

Friday, 8 April 2016

Australian unemployment jumps to 11%

This month's unemployment has risen 1% to 11% - now at its highest since February 2015 and 5.2% higher than the current ABS figure for February 2016 (5.8%). This is the first time the Roy Morgan unemployment rate has increased in February for over a decade – since March 2005. Moreover, 2.433 million Australians (18.8% of the workforce) are either unemployed or under-employed.

- There are 12,944,000 Australians in the workforce in March, down 230,000, from a month ago (although up 274,000 since March 2015) and 11,522,000 Australians are employed (up 220,000 since March 2015) – although most of the increase in employment comes from part-time employment;
- Now 7,604,000 Australians are employed full-time – up 18,000 since March 2015 and 3,918,000 Australians (up 202,000) are part-time workers;
- **Now a high 11.0% of the workforce, 1,422,000 people, are unemployed – up 54,000 since March 2015 with the unemployment rate up 0.2% in a year while 1,011,000 Australians are under-employed – working part-time and looking for more hours:** 7.8% of the workforce – up 35,000 (up 0.1%);
- Now 2,433,000 Australians are unemployed or under-employed: a massive 18.8% of the workforce – up 89,000 (up 0.3%) since March 2015.

Roy Morgan Unemployed and 'Under-employed'* Estimate

	Unemployed or 'Under-employed'*		Unemployed		Unemployed looking for Full-time		'Under-employed'*	
	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	'000	%
2015								
Jan-Mar 2015	2,384	18.9	1,327	10.5	656	672	1,057	8.4
Apr-Jun 2015	2,359	18.7	1,263	10.0	618	645	1,096	8.7
Jul-Sep 2015	2,061	16.2	1,109	8.7	518	591	952	7.5
Oct-Dec 2015	2,475	19.2	1,184	9.2	603	581	1,291	10.0
2016								
Jan-Mar 2016	2,496	19.1	1,362	10.4	639	723	1,134	8.7
Months								
February 2015	2,542	20.3	1,381	11.0	590	791	1,161	9.3
March 2015	2,344	18.5	1,368	10.8	742	626	976	7.7
April 2015	2,446	19.4	1,309	10.4	656	653	1,137	9.0
May 2015	2,310	18.5	1,289	10.3	646	643	1,021	8.2
June 2015	2,321	18.2	1,192	9.3	552	640	1,129	8.9
July 2015	2,074	16.4	1,097	8.7	525	572	977	7.7
August 2015	2,117	16.6	1,173	9.2	548	625	944	7.4
September 2015	1,994	15.6	1,058	8.3	482	576	936	7.3
October 2015	2,198	17.4	1,110	8.8	464	646	1,088	8.6
November 2015	2,536	19.6	1,186	9.2	623	563	1,350	10.4
December 2015	2,690	20.7	1,256	9.7	722	534	1,434	11.0
January 2016	2,575	19.7	1,346	10.3	696	650	1,229	9.4
February 2016	2,480	18.8	1,319	10.0	589	730	1,161	8.8
March 2016	2,433	18.8	1,422	11.0	631	791	1,011	7.8

*Workforce includes those employed and those looking for work – the unemployed.

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Gary Morgan, Executive Chairman, Roy Morgan Research, says:

*"In March Australia's **real unemployment** increased to 11.0% (1.422 million people looking for work, 54,000 more than a year ago) and under-employment increased to 7.8% (1.011 million, up 35,000) – a total of 18.8% (2.433 million) Australians looking for work or looking for more work.*

"This is the first time the Roy Morgan unemployment rate has increased in March for more than a decade since March 2005. It is the highest rate of unemployment for more than a year since February 2015 (11.0%, 1.381 million); and the highest overall number of unemployed for two years since March 2014 (1.465 million).

"Over the past year full-time employment 7,604,000 (up 18,000) has barely changed whilst part-time employment 3,918,000 (up 202,000) has increased strongly. Today's figures show that although Australia's economy is rebalancing slowly following the end of the mining boom there is more work required to ensure the Australian economy grows strongly in the years ahead.

"The troubles facing the Australian economy are illustrated clearly this week with the announcement iron ore miner and steelmaker Arrium (formerly part of BHP and spun out of BHP as OneSteel) has entered voluntary administration. As many as 10,000 jobs around Australia are now in jeopardy as Arrium struggles to repay up to \$2.8 billion in debt.

"Arrium employs more than 1,000 people in the South Australian regional town of Whyalla out of a total population of 22,000. The closure of the Whyalla steelworks would be a devastating blow for South Australia which also faces the closure of the Holden automotive manufacturing plant in 18 months and continuing uncertainty about whether submarine and ship-building in South Australia will continue contingent on new Government defence contracts.

"The dire situation facing Arrium follows the announcement by telecommunications company Optus this week that 500 employees face redundancy and comes after electronics retailer Dick Smith was forced into closure earlier this year and Woolworths announced the shutting down of its Masters home improvement outlet. These examples across different sectors of the Australian economy show the huge challenge facing whichever party wins this year's Federal Election.

"The ongoing job losses throughout the Australian economy also provide clear evidence that the ABS unemployment figures released monthly lack credibility. ABS estimated unemployment of only 5.8% in February indicating a booming Australian economy which is also not reflected in other measures of economic activity.

"RP Data this week announced Capital city rental prices fell 0.2% over the past year, the first time in the 20 year history of the index to show a fall over a 12 month period while the latest ABS retail spending index data shows retail spending unchanged in February following a monthly rise of only 0.3% in January after also being unchanged in December 2015. A retail economy that has barely moved for three months is not indicative of the robust growth the ABS unemployment figures suggest.

"The major problem facing the Australian economy is that the Turnbull Government, like all Governments before them, continues to base their economic modelling on the wrong unemployment data and because of this they will fail to advocate the policy reforms that need to be undertaken to 'free-up' the Australian economy. Stimulating real growth in the Australian economy is the most effective way there is to create jobs for unemployed and under-employed Australians. In addition by continuing to use 'wrong data' there will be a large group of people (unemployed and under-employed) who will be disenfranchised and angry with the Government of the day."

This Roy Morgan survey on Australia's **unemployment** and '**under-employed**'* is based on weekly face-to-face interviews of 476,035 Australians aged 14 and over between January 2007 – March 2016 and includes 3,997 face-to-face interviews in March 2016.

*The 'under-employed' are those people who are in part-time work or consultants who are looking for more work. (Unfortunately the ABS put their 'heads in the sand' and refuse to accept the reality and does not release this figure in their monthly unemployment survey results).

