

Labour force

November 2022 | Economic brief

Employment

	NT	Aust
Employed persons (trend)	140 553	13 752 823
Monthly change (trend)	↑0.4%	↑0.2%
Annual change (trend)	↑5.5%	↑3.8%
Year-on-year change (original)	↑3.7%	↑4.1%

In November 2022, trend resident employment in the Territory increased by 0.4% to 140,553 persons. Full-time employment increased by 0.5% and part-time employment increased by 0.4%. Nationally, employment increased by 0.2%, with full-time employment increasing by 0.3% and part-time employment increasing by 0.2%.

Annually, trend resident employment increased by 5.5% in the Territory. Nationally, employment increased by 3.8% over the same period (Chart 1). In the year to November 2022, Territory employment increased by 3.7%, reflecting an increase in full-time employment of 5.2%, partly offset by a decrease in part-time employment of 1.2%. Nationally, year-on-year employment increased by 4.1%.

Unemployment

	NT	Aust
Unemployment rate (trend)	3.8%	3.5%
Monthly change (ppt)	flat	flat
Annual change (ppt)	↓0.1	↓1.0

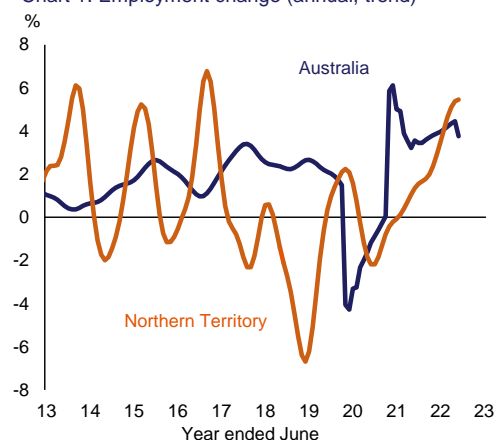
The Territory's trend unemployment rate was flat at 3.8% in the month of November 2022 (Chart 2). Nationally, the monthly unemployment rate was flat at 3.5%.

Participation

	NT	Aust
Participation rate (trend)	73.6%	66.7%
Monthly change (ppt)	flat	flat
Annual change (ppt)	↑1.6	↑0.4

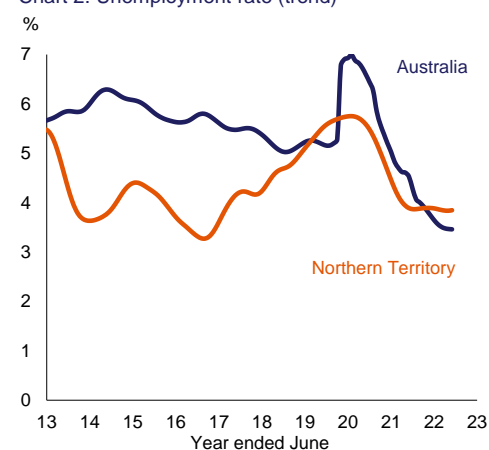
The trend participation rate in the Territory was flat at 73.6% in November 2022. The Territory's participation rate is the highest of the jurisdictions, and well above the national rate of 66.7% (Chart 3).

Chart 1: Employment change (annual, trend)



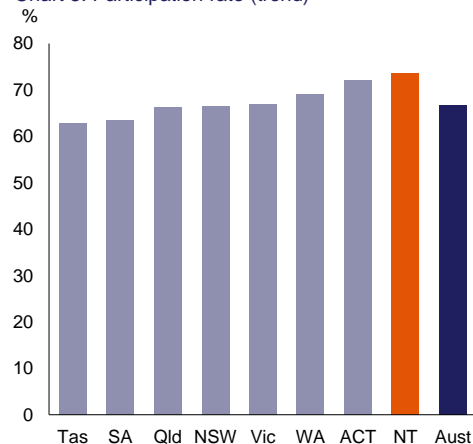
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Chart 2: Unemployment rate (trend)



Source: Department of Treasury and Finance, ABS Cat No.

Chart 3: Participation rate (trend)



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Table 1: Labour force statistics*

	Period			Change		
	Nov 21	Oct 22	Nov 22	Monthly ¹	Annual ²	Year-on-year ³
Northern Territory						
Original						
Employment	133 389	142 268	144 984	1.9%	8.7%	3.7%
– full-time	103 328	109 050	112 602	3.3%	9.0%	5.2%
– part-time	30 060	33 218	32 382	-2.5%	7.7%	-1.2%
Unemployment rate	4.6%	3.7%	3.3%	- 0.4 ppt	- 1.3 ppt	
Participation rate	72.6%	74.7%	75.7%	1.0 ppt	3.1 ppt	
Labour force	139 837	147 741	149 984	1.5%	7.3%	2.8%
Seasonally adjusted						
Employment	132 474	140 561	144 004	2.4%	8.7%	
– full-time	101 705	108 772	110 764	1.8%	8.9%	
– part-time	30 769	31 789	33 240	4.6%	8.0%	
Unemployment rate	4.5%	3.7%	3.3%	- 0.4 ppt	- 1.2 ppt	
Participation rate	72.0%	73.8%	75.2%	1.4 ppt	3.2 ppt	
Labour force	138 712	146 013	148 877	2.0%	7.3%	
Trend						
Employment	133 276	139 935	140 553	0.4%	5.5%	
– full-time	101 949	109 060	109 568	0.5%	7.5%	
– part-time	31 327	30 876	30 985	0.4%	-1.1%	
Unemployment rate	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	0.0 ppt	- 0.1 ppt	
Participation rate	72.0%	73.6%	73.6%	0.0 ppt	1.6 ppt	
Labour force	138 674	145 523	146 181	0.5%	5.4%	
Australia						
Original						
Employment	13 254 927	13 676 616	13 805 658	0.9%	4.2%	4.1%
– full-time	9 091 885	9 514 437	9 616 244	1.1%	5.8%	5.4%
– part-time	4 163 042	4 162 179	4 189 414	0.7%	0.6%	1.4%
Unemployment rate	4.3%	3.3%	3.2%	- 0.1 ppt	- 1.1 ppt	
Participation rate	66.1%	66.3%	66.8%	0.5 ppt	0.7 ppt	
Labour force	13 844 616	14 136 751	14 262 097	0.9%	3.0%	2.4%
Seasonally adjusted						
Employment	13 215 661	13 705 409	13 769 384	0.5%	4.2%	
– full-time	9 074 114	9 567 335	9 601 538	0.4%	5.8%	
– part-time	4 141 547	4 138 074	4 167 846	0.7%	0.6%	
Unemployment rate	4.6%	3.4%	3.4%	0.0 ppt	- 1.2 ppt	
Participation rate	66.2%	66.6%	66.8%	0.2 ppt	0.6 ppt	
Labour force	13 851 301	14 189 749	14 261 075	0.5%	3.0%	
Trend						
Employment	13 254 502	13 720 194	13 752 823	0.2%	3.8%	
– full-time	9 094 005	9 562 437	9 588 798	0.3%	5.4%	
– part-time	4 160 497	4 157 757	4 164 024	0.2%	0.1%	
Unemployment rate	4.5%	3.5%	3.5%	0.0 ppt	- 1.0 ppt	
Participation rate	66.3%	66.7%	66.7%	0.0 ppt	0.4 ppt	
Labour force	13 883 061	14 212 786	14 245 642	0.2%	2.6%	

ppt.: percentage point

1 Compares the latest month with the previous month.

2 Compares the latest month with the same month in the previous year.

3 Compares the 12 months up to and including the latest month with the previous 12 month period.

* Due to rounding, percentage changes in the table may not reflect the actual change.

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