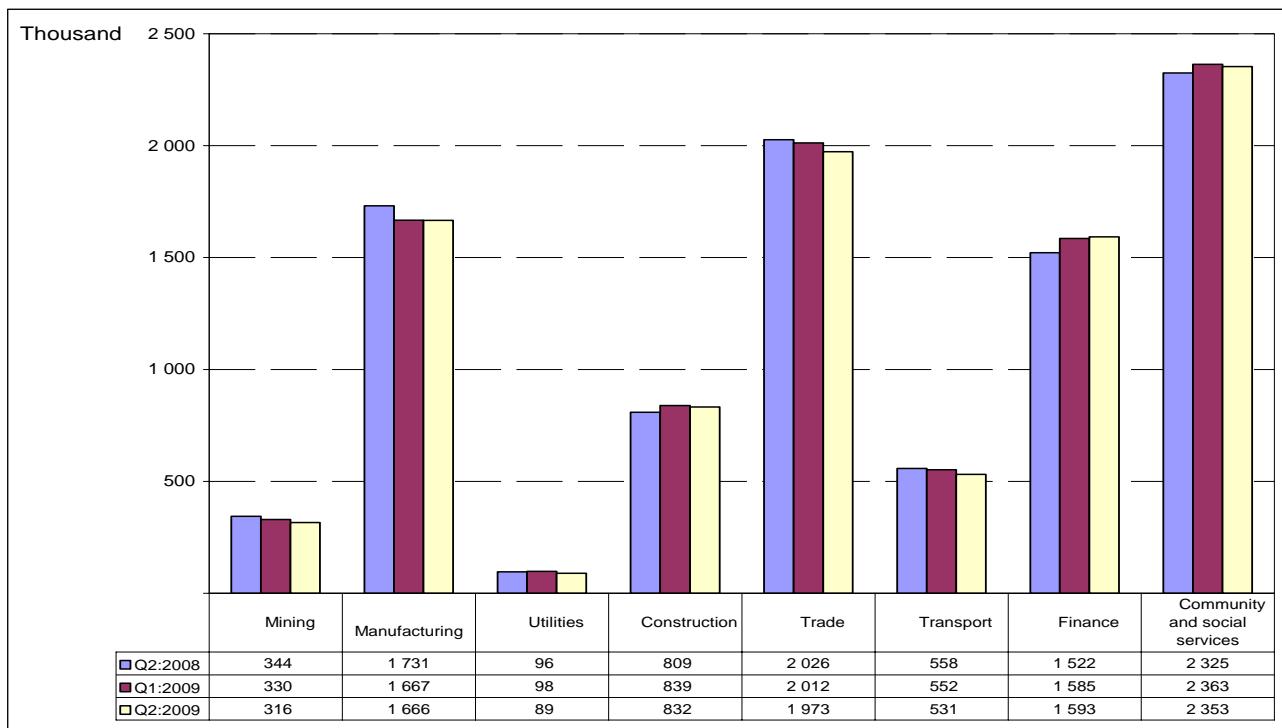


Figure 1 shows that there was a decrease of 93 thousand formal sector jobs between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009 with the most affected industries being Trade (39 000), Transport (21 000) and Mining (14 000).

The year-on-year comparisons show a net loss of 59 thousand jobs in the formal sector, with Manufacturing and Trade being the hardest hit with the loss of 65 thousand and 53 thousand jobs respectively, although some industries such as Finance, Community and social services and Construction experienced job gains.

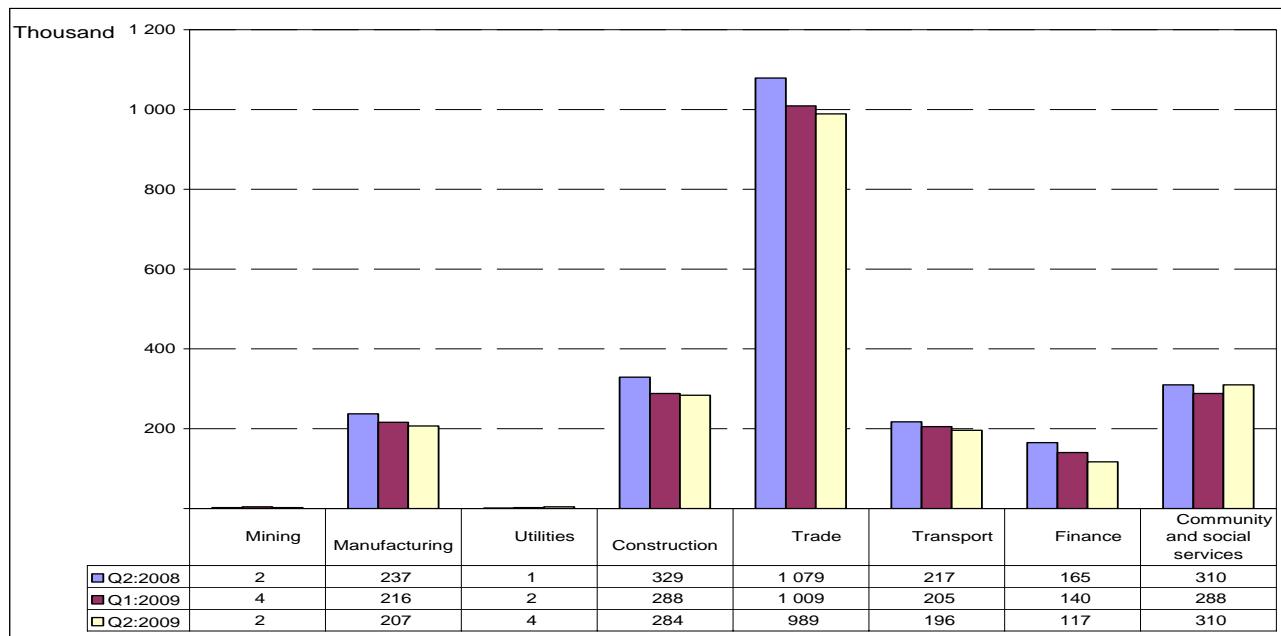
Figure 2: Informal sector employment by industry

Figure 2 indicates that, similar to the formal sector, the informal sector also shed 41 thousand jobs between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009, especially in the Finance (23 000) and Trade (20 000) industries.

Compared to Q2:2008, the informal sector lost 231 thousand jobs with most of them being in Trade (90 000), Finance (48 000), Construction (45 000) and Manufacturing (30 000).

Table D: Employment by occupation

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand				Percent		
Total	13 729	13 636	13 369	- 267	- 360	-2,0	-2,6
Manager	993	1 053	1 022	- 31	29	-2,9	2,9
Professional	789	795	654	- 141	- 135	-17,7	-17,1
Technician	1 454	1 496	1 550	54	96	3,6	6,6
Clerk	1 450	1 403	1 440	37	- 10	2,6	-0,7
Sales and services	1 749	1 780	1 804	24	55	1,3	3,1
Skilled agriculture	95	118	83	- 35	- 12	-29,7	-12,6
Craft and related trade	1 946	1 809	1 779	- 30	- 167	-1,7	-8,6
Plant and machine operator	1 161	1 217	1 186	- 31	25	-2,5	2,2
Elementary	3 137	2 934	2 889	- 45	- 248	-1,5	-7,9
Domestic worker	953	1 031	963	- 68	10	-6,6	1,0
Other	2

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

Table D shows a decrease in the number of individuals employed in various occupations, with the biggest quarterly decrease recorded in Professional occupations where 141 thousand jobs were lost. This was followed by Domestic workers (68 000), Elementary occupations (45 000) and Skilled agriculture (35 000) occupations.

The year-on-year comparisons show that the shed jobs were mostly in Elementary, Craft and related trade and Professional occupations (248 000, 167 000 and 135 000 respectively).

4. The unemployed population

Table E: Unemployed by sex

Unemployed	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand				Percent		
Total	4 114	4 184	4 125	- 59	11	-1,4	0,3
Men	1 910	2 036	2 060	24	150	1,2	7,9
Women	2 204	2 148	2 065	- 83	- 139	-3,9	-6,3

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

Table E shows that between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009 the number of unemployed persons decreased by 59 thousand from 4,2 million to 4,1 million. The decrease was among women (3,9% or 83 000) while there was an increase among men (1,2% or 24 000).

The year-on-year comparisons show that the number of unemployed persons increased slightly by 11 thousand, with the annual decline of 6,3% (139 000) among women being offset by an increase of 7,9% (150 000) among men.

Figure 3: Unemployment rate by province

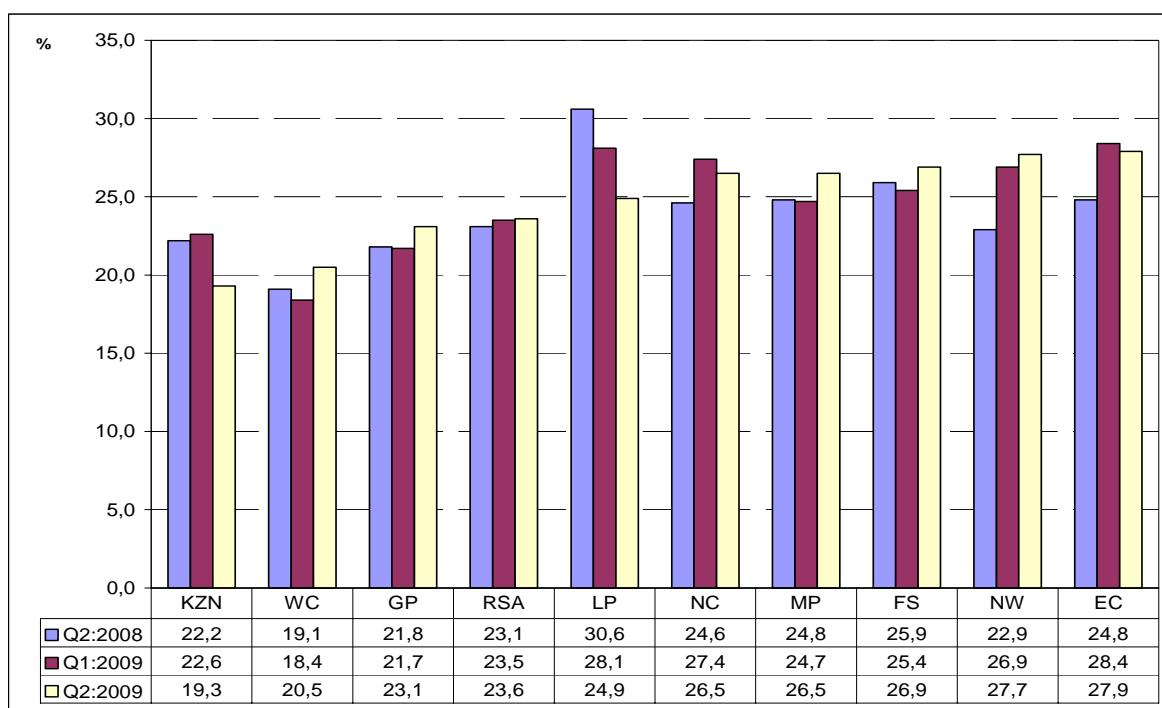


Figure 3 shows an increase in the unemployment rate in five of the nine provinces in Q2:2009 compared to the unemployment rate of Q1:2009. Although Western Cape had the second lowest unemployment rate, it experienced the biggest increase (2,1 percentage points) followed by Mpumalanga (1,8 percentage points) and Free State (1,5 percentage points). KwaZulu-Natal had the lowest unemployment rate (19,3%).

The comparisons between Q2:2008 and Q2:2009 indicate that the unemployment rate increased in seven of the nine provinces. The highest increase was in North West (up by 4,8 percentage points) followed by Eastern Cape (up by 3,1 percentage points). Limpopo and KwaZulu-Natal experienced declines in the unemployment rate in the same period (down by 5,7 and 2,9 percentage points respectively).

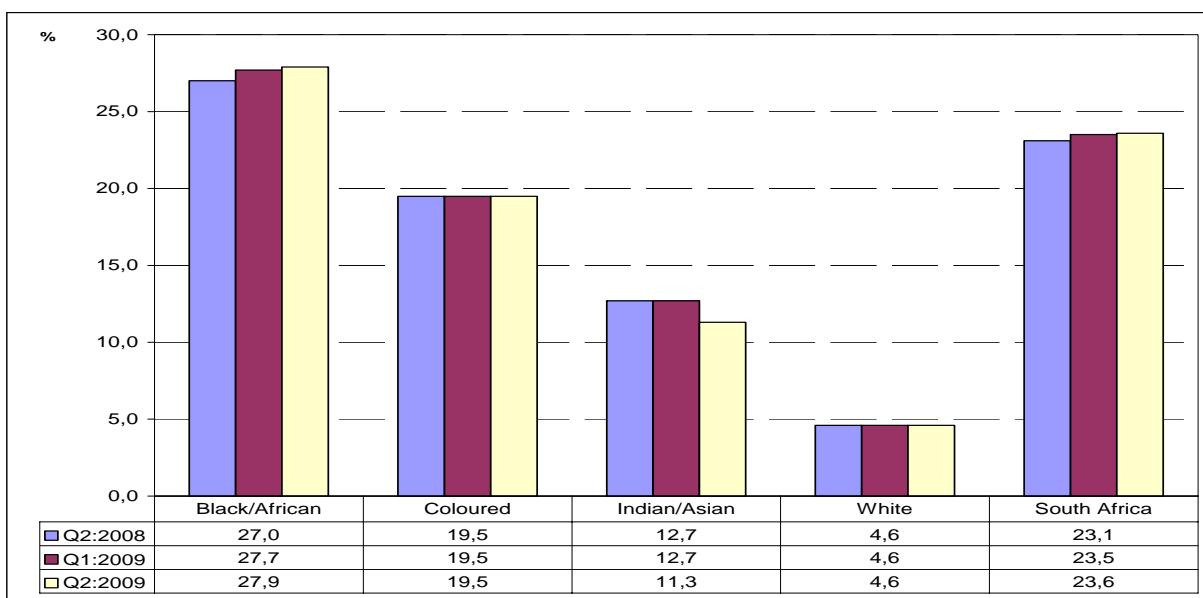
Figure 4: Unemployment rate by population group

Figure 4 shows that between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009, the unemployment rate remained unchanged across all population groups except among Indians where it declined by 1,4 percentage points.