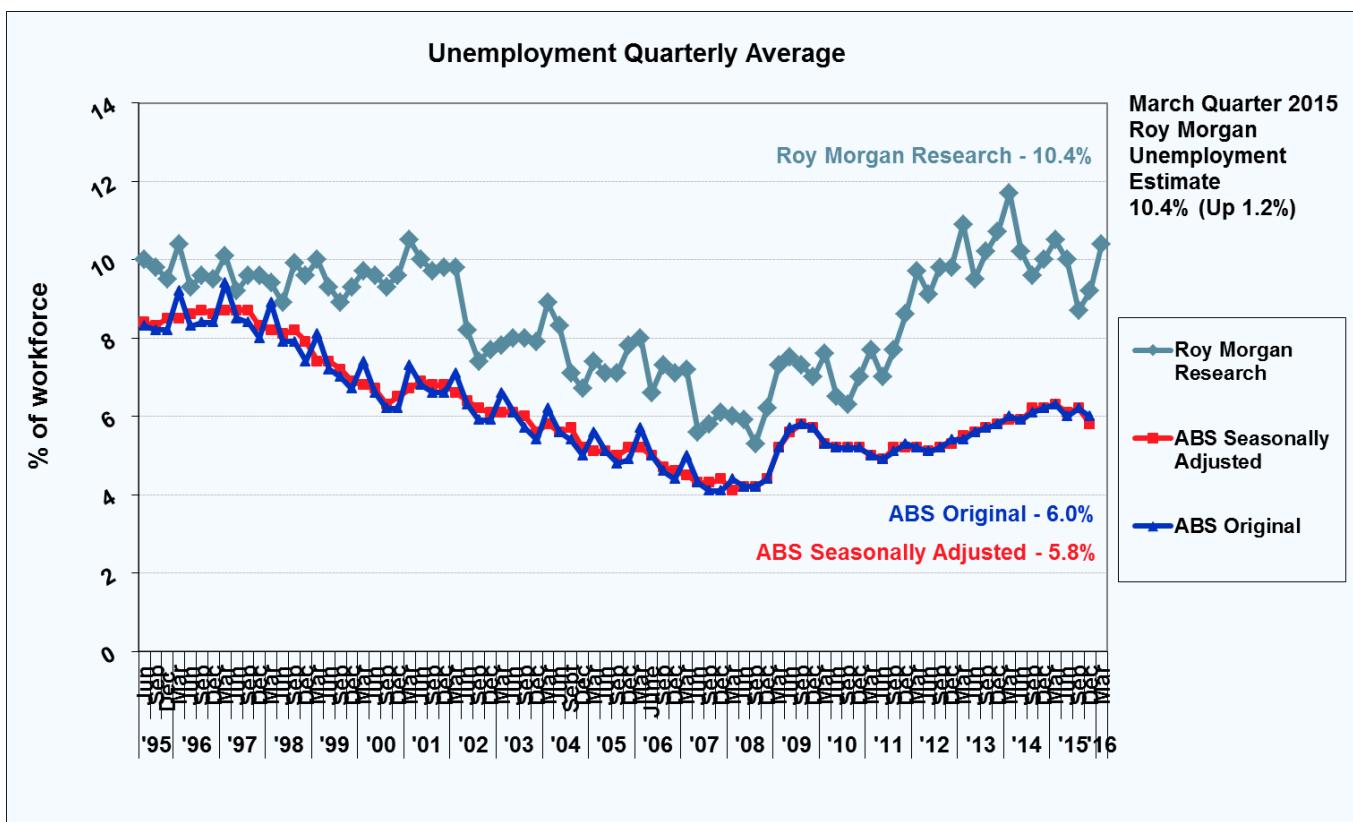
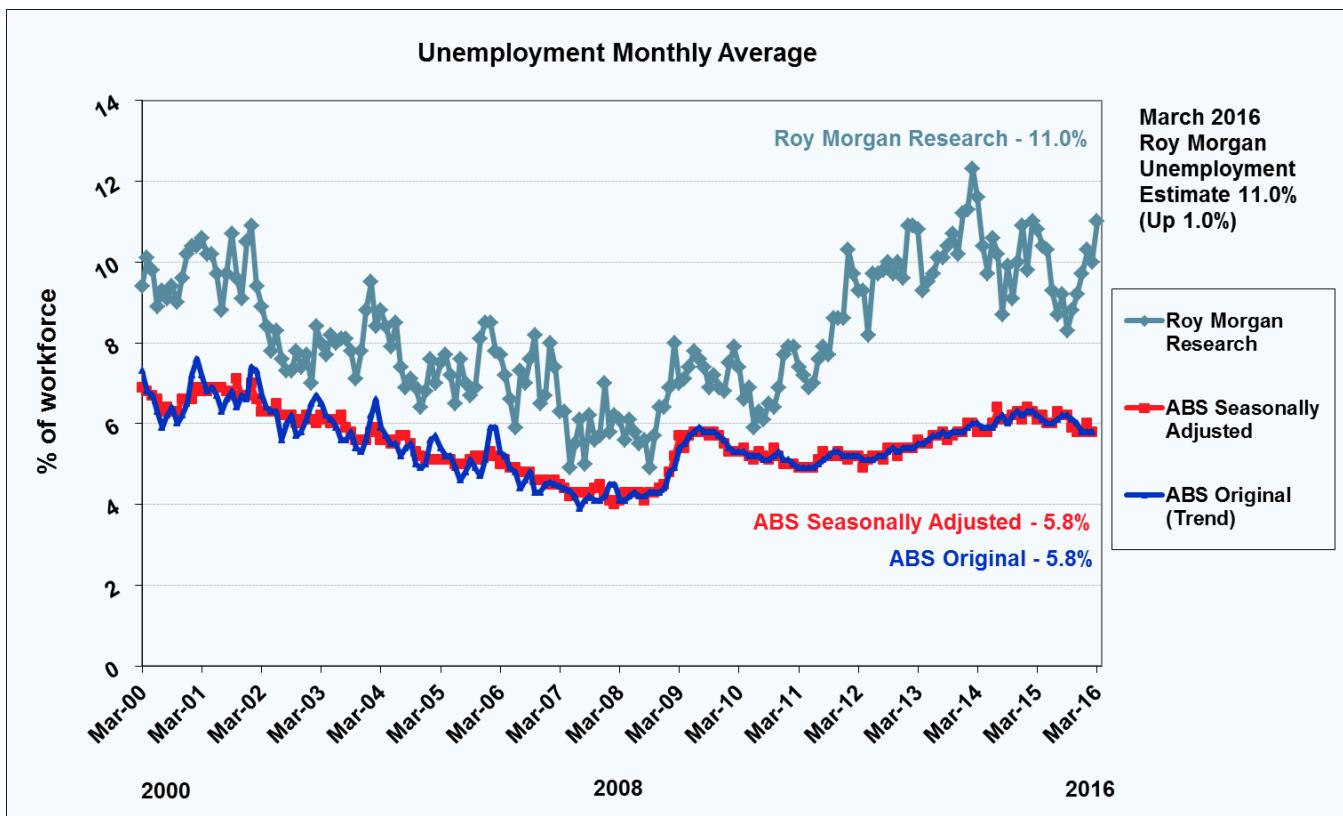
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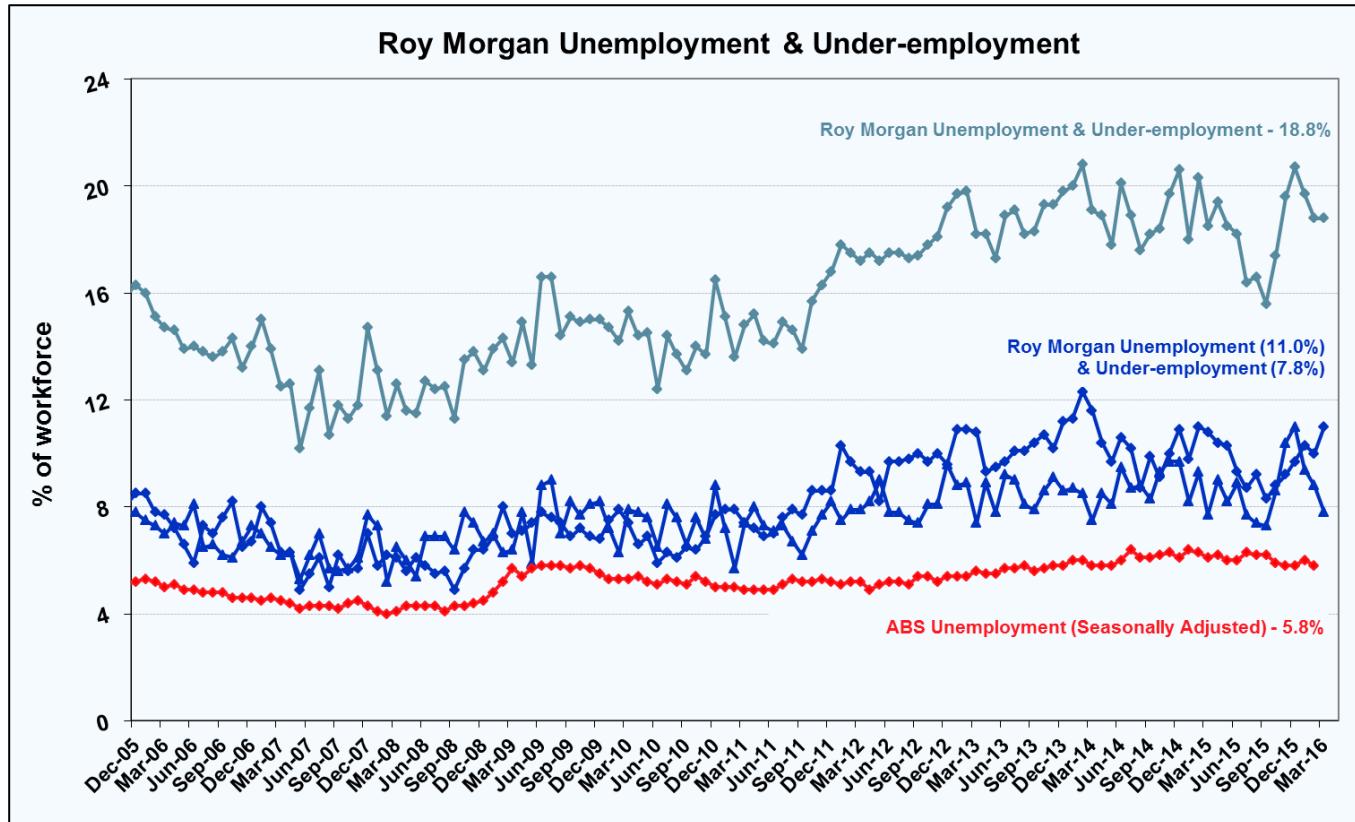
The margin of error to be allowed for in any estimate depends mainly on the number of interviews on which it is based. The following table gives indications of the likely range within which estimates would be 95% likely to fall, expressed as the number of percentage points above or below the actual estimate. The figures are approximate and for general guidance only, and assume a simple random sample. Allowance for design effects (such as stratification and weighting) should be made as appropriate.

Sample Size	% Estimate			
	40%-60%	25% or 75%	10% or 90%	5% or 95%
5,000	±1.4	±1.2	±0.8	±0.6
10,000	±1.0	±0.9	±0.6	±0.4
20,000	±0.7	±0.6	±0.4	±0.3
50,000	±0.4	±0.4	±0.3	±0.2

Roy Morgan Research vs. ABS Unemployment Estimates

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ROY MORGAN MEASURES REAL UNEMPLOYMENT IN AUSTRALIA

NOT THE 'PERCEPTION' OF UNEMPLOYMENT – JUNE 8, 2012

<http://www.roymorgan.com/~media/Files/Papers/2012/20120603.pdf>

The Roy Morgan Unemployment estimate is obtained by surveying an Australia-wide cross section by face-to-face interviews. A person is classified as unemployed if they are looking for work, no matter when. The results are not seasonally adjusted and provide an accurate measure of monthly unemployment estimates in Australia.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics Unemployment estimates are obtained by mostly telephone interviews. Households selected for the ABS Survey are interviewed each month for eight months, with one-eighth of the sample being replaced each month. The first interview is conducted face-to-face. Subsequent interviews are then conducted by telephone.

The ABS classifies a person as unemployed if, when surveyed, they have been actively looking for work in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week and if they were available for work in the reference week.

The ABS classifies a person as employed if, when surveyed, a person worked for one hour or more during the reference week for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind, or even if a person worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics Unemployment estimates are also seasonally adjusted.