The year-on-year comparisons show that the unemployment rate remained unchanged among coloured and white population groups; increased among Black Africans, and decreased among Indians.

Table F: Characteristics of the unemployed

Unemployed	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand					Percent	
Total	4 114	4 184	4 125	- 59	11	-1,4	0,3
Job losers	1 172	1 360	1 427	67	255	4,9	21,8
Job leavers	402	357	345	- 12	- 57	-3,4	-14,2
New entrants	1 746	1 785	1 670	- 115	- 76	-6,4	-4,4
Re-entrants	253	188	173	- 15	- 80	-8,0	-31,6
Other	541	494	510	16	- 31	3,2	-5,7

Table F shows that between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009 new entrants accounted for most (115 000) of the observed decrease in the levels of unemployment, while the number of job losers increased by 67 thousand in the same period.

While there was an increase in the number of job losers (255 000) in Q2:2009 compared to Q2:2008, this was offset by a decline among re-entrants (80 000), new entrants (76 000) and job leavers (57 000), resulting in a net gain of 11 thousand in the number of unemployed persons over this period.

5. Characteristics of the not economically active population

Table G: The not economically active

Not economically active	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand				Percent		
Total	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
Student	5 670	5 634	5 693	59	23	1,0	0,4
Home-maker	2 496	2 693	2 652	- 41	156	-1,5	6,3
Illness/disability	1 794	1 767	1 799	32	5	1,8	0,3
Too old/young to work	978	1 042	1 062	20	84	1,9	8,6
Discouraged	1 079	1 215	1 517	302	438	24,9	40,6
Other	845	816	862	46	17	5,6	2,0

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

Table G shows that the not economically active population increased by 419 thousand persons between Q1:2009 and Q2:2009, with the discouraged work-seekers accounting for 302 thousand of such persons. The only observed decline was among the Home-makers (41 000).

The year-on-year changes indicate that overall there was an increase in the number of not economically active persons (724 000 or 5,6%) between Q2:2008 and Q2:2009. Discouraged work-seekers (438 000) and Home-makers (156 000) made the largest contribution to the increase of 724 thousand among the not economically active persons, while students accounted for 23 thousand of the increase.



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6. Technical notes

6.1. Response details

Table H: Response rates by province

Province	Apr-Jun 2009
	Percent
Western Cape	83,7
Eastern Cape	96,9
Northern Cape	88,8
Free State	93,5
KwaZulu-Natal	94,1
North West	94,1
Gauteng	82,4
Mpumalanga	96,9
Limpopo	98,9
South Africa	91,4

6.2. Survey requirements and design

The Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) frame has been developed as a general-purpose household survey frame that can be used by all other household surveys irrespective of the sample size requirement of the survey. The sample size for the QLFS is roughly 30 000 dwellings per quarter.

The sample is based on information collected during the 2001 Population Census conducted by Stats SA. In preparation for the 2001 Census, the country was divided into 80 787 enumeration areas (EAs). Stats SA's household-based surveys use a master sample of primary sampling units (PSUs) which comprises of EAs that are drawn from across the country.

The sample is designed to be representative at provincial level and within provinces at metro/non-metro level. Within the metros, the sample is further distributed by geography type. The four geography types are: urban formal, urban informal, farms and tribal. This implies, for example, that within a metropolitan area the sample is representative at the different geography types that may exist within that metro.

The current sample size is 3 080 PSUs. It is divided equally into four sub-groups or panels called rotation groups. The rotation groups are designed in such a way that each of these groups has the same distribution pattern as that which is observed in the whole sample. They are numbered from one to four 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 redesigned Labour Force Survey (i.e. the QLFS) is based on a stratified two-stage design with probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling of primary sampling units (PSUs) in the first stage, and sampling of dwelling units (DUs) with systematic sampling in the second stage.

6.3. Sample rotation

Each quarter, a $\frac{1}{4}$ of the sampled dwellings rotate out of the sample and are replaced by new dwellings from the same PSU or the next PSU on the list. Thus, sampled dwellings will 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, say two quarters and a new household moves in then 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 (unoccupied).

6.4. Weighting

The sampling weights for the data collected from the sampled households are constructed in such a manner that the responses could be properly expanded to represent the entire civilian population of South Africa. The weights are the result of calculations involving several factors, including original selection probabilities, adjustment for non-response, and benchmarking to known population estimates from the Demographic division of Stats SA.

6.5. Non-response adjustment

In general, imputation is used for item non-response (i.e. blanks within the questionnaire) and edit failure (i.e. invalid or inconsistent responses). The eligible households in the sampled dwellings can be divided into two response categories: respondents and non-respondents; and weight adjustment is applied to account for the non-respondent households (e.g. refusal, no contact, etc.).

6.6. Final survey weights

The final survey weights are constructed using regression estimation to calibrate to the known population counts at the national level population estimates (which are supplied by the Demography division) cross-classified by 5-year age groups, gender and race, and provincial population estimates by broad age groups. The 5-year age groups are: 0–4, 5–9, 10–14, etc, and 65 and over. The provincial level age groups are: 0–14, 15–34, 35–64, and 65 years and over. The calibrated weights are constructed such that all persons in a household would have the same final weight.

6.7. 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 the province of Western Cape, number of females employed in manufacturing, etc.

6.8. Reliability of the survey estimates

Because 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-response and incomplete reporting. These types of errors cannot be measured readily. However, to the extent possible, 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. The variance estimation methodology is discussed below.

(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, Jackknife 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 scale differ from one another.

(iii) P-value of an estimate of change

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

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

7. Definitions

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

Economic activities are those that contribute to the production of goods and services in the country. There are two types of economic activities, and they are: (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 (temporarily absent).

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 consist of 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 less 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 was below 35 hours per week.

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

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

- a) Were not employed in the reference week **and**;
- b) Actively looked for work or tried to start a business in the four weeks preceding the survey interview **and**;
- c) Were available for work i.e. would have been able to start work or a business in the reference week **or**;

- d) Had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a job or business to start at a definite date in the future and were available.

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

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

Appendix 1

Table 1: Population of working age (15-64 years)

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	30 705	30 987	31 080	93	375	0,3	1,2
Women	16 084	16 210	16 252	42	168	0,3	1,0
Men	14 621	14 777	14 828	51	207	0,3	1,4
Population groups	30 705	30 987	31 080	93	375	0,3	1,2
Black	23 784	24 044	24 129	85	345	0,4	1,5
Coloured	2 934	2 966	2 977	11	43	0,4	1,5
Indian	874	887	891	4	17	0,5	1,9
White	3 113	3 090	3 083	-7	-30	-0,2	-1,0
RSA	30 705	30 987	31 080	93	375	0,3	1,2
Western Cape	3 450	3 484	3 495	11	45	0,3	1,3
Eastern Cape	3 949	3 986	3 998	12	49	0,3	1,2
Northern Cape	703	706	707	1	4	0,1	0,6
Free State	1 854	1 862	1 865	3	11	0,2	0,6
KwaZulu Natal	6 273	6 340	6 362	22	89	0,3	1,4
North West	2 167	2 179	2 183	4	16	0,2	0,7
Gauteng	7 076	7 131	7 149	18	73	0,3	1,0
Mpumalanga	2 180	2 203	2 210	7	30	0,3	1,4
Limpopo	3 053	3 097	3 111	14	58	0,5	1,9

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

Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex - All population groups

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes							
Population 15-64 yrs	30 705	30 987	31 080	93	375	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	17 844	17 820	17 495	-325	-349	-1,8	-2,0
Employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9 415	9 449	9 356	-93	-59	-1,0	-0,6
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 340	2 150	2 109	-41	-231	-1,9	-9,9
Agriculture	790	738	710	-28	-80	-3,8	-10,1
Private households	1 185	1 299	1 194	-105	9	-8,1	0,8
Unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
Not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
Discouraged work-seekers	1 079	1 215	1 517	302	438	24,9	40,6
Other(not economically active)	11 783	11 951	12 068	117	285	1,0	2,4
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	23,1	23,5	23,6	0,1	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	44,7	44,0	43,0	-1,0	-1,7		
Labour force participation rate	58,1	57,5	56,3	-1,2	-1,8		
Women							
Population 15-64 yrs	16 084	16 210	16 252	42	168	0,3	1,0
Labour Force	8 237	8 212	8 037	-175	-200	-2,1	-2,4
Employed	6 033	6 064	5 973	-91	-60	-1,5	-1,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3 767	3 817	3 840	23	73	0,6	1,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 084	983	965	-18	-119	-1,8	-11,0
Agriculture	253	237	217	-20	-36	-8,4	-14,2
Private households	928	1 026	951	-75	23	-7,3	2,5
Unemployed	2 204	2 148	2 065	-83	-139	-3,9	-6,3
Not economically active	7 846	7 998	8 215	217	369	2,7	4,7
Discouraged work-seekers	663	721	880	159	217	22,1	32,7
Other(not economically active)	7 183	7 278	7 334	56	151	0,8	2,1
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	26,8	26,2	25,7	-0,5	-1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,5	37,4	36,8	-0,6	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	51,2	50,7	49,5	-1,2	-1,7		
Men							
Population 15-64 yrs	14 621	14 777	14 828	51	207	0,3	1,4
Labour Force	9 606	9 608	9 457	-151	-149	-1,6	-1,6
Employed	7 696	7 572	7 397	-175	-299	-2,3	-3,9
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5 648	5 632	5 517	-115	-131	-2,0	-2,3
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 256	1 167	1 144	-23	-112	-2,0	-8,9
Agriculture	537	500	494	-6	-43	-1,2	-8,0
Private households	256	273	243	-30	-13	-11,0	-5,1
Unemployed	1 910	2 036	2 060	24	150	1,2	7,9
Not economically active	5 015	5 168	5 371	203	356	3,9	7,1
Discouraged work-seekers	416	494	637	143	221	28,9	53,1
Other(not economically active)	4 599	4 674	4 734	60	135	1,3	2,9
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	19,9	21,2	21,8	0,6	1,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,6	51,2	49,9	-1,3	-2,7		
Labour force participation rate	65,7	65,0	63,8	-1,2	-1,9		

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 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa							
Population 15-64 yrs	30 705	30 987	31 080	93	375	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	17 844	17 820	17 495	-325	-349	-1,8	-2,0
Employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
Not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	23,1	23,5	23,6	0,1	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	44,7	44,0	43,0	-1,0	-1,7		
Labour force participation rate	58,1	57,5	56,3	-1,2	-1,8		
Black/African							
Population 15-64 yrs	23 784	24 044	24 129	85	345	0,4	1,5
Labour Force	13 238	13 135	12 877	-258	-361	-2,0	-2,7
Employed	9 662	9 503	9 290	-213	-372	-2,2	-3,9
Unemployed	3 576	3 632	3 587	-45	11	-1,2	0,3
Not economically active	10 546	10 908	11 252	344	706	3,2	6,7
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	27,0	27,7	27,9	0,2	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,6	39,5	38,5	-1,0	-2,1		
Labour force participation rate	55,7	54,6	53,4	-1,2	-2,3		
Coloured							
Population 15-64 yrs	2 934	2 966	2 977	11	43	0,4	1,5
Labour Force	1 909	1 972	1 942	-30	33	-1,5	1,7
Employed	1 538	1 588	1 563	-25	25	-1,6	1,6
Unemployed	372	384	379	-5	7	-1,3	1,9
Not economically active	1 025	994	1 035	41	10	4,1	1,0
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	19,5	19,5	19,5	0,0	0,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,4	53,5	52,5	-1,0	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	65,1	66,5	65,2	-1,3	0,1		
Indian/Asian							
Population 15-64 yrs	874	887	891	4	17	0,5	1,9
Labour Force	534	536	521	-15	-13	-2,8	-2,4
Employed	466	468	461	-7	-5	-1,5	-1,1
Unemployed	68	68	59	-9	-9	-13,2	-13,2
Not economically active	340	350	370	20	30	5,7	8,8
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	12,7	12,7	11,3	-1,4	-1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,3	52,8	51,7	-1,1	-1,6		
Labour force participation rate	61,1	60,4	58,4	-2,0	-2,7		
White							
Population 15-64 yrs	3 113	3 090	3 083	-7	-30	-0,2	-1,0
Labour Force	2 163	2 177	2 155	-22	-8	-1,0	-0,4
Employed	2 064	2 077	2 056	-21	-8	-1,0	-0,4
Unemployed	99	100	100	0	1	0,0	1,0
Not economically active	951	914	928	14	-23	1,5	-2,4
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	4,6	4,6	4,6	0,0	0,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	66,3	67,2	66,7	-0,5	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	69,5	70,5	69,9	-0,6	0,4		

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

Note: Employment refers to market production activities.

Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by province							
	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa							
Population 15-64 yrs	30 705	30 987	31 080	93	375	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	17 844	17 820	17 495	-325	-349	-1,8	-2,0
Employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
Not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
Discouraged work-seekers	1 079	1 215	1 517	302	438	24,9	40,6
Other	11 783	11 951	12 068	117	285	1,0	2,4
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	23,1	23,5	23,6	0,1	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	44,7	44,0	43,0	-1,0	-1,7		
Labour force participation rate	58,1	57,5	56,3	-1,2	-1,8		
Western Cape							
Population 15-64 yrs	3 450	3 484	3 495	11	45	0,3	1,3
Labour Force	2 338	2 407	2 388	-19	50	-0,8	2,1
Employed	1 891	1 965	1 898	-67	7	-3,4	0,4
Unemployed	447	442	490	48	43	10,9	9,6
Not economically active	1 112	1 077	1 107	30	-5	2,8	-0,4
Discouraged work-seekers	37	22	33	11	-4	50,0	-10,8
Other	1 075	1 055	1 074	19	-1	1,8	-0,1
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	19,1	18,4	20,5	2,1	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,8	56,4	54,3	-2,1	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	67,8	69,1	68,3	-0,8	0,5		
Eastern Cape							
Population 15-64 yrs	3 949	3 986	3 998	12	49	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	1 812	1 833	1 877	44	65	2,4	3,6
Employed	1 363	1 311	1 353	42	-10	3,2	-0,7
Unemployed	450	521	524	3	74	0,6	16,4
Not economically active	2 137	2 153	2 120	-33	-17	-1,5	-0,8
Discouraged work-seekers	227	256	302	46	75	18,0	33,0
Other	1 910	1 897	1 818	-79	-92	-4,2	-4,8
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	24,8	28,4	27,9	-0,5	3,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	34,5	32,9	33,8	0,9	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	45,9	46,0	46,9	0,9	1,0		
Northern Cape							
Population 15-64 yrs	703	706	707	1	4	0,1	0,6
Labour Force	394	383	385	2	-9	0,5	-2,3
Employed	297	278	283	5	-14	1,8	-4,7
Unemployed	97	105	102	-3	5	-2,9	5,2
Not economically active	309	323	322	-1	13	-0,3	4,2
Discouraged work-seekers	32	23	34	11	2	47,8	6,3
Other	276	300	288	-12	12	-4,0	4,3
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	24,6	27,4	26,5	-0,9	1,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,2	39,4	40,0	0,6	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	56,0	54,2	54,5	0,3	-1,5		
Free State							
Population 15-64 yrs	1 854	1 862	1 865	3	11	0,2	0,6
Labour Force	1 122	1 088	1 059	-29	-63	-2,7	-5,6
Employed	831	812	773	-39	-58	-4,8	-7,0
Unemployed	291	277	285	8	-6	2,9	-2,1
Not economically active	732	774	806	32	74	4,1	10,1
Discouraged work-seekers	63	83	95	12	32	14,5	50,8
Other	669	691	712	21	43	3,0	6,4
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	25,9	25,4	26,9	1,5	1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	44,8	43,6	41,4	-2,2	-3,4		
Labour force participation rate	60,5	58,5	56,7	-1,8	-3,8		

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 province (concluded)

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
KwaZulu Natal							
Population 15-64 yrs	6 273	6 340	6 362	22	89	0,3	1,4
Labour Force	3 359	3 248	3 043	-205	-316	-6,3	-9,4
Employed	2 614	2 514	2 457	-57	-157	-2,3	-6,0
Unemployed	745	733	586	-147	-159	-20,1	-21,3
Not economically active	2 914	3 092	3 319	227	405	7,3	13,9
Discouraged work-seekers	167	271	448	177	281	65,3	168,3
Other	2 747	2 821	2 871	50	124	1,8	4,5
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	22,2	22,6	19,3	-3,3	-2,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,7	39,7	38,6	-1,1	-3,1		
Labour force participation rate	53,5	51,2	47,8	-3,4	-5,7		
North West							
Population 15-64 yrs	2 167	2 179	2 183	4	16	0,2	0,7
Labour Force	1 168	1 211	1 174	-37	6	-3,1	0,5
Employed	900	885	849	-36	-51	-4,1	5,7
Unemployed	268	326	325	-1	57	-0,3	21,3
Not economically active	999	969	1 009	40	10	4,1	1,0
Discouraged work-seekers	128	107	117	10	-11	9,3	-8,6
Other	871	862	892	30	21	3,5	2,4
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	22,9	26,9	27,7	0,8	4,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,5	40,6	38,9	-1,7	-2,6		
Labour force participation rate	53,9	55,6	53,8	-1,8	-0,1		
Gauteng							
Population 15-64 yrs	7 076	7 131	7 149	18	73	0,3	1,0
Labour Force	5 195	5 149	5 141	-8	-54	-0,2	-1,0
Employed	4 061	4 030	3 953	-77	-108	-1,9	-2,7
Unemployed	1 134	1 119	1 188	69	54	6,2	4,8
Not economically active	1 881	1 982	2 008	26	127	1,3	6,8
Discouraged work-seekers	169	135	160	25	-9	18,5	-5,3
Other	1 712	1 846	1 848	2	136	0,1	7,9
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	21,8	21,7	23,1	1,4	1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	57,4	56,5	55,3	-1,2	-2,1		
Labour force participation rate	73,4	72,2	71,9	-0,3	-1,5		
Mpumalanga							
Population 15-64 yrs	2 180	2 203	2 210	7	30	0,3	1,4
Labour Force	1 197	1 244	1 221	-23	24	-1,8	2,0
Employed	900	936	897	-39	-3	-4,2	-0,3
Unemployed	297	307	324	17	27	5,5	9,1
Not economically active	983	959	989	30	6	3,1	0,6
Discouraged work-seekers	94	108	110	2	16	1,9	17,0
Other	890	852	879	27	-11	3,2	-1,2
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	24,8	24,7	26,5	1,8	1,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,3	42,5	40,6	-1,9	-0,7		
Labour force participation rate	54,9	56,4	55,2	-1,2	0,3		
Limpopo							
Population 15-64 yrs	3 053	3 097	3 111	14	58	0,5	1,9
Labour Force	1 259	1 259	1 206	-53	-53	-4,2	-4,2
Employed	874	905	906	1	32	0,1	3,7
Unemployed	385	354	300	-54	-85	-15,3	-22,1
Not economically active	1 794	1 838	1 905	67	111	3,6	6,2
Discouraged work-seekers	160	211	219	8	59	3,8	36,9
Other	1 634	1 627	1 685	58	51	3,6	3,1
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	30,6	28,1	24,9	-3,2	-5,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	28,6	29,2	29,1	-0,1	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	41,2	40,7	38,8	-1,9	-2,4		

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 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Agriculture	790	738	710	-28	-80	-3,8	-10,1
Mining	346	333	319	-14	-27	-4,2	-7,8
Manufacturing	1 968	1 882	1 873	-9	-95	-0,5	-4,8
Utilities	97	100	93	-7	-4	-7,0	-4,1
Construction	1 138	1 126	1 117	-9	-21	-0,8	-1,8
Trade	3 105	3 021	2 962	-59	-143	-2,0	-4,6
Transport	774	757	727	-30	-47	-4,0	-6,1
Finance	1 687	1 725	1 710	-15	23	-0,9	1,4
Community and social services	2 635	2 651	2 664	13	29	0,5	1,1
Private households	1 185	1 299	1 194	-105	9	-8,1	0,8
Other	4	5	2	-3	-2	-60,0	-50,0
Women	6 033	6 064	5 973	-91	-60	-1,5	-1,0
Agriculture	253	237	217	-20	-36	-8,4	-14,2
Mining	34	45	41	-4	7	-8,9	20,6
Manufacturing	658	601	621	20	-37	3,3	-5,6
Utilities	24	28	24	-4	0	-14,3	0,0
Construction	120	107	127	20	7	18,7	5,8
Trade	1 562	1 494	1 473	-21	-89	-1,4	-5,7
Transport	172	156	151	-5	-21	-3,2	-12,2
Finance	743	770	781	11	38	1,4	5,1
Community and social services	1 535	1 597	1 588	-9	53	-0,6	3,5
Private households	928	1 026	951	-75	23	-7,3	2,5
Other	2	2	0	-2	-2	-100,0	-100,0
Men	7 696	7 572	7 397	-175	-299	-2,3	-3,9
Agriculture	537	500	494	-6	-43	-1,2	-8,0
Mining	312	288	278	-10	-34	-3,5	-10,9
Manufacturing	1 310	1 281	1 252	-29	-58	-2,3	-4,4
Utilities	73	72	69	-3	-4	-4,2	-5,5
Construction	1 018	1 020	990	-30	-28	-2,9	-2,8
Trade	1 542	1 526	1 489	-37	-53	-2,4	-3,4
Transport	602	601	576	-25	-26	-4,2	-4,3
Finance	944	954	929	-25	-15	-2,6	-1,6
Community and social services	1 100	1 053	1 075	22	-25	2,1	-2,3
Private households	256	273	243	-30	-13	-11,0	-5,1
Other	2	3	2	-1	0	-33,3	0,0

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

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

Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Agriculture	790	738	710	-28	-80	-3,8	-10,1
Western Cape	162	145	146	1	-16	0,7	-9,9
Eastern Cape	84	82	86	4	2	4,9	2,4
Northern Cape	48	41	57	16	9	39,0	18,8
Free State	80	89	87	-2	7	-2,2	8,8
KwaZulu Natal	165	134	103	-31	-62	-23,1	-37,6
North West	46	49	45	-4	-1	-8,2	-2,2
Gauteng	63	56	40	-16	-23	-28,6	-36,5
Mpumalanga	75	81	79	-2	4	-2,5	5,3
Limpopo	65	60	68	8	3	13,3	4,6
Mining	346	333	319	-14	-27	-4,2	-7,8
Western Cape	1	4	2	-2	1	-50,0	100,0
Eastern Cape	2	3	1	-2	-1	-66,7	-50,0
Northern Cape	14	11	11	0	-3	0,0	-21,4
Free State	27	33	33	0	6	0,0	22,2
KwaZulu Natal	8	8	11	3	3	37,5	37,5
North West	160	141	125	-16	-35	-11,3	-21,9
Gauteng	29	35	28	-7	-1	-20,0	-3,4
Mpumalanga	65	58	58	0	-7	0,0	-10,8
Limpopo	38	41	50	9	12	22,0	31,6
Manufacturing	1 968	1 882	1 873	-9	-95	-0,5	-4,8
Western Cape	330	315	304	-11	-26	-3,5	-7,9
Eastern Cape	174	195	200	5	26	2,6	14,9
Northern Cape	14	12	10	-2	-4	-16,7	-28,6
Free State	90	82	74	-8	-16	-9,8	-17,8
KwaZulu Natal	428	389	415	26	-13	6,7	-3,0
North West	82	80	94	14	12	17,5	14,6
Gauteng	698	660	633	-27	-65	-4,1	-9,3
Mpumalanga	84	82	77	-5	-7	-6,1	-8,3
Limpopo	70	67	65	-2	-5	-3,0	-7,1
Utilities	97	100	93	-7	-4	-7,0	-4,1
Western Cape	12	10	6	-4	-6	-40,0	-50,0
Eastern Cape	3	4	4	0	1	0,0	33,3
Northern Cape	1	3	3	0	2	0,0	200,0
Free State	2	5	3	-2	1	-40,0	50,0
KwaZulu Natal	16	13	8	-5	-8	-38,5	-50,0
North West	6	4	4	0	-2	0,0	-33,3
Gauteng	36	40	38	-2	2	-5,0	5,6
Mpumalanga	15	15	20	5	5	33,3	33,3
Limpopo	6	8	7	-1	1	-12,5	16,7
Construction	1 138	1 126	1 117	-9	-21	-0,8	-1,8
Western Cape	179	196	181	-15	2	-7,7	1,1
Eastern Cape	112	88	109	21	-3	23,9	-2,7
Northern Cape	15	20	22	2	7	10,0	46,7
Free State	53	65	55	-10	2	-15,4	3,8
KwaZulu Natal	219	218	233	15	14	6,9	6,4
North West	56	50	51	1	-5	2,0	-8,9
Gauteng	337	315	297	-18	-40	-5,7	-11,9
Mpumalanga	76	89	84	-5	8	-5,6	10,5
Limpopo	91	85	84	-1	-7	-1,2	-7,7

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (concluded)