For these reasons the Australian Bureau of Statistics Unemployment estimates are different from the Roy Morgan Unemployment estimate. Gary Morgan's concerns regarding the ABS Unemployment estimate is clearly outlined in his letter to the Australian Financial Review, which was not published.

<http://www.roymorgan.com/news/papers/2003/20030801>

The Roy Morgan Unemployment Estimate**The ABS Unemployment Estimates**

	Total Looking For Work		% of Work Force Unemployed		Total Looking For Work*		% of Work Force Unemployed	
	('000)	('000)	%	%	('000)	('000)	Original	Adjusted*
1999								
Jan.	1,006		11.0		704		8.1	7.5
Feb.	936		10.1		697		8.3	7.4
March	818	(920)♦	8.9	(10.0)♦	696	(699)♦	7.8	(8.1)♦
April	876		9.6		707		7.5	7.5
May	799		8.9		702		7.3	7.5
June	866	(847)♦	9.5	(9.3)♦	680	(696)♦	6.9	(7.2)♦
July	823		8.9		661		6.6	7.0
Aug.	828		8.9		682		7.0	7.2
Sep.	831	(827)♦	8.9	(8.9)♦	703	(682)♦	7.4	(7.0)♦
Oct.	864		9.5		674		6.7	7.1
Nov.	832		8.9		641		6.4	6.7
Dec.	862	(853)♦	9.4	(9.3)♦	672	(662)♦	6.9	(6.7)♦
2000								
Jan.	983		10.6		655		7.4	6.9
Feb.	853		9.2		644		7.5	6.7
March	868	(901)♦	9.4	(9.7)♦	700	(666)♦	7.3	(7.4)♦
April	926		10.1		659		6.8	6.8
May	912		9.8		643		6.7	6.7
June	826	(888)♦	8.9	(9.6)♦	609	(637)♦	6.3	(6.6)♦
July	870		9.3		610		5.9	6.3
Aug.	856		9.1		624		6.2	6.4
Sep.	869	(865)♦	9.4	(9.3)♦	614	(616)♦	6.4	(6.2)♦
Oct.	837		9.0		615		6.0	6.3
Nov.	909		9.6		637		6.2	6.6
Dec.	953	(900)♦	10.2	(9.6)♦	643	(632)♦	6.5	(6.2)♦
2001								
Jan.	974		10.4		647		7.2	6.6
Feb.	967		10.4		673		7.6	6.9
March	989	(977)♦	10.6	(10.5)♦	662	(661)♦	7.2	(7.3)♦
April	970		10.2		671		6.8	6.8
May	948		10.2		676		6.9	6.9
June	908	(942)♦	9.7	(10.0)♦	681	(676)♦	6.7	(6.8)♦
July	837		8.8		618		6.3	6.3
Aug.	918		9.7		644		6.6	6.6
Sep.	1,006	(920)♦	10.7	(9.7)♦	672	(645)♦	6.8	(6.6)♦
Oct.	914		9.6		697		6.7	7.1
Nov.	889		9.1		661		6.4	6.7
Dec.	1,003	(935)♦	10.5	(9.8)♦	665	(674)♦	6.6	(6.6)♦
2002								
Jan.	1,075		10.9		693		7.4	7.0
Feb.	926		9.4		653		7.3	6.6
March	841	(947)♦	8.9	(9.8)♦	622	(656)♦	6.7	(7.1)♦
April	812		8.4		622		6.4	6.3
May	744		7.8		622		6.3	6.3
June	794	(783)♦	8.3	(8.2)♦	644	(629)♦	6.3	(6.3)♦
July	750		7.6		609		5.6	6.2
Aug.	690		7.3		622		6.0	6.2
Sep.	703	(715)♦	7.3	(7.4)♦	617	(616)♦	6.2	(5.9)♦
Oct.	747		7.8		599		5.7	6.0
Nov.	716		7.4		617		5.8	6.1
Dec.	730	(731)♦	7.7	(7.7)♦	628	(615)♦	6.1	(5.9)♦
								6.2 (6.1)♦

♦Average calculated for previous three months; *Seasonally adjusted figures.

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	Total Looking For Work		% of Work Force Unemployed		Total Looking For Work*		% of Work Force Unemployed	
	2003	('000)	('000)	%	('000)	('000)	Original	Adjusted*
Jan.	673			7.0	620		6.5	6.1
Feb.	808			8.4	610		6.7	6.0
March	769	(750)♦		8.0	(7.8)♦	626	(619)♦	6.5 (6.6)♦ 6.2 (6.1)♦
April	744			7.7		623		6.2
May	791			8.2		613		6.1
June	764	(766)♦		8.0	(8.0)♦	620	(619)♦	5.9 (6.1)♦ 6.1 (6.1)♦
July	795			8.1		621		5.6
Aug.	774			8.1		594		5.6
Sep.	761	(776)♦		7.8	(8.0)♦	590	(602)♦	5.8 (5.7)♦ 5.8 (6.0)♦
Oct.	711			7.1		577		5.4
Nov.	769			7.8		573		5.3
Dec.	863	(781)♦		8.8	(7.9)♦	575	(575)♦	5.6 (5.4)♦ 5.6 (5.6)♦
2004								
Jan.	973			9.5		584		6.2
Feb.	832			8.4		595		6.6
March	892	(899)♦		8.8	(8.9)♦	574	(584)♦	5.9 (6.2)♦ 5.6 (5.8)♦
April	846			8.4		574		5.7
May	786			7.9		561		5.5
June	826	(819)♦		8.5	(8.3)♦	575	(570)♦	5.5 (5.6)♦ 5.6 (5.6)♦
July	757			7.4		582		5.2
Aug.	679			6.9		579		5.4
Sep.	698	(711)♦		7.1	(7.1)♦	572	(578)♦	5.5 (5.4)♦ 5.6 (5.7)♦
Oct.	694			6.9		544		5.0
Nov.	632			6.4		536		4.9
Dec.	688	(671)♦		6.8	(6.7)♦	527	(536)♦	5.0 (5.0)♦ 5.1 (5.2)♦
2005								
Jan.	775			7.6		532		5.6
Feb.	715			7.0		533		5.7
March	753	(748)♦		7.5	(7.4)♦	540	(535)♦	5.4 (5.6)♦ 5.2 (5.1)♦
April	797			7.7		540		5.2
May	737			7.2		542		5.2
June	669	(734)♦		6.5	(7.1)♦	527	(536)♦	4.9 (5.1)♦ 5.0 (5.1)♦
July	783			7.6		525		4.6
Aug.	715			7.0		530		4.8
Sep.	681	(726)♦		6.7	(7.1)♦	539	(531)♦	5.1 (4.8)♦ 5.1 (5.0)♦
Oct.	709			6.9		548		4.9
Nov.	832			8.1		538		4.7
Dec.	864	(802)♦		8.5	(7.8)♦	546	(544)♦	5.1 (4.9)♦ 5.2 (5.2)♦
2006								
Jan.	893			8.5		558		5.8
Feb.	832			7.8		554		5.9
March	815	(847)♦		7.7	(8.0)♦	532	(558)♦	5.3 (5.7)♦ 5.0 (5.2)♦
April	753			7.2		542		5.2
May	695			6.6		521		4.9
June	659	(702)♦		6.2	(6.6)♦	529	(531)♦	4.8 (5.0)♦ 4.9 (5.0)♦
July	776			7.3		514		4.4
Aug.	722			7.0		524		4.6
Sep.	803	(767)♦		7.6	(7.3)♦	513	(517)♦	4.8 (4.6)♦ 4.8 (4.8)♦
Oct.	864			8.2		496		4.3
Nov.	681			6.5		499		4.3
Dec.	712	(752)♦		6.7	(7.1)♦	502	(499)♦	4.5 (4.4)♦ 4.6 (4.6)♦

♦Average calculated for previous three months; *Seasonally adjusted figures.

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	Total		% of Work Force		Total		% of Work Force		Unemployed	
	Looking For Work	('000)	Unemployed	%	Looking For Work*	('000)	Original	%	Adjusted*	%
2007										
Jan.	854		8.0		493		5.0		4.5	
Feb.	781		7.4		502		5.2		4.6	
March	636	(757)♦	6.3	(7.2)♦	485	(493)♦	4.7	(5.0)♦	4.5	(4.5)♦
April	680		6.3		475		4.5		4.4	
May	528		4.9		463		4.3		4.2	
June	579	(596)♦	5.5	(5.6)♦	472	(470)♦	4.2	(4.3)♦	4.3	(4.3)♦
July	648		6.1		468		3.9		4.3	
Aug.	537		5.0		472		4.1		4.3	
Sep.	658	(614)♦	6.2	(5.8)♦	461	(467)♦	4.2	(4.1)♦	4.2	(4.3)♦
Oct.	594		5.6		480		4.1		4.4	
Nov.	606		5.7		499		4.1		4.5	
Dec.	740	(647)♦	7.0	(6.1)♦	468	(482)♦	4.2	(4.1)♦	4.2	(4.4)♦
2008										
Jan.	624		5.8		458		4.5		4.1	
Feb.	662		6.2		441		4.5		4.0	
March	651	(646)♦	6.1	(6.0)♦	455	(451)♦	4.1	(4.4)♦	4.1	(4.1)♦
April	608		5.6		477		4.1		4.3	
May	657		6.1		477		4.2		4.3	
June	629	(632)♦	5.8	(5.9)♦	476	(477)♦	4.3	(4.2)♦	4.3	(4.2)♦
July	607		5.5		480		4.2		4.3	
Aug.	606		5.6		457		4.2		4.1	
Sep.	538	(584)♦	4.9	(5.3)♦	478	(472)♦	4.3	(4.2)♦	4.3	(4.2)♦
Oct.	625		5.7		485		4.3		4.3	
Nov.	696		6.4		498		4.4		4.4	
Dec.	700	(674)♦	6.4	(6.2)♦	501	(495)♦	4.4	(4.4)♦	4.5	(4.4)♦
2009										
Jan.	767		6.9		544		4.8		4.8	
Feb.	884		8.0		591		4.9		5.2	
March	775	(809)♦	7.0	(7.3)♦	651	(595)♦	5.4	(5.0)♦	5.7	(5.2)♦
April	799		7.1		615		5.5		5.4	
May	825		7.4		651		5.7		5.7	
June	862	(829)♦	7.8	(7.5)♦	669	(645)♦	5.8	(5.7)♦	5.8	(5.6)♦
July	861		7.6		664		5.9		5.8	
Aug.	838		7.4		664		5.8		5.8	
Sep.	775	(825)♦	6.9	(7.3)♦	659	(662)♦	5.8	(5.8)♦	5.7	(5.8)♦
Oct.	811		7.2		670		5.8		5.8	
Nov.	777		6.9		653		5.7		5.7	
Dec.	773	(787)♦	6.8	(7.0)♦	639	(654)♦	5.6	(5.7)♦	5.5	(5.7)♦
2010										
Jan.	875		7.5		612		5.4		5.3	
Feb.	907		7.9		616		5.3		5.3	
March	836	(873)♦	7.4	(7.6)♦	619	(616)♦	5.3	(5.3)♦	5.3	(5.3)♦
April	760		6.6		628		5.3		5.4	
May	804		6.9		601		5.2		5.2	
June	682	(749)♦	5.9	(6.5)♦	598	(609)♦	5.2	(5.2)♦	5.1	(5.2)♦
July	737		6.3		632		5.2		5.3	
Aug.	718		6.1		608		5.2		5.1	
Sep.	756	(737)♦	6.5	(6.3)♦	611	(617)♦	5.1	(5.2)♦	5.1	(5.2)♦
Oct.	760		6.4		647		5.2		5.4	
Nov.	815		6.9		628		5.3		5.2	
Dec.	903	(826)♦	7.7	(7.0)♦	599	(625)♦	5.1	(5.2)♦	5.0	(5.2)♦

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	Total Looking For Work		% of Work Force Unemployed		Total Looking For Work*		% of Work Force Unemployed	
			%	%	('000)	('000)	Original	Adjusted*
2011								
Jan.	948		7.9		606		5.1	5.0
Feb.	927		7.9		605		5.0	5.0
March	863	(913)♦	7.4	(7.7)♦	593	(601)♦	4.9	4.9
April	847		7.2		583		4.9	4.9
May	818		6.9		593		4.9	4.9
June	846	(837)♦	7.0	(7.0)♦	591	(589)♦	4.9	4.9
July	885		7.6		612		5.0	5.1
Aug.	939		7.9		637		5.1	5.3
Sep.	919	(914)♦	7.7	(7.7)♦	634	(628)♦	5.2	5.2
Oct.	1,026		8.6		631		5.3	5.2
Nov.	1,044		8.6		636		5.3	5.3
Dec.	1,034	(1,035)♦	8.6	(8.6)♦	630	(632)♦	5.3	5.2
2012								
Jan.	1,278		10.3		614		5.2	5.1
Feb.	1,177		9.7		632		5.2	5.2
March	1,120	(1,192)♦	9.3	(9.7)♦	629	(625)♦	5.2	5.2
April	1,149		9.3		598		5.1	4.9
May	997		8.2		623		5.1	5.1
June	1,169	(1,105)♦	9.7	(9.1)♦	631	(617)♦	5.1	5.2
July	1,171		9.7		635		5.2	5.2
Aug.	1,205		9.8		623		5.2	5.1
Sep.	1,214	(1,197)♦	10.0	(9.8)♦	663	(640)♦	5.3	5.4
Oct.	1,163		9.7		653		5.4	5.4
Nov.	1,229		10.0		637		5.3	5.2
Dec.	1,175	(1,189)♦	9.6	(9.8)♦	656	(649)♦	5.4	(5.3)♦
2013								
Jan.	1,327		10.9		660		5.4	5.4
Feb.	1,360		10.9		660		5.4	5.4
March	1,369	(1,352)♦	10.8	(10.9)♦	687	(669)♦	5.5	(5.5)♦
April	1,154		9.3		685		5.5	5.5
May	1,168		9.5		683		5.6	5.5
June	1,205	(1,176)♦	9.7	(9.5)♦	709	(692)♦	5.7	(5.6)♦
July	1,267		10.1		705		5.7	5.7
Aug.	1,251		10.1		714		5.8	5.8
Sep.	1,297	(1,272)♦	10.4	(10.2)♦	697	(705)♦	5.7	(5.7)♦
Oct.	1,333		10.7		709		5.8	5.7
Nov.	1,268		10.2		713		5.8	5.8
Dec.	1,411	(1,337)♦	11.2	(10.7)♦	722	(715)♦	5.8	(5.8)♦
2014								
Jan.	1,440		11.3		729		5.9	6.0
Feb.	1,561		12.3		742		6.0	6.0
March	1,465	(1,488)♦	11.6	(11.7)♦	713	(728)♦	6.0	(5.9)♦
April	1,308		10.4		713		5.9	5.8
April**	1,299		10.4		713		5.9	5.8
May	1,186		9.7		717		5.9	5.8
June	1,326	(1,273)♦	10.6	(10.2)♦	742	(724)♦	5.9	(5.9)♦
July	1,265		10.2		789		6.1	6.4
Aug.	1,064		8.7		755		6.2	6.1
Sep.	1,208	(1,179)♦	9.9	(9.6)♦	747	(764)♦	6.0	(6.2)♦
Oct.	1,090		9.1		772		6.2	6.2
Nov.	1,260		10.0		778		6.3	6.3
Dec.	1,402	(1,251)♦	10.9	(10.0)♦	759	(770)♦	6.2	(6.2)♦

♦Average calculated for previous three months; *Seasonally adjusted figures.

The Roy Morgan Unemployment Estimate

	Total Looking For Work		% of Work Force Unemployed
2015	('000)	('000)	%
Jan.	1,233		9.8
Feb.	1,381		11.0
March	1,368	(1,327)♦	10.8
April	1,309		10.4
May	1,289		10.3
June	1,192	(1,263)♦	9.3
July	1,097		8.7
Aug.	1,173		9.2
Sep.	1,058	(1,109)♦	8.3
Oct.	1,110		8.8
Nov.	1,186		9.2
Dec.	1,256	(1,184)♦	9.7
2016			(9.2)
Jan.	1,346		10.3
Feb.	1,319		10.0
March	1,422	(1,362)♦	11.0
April			(10.2)
May			
June			
July			
Aug.			
Sep.			
Oct.			
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Dec.			
2017			
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2018			
Jan.			
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April			
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July			
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Oct.			
Nov.			
Dec.			

The ABS Unemployment Estimates

Total Looking For Work*	% of Work Force Unemployed			
'000)	Original		Adjusted*	
	%	%	%	%
795	6.3		6.4	
777	6.3		6.3	
765	(779)♦	6.2	(6.3)♦	6.1
769		6.1		6.2
745		6.0		6.0
756	(757)♦	6.0	(6.0)♦	6.0
801		6.1		6.3
781		6.2		6.2
772	(783)♦	6.2	(6.2)♦	6.2
740		6.1		5.9
739		6.0		5.8
728	(736)♦	5.8	(6.0)♦	5.8
761		5.8		6.0
733		5.8		5.8

◆ Average calculated for previous three months: *Seasonally adjusted figures.

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							% of workforce unemployed	
	Total workforce*	Total employed*		Total Looking for work*			Original	Adjusted*
<u>1999</u>	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	%	%	%
Jan.	9382		8678		704	8.1		7.5
Feb.	9408		8711		697	8.3		7.4
March	9399	(9396)♦	8703	(8697)♦	696	(699)♦	7.8	(8.1)♦
April	9418		8711		707	7.5		7.5
May	9414		8712		702	7.3		7.5
June	9455	(9429)♦	8775	(8733)♦	680	(696)♦	6.9	(7.2)♦
July	9453		8792		661	6.6		7.0
Aug.	9501		8819		682	7.0		7.2
Sep.	9534	(9446)♦	8831	(8814)♦	703	(682)♦	7.4	(7.0)♦
Oct.	9552		8878		674	6.7		7.1
Nov.	9514		8873		641	6.4		6.7
Dec.	9585	(9550)♦	8912	(8888)♦	672	(662)♦	6.9	(6.7)♦
<u>2000</u>							7.0	(6.9)♦
Jan.	9558		8903		655	7.4		6.9
Feb.	9606		8962		644	7.5		6.7
March	9650	(9605)♦	8950	(8938)♦	700	(666)♦	7.3	(7.4)♦
April	9664		9005		659	6.8		6.8
May	9659		9017		643	6.7		6.7
June	9665	(9663)♦	9056	(9026)♦	609	(637)♦	6.3	(6.6)♦
July	9728		9118		610	5.9		6.3
Aug.	9766		9142		624	6.2		6.4
Sep.	9725	(9740)♦	9111	(9124)♦	614	(616)♦	6.4	(6.2)♦
Oct.	9722		9106		615	6.0		6.3
Nov.	9684		9047		637	6.2		6.6
Dec.	9730	(9712)♦	9087	(9080)♦	643	(632)♦	6.5	(6.2)♦
<u>2001</u>							6.6	(6.5)♦
Jan.	9730		9083		647	7.2		6.6
Feb.	9773		9099		673	7.6		6.9
March	9752	(9752)♦	9090	(9091)♦	662	(661)♦	7.2	(7.3)♦
April	9800		9140		671	6.8		6.8
May	9818		9152		676	6.9		6.9
June	9830	(9816)♦	9149	(9147)♦	681	(676)♦	6.7	(6.8)♦
July	9809		9191		618	6.3		6.3
Aug.	9768		9124		644	6.6		6.6
Sep.	9928	(9835)♦	9255	(9190)♦	672	(645)♦	6.8	(6.6)♦
Oct.	9880		9183		697	6.7		7.1
Nov.	9848		9187		661	6.4		6.7
Dec.	9864	(9864)♦	9199	(9189)♦	665	(674)♦	6.6	(6.6)♦
<u>2002</u>							6.7	(6.8)♦
Jan.	9955		9263		693	7.4		7.0
Feb.	9936		9283		653	7.3		6.6
March	9927	(9939)♦	9304	(9283)♦	622	(656)♦	6.7	(7.1)♦
April	9882		9261		621	6.4		6.3
May	9928		9305		622	6.3		6.3
June	9962	(9924)♦	9318	(9294)♦	643	(628)♦	6.3	(6.3)♦
July	9898		9289		609	5.6		6.2
Aug.	10000		9378		622	6.0		6.2
Sep.	9964	(9954)♦	9347	(9338)♦	617	(616)♦	6.2	(5.9)♦
Oct.	9962		9363		599	5.7		6.0
Nov.	10040		9424		617	5.8		6.1
Dec.	10104	(10035)♦	9476	(9421)♦	628	(615)♦	6.1	(5.9)♦
							6.2	(6.1)♦