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand
Trade	3 105	3 021	2 962	-59	-143	-2	-4
Western Cape	391	444	416	-28	25	-6	6
Eastern Cape	318	315	320	5	2	1	0
Northern Cape	55	48	42	-6	-13	-12	-23
Free State	208	167	162	-5	-46	-3	-22
KwaZulu Natal	583	516	521	5	-62	1	-10
North West	189	206	194	-12	5	-5	2
Gauteng	921	873	860	-13	-61	-1	-6
Mpumalanga	232	226	210	-16	-22	-7	-9
Limpopo	207	226	236	10	29	4	14
Transport	774	757	727	-30	-47	-4	-6
Western Cape	95	91	79	-12	-16	-13	-16
Eastern Cape	84	67	77	10	-7	14	-8
Northern Cape	10	10	12	2	2	20	20
Free State	41	38	39	1	-2	2	-4
KwaZulu Natal	171	184	173	-11	2	-6	1
North West	35	25	21	-4	-14	-16	-40
Gauteng	254	251	249	-2	-5	-0	-2
Mpumalanga	39	45	40	-5	1	-11	2
Limpopo	46	46	37	-9	-9	-19	-19
Finance	1 687	1 725	1 710	-15	23	-0	1
Western Cape	259	285	259	-26	0	-9	0
Eastern Cape	139	107	128	21	-11	19	-7
Northern Cape	23	21	19	-2	-4	-9	-17
Free State	64	66	67	1	3	1	4
KwaZulu Natal	296	279	280	1	-16	0	-5
North West	72	72	74	2	2	2	2
Gauteng	695	745	743	-2	48	-0	6
Mpumalanga	84	92	88	-4	4	-4	4
Limpopo	55	58	51	-7	-4	-12	-7
Community and social services	2 635	2 651	2 664	13	29	0	1
Western Cape	341	352	372	20	31	5	9
Eastern Cape	341	304	307	3	-34	1	-10
Northern Cape	81	79	78	-1	-3	-1	-3
Free State	174	172	169	-3	-5	-1	-2
KwaZulu Natal	497	490	465	-25	-32	-5	-6
North West	160	166	164	-2	4	-1	2
Gauteng	679	712	729	17	50	2	7
Mpumalanga	144	154	154	0	10	0	6
Limpopo	219	222	226	4	7	1	3
Private households	1 185	1 299	1 194	-105	9	-8	0
Western Cape	119	125	132	7	13	5	10
Eastern Cape	106	147	122	-25	16	-17	15
Northern Cape	35	31	28	-3	-7	-9	-20
Free State	93	94	85	-9	-8	-9	-8
KwaZulu Natal	230	283	245	-38	15	-13	6
North West	93	93	79	-14	-14	-15	-15
Gauteng	346	339	334	-5	-12	-1	-3
Mpumalanga	85	95	88	-7	3	-7	3
Limpopo	78	93	81	-12	3	-12	3

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Table 3.3: Employed by sector and industry - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year- on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Total employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Formal and informal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 755	11 599	11 465	-134	-290	-1,2	-2,5
Mining	346	333	319	-14	-27	-4,2	-7,8
Manufacturing	1 968	1 882	1 873	-9	-95	-0,5	-4,8
Utilities	97	100	93	-7	-4	-7,0	-4,1
Construction	1 138	1 126	1 117	-9	-21	-0,8	-1,8
Trade	3 105	3 021	2 962	-59	-143	-2,0	-4,6
Transport	774	757	727	-30	-47	-4,0	-6,1
Finance	1 687	1 725	1 710	-15	23	-0,9	1,4
Community and social services	2 635	2 651	2 664	13	29	0,5	1,1
Other	4	5	2	-3	-2	-60,0	-50,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9 415	9 449	9 356	-93	-59	-1,0	-0,6
Mining	344	330	316	-14	-28	-4,2	-8,1
Manufacturing	1 731	1 667	1 666	-1	-65	-0,1	-3,8
Utilities	96	98	89	-9	-7	-9,2	-7,3
Construction	809	839	832	-7	23	-0,8	2,8
Trade	2 026	2 012	1 973	-39	-53	-1,9	-2,6
Transport	558	552	531	-21	-27	-3,8	-4,8
Finance	1 522	1 585	1 593	8	71	0,5	4,7
Community and social services	2 325	2 363	2 353	-10	28	-0,4	1,2
Other	3	5	2	-3	-1	-60,0	-33,3
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 340	2 150	2 109	-41	-231	-1,9	-9,9
Mining	2	4	2	-2	0	-50,0	0,0
Manufacturing	237	216	207	-9	-30	-4,2	-12,7
Utilities	1	2	4	2	3	100,0	300,0
Construction	329	288	284	-4	-45	-1,4	-13,7
Trade	1 079	1 009	989	-20	-90	-2,0	-8,3
Transport	217	205	196	-9	-21	-4,4	-9,7
Finance	165	140	117	-23	-48	-16,4	-29,1
Community and social services	310	288	310	22	0	7,6	0,0
Other	1					.	.
Agriculture	790	738	710	-28	-80	-3,8	-10,1
Private households	1 185	1 299	1 194	-105	9	-8,1	0,8

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9 415	9 449	9 356	-93	-59	-1,0	-0,6
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 340	2 150	2 109	-41	-231	-1,9	-9,9
Agriculture	790	738	710	-28	-80	-3,8	-10,1
Private households	1 185	1 299	1 194	-105	9	-8,1	0,8
Western Cape	1 891	1 965	1 898	-67	7	-3,4	0,4
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 434	1 496	1 423	-73	-11	-4,9	-0,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	175	199	198	-1	23	-0,5	13,1
Agriculture	162	145	146	1	-16	0,7	-9,9
Private households	119	125	132	7	13	5,6	10,9
Eastern Cape	1 363	1 311	1 353	42	-10	3,2	-0,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	840	803	857	54	17	6,7	2,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	333	280	287	7	-46	2,5	-13,8
Agriculture	84	82	86	4	2	4,9	2,4
Private households	106	147	122	-25	16	-17,0	15,1
Northern Cape	297	278	283	5	-14	1,8	-4,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	179	181	172	-9	-7	-5,0	-3,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	34	25	26	1	-8	4,0	-23,5
Agriculture	48	41	57	16	9	39,0	18,8
Private households	35	31	28	-3	-7	-9,7	-20,0
Free State	831	812	773	-39	-58	-4,8	-7,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	506	501	470	-31	-36	-6,2	-7,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	152	127	131	4	-21	3,1	-13,8
Agriculture	80	89	87	-2	7	-2,2	8,8
Private households	93	94	85	-9	-8	-9,6	-8,6
KwaZulu Natal	2 614	2 514	2 457	-57	-157	-2,3	-6,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 688	1 627	1 662	35	-26	2,2	-1,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	531	471	447	-24	-84	-5,1	-15,8
Agriculture	165	134	103	-31	-62	-23,1	-37,6
Private households	230	283	245	-38	15	-13,4	6,5
North West	900	885	849	-36	-51	-4,1	-5,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	633	624	617	-7	-16	-1,1	-2,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	128	119	108	-11	-20	-9,2	-15,6
Agriculture	46	49	45	-4	-1	-8,2	-2,2
Private households	93	93	79	-14	-14	-15,1	-15,1
Gauteng	4 061	4 030	3 953	-77	-108	-1,9	-2,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3 111	3 159	3 110	-49	-1	-1,6	0,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	541	477	468	-9	-73	-1,9	-13,5
Agriculture	63	56	40	-16	-23	-28,6	-36,5
Private households	346	339	334	-5	-12	-1,5	-3,5
Mpumalanga	900	936	897	-39	-3	-4,2	-0,3
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	533	561	533	-28	0	-5,0	0,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	207	200	198	-2	-9	-1,0	-4,3
Agriculture	75	81	79	-2	4	-2,5	5,3
Private households	85	95	88	-7	3	-7,4	3,5
Limpopo	874	905	906	1	32	0,1	3,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	492	498	511	13	19	2,6	3,9
Informal sector (Non agricultural)	240	253	246	-7	6	-2,8	2,5
Agriculture	65	60	68	8	3	13,3	4,6
Private households	78	93	81	-12	3	-12,9	3,8

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Table 3.5: Employed by sex and occupation - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Manager	993	1 053	1 022	-31	29	-2,9	2,9
Professional	789	795	654	-141	-135	-17,7	-17,1
Technician	1 454	1 496	1 550	54	96	3,6	6,6
Clerk	1 450	1 403	1 440	37	-10	2,6	-0,7
Sales and services	1 749	1 780	1 804	24	55	1,3	3,1
Skilled agriculture	95	118	83	-35	-12	-29,7	-12,6
Craft and related trade	1 946	1 809	1 779	-30	-167	-1,7	-8,6
Plant and machine operator	1 161	1 217	1 186	-31	25	-2,5	2,2
Elementary	3 137	2 934	2 889	-45	-248	-1,5	-7,9
Domestic worker	953	1 031	963	-68	10	-6,6	1,0
Other	2					.	.
Women	6 033	6 064	5 973	-91	-60	-1,5	-1,0
Manager	308	315	325	10	17	3,2	5,5
Professional	352	386	296	-90	-56	-23,3	-15,9
Technician	806	827	824	-3	18	-0,4	2,2
Clerk	984	983	1 019	36	35	3,7	3,6
Sales and services	849	889	895	6	46	0,7	5,4
Skilled agriculture	20	26	17	-9	-3	-34,6	-15,0
Craft and related trade	315	246	239	-7	-76	-2,8	-24,1
Plant and machine operator	174	159	180	21	6	13,2	3,4
Elementary	1 308	1 235	1 247	12	-61	1,0	-4,7
Domestic worker	917	999	931	-68	14	-6,8	1,5
Men	7 696	7 572	7 397	-175	-299	-2,3	-3,9
Manager	685	738	697	-41	12	-5,6	1,8
Professional	437	409	358	-51	-79	-12,5	-18,1
Technician	648	669	727	58	79	8,7	12,2
Clerk	465	420	421	1	-44	0,2	-9,5
Sales and services	900	891	909	18	9	2,0	1,0
Skilled agriculture	75	92	67	-25	-8	-27,2	-10,7
Craft and related trade	1 631	1 564	1 540	-24	-91	-1,5	-5,6
Plant and machine operator	987	1 058	1 006	-52	19	-4,9	1,9
Elementary	1 829	1 699	1 642	-57	-187	-3,4	-10,2
Domestic worker	36	31	32	1	-4	3,2	-11,1
Other	2					.	.

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Table 3.6: Formal and informal employment

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Employed (Both sexes)	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Formal employment	8 157	8 351	8 334	-17	177	-0,2	2,2
Informal employment	4 915	4 585	4 365	-220	-550	-4,8	-11,2
Other employment	657	700	671	-29	14	-4,1	2,1
Employed (Women)	6 033	6 064	5 973	-91	-60	-1,5	-1,0
Formal employment	3 352	3 510	3 538	28	186	0,8	5,5
Informal employment	2 484	2 370	2 258	-112	-226	-4,7	-9,1
Other employment	197	183	176	-7	-21	-3,8	-10,7
Employed (Men)	7 696	7 572	7 397	-175	-299	-2,3	-3,9
Formal employment	4 805	4 841	4 795	-46	-10	-1,0	-0,2
Informal employment	2 432	2 215	2 107	-108	-325	-4,9	-13,4
Other employment	459	517	495	-22	36	-4,3	7,8
Formal employment	8 157	8 351	8 334	-17	177	-0,2	2,2
15-24 yrs	967	904	905	1	-62	0,1	-6,4
25-34 yrs	2 894	2 962	2 916	-46	22	-1,6	0,8
35-44 yrs	2 207	2 266	2 293	27	86	1,2	3,9
45-54 yrs	1 487	1 585	1 580	-5	93	-0,3	6,3
55-64 yrs	602	634	640	6	38	0,9	6,3
Informal employment	4 915	4 585	4 365	-220	-550	-4,8	-11,2
15-24 yrs	712	630	569	-61	-143	-9,7	-20,1
25-34 yrs	1 643	1 461	1 433	-28	-210	-1,9	-12,8
35-44 yrs	1 212	1 243	1 183	-60	-29	-4,8	-2,4
45-54 yrs	919	857	813	-44	-106	-5,1	-11,5
55-64 yrs	429	395	367	-28	-62	-7,1	-14,5
Formal employment	8 157	8 351	8 334	-17	177	-0,2	2,2
No schooling	163	155	160	5	-3	3,2	-1,8
Less than primary completed	498	508	473	-35	-25	-6,9	-5,0
Primary completed	297	314	300	-14	3	-4,5	1,0
Secondary not completed	2 309	2 387	2 398	11	89	0,5	3,9
Secondary completed	2 890	2 845	2 852	7	-38	0,2	-1,3
Tertiary	1 904	2 074	2 079	5	175	0,2	9,2
Other	97	68	71	3	-26	4,4	-26,8
Informal employment	4 915	4 585	4 365	-220	-550	-4,8	-11,2
No schooling	413	363	320	-43	-93	-11,8	-22,5
Less than primary completed	949	866	764	-102	-185	-11,8	-19,5
Primary completed	438	411	390	-21	-48	-5,1	-11,0
Secondary not completed	2 099	1 962	1 925	-37	-174	-1,9	-8,3
Secondary completed	803	800	795	-5	-8	-0,6	-1,0
Tertiary	143	127	126	-1	-17	-0,8	-11,9
Other	71	56	46	-10	-25	-17,9	-35,2

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

Table 3.6: Formal and informal employment (concluded)