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	Total workforce*		Total employed*		Total Looking for work*		% of workforce unemployed			
	Total	workforce*	Total	employed*	Total	Looking for work*	Original	Adjusted*	Original	Adjusted*
Year	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	%	%	%	%
2003										
Jan.	10196		9576		620		6.5		6.1	
Feb.	10173		9564		610		6.7		6.0	
March	10146	(10172)♦	9521	(9554)♦	626	(619)♦	6.5	(6.6)♦	6.2	(6.1)♦
April	10129		9506		623		6.2		6.1	
May	10148		9535		613		6.1		6.0	
June	10128	(10135)♦	9508	(9516)♦	620	(619)♦	5.9	(6.1)♦	6.1	(6.1)♦
July	10102		9481		621		5.6		6.2	
Aug.	10129		9535		594		5.6		5.9	
Sep.	10144	(10125)♦	9555	(9524)♦	590	(602)♦	5.8	(5.7)♦	5.8	(6.0)♦
Oct.	10190		9613		577		5.4		5.7	
Nov.	10209		9637		573		5.3		5.6	
Dec.	10241	(10213)♦	9666	(9639)♦	575	(575)♦	5.6	(5.4)♦	5.6	(5.6)♦
2004										
Jan.	10156		9571		584		6.2		5.8	
Feb.	10168		9573		595		6.6		5.9	
March	10211	(10178)♦	9637	(9594)♦	574	(584)♦	5.9	(6.2)♦	5.6	(5.8)♦
April	10271		9696		574		5.7		5.6	
May	10216		9655		561		5.5		5.5	
June	10221	(10236)♦	9646	(9666)♦	575	(570)♦	5.5	(5.6)♦	5.6	(5.6)♦
July	10244		9662		582		5.2		5.7	
Aug.	10233		9654		579		5.4		5.7	
Sep.	10290	(10256)♦	9717	(9678)♦	572	(578)♦	5.5	(5.4)♦	5.6	(5.7)♦
Oct.	10312		9768		544		5.0		5.3	
Nov.	10329		9793		536		4.9		5.2	
Dec.	10349	(10330)♦	9822	(9794)♦	527	(536)♦	5.0	(5.0)♦	5.1	(5.2)♦
2005										
Jan.	10402		9870		532		5.6		5.1	
Feb.	10422		9890		533		5.7		5.1	
March	10488	(10437)♦	9948	(9903)♦	540	(535)♦	5.4	(5.6)♦	5.2	(5.1)♦
April	10508		9968		540		5.2		5.1	
May	10524		9982		542		5.2		5.1	
June	10550	(10527)♦	10023	(9991)♦	527	(536)♦	4.9	(5.1)♦	5.0	(5.1)♦
July	10560		10035		525		4.6		5.0	
Aug.	10597		10067		530		4.8		5.0	
Sep.	10563	(10573)♦	10023	(10042)♦	539	(531)♦	5.1	(4.8)♦	5.1	(5.0)♦
Oct.	10551		10002		548		4.9		5.2	
Nov.	10569		10030		538		4.7		5.1	
Dec.	10582	(10567)♦	10035	(10022)♦	546	(544)♦	5.1	(4.9)♦	5.2	(5.2)♦
2006										
Jan.	10590		10032		558		5.8		5.3	
Feb.	10612		10058		554		5.9		5.2	
March	10620	(10607)♦	10088	(10059)♦	532	(548)♦	5.3	(5.7)♦	5.0	(5.2)♦
April	10628		10086		542		5.2		5.1	
May	10664		10142		521		4.9		4.9	
June	10725	(10672)♦	10196	(10141)♦	529	(531)♦	4.8	(5.0)♦	4.9	(5.0)♦
July	10756		10242		514		4.4		4.8	
Aug.	10789		10265		524		4.6		4.9	
Sep.	10799	(10781)♦	10285	(10264)♦	513	(517)♦	4.8	(4.6)♦	4.8	(4.8)♦
Oct.	10749		10253		496		4.3		4.6	
Nov.	10788		10289		499		4.3		4.6	
Dec.	10842	(10793)♦	10341	(10294)♦	502	(499)♦	4.5	(4.4)♦	4.6	(4.6)♦

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							% of workforce unemployed	
	Total workforce*	Total employed*	Total Looking for work*				Original	Adjusted*
2007	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	%	%
Jan.	10828		10336		493	5.0		4.5
Feb.	10859		10358		502	5.2		4.6
March	10864	(10850)♦	10380	(10358)♦	485	(493)♦	4.7	(5.0)♦
April	10889		10414		475	4.5		4.4
May	10917		10453		463	4.3		4.2
June	10934	(10913)♦	10462	(10443)♦	472	(470)♦	4.2	(4.3)♦
July	10952		10484		468	3.9		4.3
Aug.	10985		10513		472	4.1		4.3
Sep.	10988	(10975)♦	10528	(10508)♦	461	(467)♦	4.2	(4.1)♦
Oct.	11011		10531		480	4.1		4.4
Nov.	11082		10583		499	4.1		4.5
Dec.	11076	(11056)♦	10607	(10574)♦	468	(482)♦	4.2	(4.4)♦
2008								
Jan.	11087		10629		458	4.5		4.1
Feb.	11106		10666		441	4.5		4.0
March	11142	(11112)♦	10686	(10660)♦	455	(451)♦	4.1	(4.4)♦
April	11188		10711		477	4.1		4.3
May	11168		10691		477	4.2		4.3
June	11187	(11181)♦	10711	(10704)♦	476	(477)♦	4.3	(4.2)♦
July	11210		10730		480	4.2		4.3
Aug.	11201		10744		457	4.2		4.1
Sep.	11222	(11211)♦	10744	(10739)♦	478	(472)♦	4.3	(4.2)♦
Oct.	11234		10749		485	4.3		4.3
Nov.	11242		10744		498	4.4		4.4
Dec.	11243	(11240)♦	10742	(10745)♦	501	(495)♦	4.4	(4.4)♦
2009								
Jan.	11282		10742		544	4.8		4.8
Feb.	11401		10810		591	4.9		5.2
March	11423	(11369)♦	10772	(10774)♦	651	(595)♦	5.4	(5.0)♦
April	11413		10799		615	5.5		5.4
May	11444		10793		651	5.7		5.7
June	11425	(11428)♦	10763	(10785)♦	663	(643)♦	5.8	(5.7)♦
July	11458		10794		664	5.9		5.8
Aug.	11427		10763		664	5.8		5.8
Sep.	11464	(11450)♦	10806	(10788)♦	659	(662)♦	5.8	(5.8)♦
Oct.	11502		10832		670	5.8		5.8
Nov.	11521		10868		653	5.7		5.7
Dec.	11545	(11523)♦	10906	(10869)♦	639	(654)♦	5.6	(5.7)♦
2010								
Jan.	11578		10966		612	5.4		5.3
Feb.	11587		10971		616	5.3		5.3
March	11607	(11591)♦	10988	(10975)♦	619	(616)♦	5.3	(5.3)♦
April	11654		11026		628	5.3		5.4
May	11658		11057		601	5.2		5.2
June	11699	(11670)♦	11100	(11061)♦	598	(609)♦	5.2	(5.2)♦
July	11868		11236		632	5.2		5.3
Aug.	11880		11272		608	5.2		5.1
Sep.	11936	(11895)♦	11325	(11278)♦	611	(617)♦	5.1	(5.2)♦
Oct.	12002		11356		647	5.2		5.4
Nov.	12045		11417		628	5.3		5.2
Dec.	12016	(12021)♦	11417	(11397)♦	599	(625)♦	5.1	(5.2)♦

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	Total workforce*	Total employed*	Total Looking for work*	% of workforce unemployed			
				Original	Adjusted*	%	%
2011							
Jan.	12048	11442	606	5.1		5.0	
Feb.	12017	11413	605	5.0		5.0	
March	12050	(12038)♦	11457 (11437)♦	593 (601)♦	4.9 (5.0)♦	4.9	(5.0)♦
April	12020	11437	583	4.9		4.9	
May	12033	11440	593	4.9		4.9	
June	12046	(12033)♦	11455 (11444)♦	581 (586)♦	4.9 (4.9)♦	4.9	(4.9)♦
July	12062	11450	612	5.0		5.1	
Aug.	12069	11433	637	5.1		5.3	
Sep.	12085	(12072)♦	11451 (11445)♦	634 (628)♦	5.2 (5.1)♦	5.2	(5.2)♦
Oct.	12093	11462	631	5.3		5.2	
Nov.	12093	11457	636	5.3		5.3	
Dec.	12051	(12079)♦	11421 (11447)♦	630 (632)♦	5.3 (5.3)♦	5.2	(5.2)♦
2012							
Jan.	12078	11464	614	5.2		5.1	
Feb.	12076	11444	632	5.2		5.2	
March	12120	(12091)♦	11491 (11466)♦	629 (625)♦	5.2 (5.2)♦	5.2	(5.2)♦
April	12099	11501	598	5.1		4.9	
May	12161	11538	623	5.1		5.1	
June	12132	(12131)♦	11500 (11513)♦	631 (617)♦	5.1 (5.1)♦	5.2	(5.1)♦
July	12148	11513	635	5.2		5.2	
Aug.	12121	11498	623	5.2		5.1	
Sep.	12175	(12148)♦	11512 (11508)♦	663 (640)♦	5.3 (5.2)♦	5.4	(5.2)♦
Oct.	12176	11523	653	5.4		5.4	
Nov.	12184	11546	637	5.3		5.2	
Dec.	12195	(12185)♦	11539 (11536)♦	656 (649)♦	5.4 (5.4)♦	5.4	(5.3)♦
2013							
Jan.	12209	11549	660	5.4		5.4	
Feb.	12288	11628	660	5.4		5.4	
March	12280	(12259)♦	11593 (11590)♦	687 (669)♦	5.5 (5.4)♦	5.6	(5.5)♦
April	12349	11663	685	5.5		5.5	
May	12346	11663	683	5.6		5.5	
June	12378	(12358)♦	11669 (11665)♦	709 (692)♦	5.7 (5.6)♦	5.7	(5.6)♦
July	12359	11653	705	5.7		5.7	
Aug.	12351	11637	714	5.8		5.8	
Sep.	12343	(12351)♦	11646 (11645)♦	697 (705)♦	5.7 (5.7)♦	5.6	(5.7)♦
Oct.	12348	11639	709	5.8		5.7	
Nov.	12372	11660	713	5.8		5.8	
Dec.	12352	(12357)♦	11630 (11643)♦	722 (715)♦	5.8 (5.8)♦	5.8	(5.8)♦
2014							
Jan.	12189	11460	729	5.9		6.0	
Feb.	12230	11530	742	6.0		6.0	
March	12266	(12228)♦	11553 (11556)♦	713 (728)♦	6.0 (6.0)♦	5.8	(5.9)♦
April	12286	11573	713	5.9		5.8	
May	12282	11565	717	5.9		5.8	
June	12320	(12296)♦	11578 (11572)♦	742 (724)♦	5.9 (5.9)♦	6.0	(5.9)♦
July	12366	11577	789	6.1		6.4	
Aug.	12459	11704	755	6.2		6.1	
Sep.	12340	(12388)♦	11593 (11624)♦	747 (764)♦	6.0 (6.1)♦	6.2	(6.2)♦
Oct.	12364	11592	772	6.2		6.2	
Nov.	12415	11637	778	6.3		6.3	
Dec.	12438	(12406)♦	11679 (11636)♦	759 (770)♦	6.2 (6.2)♦	6.1	(6.2)♦

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	Total workforce*	('000)	Total employed*	('000)	Total Looking for work*	('000)	% of workforce unemployed			
							Original	Adjusted*	%	%
2015										
Jan.	12464	('000)	11669	('000)	795	('000)	6.3	(6.3)♦	6.4	
Feb.	12429		11652		777		6.3		6.3	
March	12485	(12459)♦	11720	(11680)♦	765	(779)♦	6.2		6.1	(6.3)♦
April	12494		11725		769		6.1		6.2	
May	12505		11760		745		6.0		6.0	
June	12525	(12508)♦	11769	(11751)♦	756	(757)♦	6.0	(6.0)♦	6.0	(6.1)♦
July	12554		11758		801		6.1		6.3	
Aug.	12557		11776		781		6.2		6.2	
Sep.	12542	(12551)♦	11770	(11768)♦	772	(785)♦	6.2	(6.2)♦	6.2	(6.2)♦
Oct.	12578		11838		740		6.1		5.9	
Nov.	12640		11901		739		6.0		5.8	
Dec.	12630	(12616)♦	11902	(11880)♦	728	(736)♦	5.8	(6.0)♦	5.8	(5.8)♦
2016										
Jan.	12656		11895		761		5.8		6.0	
Feb.	12617		11884		733		5.8		5.8	
March										
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Nov.										
Dec.										

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	Workforce				Employed				% of workforce		Unemployed Looking for work					
	Total ('000)	Quarterly ('000)	Full-time ('000)	Part-time ('000)	Total ('000)	Quarterly ('000)	Full-time ('000)	Part-time ('000)	Unemployed %	Quarterly %	For work ('000)	Quarterly ('000)	Full-time ('000)	%	Part-time ('000)	%
1999																
Jan.	9165		6489	2676	8159		5838	2321	11.0		1,006		651	10.0	355	13.3
Feb.	9271		6500	2771	8335		5941	2394	10.1		936		559	8.6	377	13.6
March	9175	(9204)♦	6381	2794	8357	(8284)♦	5851	2506	8.9	(10.0)♦	818	(920)♦	530	8.3	288	10.3
April	9103		6437	2666	8227		5857	2370	9.6		876		580	9.0	296	11.1
May	9021		6374	2647	8222		5873	2349	8.9		799		501	7.9	298	11.3
June	9110	(9078)♦	6317	2793	8244	(8231)♦	5769	2475	9.5	(9.3)♦	866	(847)♦	548	8.7	318	11.4
July	9231		6539	2692	8408		6020	2388	8.9		823		519	7.9	304	11.3
Aug.	9277		6477	2800	8449		5986	2463	8.9		828		491	7.6	337	12.0
Sep.	9323	(9277)♦	6403	2920	8492	(8450)♦	5968	2524	8.9	(8.9)♦	831	(827)♦	435	6.8	396	13.6
Oct.	9057		6275	2782	8193		5728	2465	9.5		864		547	8.7	317	11.4
Nov.	9317		6337	2980	8485		5850	2635	8.9		832		487	7.7	345	11.6
Dec.	9159	(9178)♦	6339	2820	8297	(8325)♦	5802	2495	9.4	(9.3)♦	862	(853)♦	537	8.5	325	11.5
2000																
Jan.	9312		6627	2685	8329		5984	2345	10.6		983		643	9.7	340	12.7
Feb.	9271		6513	2758	8418		5970	2448	9.2		853		543	8.3	310	11.2
March	9226	(9270)♦	6478	2748	8359	(8369)♦	5932	2427	9.4	(9.7)♦	867	(901)♦	546	8.4	321	11.7
April	9166		6221	2945	8240		5702	2538	10.1		926		519	8.3	407	13.8
May	9267		6504	2766	8355		5948	2407	9.8		912		553	8.5	359	13.0
June	9277	(9237)♦	6370	2907	8451	(8349)♦	5848	2603	8.9	(9.6)♦	826	(888)♦	522	8.2	304	10.5
July	9341		6535	2806	8471		5958	2513	9.3		870		577	8.8	293	10.4
Aug.	9454		6724	2730	8598		6143	2455	9.1		856		581	8.6	275	10.1
Sep.	9211	(9335)♦	6491	2720	8342	(8470)♦	5965	2377	9.4	(9.3)♦	869	(865)♦	526	8.1	343	12.6
Oct.	9251		6388	2863	8414		5868	2546	9.0		837		520	8.1	317	11.1
Nov.	9439		6635	2804	8530		6033	2497	9.6		909		602	9.1	307	10.9
Dec.	9314	(9335)♦	6414	2900	8361	(8435)♦	5753	2608	10.2	(9.6)♦	953	(900)♦	661	10.3	292	10.1
2001																
Jan.	9408		6596	2812	8434		5983	2451	10.4		974		613	9.3	361	12.8
Feb.	9280		6466	2814	8313		5793	2520	10.4		967		672	10.4	295	10.5
March	9320	(9336)♦	6358	2962	8331	(8359)♦	5762	2569	10.6	(10.5)♦	989	(977)♦	596	9.4	393	13.3
April	9466		6506	2960	8496		5877	2619	10.2		970		628	9.7	342	11.6
May	9323		6324	2999	8375		5726	2649	10.2		948		597	9.4	351	11.7
June	9344	(9377)♦	6565	2779	8436	(8435)♦	5943	2493	9.7	(10.0)♦	908	(942)♦	621	9.5	287	10.3
July	9548		6649	2899	8711		6143	2568	8.8		837		506	7.6	331	11.4
Aug.	9466		6689	2777	8548		6107	2441	9.7		918		582	8.7	336	12.1
Sep.	9414	(9475)♦	6402	3012	8408	(8555)♦	5797	2611	10.7	(9.7)♦	1,006	(920)♦	605	9.5	401	13.3
Oct.	9438		6513	2925	8524		5878	2646	9.6		914		636	9.8	278	9.5
Nov.	9768		6474	3294	8879		5969	2910	9.1		889		504	7.8	385	11.7
Dec.	9529	(9578)♦	6538	2991	8526	(8643)♦	5901	2625	10.5	(9.8)♦	1,003	(935)♦	636	9.7	367	12.3