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Formal employment	8 157	8 351	8 334	-17	177	-0,2	2,2
Agriculture	346	365	362	-3	16	-0,8	4,6
Mining	335	319	310	-9	-25	-2,8	-7,5
Manufacturing	1 515	1 472	1 470	-2	-45	-0,1	-3,0
Utilities	93	94	85	-9	-8	-9,6	-8,6
Construction	446	529	527	-2	81	-0,4	18,2
Trade	1 552	1 583	1 566	-17	14	-1,1	0,9
Transport	433	430	425	-5	-8	-1,2	-1,8
Finance	1 284	1 373	1 375	2	91	0,1	7,1
Community and social services	2 148	2 181	2 211	30	63	1,4	2,9
Other	5	5	2	-3	-1	-60,0	-33,3
Informal employment	4 915	4 585	4 365	-220	-550	-4,8	-11,2
Agriculture	396	330	299	-31	-97	-9,4	-24,5
Mining	8	12	8	-4	0	-33,3	0,0
Manufacturing	386	347	344	-3	-42	-0,9	-10,9
Utilities	3	4	8	4	5	100,0	166,7
Construction	624	510	500	-10	-124	-2,0	-19,9
Trade	1 380	1 247	1 217	-30	-163	-2,4	-11,8
Transport	282	277	249	-28	-33	-10,1	-11,7
Finance	261	207	194	-13	-67	-6,3	-25,7
Community and social services	399	367	366	-1	-33	-0,3	-8,3
Private households	1 176	1 285	1 180	-105	4	-8,2	0,3
Other	1					.	.
Formal employment	8 157	8 351	8 334	-17	177	-0,2	2,2
Manager	588	620	568	-52	-20	-8,4	-3,4
Professional	638	660	547	-113	-91	-17,1	-14,3
Technician	1 205	1 283	1 344	61	139	4,8	11,5
Clerk	1 275	1 244	1 311	67	36	5,4	2,8
Sales and services	1 074	1 098	1 131	33	57	3,0	5,3
Skilled agriculture	32	45	22	-23	-10	-51,1	-31,3
Craft and related trade	1 083	1 033	1 030	-3	-53	-0,3	-4,9
Plant and machine operator	842	895	900	5	58	0,6	6,9
Elementary	1 419	1 472	1 479	7	60	0,5	4,2
Domestic worker		1	1	0		0,0	.
Informal employment	4 915	4 585	4 365	-220	-550	-4,8	-11,2
Manager	100	96	90	-6	-10	-6,3	-10,0
Professional	55	55	47	-8	-8	-14,5	-14,5
Technician	183	135	137	2	-46	1,5	-25,1
Clerk	164	146	121	-25	-43	-17,1	-26,2
Sales and services	624	626	618	-8	-6	-1,3	-1,0
Skilled agriculture	33	43	30	-13	-3	-30,2	-9,1
Craft and related trade	811	719	700	-19	-111	-2,6	-13,7
Plant and machine operator	306	310	281	-29	-25	-9,4	-8,2
Elementary	1 686	1 428	1 381	-47	-305	-3,3	-18,1
Domestic worker	952	1 027	961	-66	9	-6,4	0,9

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Table 3.7: Employed by sex and status in employment - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Employee	11 583	11 491	11 292	-199	-291	-1,7	-2,5
Employer	735	774	722	-52	-13	-6,7	-1,8
Own-account worker	1 286	1 268	1 233	-35	-53	-2,8	-4,1
Unpaid household member	125	103	122	19	-3	18,4	-2,4
Women	6 033	6 064	5 973	-91	-60	-1,5	-1,0
Employee	5 048	5 168	5 099	-69	51	-1,3	1,0
Employer	185	165	156	-9	-29	-5,5	-15,7
Own-account worker	711	658	627	-31	-84	-4,7	-11,8
Unpaid household member	89	73	90	17	1	23,3	1,1
Men	7 696	7 572	7 397	-175	-299	-2,3	-3,9
Employee	6 534	6 323	6 193	-130	-341	-2,1	-5,2
Employer	551	609	566	-43	15	-7,1	2,7
Own-account worker	575	610	606	-4	31	-0,7	5,4
Unpaid household member	37	30	32	2	-5	6,7	-13,5

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Table 3.8: Employed by sex and usual hours of work - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Working less than 15 hours per week	314	273	284	11	-30	4,0	-9,6
Working 15-29 hours per week	820	809	843	34	23	4,2	2,8
Working 30-39 hours per week	1 024	1 038	972	-66	-52	-6,4	-5,1
Working 40-45 hours per week	6 880	7 235	7 187	-48	307	-0,7	4,5
Working more than 45 hours per week	4 691	4 281	4 083	-198	-608	-4,6	-13,0
Women	6 033	6 064	5 973	-91	-60	-1,5	-1,0
Working less than 15 hours per week	196	176	182	6	-14	3,4	-7,1
Working 15-29 hours per week	539	550	566	16	27	2,9	5,0
Working 30-39 hours per week	633	670	629	-41	-4	-6,1	-0,6
Working 40-45 hours per week	2 947	3 127	3 110	-17	163	-0,5	5,5
Working more than 45 hours per week	1 717	1 541	1 485	-56	-232	-3,6	-13,5
Men	7 696	7 572	7 397	-175	-299	-2,3	-3,9
Working less than 15 hours per week	118	97	102	5	-16	5,2	-13,6
Working 15-29 hours per week	280	260	277	17	-3	6,5	-1,1
Working 30-39 hours per week	391	368	343	-25	-48	-6,8	-12,3
Working 40-45 hours per week	3 933	4 107	4 077	-30	144	-0,7	3,7
Working more than 45 hours per week	2 974	2 740	2 598	-142	-376	-5,2	-12,6

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

Table 3.9: Time-related underemployment - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	608	613	651	38	43	6,2	7,1
Women	360	390	420	30	60	7,7	16,7
Men	248	222	230	8	-18	3,6	-7,3
As percentage of the labour force (Both sexes)	3,4	3,4	3,7	0,3	0,3		
Women	4,4	4,7	5,2	0,5	0,8		
Men	2,6	2,3	2,4	0,1	-0,2		
As percentage of total employment (Both sexes)	4,4	4,5	4,9	0,4	0,5		
Women	6,0	6,4	7,0	0,6	1,0		
Men	3,2	2,9	3,1	0,2	-0,1		
Industry	608	613	651	38	43	6,2	7,1
Agriculture	24	14	16	2	-8	14,3	-33,3
Mining	0						
Manufacturing	37	44	41	-3	4	-6,8	10,8
Utilities		1					
Construction	56	52	56	4	0	7,7	0,0
Trade	132	105	131	26	-1	24,8	-0,8
Transport	22	21	20	-1	-2	-4,8	-9,1
Finance	36	29	34	5	-2	17,2	-5,6
Community and social services	92	88	98	10	6	11,4	6,5
Private households	210	260	253	-7	43	-2,7	20,5
Occupation	608	613	651	38	43	6,2	7,1
Manager	10	8	10	2	0	25,0	0,0
Professional	18	23	16	-7	-2	-30,4	-11,1
Technician	41	35	50	15	9	42,9	22,0
Clerk	19	14	28	14	9	100,0	47,4
Sales and services	62	56	59	3	-3	5,4	-4,8
Skilled agriculture	3	6	4	-2	1	-33,3	33,3
Craft and related trade	72	70	58	-12	-14	-17,1	-19,4
Plant and machine operator	22	19	15	-4	-7	-21,1	-31,8
Elementary	207	180	207	27	0	15,0	0,0
Domestic worker	153	201	203	2	50	1,0	32,7

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Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year- on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year- on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousa- nd	Percent	Percent
Unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
Job losers	1 172	1 360	1 427	67	255	4,9	21,8
Job leavers	402	357	345	-12	-57	-3,4	-14,2
New entrants	1 746	1 785	1 670	-115	-76	-6,4	-4,4
Re-entrants	253	188	173	-15	-80	-8,0	-31,6
Other	541	494	510	16	-31	3,2	-5,7
Unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
Long-term unemployment (1 year and more)	2 405	2 486	2 484	-2	79	-0,1	3,3
Short-term unemployment (less than 1 year)	1 710	1 698	1 641	-57	-69	-3,4	-4,0
Long-term unemployment (%)							
Proportion of the labour force	13,5	14,0	14,2	0,2	0,7		
Proportion of the unemployed	58,5	59,4	60,2	0,8	1,7		
Those who have worked in the past 5 years							
Previous occupation	1 827	1 905	1 946	41	119	2,2	6,5
Manager	28	33	30	-3	2	-9,1	7,1
Professional	27	28	25	-3	-2	-10,7	-7,4
Technician	89	87	81	-6	-8	-6,9	-9,0
Clerk	183	187	193	6	10	3,2	5,5
Sales and services	278	251	306	55	28	21,9	10,1
Skilled agriculture	5	7	7	0	2	0,0	40,0
Craft and related trade	297	372	356	-16	59	-4,3	19,9
Plant and machine operator	130	146	174	28	44	19,2	33,8
Elementary	593	633	595	-38	2	-6,0	0,3
Domestic worker	197	162	180	18	-17	11,1	-8,6
Other			0			.	.
Previous industry	1 827	1 905	1 946	41	119	2,2	6,5
Agriculture	117	121	124	3	7	2,5	6,0
Mining	27	32	27	-5	0	-15,6	0,0
Manufacturing	230	285	316	31	86	10,9	37,4
Utilities	9	9	12	3	3	33,3	33,3
Construction	289	344	329	-15	40	-4,4	13,8
Trade	448	446	459	13	11	2,9	2,5
Transport	86	82	95	13	9	15,9	10,5
Finance	203	208	207	-1	4	-0,5	2,0
Community and social services	171	145	146	1	-25	0,7	-14,6
Private households	247	231	230	-1	-17	-0,4	-6,9
Other	1	1	0	-1	-1	-100,0	-100,0

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Table 5: Characteristics of the not economically active - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
Student	5 670	5 634	5 693	59	23	1,0	0,4
Home-maker	2 496	2 693	2 652	-41	156	-1,5	6,3
Illness/disability	1 794	1 767	1 799	32	5	1,8	0,3
Too old/young to work	978	1 042	1 062	20	84	1,9	8,6
Discouraged work seekers	1 079	1 215	1 517	302	438	24,9	40,6
Other	845	816	862	46	17	5,6	2,0
Inactivity rate by age (Both sexes)	41,9	42,5	43,7	1,2	1,8		
15-24 yrs	69,2	70,3	71,4	1,1	2,2		
25-54 yrs	24,6	24,9	26,1	1,2	1,5		
55-64 yrs	56,0	56,5	58,1	1,6	2,1		
Inactivity rate by age (Women)	48,8	49,3	50,5	1,2	1,7		
15-24 yrs	72,0	73,5	74,1	0,6	2,1		
25-54 yrs	33,8	33,8	35,4	1,6	1,6		
55-64 yrs	66,4	67,6	68,5	0,9	2,1		
Inactivity rate by age (Men)	34,3	35,0	36,2	1,2	1,9		
15-24 yrs	66,3	67,2	68,8	1,6	2,5		
25-54 yrs	14,2	14,8	15,6	0,8	1,4		
55-64 yrs	43,0	42,6	45,0	2,4	2,0		

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Table 6: Socio-demographic characteristics - South Africa

	Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year- on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Age group of the employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
15-24 yrs	1 698	1 551	1 489	-62	-209	-4,0	-12,3
25-34 yrs	4 655	4 558	4 480	-78	-175	-1,7	-3,8
35-44 yrs	3 620	3 696	3 674	-22	54	-0,6	1,5
45-54 yrs	2 614	2 663	2 586	-77	-28	-2,9	-1,1
55-64 yrs	1 142	1 168	1 140	-28	-2	-2,4	-0,2
Age group of the unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
15-24 yrs	1 362	1 421	1 382	-39	20	-2,7	1,5
25-34 yrs	1 686	1 733	1 678	-55	-8	-3,2	-0,5
35-44 yrs	682	668	685	17	3	2,5	0,4
45-54 yrs	290	287	317	30	27	10,5	9,3
55-64 yrs	94	74	64	-10	-30	-13,5	-31,9
Age group of the not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
15-24 yrs	6 861	7 042	7 175	133	314	1,9	4,6
25-34 yrs	1 935	2 006	2 146	140	211	7,0	10,9
35-44 yrs	1 219	1 249	1 286	37	67	3,0	5,5
45-54 yrs	1 273	1 252	1 307	55	34	4,4	2,7
55-64 yrs	1 573	1 616	1 671	55	98	3,4	6,2
Highest level of education of the employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
No schooling	582	532	490	-42	-92	-7,9	-15,8
Less than primary completed	1 465	1 398	1 256	-142	-209	-10,2	-14,3
Primary completed	743	736	704	-32	-39	-4,3	-5,2
Secondary not completed	4 521	4 465	4 455	-10	-66	-0,2	-1,5
Secondary completed	3 928	3 880	3 871	-9	-57	-0,2	-1,5
Tertiary	2 313	2 490	2 466	-24	153	-1,0	6,6
Other	177	136	128	-8	-49	-5,9	-27,7
Highest level of education of the unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
No schooling	112	94	94	0	-18	0,0	-16,1
Less than primary completed	399	336	383	47	-16	14,0	-4,0
Primary completed	235	209	203	-6	-32	-2,9	-13,6
Secondary not completed	1 879	1 973	1 863	-110	-16	-5,6	-0,9
Secondary completed	1 261	1 327	1 342	15	81	1,1	6,4
Tertiary	192	218	213	-5	21	-2,3	10,9
Other	37	27	27	0	-10	0,0	-27,0
Highest level of education of the not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
No schooling	871	878	916	38	45	4,3	5,2
Less than primary completed	1 871	1 846	1 911	65	40	3,5	2,1
Primary completed	1 043	959	1 080	121	37	12,6	3,5
Secondary not completed	6 837	6 950	7 143	193	306	2,8	4,5
Secondary completed	1 866	2 138	2 104	-34	238	-1,6	12,8
Tertiary	273	309	334	25	61	8,1	22,3
Other	101	86	97	11	-4	12,8	-4,0
Current marital status of the employed	13 729	13 636	13 369	-267	-360	-2,0	-2,6
Married	5 566	5 614	5 464	-150	-102	-2,7	-1,8
Living together like husband and wife	1 588	1 583	1 562	-21	-26	-1,3	-1,6
Widow/widower	467	454	446	-8	-21	-1,8	-4,5
Divorced or separated	488	517	501	-16	13	-3,1	2,7
Never married	5 621	5 468	5 396	-72	-225	-1,3	-4,0
Current marital status of the unemployed	4 114	4 184	4 125	-59	11	-1,4	0,3
Married	669	608	662	54	-7	8,9	-1,0
Living together like husband and wife	443	456	458	2	15	0,4	3,4
Widow/widower	63	62	56	-6	-7	-9,7	-11,1
Divorced or separated	88	65	67	2	-21	3,1	-23,9
Never married	2 852	2 993	2 882	-111	30	-3,7	1,1
Current marital status of the not economically active	12 861	13 166	13 585	419	724	3,2	5,6
Married	2 656	2 689	2 766	77	110	2,9	4,1
Living together like husband and wife	706	681	671	-10	-35	-1,5	-5,0
Widow/widower	603	631	642	11	39	1,7	6,5
Divorced or separated	232	229	230	1	-2	0,4	-0,9
Never married	8 664	8 936	9 276	340	612	3,8	7,1