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2002																
Jan.	9819		6704	3115	8744		6067	2677	10.9		1,075		636	9.5	439	14.1
Feb.	9801		6658	3143	8875		6092	2783	9.4		926		567	8.5	359	11.4
March	9470	(9696)♦	6622	2848	8629	(8749)♦	6109	2520	8.9	(9.8)♦	841	(947)♦	513	7.7	328	11.5
April	9692		6484	3208	8880		6020	2860	8.4		812		465	7.2	347	10.8
May	9557		6607	2950	8813		6098	2715	7.8		744		508	7.7	236	8.0
June	9563	(9604)♦	6610	2953	8769	(8821)♦	6096	2673	8.3	(8.2)♦	794	(783)♦	514	7.8	280	9.5
July	9842		6690	3152	9092		6242	2850	7.6		750		447	6.7	303	9.6
Aug.	9484		6418	3066	8794		5979	2815	7.3		690		438	6.8	252	8.2
Sep.	9637	(9654)♦	6586	3051	8934	(8939)♦	6177	2757	7.3	(7.4)♦	703	(715)♦	408	6.2	295	9.7
Oct.	9614		6451	3163	8867		6046	2821	7.8		747		405	6.3	342	10.8
Nov.	9623		6578	3045	8907		6144	2763	7.4		716		435	6.6	281	9.2
Dec.	9429	(9555)♦	6432	2997	8699	(8824)♦	5965	2734	7.7	(7.7)♦	730	(731)♦	468	7.3	262	8.7
2003																
Jan.	9637		6715	2922	8964		6297	2667	7.0		673		417	6.2	256	8.8
Feb.	9625		6634	2991	8817		6123	2694	8.4		808		510	7.7	298	10.0
March	9565	(9609)♦	6415	3150	8796	(8859)♦	5964	2832	8.0	(7.8)♦	769	(750)♦	453	7.1	316	10.0
April	9681		6546	3135	8936		6136	2800	7.7		744		410	6.3	334	10.7
May	9606		6489	3117	8815		6038	2777	8.2		791		451	7.0	340	10.9
June	9551	(9612)♦	6471	3080	8787	(8846)♦	6003	2784	8.0	(8.0)♦	764	(766)♦	468	7.2	296	9.6
July	9847		6695	3152	9052		6245	2807	8.1		795		495	7.4	300	9.5
Aug.	9582		6467	3115	8808		6165	2643	8.1		774		479	7.4	295	9.5
Sep.	9729	(9719)♦	6654	3075	8968	(8943)♦	6187	2781	7.8	(8.0)♦	761	(776)♦	471	7.1	290	9.4
Oct.	9972		6775	3197	9261		6336	2925	7.1		711		440	6.5	271	8.5
Nov.	9870		6815	3055	9100		6364	2736	7.8		769		450	6.6	319	10.4
Dec.	9799	(9880)♦	6638	3161	8936	(9099)♦	6152	2784	8.8	(7.9)♦	863	(781)♦	486	7.3	377	11.9
2004																
Jan.	10212		6978	3234	9240		6417	2823	9.5		973		561	8.0	412	12.7
Feb.	9939		6873	3066	9108		6380	2728	8.4		832		504	7.3	328	10.7
March	10089	(10080)♦	6880	3209	9197	(9181)♦	6335	2862	8.8	(8.9)♦	892	(899)♦	531	7.7	361	11.2
April	10040		6860	3180	9194		6342	2852	8.4		846		519	7.6	327	10.3
May	9954		6669	3285	9167		6215	2952	7.9		786		453	6.8	333	10.1
June	9701	(9898)♦	6555	3146	8875	(9079)♦	6072	2803	8.5	(8.3)♦	826	(819)♦	483	7.4	343	10.9
July	10219		7052	3167	9463		6607	2856	7.4		757		447	6.3	310	9.8
Aug.	9896		6643	3253	9217		6242	2975	6.9		679		398	6.0	281	8.6
Sep.	9791	(9969)♦	6721	3070	9094	(9258)♦	6326	2768	7.1	(7.1)♦	698	(711)♦	396	5.9	302	9.8
Oct.	10027		6670	3357	9334		6297	3037	6.9		694		372	5.6	322	9.6
Nov.	9936		6734	3202	9304		6381	2923	6.4		632		352	5.2	280	8.7
Dec.	10120	(10028)♦	6784	3336	9432	(9357)♦	6378	3054	6.8	(6.7)♦	688	(671)♦	404	6.0	284	8.5

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2005																
Jan.	10162		7015	3147	9387		6531	2856	7.6		775		484	6.9	291	9.2
Feb.	10200		6849	3351	9485		6452	3033	7.0		715		397	5.8	318	9.5
March	10086	(10149)♦	6921	3165	9333	(9402)♦	6510	2823	7.5	(7.4)♦	753	(747)♦	411	5.9	342	10.8
April	10382		7025	3357	9586		6570	3016	7.7		797		455	6.5	342	10.2
May	10216		6932	3284	9478		6566	2912	7.2		737		366	5.3	371	11.3
June	10288	(10294)♦	6565	3723	9620	(9560)♦	6208	3412	6.5	(7.1)♦	669	(734)♦	357	5.4	312	8.4
July	10367		6947	3420	9584		6475	3109	7.6		783		410	5.9	373	10.9
Aug.	10190		6866	3324	9476		6402	3074	7.0		715		386	5.6	329	9.9
Sep.	10103	(10220)♦	6801	3302	9423	(9494)♦	6380	3043	6.7	(7.1)♦	681	(726)♦	378	5.6	303	9.2
Oct.	10324		6932	3392	9615		6510	3105	6.9		709		422	6.1	287	8.5
Nov.	10269		6878	3391	9437		6475	2962	8.1		832		403	5.9	429	12.7
Dec.	10182	(10258)♦	6800	3382	9319	(9457)♦	6368	2951	8.5	(7.8)♦	864	(802)♦	431	6.4	433	12.8
2006																
Jan.	10487		7218	3269	9594		6795	2799	8.5		893		424	5.9	469	14.3
Feb.	10653		7092	3561	9821		6686	3135	7.8		832		406	5.7	426	12.0
March	10518	(10553)♦	7154	3364	9703	(9706)♦	6725	2978	7.7	(8.0)♦	815	(847)♦	428	6.0	387	11.5
April	10511		6915	3596	9758		6565	3193	7.2		753		350	5.1	403	11.2
May	10565		6886	3679	9871		6589	3282	6.6		695		298	4.3	397	10.8
June	10627	(10568)♦	6942	3685	9972	(9866)♦	6658	3314	6.2	(6.6)♦	659	(702)♦	349	5.0	310	8.4
July	10564		7000	3564	9788		6562	3226	7.3		776		438	6.3	338	9.5
Aug.	10294		6813	3481	9572		6397	3175	7.0		722		416	6.1	306	8.8
Sep.	10555	(10471)♦	7214	3341	9751	(9704)♦	6743	3008	7.6	(7.3)♦	803	(767)♦	470	6.5	333	10.0
Oct.	10486		7066	3420	9622		6612	3010	8.2		864		454	6.4	410	12.0
Nov.	10496		7238	3258	9815		6828	2987	6.5		681		410	5.7	271	8.3
Dec.	10651	(10544)♦	7082	3569	9939	(9792)♦	6660	3279	6.7	(7.1)♦	712	(752)♦	422	6.0	290	8.1
2007																
Jan.	10705		7196	3509	9851		6712	3139	8.0		854		484	6.7	370	10.5
Feb.	10591		7131	3460	9810		6767	3043	7.4		781		364	5.1	417	12.1
March	10159	(10485)♦	6954	3205	9523	(9728)♦	6608	2915	6.3	(7.2)♦	636	(757)♦	348	5.0	288	9.0
April	10776		7411	3365	10096		7028	3068	6.3		680		383	5.2	297	8.8
May	10751		7299	3452	10223		7075	3148	4.9		528		224	3.1	304	8.8
June	10584	(10704)♦	7252	3332	10005	(10108)♦	6942	3063	5.5	(5.6)♦	579	(596)♦	309	4.3	270	8.1
July	10555		7087	3468	9907		6758	3149	6.1		648		329	4.6	319	9.2
Aug.	10814		7409	3405	10277		7133	3144	5.0		537		276	3.7	261	7.7
Sep.	10644	(10671)♦	7230	3414	9986	(10057)♦	6882	3104	6.2	(5.8)♦	658	(614)♦	348	4.8	310	9.1
Oct.	10635		7329	3306	10041		7035	3006	5.6		594		294	4.0	300	9.1
Nov.	10731		7431	3300	10125		7155	2970	5.7		606		276	3.7	330	10.0
Dec.	10649	(10672)♦	7088	3561	9909	(10025)♦	6668	3241	7.0	(6.1)♦	740	(647)♦	421	5.9	319	9.0