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Table 7: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province

		Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change
		Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa	Subsistence farming	1 324	1 824	1 386	-438	62	-24,0	4,7
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	3 118	2 834	2 965	131	-153	4,6	-4,9
	Produce other goods for household use	93	58	55	-3	-38	-5,2	-40,9
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	237	158	154	-4	-83	-2,5	-35,0
	Hunting or fishing for household use	19	18	11	-7	-8	-38,9	-42,1
	Involvement in at least one activity	3 920	3 868	3 712	-156	-208	-4,0	-5,3
	Unemployed	730	684	560	-124	-170	-18,1	-23,3
	Not economically active	3 190	3 184	3 151	-33	-39	-1,0	-1,2
Eastern Cape	Subsistence farming	447	595	519	-76	72	-12,8	16,1
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	836	507	589	82	-247	16,2	-29,5
	Produce other goods for household use	7	1	2	1	-5	100,0	-71,4
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	62	19	4	-15	-58	-78,9	-93,5
	Hunting or fishing for household use	5	1	1	0	-4	0,0	-80,0
	Involvement in at least one activity	1 112	905	908	3	-204	0,3	-18,3
	Unemployed	135	120	129	9	-6	7,5	-4,4
	Not economically active	977	785	780	-5	-197	-0,6	-20,2
Northern Cape	Subsistence farming	6	4	3	-1	-3	-25,0	-50,0
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	87	89	81	-8	-6	-9,0	-6,9
	Produce other goods for household use	1		1		0	.	0,0
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	0	0	0	0	0	.	.
	Hunting or fishing for household use	2		0		-2	.	-100,0
	Involvement in at least one activity	90	90	84	-6	-6	-6,7	-6,7
	Unemployed	23	17	20	3	-3	17,6	-13,0
	Not economically active	67	73	63	-10	-4	-13,7	-6,0
Free State	Subsistence farming	26	52	34	-18	8	-34,6	30,8
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	12	21	16	-5	4	-23,8	33,3
	Produce other goods for household use	2	9	8	-1	6	-11,1	300,0
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	1	10	9	-1	8	-10,0	800,0
	Hunting or fishing for household use	0	6	5	-1	5	-16,7	.
	Involvement in at least one activity	41	74	56	-18	15	-24,3	36,6
	Unemployed	13	23	12	-11	-1	-47,8	-7,7
	Not economically active	28	51	44	-7	16	-13,7	57,1

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Western Cape had values lower than 10 000

Table 7: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (concluded)

		Apr–Jun 2008	Jan–Mar 2009	Apr–Jun 2009	Qrt to Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt to Qrt change	Year- on- year change
		Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
KwaZulu Natal	Subsistence farming	439	580	531	-49	92	-8,4	21,0
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 003	998	1 080	82	77	8,2	7,7
	Produce other goods for household use	36	23	23	0	-13	0,0	-36,1
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	133	93	113	20	-20	21,5	-15,0
	Hunting or fishing for household use	8	9	3	-6	-5	-66,7	-62,5
	Involvement in at least one activity	1 220	1 217	1 252	35	32	2,9	2,6
	Unemployed	207	185	165	-20	-42	-10,8	-20,3
	Not economically active	1 014	1 032	1 087	55	73	5,3	7,2
North West	Subsistence farming	61	72	76	4	15	5,6	24,6
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	190	192	204	12	14	6,3	7,4
	Produce other goods for household use	4	3	2	-1	-2	-33,3	-50,0
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	4	1	1	0	-3	0,0	-75,0
	Hunting or fishing for household use	0					.	.
	Involvement in at least one activity	211	216	237	21	26	9,7	12,3
	Unemployed	48	58	56	-2	8	-3,4	16,7
	Not economically active	162	157	181	24	19	15,3	11,7
Gauteng	Subsistence farming	95	89	78	-11	-17	-12,4	-17,9
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	16	34	19	-15	3	-44,1	18,8
	Produce other goods for household use	14	18	10	-8	-4	-44,4	-28,6
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	7	15	11	-4	4	-26,7	57,1
	Hunting or fishing for household use	1					.	.
	Involvement in at least one activity	127	144	115	-29	-12	-20,1	-9,4
	Unemployed	71	69	44	-25	-27	-36,2	-38,0
	Not economically active	56	75	71	-4	15	-5,3	26,8
Mpumalanga	Subsistence farming	113	151	55	-96	-58	-63,6	-51,3
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	246	192	187	-5	-59	-2,6	-24,0
	Produce other goods for household use	25	3	6	3	-19	100,0	-76,0
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	22	14	9	-5	-13	-35,7	-59,1
	Hunting or fishing for household use	1	1	1	0	0	0,0	0,0
	Involvement in at least one activity	341	294	228	-66	-113	-22,4	-33,1
	Unemployed	83	61	42	-19	-41	-31,1	-49,4
	Not economically active	258	232	186	-46	-72	-19,8	-27,9
Limpopo	Subsistence farming	132	278	88	-190	-44	-68,3	-33,3
	Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	719	796	783	-13	64	-1,6	8,9
	Produce other goods for household use	3	1	4	3	1	300,0	33,3
	Construction or major repairs to own or household'	8	5	7	2	-1	40,0	-12,5
	Hunting or fishing for household use	2	1	1	0	-1	0,0	-50,0
	Involvement in at least one activity	766	920	826	-94	60	-10,2	7,8
	Unemployed	143	148	92	-56	-51	-37,8	-35,7
	Not economically active	623	773	734	-39	111	-5,0	17,8

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

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

Appendix 2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex

	Jan-Mar 2009 CV	Apr-Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-326	-483	-168	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	-267	-400	-134	0,00
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,8	0,8	-93	-221	35	0,16
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,1	2,1	-41	-127	44	0,34
Agriculture	4,9	5,1	-27	-92	38	0,41
Private households	2,7	3,1	-105	-164	-47	0,00
Unemployed	1,8	2,0	-59	-211	93	0,45
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	419	262	575	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,0	3,3	302	199	406	0,00
Other(not economically active)	0,7	0,7	116	-43	276	0,15
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	0,1	-0,7	0,9	0,79
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,6	-1,0	-1,4	-0,6	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,2	-1,7	-0,7	0,00
Women						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,7	0,8	-175	-284	-66	0,00
Employed	0,9	0,8	-92	-182	-1	0,05
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,2	1,3	22	-61	106	0,60
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,7	2,9	-18	-71	35	0,51
Agriculture	6,3	6,7	-21	-48	6	0,13
Private households	2,8	3,2	-75	-123	-28	0,00
Unemployed	2,3	2,7	-83	-187	21	0,12
Not economically active	0,8	0,7	216	108	325	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,3	3,5	160	91	229	0,00
Other(not economically active)	0,8	0,8	57	-55	168	0,32
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,0	2,3	-0,5	-1,6	0,6	0,40
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,9	0,8	-0,7	-1,2	-0,1	0,02
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	-1,2	-1,9	-0,5	0,00
Men						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,6	-151	-252	-51	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,7	-175	-271	-80	0,00
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,0	1,0	-115	-209	-22	0,02
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,9	2,7	-24	-87	39	0,46
Agriculture	5,4	5,5	-7	-56	43	0,80
Private households	6,0	6,1	-30	-63	3	0,08
Unemployed	2,1	2,2	24	-70	119	0,61
Not economically active	0,9	1,0	202	106	299	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	5,3	4,4	143	84	201	0,00
Other(not economically active)	1,0	1,0	60	-33	153	0,21
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,9	2,0	0,6	-0,3	1,5	0,19
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,7	-1,4	-2,0	-0,7	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,2	-1,9	-0,6	0,00

Appendix 2.1A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group

	Jan–Mar 2009 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-326	-483	-168	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	-267	-400	-134	0,00
Unemployed	1,8	2,0	-59	-211	93	0,45
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	419	262	575	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	0,1	-0,7	0,9	0,79
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,6	-1,0	-1,4	-0,6	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,2	-1,7	-0,7	0,00
Black/African						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,6	0,7	-258	-407	-109	0,00
Employed	0,8	0,8	-213	-332	-95	0,00
Unemployed	2,1	2,2	-45	-191	102	0,55
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	343	194	493	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,8	1,8	0,2	-0,7	1,2	0,67
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	-1,0	-1,5	-0,5	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,7	-1,3	-1,9	-0,7	0,00
Coloured						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,0	1,2	-30	-74	13	0,17
Employed	1,5	1,7	-25	-71	21	0,28
Unemployed	4,9	4,6	-5	-35	24	0,72
Not economically active	2,1	2,0	41	2	80	0,04
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,8	4,6	0,0	-1,4	1,5	0,97
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,5	1,6	-1,0	-2,5	0,4	0,15
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,0	-1,3	-2,5	0,0	0,05
Indian/Asian						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,2	2,7	-16	-46	14	0,30
Employed	2,6	2,9	-7	-34	20	0,62
Unemployed	8,2	9,6	-9	-21	3	0,15
Not economically active	3,3	3,4	20	-8	48	0,16
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	8,1	9,1	-1,3	-3,4	0,8	0,22
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,6	2,4	-1,0	-3,7	1,6	0,44
Labour force participation rate	2,2	2,2	-2,1	-5,0	0,9	0,17
White						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,9	1,1	-22	-64	21	0,32
Employed	1,0	1,1	-22	-65	22	0,33
Unemployed	10,3	9,8	0	-26	26	0,99
Not economically active	2,2	2,3	14	-24	52	0,47
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	10,1	9,7	0,0	-1,1	1,2	0,95
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,0	1,0	-0,5	-1,8	0,7	0,39
Labour force participation rate	0,9	0,9	-0,5	-1,7	0,7	0,38

Appendix 2.2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province

	Jan–Mar 2009 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-326	-483	-168	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	-267	-400	-134	0,00
Unemployed	1,8	2,0	-59	-211	93	0,45
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	419	262	575	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,0	3,3	302	199	406	0,00
Other(not economically active)	0,7	0,7	116	-43	276	0,15
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	0,1	-0,7	0,9	0,79
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,6	-1,0	-1,4	-0,6	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,2	-1,7	-0,7	0,00
Western Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,0	1,1	-19	-63	25	0,40
Employed	1,7	1,4	-67	-127	-7	0,03
Unemployed	5,7	3,9	49	-6	103	0,08
Not economically active	2,2	2,4	30	-14	74	0,19
Discouraged work-seekers	27,5	29,0	11	-2	24	0,10
Other(not economically active)	2,1	2,3	19	-23	61	0,38
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,7	3,7	2,2	0,0	4,4	0,05
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,7	1,4	-2,1	-3,8	-0,4	0,02
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,1	-0,8	-2,0	0,5	0,24
Eastern Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	3,0	3,4	45	-21	111	0,18
Employed	2,1	2,7	42	-15	98	0,15
Unemployed	9,0	8,9	3	-42	48	0,89
Not economically active	2,5	2,9	-33	-101	36	0,35
Discouraged work-seekers	7,5	8,7	47	-1	95	0,06
Other(not economically active)	2,5	2,9	-79	-149	-9	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,6	6,3	-0,5	-2,6	1,6	0,63
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,1	2,6	0,9	-0,4	2,3	0,18
Labour force participation rate	3,0	3,3	1,0	-0,6	2,6	0,23
Northern Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,0	4,5	2	-26	30	0,89
Employed	3,2	5,5	5	-22	33	0,71
Unemployed	7,1	10,3	-3	-19	13	0,69
Not economically active	2,4	5,3	-1	-28	26	0,95
Discouraged work-seekers	18,3	26,4	11	-1	22	0,08
Other(not economically active)	2,2	4,5	-12	-34	11	0,32
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,7	9,2	-1,0	-4,9	3,0	0,63
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,2	5,5	0,7	-3,2	4,5	0,73
Labour force participation rate	2,0	4,5	0,2	-3,7	4,1	0,92
Free State						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,8	1,9	-30	-58	-2	0,04
Employed	2,4	2,3	-38	-70	-7	0,02
Unemployed	5,2	4,4	9	-26	43	0,62
Not economically active	2,6	2,5	32	5	60	0,02
Discouraged work-seekers	13,8	11,2	12	-9	33	0,27
Other(not economically active)	2,5	2,2	21	-8	50	0,16
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,8	3,9	1,5	-1,4	4,4	0,30
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,4	2,3	-2,1	-3,8	-0,5	0,01
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,8	-1,7	-3,1	-0,3	0,02

Appendix 2.2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (Concluded)

	Jan–Mar 2009 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
KwaZulu Natal						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,7	1,7	-205	-306	-103	0,00
Employed	2,0	1,8	-58	-118	3	0,06
Unemployed	5,0	4,3	-147	-234	-60	0,00
Not economically active	1,8	1,5	227	127	326	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	10,9	5,3	177	118	235	0,00
Other(not economically active)	2,1	1,6	50	-45	145	0,30
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,4	3,8	-3,3	-5,6	-1,1	0,00
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,0	1,8	-1,0	-2,0	-0,1	0,03
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,7	-3,4	-5,0	-1,8	0,00
North West						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	3,1	3,1	-37	-88	15	0,16
Employed	3,5	3,7	-35	-75	4	0,08
Unemployed	6,4	6,2	-1	-33	31	0,95
Not economically active	3,9	3,5	40	-10	91	0,12
Discouraged work-seekers	13,5	11,5	10	-9	29	0,32
Other(not economically active)	3,9	3,5	31	-22	84	0,26
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,3	5,4	0,8	-1,4	2,9	0,50
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,5	3,5	-1,7	-3,4	0,0	0,05
Labour force participation rate	3,1	2,9	-1,8	-3,9	0,4	0,11
Gauteng						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,9	1,1	-8	-94	79	0,86
Employed	1,0	1,3	-77	-151	-3	0,04
Unemployed	3,2	4,1	69	3	136	0,04
Not economically active	2,3	2,5	26	-48	100	0,49
Discouraged work-seekers	13,2	13,1	24	-21	70	0,29
Other(not economically active)	2,2	2,5	1	-74	77	0,97
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,8	3,7	1,4	0,3	2,5	0,02
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,0	1,2	-1,2	-2,2	-0,3	0,01
Labour force participation rate	0,9	1,0	-0,3	-1,3	0,7	0,57
Mpumalanga						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,0	2,3	-22	-60	15	0,25
Employed	2,7	3,0	-39	-78	0	0,05
Unemployed	4,6	5,1	17	-14	47	0,28
Not economically active	2,6	2,7	30	-7	67	0,12
Discouraged work-seekers	9,3	8,8	3	-14	19	0,76
Other(not economically active)	2,8	2,6	27	-7	61	0,12
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,6	4,9	1,8	-0,5	4,2	0,12
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,7	3,0	-1,9	-3,7	-0,2	0,03
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,2	-1,2	-2,8	0,5	0,15
Limpopo						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,9	2,5	-53	-111	6	0,08
Employed	2,6	2,6	2	-42	45	0,95
Unemployed	5,5	9,0	-54	-115	7	0,08
Not economically active	1,3	1,6	67	6	128	0,03
Discouraged work-seekers	8,3	7,6	9	-30	48	0,66
Other(not economically active)	1,2	1,9	58	-7	124	0,08
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,9	7,5	-3,3	-7,4	0,9	0,12
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,6	2,5	-0,1	-1,5	1,3	0,90
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,4	-1,9	-3,7	-0,1	0,04

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

	Jan–Mar 2009 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes	0,6	0,6	-267	-400	-134	0,00
Agriculture	4,9	5,1	-27	-92	38	0,41
Mining	6,5	7,5	-14	-42	13	0,31
Manufacturing	2,6	2,7	-9	-82	64	0,81
Utilities	15,5	18,7	-7	-24	10	0,42
Construction	3,0	3,0	-10	-76	56	0,77
Trade	1,8	1,8	-59	-153	35	0,22
Transport	3,6	3,8	-30	-78	17	0,21
Finance	2,4	2,4	-15	-81	51	0,66
Community and social services	1,7	1,7	13	-72	97	0,77
Private households	2,7	3,1	-105	-164	-47	0,00
Other						
Women	0,9	0,8	-92	-182	-1	0,05
Agriculture	6,3	6,7	-21	-48	6	0,13
Mining	12,6	14,4	-5	-15	6	0,37
Manufacturing	3,5	4,1	21	-22	63	0,34
Utilities	18,3	21,4	-4	-13	5	0,34
Construction	8,1	7,6	20	-3	43	0,08
Trade	2,2	2,2	-22	-80	37	0,47
Transport	6,9	7,4	-5	-25	15	0,64
Finance	3,4	3,4	10	-31	52	0,63
Community and social services	2,1	2,1	-9	-70	52	0,77
Private households	2,8	3,2	-75	-123	-28	0,00
Other						
Men	0,6	0,7	-175	-271	-80	0,00
Agriculture	5,4	5,5	-7	-56	43	0,80
Mining	7,3	8,0	-10	-36	17	0,47
Manufacturing	3,1	3,2	-30	-85	26	0,30
Utilities	17,9	21,1	-3	-16	10	0,68
Construction	3,1	3,2	-30	-92	33	0,35
Trade	2,4	2,4	-38	-102	27	0,25
Transport	3,7	4,1	-25	-68	17	0,24
Finance	3,0	3,6	-25	-78	28	0,35
Community and social services	2,6	2,7	22	-27	71	0,38
Private households	6,0	6,1	-30	-63	3	0,08
Other						

Appendix 3.4A: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector

	Jan–Mar 2009 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa	0,6	0,6	-267	-400	-134	0,00
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,8	0,8	-93	-221	35	0,16
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,1	2,1	-41	-127	44	0,34
Agriculture	4,9	5,1	-27	-92	38	0,41
Private households	2,7	3,1	-105	-164	-47	0,00
Western Cape	1,7	1,4	-67	-127	-7	0,03
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	1,9	-74	-141	-7	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,1	8,2	-1	-29	27	0,94
Agriculture	10,7	12,0	1	-16	18	0,94
Private households	6,8	8,7	7	-10	24	0,41
Eastern Cape	2,1	2,7	42	-15	98	0,15
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,5	3,6	55	13	97	0,01
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,8	5,3	7	-20	34	0,61
Agriculture	16,4	18,3	4	-13	22	0,62
Private households	8,8	10,5	-25	-48	-1	0,04
Northern Cape	3,2	5,5	5	-22	33	0,71
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,8	3,4	-9	-27	9	0,35
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,7	12,2	2	-8	11	0,74
Agriculture	9,8	30,3	15	-19	50	0,37
Private households	11,8	8,4	-3	-10	4	0,35
Free State	2,4	2,3	-38	-70	-7	0,02
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	4,1	-31	-53	-9	0,01
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,8	6,4	4	-11	19	0,59
Agriculture	15,5	11,2	-3	-18	13	0,74
Private households	7,7	8,1	-9	-19	1	0,06
KwaZulu Natal	2,0	1,8	-58	-118	3	0,06
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,7	2,3	35	-22	92	0,23
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,6	4,6	-24	-66	17	0,25
Agriculture	15,3	10,2	-31	-72	11	0,14
Private households	6,8	7,2	-37	-73	-2	0,04
North West	3,5	3,7	-35	-75	4	0,08
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,0	4,2	-6	-46	33	0,75
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,8	7,2	-11	-26	5	0,18
Agriculture	20,7	23,4	-4	-10	3	0,25
Private households	10,5	10,2	-14	-27	-2	0,02
Gauteng	1,0	1,3	-77	-151	-3	0,04
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,4	1,7	-48	-109	13	0,12
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,1	5,4	-8	-56	40	0,74
Agriculture	14,1	13,1	-16	-30	-3	0,02
Private households	6,2	6,7	-5	-33	24	0,75
Mpumalanga	2,7	3,0	-39	-78	0	0,05
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,7	4,8	-27	-63	8	0,13
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,6	6,8	-2	-22	17	0,81
Agriculture	12,1	11,5	-2	-15	10	0,72
Private households	7,1	8,3	-7	-19	5	0,23
Limpopo	2,6	2,6	2	-42	45	0,95
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,7	5,4	13	-33	59	0,58
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,7	4,9	-8	-38	23	0,63
Agriculture	10,7	11,3	8	-6	22	0,28
Private households	8,8	11,9	-12	-30	7	0,21

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

	Jan–Mar 2009 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes	0,6	0,6	-267	-400	-134	0,00
Manager	2,6	2,9	-31	-84	22	0,25
Professional	2,9	3,4	-140	-194	-87	0,00
Technician	2,3	2,6	54	-24	133	0,18
Clerk	2,5	2,6	36	-35	108	0,32
Sales and services	2,3	2,3	24	-51	98	0,53
Skilled agriculture	9,3	9,8	-35	-57	-13	0,00
Craft and related trade	2,2	2,3	-30	-112	51	0,47
Plant and machine operator	3,0	2,9	-31	-95	32	0,33
Elementary	1,8	1,9	-46	-140	49	0,34
Domestic worker	2,9	3,3	-67	-116	-19	0,01
Other						
Women	0,9	0,8	-92	-182	-1	0,05
Manager	5,6	5,1	10	-24	44	0,55
Professional	4,7	4,8	-90	-138	-43	0,00
Technician	2,7	2,7	-3	-50	44	0,90
Clerk	3,0	3,0	36	-24	97	0,24
Sales and services	3,0	2,9	6	-45	58	0,81
Skilled agriculture	16,5	19,8	-10	-20	0	0,06
Craft and related trade	4,8	5,7	-7	-38	24	0,67
Plant and machine operator	6,6	7,0	21	-5	47	0,12
Elementary	2,4	2,4	12	-46	70	0,68
Domestic worker	2,9	3,4	-68	-116	-20	0,01
Other						
Men	0,6	0,7	-175	-271	-80	0,00
Manager	2,7	3,4	-41	-79	-4	0,03
Professional	4,3	4,9	-50	-88	-12	0,01
Technician	3,7	3,9	57	0	114	0,05
Clerk	4,2	4,6	0	-40	40	0,99
Sales and services	3,1	3,1	17	-37	72	0,53
Skilled agriculture	10,4	10,8	-25	-43	-7	0,01
Craft and related trade	2,5	2,5	-24	-100	53	0,54
Plant and machine operator	3,2	3,2	-53	-111	6	0,08
Elementary	2,2	2,5	-58	-137	22	0,16
Domestic worker	15,1	14,8	1	-11	12	0,89
Other	0,6	0,6	-267	-400	-134	0,00

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

	Apr–Jun 2008 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,4	0,5	-349	-560	-138	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	-360	-565	-155	0,00
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	0,8	-59	-258	141	0,56
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,2	2,1	-231	-354	-108	0,00
Agriculture	5,6	5,1	-80	-169	10	0,08
Private households	2,6	3,1	10	-78	97	0,83
Unemployed	1,7	2,0	11	-170	191	0,91
Not economically active	0,6	0,7	724	515	933	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	3,8	3,3	439	323	555	0,00
Other(not economically active)	0,6	0,7	285	101	469	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	0,5	-0,4	1,5	0,27
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,6	-1,7	-2,4	-1,0	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,4	0,5	-1,8	-2,5	-1,2	0,00
Women						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,7	0,8	-200	-344	-56	0,01
Employed	0,8	0,8	-61	-194	73	0,37
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,2	1,3	72	-52	197	0,25
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,7	2,9	-119	-196	-41	0,00
Agriculture	6,4	6,7	-37	-72	-1	0,04
Private households	2,7	3,2	23	-52	98	0,55
Unemployed	2,0	2,7	-139	-263	-16	0,03
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	368	227	510	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,2	3,5	217	142	293	0,00
Other(not economically active)	0,7	0,8	151	21	280	0,02
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,8	2,3	-1,1	-2,4	0,3	0,12
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	-0,8	-1,6	0,1	0,07
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	-1,8	-2,6	-0,9	0,00
Men						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,6	-149	-277	-21	0,02
Employed	0,7	0,7	-299	-438	-160	0,00
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,1	1,0	-131	-272	9	0,07
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,1	2,7	-112	-202	-22	0,02
Agriculture	6,9	5,5	-43	-121	35	0,28
Private households	5,9	6,1	-13	-53	27	0,52
Unemployed	2,3	2,2	150	37	263	0,01
Not economically active	0,9	1,0	356	228	484	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	5,1	4,4	221	156	287	0,00
Other(not economically active)	0,9	1,0	134	16	252	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,3	2,0	1,9	0,8	3,0	0,00
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	-2,8	-3,7	-1,8	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-1,9	-2,8	-1,1	0,00

Appendix 2.1B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group

	Apr–Jun 2008 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,4	0,5	-349	-560	-138	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	-360	-565	-155	0,00
Unemployed	1,7	2,0	11	-170	191	0,91
Not economically active	0,6	0,7	724	515	933	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,7	0,5	-0,4	1,5	0,27
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,6	-1,7	-2,4	-1,0	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,4	0,5	-1,8	-2,5	-1,2	0,00
Black/African						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,7	-361	-554	-168	0,00
Employed	0,8	0,8	-372	-557	-188	0,00
Unemployed	1,9	2,2	12	-168	191	0,90
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	706	512	901	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,8	0,9	-0,4	2,1	0,17
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	-2,1	-2,9	-1,4	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,7	-2,3	-3,1	-1,5	0,00
Coloured						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,9	1,2	32	-21	85	0,23
Employed	1,9	1,7	25	-45	95	0,48
Unemployed	5,7	4,6	7	-42	56	0,78
Not economically active	1,7	2,0	10	-41	62	0,70
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,9	4,6	0,0	-2,5	2,6	0,98
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,9	1,6	0,1	-2,2	2,4	0,93
Labour force participation rate	0,9	1,0	0,2	-1,5	1,8	0,85
Indian/Asian						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,5	2,7	-13	-43	17	0,40
Employed	2,4	2,9	-5	-37	27	0,78
Unemployed	13,5	9,6	-9	-28	11	0,39
Not economically active	2,3	3,4	30	4	57	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	13,4	9,1	-1,3	-4,9	2,2	0,46
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,4	2,4	-1,5	-4,6	1,6	0,33
Labour force participation rate	1,5	2,2	-2,6	-5,5	0,2	0,07
White						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force						
Employed	1,1	1,1	-8	-78	63	0,83
Unemployed	1,3	1,1	-8	-81	64	0,82
Not economically active	11,0	9,8	1	-27	29	0,96
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,6	2,3	-23	-92	46	0,52
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	11,0	9,7	0,1	-1,2	1,3	0,94
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,0	0,4	-1,9	2,6	0,74

Appendix 2.2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province

	Apr–Jun 2008 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,4	0,5	-349	-560	-138	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,6	-360	-565	-155	0,00
Unemployed	1,7	2,0	11	-170	191	0,91
Not economically active	0,6	0,7	724	515	933	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	3,8	3,3	439	323	555	0,00
Other(not economically active)	0,6	0,7	285	101	469	0,00
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate						
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,6	1,7	0,5	-0,4	1,5	0,27
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	-1,7	-2,4	-1,0	0,00
	0,4	0,5	-1,8	-2,5	-1,2	0,00
Western Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force						
Employed	0,9	1,1	50	-3	104	0,07
Unemployed	1,4	1,4	7	-59	73	0,84
Not economically active	4,5	3,9	43	-10	97	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	1,9	2,4	-6	-60	48	0,84
Other(not economically active)	20,0	29,0	-4	-17	8	0,50
Rates (%)	1,8	2,3	-1	-54	52	0,96
Unemployment rate						
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)						
Labour force participation rate	4,5	3,7	1,4	-0,8	3,6	0,21
	1,4	1,4	-0,5	-2,4	1,4	0,60
Eastern Cape	0,9	1,1	0,6	-1,0	2,1	0,46
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force						
Employed						
Unemployed	2,6	3,4	65	-35	165	0,20
Not economically active	2,8	2,7	-10	-105	85	0,84
Discouraged work-seekers	5,4	8,9	75	-2	151	0,06
Other(not economically active)	2,2	2,9	-16	-117	84	0,75
Rates (%)	7,3	8,7	75	8	143	0,03
Unemployment rate	2,3	2,9	-92	-172	-12	0,03
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)						
Labour force participation rate						
	4,5	6,3	3,1	-0,5	6,7	0,09
Northern Cape	2,8	2,6	-0,7	-3,1	1,7	0,59
Population 15-64 yrs	2,6	3,3	1,1	-1,4	3,5	0,39
Labour Force						
Employed						
Unemployed						
Not economically active						
Discouraged work-seekers	1,9	4,5	-9	-38	21	0,56
Other(not economically active)	3,0	5,5	-13	-44	18	0,40
Rates (%)	7,8	10,3	4	-10	19	0,56
Unemployment rate	2,4	5,3	13	-16	43	0,37
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	15,7	26,4	1	-13	15	0,85
Labour force participation rate	2,5	4,5	12	-13	37	0,36
Free State						
Population 15-64 yrs	7,5	9,2	1,7	-2,3	5,6	0,40
Labour Force	3,0	5,5	-2,1	-6,5	2,2	0,34
Employed	1,9	4,5	-1,6	-5,7	2,5	0,45
Unemployed						
Not economically active						
Discouraged work-seekers						
Other(not economically active)						
Rates (%)	1,4	1,9	-63	-102	-24	0,00
Unemployment rate	2,0	2,3	-57	-100	-15	0,01
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	4,2	4,4	-6	-35	24	0,71
Labour force participation rate	2,1	2,5	74	35	113	0,00

Appendix 2.2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (Concluded)

	Apr–Jun 2008 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
KwaZulu Natal						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,2	1,7	-316	-443	-189	0,00
Employed	1,8	1,8	-157	-275	-39	0,01
Unemployed	4,2	4,3	-159	-233	-85	0,00
Not economically active	1,4	1,5	405	280	531	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	10,9	5,3	281	229	333	0,00
Other(not economically active)	1,5	1,6	124	11	238	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate						
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	4,2	3,8	-2,9	-5,0	-0,8	0,01
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,8	-3,1	-4,9	-1,2	0,00
	1,2	1,7	-5,7	-7,7	-3,7	0,00
North West						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force						
Employed	2,4	3,1	6	-45	57	0,81
Unemployed	3,9	3,7	-50	-101	0	0,05
Not economically active	5,8	6,2	57	8	106	0,02
Discouraged work-seekers	2,9	3,5	10	-43	62	0,72
Other(not economically active)	10,6	11,5	-12	-38	14	0,37
Rates (%)	3,1	3,5	21	-35	78	0,45
Unemployment rate						
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)						
Labour force participation rate	6,8	5,4	4,7	1,0	8,4	0,01
	3,9	3,5	-2,6	-4,9	-0,4	0,02
Gauteng	2,4	2,9	-0,1	-2,3	2,1	0,93
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force						
Employed						
Unemployed	0,9	1,1	-54	-178	70	0,39
Not economically active	1,1	1,3	-108	-220	5	0,06
Discouraged work-seekers	3,9	4,1	54	-55	163	0,33
Other(not economically active)	2,5	2,5	127	12	241	0,03
Rates (%)	13,8	13,1	-9	-61	42	0,72
Unemployment rate	2,4	2,5	136	35	238	0,01
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)						
Labour force participation rate						
	3,5	3,7	1,3	-0,6	3,2	0,18
Mpumalanga	1,1	1,2	-2,1	-3,6	-0,6	0,01
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force						
Employed						
Unemployed						
Not economically active	2,1	2,3	25	-34	84	0,41
Discouraged work-seekers	3,1	3,0	-3	-70	64	0,93
Other(not economically active)	5,0	5,1	28	-11	66	0,16
Rates (%)	2,5	2,7	6	-53	64	0,85
Unemployment rate	9,7	8,8	16	-2	35	0,08
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,7	2,6	-11	-68	46	0,71
Labour force participation rate						
Limpopo	5,3	4,9	1,8	-1,5	5,0	0,29
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	3,1	3,0	-0,7	-3,7	2,3	0,65
Employed	2,1	2,2	0,4	-2,3	3,0	0,79
Unemployed						
Not economically active						
Discouraged work-seekers	2,2	2,5	-53	-128	21	0,16
Other(not economically active)	2,7	2,6	32	-37	100	0,37
Rates (%)	5,0	9,0	-85	-144	-26	0,01
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,6	111	36	186	0,00
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	8,6	7,6	59	18	101	0,01
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,9	52	-24	128	0,18

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

	Apr–Jun 2008 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes	0,6	0,6	-360	-565	-155	0,00
Agriculture	5,6	5,1	-80	-169	10	0,08
Mining	9,1	7,5	-27	-69	14	0,20
Manufacturing	2,2	2,7	-95	-209	18	0,10
Utilities	10,9	18,7	-4	-43	34	0,84
Construction	3,4	3,0	-22	-114	71	0,65
Trade	1,7	1,8	-143	-286	0	0,05
Transport	3,6	3,8	-47	-118	24	0,19
Finance	2,9	2,4	22	-85	130	0,68
Community and social services	1,8	1,7	28	-87	144	0,63
Private households	2,6	3,1	10	-78	97	0,83
Other						
Women	0,8	0,8	-61	-194	73	0,37
Agriculture	6,4	6,7	-37	-72	-1	0,04
Mining	13,4	14,4	7	-7	20	0,33
Manufacturing	3,6	4,1	-37	-101	27	0,26
Utilities	18,8	21,4	0	-14	14	0,99
Construction	8,1	7,6	6	-20	33	0,64
Trade	2,2	2,2	-90	-179	0	0,05
Transport	6,5	7,4	-21	-51	8	0,15
Finance	3,4	3,4	37	-34	109	0,30
Community and social services	2,0	2,1	53	-31	138	0,22
Private households	2,7	3,2	23	-52	98	0,55
Other						
Men	0,7	0,7	-299	-438	-160	0,00
Agriculture	6,9	5,5	-43	-121	35	0,28
Mining	9,7	8,0	-34	-73	5	0,09
Manufacturing	2,5	3,2	-58	-146	29	0,19
Utilities	12,3	21,1	-4	-35	27	0,80
Construction	3,4	3,2	-28	-114	58	0,52
Trade	2,5	2,4	-53	-158	51	0,32
Transport	4,1	4,1	-26	-86	34	0,40
Finance	3,6	3,6	-15	-103	72	0,73
Community and social services	2,8	2,7	-25	-97	48	0,50
Private households	5,9	6,1	-13	-53	27	0,52
Other						

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

	Apr–Jun 2008 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa	0,6	0,6	-360	-565	-155	0,00
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	0,8	-59	-258	141	0,56
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,2	2,1	-231	-354	-108	0,00
Agriculture	5,6	5,1	-80	-169	10	0,08
Private households	2,6	3,1	10	-78	97	0,83
Western Cape	1,4	1,4	7	-59	73	0,84
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,0	1,9	-12	-81	57	0,74
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,0	8,2	22	-10	55	0,18
Agriculture	9,2	12,0	-16	-37	4	0,11
Private households	6,2	8,7	13	-15	41	0,36
Eastern Cape	2,8	2,7	-10	-105	85	0,84
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,9	3,6	18	-62	98	0,66
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,0	5,3	-46	-92	1	0,05
Agriculture	21,7	18,3	2	-28	31	0,90
Private households	11,7	10,5	16	-4	37	0,12
Northern Cape	3,0	5,5	-13	-44	18	0,40
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,8	3,4	-7	-25	10	0,42
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,0	12,2	-7	-15	0	0,06
Agriculture	13,4	30,3	9	-21	39	0,57
Private households	11,6	8,4	-7	-19	4	0,20
Free State	2,0	2,3	-57	-100	-15	0,01
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,2	4,1	-36	-70	-2	0,04
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,3	6,4	-20	-42	1	0,06
Agriculture	8,1	11,2	7	-13	27	0,50
Private households	9,1	8,1	-8	-26	11	0,42
KwaZulu Natal	1,8	1,8	-157	-275	-39	0,01
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,1	2,3	-26	-134	82	0,64
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,4	4,6	-84	-149	-19	0,01
Agriculture	19,8	10,2	-62	-128	3	0,06
Private households	5,8	7,2	16	-26	58	0,46
North West	3,9	3,7	-50	-101	0	0,05
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,3	4,2	-15	-67	36	0,56
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,9	7,2	-19	-44	5	0,12
Agriculture	19,3	23,4	-1	-13	10	0,80
Private households	9,2	10,2	-14	-29	1	0,06
Gauteng	1,1	1,3	-108	-220	5	0,06
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,6	1,7	0	-114	113	1,00
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,0	5,4	-73	-139	-7	0,03
Agriculture	16,1	13,1	-23	-43	-3	0,02
Private households	5,3	6,7	-11	-68	45	0,69
Mpumalanga	3,1	3,0	-3	-70	64	0,93
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	4,8	1	-56	57	0,99
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,2	6,8	-9	-47	29	0,64
Agriculture	8,9	11,5	3	-14	20	0,70
Private households	10,2	8,3	2	-20	25	0,83
Limpopo	2,7	2,6	32	-37	100	0,37
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,8	5,4	20	-55	94	0,61
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,1	4,9	6	-27	38	0,73
Agriculture	9,6	11,3	3	-13	19	0,69
Private households	8,4	11,9	3	-19	25	0,79

Appendix 3.5B: Sampling variability for the employed by sex and occupation

	Apr–Jun 2008 CV	Apr–Jun 2009 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes	0,6	0,6	-360	-565	-155	0,00
Manager	3,1	2,9	29	-54	112	0,49
Professional	4,1	3,4	-135	-207	-63	0,00
Technician	2,5	2,6	96	-9	201	0,07
Clerk	2,8	2,6	-10	-108	88	0,84
Sales and services	2,2	2,3	55	-54	164	0,32
Skilled agriculture	8,7	9,8	-12	-32	9	0,26
Craft and related trade	2,1	2,3	-168	-279	-56	0,00
Plant and machine operator	2,7	2,9	24	-65	114	0,59
Elementary	2,0	1,9	-249	-401	-96	0,00
Domestic worker	2,6	3,3	10	-66	87	0,79
Other						
Women	0,8	0,8	-61	-194	73	0,37
Manager	5,7	5,1	18	-30	65	0,47
Professional	5,4	4,8	-56	-98	-14	0,01
Technician	2,9	2,7	17	-46	80	0,59
Clerk	2,8	3,0	35	-34	104	0,32
Sales and services	3,1	2,9	46	-28	120	0,22
Skilled agriculture	15,9	19,8	-4	-12	5	0,41
Craft and related trade	5,2	5,7	-76	-119	-33	0,00
Plant and machine operator	6,3	7,0	6	-24	36	0,69
Elementary	2,3	2,4	-61	-134	12	0,10
Domestic worker	2,7	3,4	14	-61	90	0,71
Other						
Men	0,7	0,7	-299	-438	-160	0,00
Manager	3,1	3,4	11	-55	77	0,74
Professional	5,2	4,9	-79	-135	-23	0,01
Technician	3,7	3,9	79	9	148	0,03
Clerk	4,9	4,6	-45	-106	17	0,15
Sales and services	3,1	3,1	9	-67	85	0,82
Skilled agriculture	10,7	10,8	-8	-27	11	0,39
Craft and related trade	2,2	2,5	-91	-192	9	0,08
Plant and machine operator	2,9	3,2	18	-69	105	0,68
Elementary	2,8	2,5	-187	-318	-57	0,01
Domestic worker	15,5	14,8	-4	-18	10	0,58
Other						