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2008																
Jan.	10710		7446	3264	10086		7041	3045	5.8		624		405	5.4	219	6.7
Feb.	10743		7318	3425	10081		6974	3107	6.2		662		344	4.7	318	9.3
March	10633	(10696)♦	7218	3415	9982	(10050)♦	6867	3115	6.1	(6.0)♦	651	(646)♦	350	4.8	301	8.8
April	10802		7218	3584	10193		6956	3237	5.6		608		261	3.6	347	9.7
May	10690		7163	3527	10033		6838	3195	6.1		657		325	4.5	332	9.4
June	10782	(10758)♦	7167	3615	10159	(10127)♦	6822	3337	5.8	(5.9)♦	629	(632)♦	344	4.8	285	7.9
July	11101		7732	3369	10494		7400	3094	5.5		607		332	4.3	275	8.2
Aug.	10846		7305	3541	10240		6984	3256	5.6		606		317	4.3	289	8.2
Sep.	10916	(10955)♦	7538	3378	10378	(10371)♦	7245	3133	4.9	(5.3)♦	538	(584)♦	293	3.9	245	7.3
Oct.	11025		7388	3637	10400		7035	3365	5.7		625		352	4.8	273	7.5
Nov.	10906		7255	3651	10210		6922	3288	6.4		696		333	4.6	363	9.9
Dec.	10868	(10933)♦	7413	3455	10167	(10259)♦	7043	3124	6.4	(6.2)♦	700	(674)♦	370	5.0	330	9.6
2009																
Jan.	11135		7610	3525	10368		7195	3173	6.9		767		415	5.5	352	10.0
Feb.	11092		7636	3456	10208		7128	3080	8.0		884		508	6.7	376	10.9
March	11007	(11078)♦	7385	3622	10232	(10269)♦	6977	3255	7.0	(7.3)♦	775	(809)♦	408	5.5	367	10.1
April	11209		7460	3749	10410		6985	3425	7.1		799		475	6.4	324	8.6
May	11139		7577	3562	10314		7077	3237	7.4		825		499	6.6	326	9.1
June	11025	(11124)♦	7165	3860	10163	(10295)♦	6678	3485	7.8	(7.5)♦	862	(829)♦	487	6.8	375	9.7
July	11352		7462	3890	10492		6909	3583	7.6		861		554	7.4	307	7.9
Aug.	11371		7521	3850	10532		7088	3444	7.4		838		433	5.8	405	10.5
Sep.	11150	(11291)♦	7583	3567	10376	(10466)♦	7117	3259	6.9	(7.3)♦	775	(825)♦	467	6.2	308	8.6
Oct.	11196		7387	3809	10385		6957	3428	7.2		811		430	5.8	381	10.0
Nov.	11342		7463	3879	10565		7059	3506	6.9		777		404	5.4	373	9.6
Dec.	11434	(11324)♦	7647	3787	10661	(10537)♦	7193	3468	6.8	(7.0)♦	773	(787)♦	454	5.9	319	8.4
2010																
Jan.	11699		7977	3722	10824		7492	3332	7.5		875		485	6.1	390	10.5
Feb.	11455		7771	3684	10548		7238	3310	7.9		907		533	6.9	374	10.2
March	11258	(11471)♦	7406	3852	10423	(10598)♦	6951	3472	7.4	(7.6)♦	836	(873)♦	456	6.2	380	9.9
April	11442		7692	3750	10682		7244	3438	6.6		760		448	5.8	312	8.3
May	11583		7699	3884	10780		7233	3547	6.9		804		467	6.1	337	8.7
June	11573	(11533)♦	7875	3698	10892	(10785)♦	7478	3414	5.9	(6.5)♦	682	(749)♦	397	5.0	285	7.7
July	11645		7759	3886	10908		7391	3517	6.3		737		367	4.7	370	9.5
Aug.	11742		7812	3930	11024		7363	3661	6.1		718		448	5.7	270	6.9
Sep.	11581	(11656)♦	7588	3993	10826	(10919)♦	7204	3622	6.5	(6.3)♦	756	(737)♦	384	5.1	372	9.3
Oct.	11880		7998	3882	11120		7638	3482	6.4		760		360	4.5	400	10.3
Nov.	11895		8070	3825	11080		7605	3475	6.9		815		465	5.8	350	9.2
Dec.	11712	(11829)♦	7852	3860	10809	(11003)♦	7350	3459	7.7	(7.0)♦	903	(826)♦	502	6.4	401	10.4

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2011																
Jan.	12046		8034	4012	11098		7575	3523	7.9		948		459	5.7	489	12.2
Feb.	11697		7992	3705	10770		7468	3302	7.9		927		524	6.6	403	10.9
March	11664	(11802)♦	7950	3714	10800	(10889)♦	7482	3318	7.4	(7.7)♦	863	(913)♦	468	5.9	395	10.6
April	11792		7799	3993	10945		7314	3631	7.2		847		485	6.2	362	9.1
May	11882		7951	3931	11064		7509	3555	6.9		818		442	5.6	376	9.6
June	12065	(11913)♦	8107	3958	11220	(11076)♦	7640	3580	7.0	(7.0)♦	846	(837)♦	467	5.8	379	9.6
July	11687		7916	3771	10802		7421	3381	7.6		885		495	6.3	390	10.3
Aug.	11868		8032	3836	10929		7548	3381	7.9		939		484	6.0	455	11.9
Sep.	11875	(11810)♦	8008	3867	10956	(10896)♦	7543	3413	7.7	(7.7)♦	919	(914)♦	465	5.8	454	11.7
Oct.	11909		7695	4214	10883		7131	3752	8.6		1,026		564	7.3	462	11.0
Nov.	12195		8226	3969	11151		7666	3485	8.6		1,044		560	6.8	484	12.2
Dec.	12005	(12036)♦	7933	4072	10971	(11002)♦	7389	3582	8.6	(8.6)♦	1,034	(1,035)♦	544	6.9	490	12.0
2012																
Jan.	12429		8386	4043	11151		7681	3470	10.3		1,278		705	8.4	573	14.2
Feb.	12228		8000	4228	11046		7408	3638	9.7		1,177		591	7.4	586	13.9
March	12093	(12249)♦	7890	4203	10973	(11057)♦	7391	3582	9.3	(9.7)♦	1,120	(1,192)♦	499	6.3	621	14.8
April	12307		8131	4176	11158		7525	3633	9.3		1,149		606	7.5	543	13.0
May	12213		7801	4412	11216		7357	3859	8.2		997		444	5.7	553	12.5
June	12009	(12177)♦	7940	4069	10840	(11072)♦	7351	3489	9.7	(9.1)♦	1,169	(1,105)♦	589	7.4	580	14.3
July	12119		7954	4165	10948		7432	3516	9.7		1,171		522	6.6	649	15.6
Aug.	12279		7897	4382	11074		7263	3811	9.8		1,205		634	8.0	571	13.0
Sep.	12150	(12183)♦	7942	4208	10937	(10986)♦	7345	3592	10.0	(9.8)♦	1,214	(1,197)♦	597	7.5	617	14.7
Oct.	12009		7892	4117	10846		7313	3533	9.7		1,163		579	7.3	584	14.2
Nov.	12251		7930	4321	11022		7377	3645	10.0		1,229		553	7.0	676	15.6
Dec.	12260	(12095)♦	7828	4432	11084	(10913)♦	7242	3842	9.6	(9.8)♦	1,175	(1,189)♦	585	7.5	590	13.3
2013																
Jan.	12139		7940	4199	10812		7196	3616	10.9		1,327		744	9.4	583	13.9
Feb.	12511		8146	4365	11151		7497	3654	10.9		1,360		649	8.0	711	16.3
March	12644	(12431)♦	8386	4258	11275	(11079)♦	7671	3604	10.8	(10.9)♦	1,369	(1,352)♦	715	8.5	654	15.4
April	12437		7981	4456	11283		7473	3810	9.3		1,154		508	6.4	646	14.5
May	12328		8226	4102	11160		7597	3563	9.5		1,168		629	7.6	539	13.1
June	12453	(12406)♦	8168	4285	11248	(11230)♦	7540	3708	9.7	(9.5)♦	1,205	(1,176)♦	628	7.7	577	13.5
July	12563		8030	4533	11296		7414	3882	10.1		1,267		616	7.7	651	14.4
Aug.	12377		8071	4306	11126		7440	3686	10.1		1,251		631	7.8	620	14.4
Sep.	12467	(12469)♦	8020	4447	11170	(11197)♦	7413	3757	10.4	(10.2)♦	1,297	(1,272)♦	607	7.6	690	15.5
Oct.	12465		8143	4322	11132		7417	3715	10.7		1,333		726	8.9	607	14.0
Nov.	12454		8170	4284	11186		7470	3716	10.2		1,268		700	8.6	568	13.3
Dec.	12635	(12518)♦	8172	4463	11224	(11181)♦	7395	3829	11.2	(10.7)♦	1,411	(1,337)♦	777	9.5	634	14.2

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2014																
Jan.	12754		8566	4188	11314		7715	3599	11.3		1,440		851	9.9	589	14.1
Feb.	12665		8184	4481	11104		7318	3786	12.3		1,561		866	10.6	695	15.5
March	12595	(12671)♦	8178	4417	11130	(11183)♦	7364	3766	11.6	(11.7)♦	1,465	(1,488)♦	814	10.0	651	14.7
April	12629		8196	4433	11321		7568	3753	10.4		1,308		628	7.7	680	15.3
April**	12482		8109	4373	11183		7480	3703	10.4		1,300		629	7.8	670	15.3
May	12226		8107	4119	11040		7504	3536	9.7		1,186		603	7.4	583	14.2
June	12508	(12454)♦	8153	4355	11182	(11181)♦	7469	3713	10.6	(10.2)♦	1,326	(1,273)♦	684	8.4	642	14.7
July	12367		8007	4360	11102		7353	3749	10.2		1,265		654	8.2	611	14.0
Aug.	12205		7963	4242	11141		7447	3694	8.7		1,064		516	6.5	548	12.9
Sep.	12224	(12265)♦	7781	4443	11016	(11086)♦	7168	3848	9.9	(9.6)♦	1,208	(1,179)♦	613	7.9	595	13.4
Oct.	12009		7695	4314	10919		7234	3685	9.1		1,090		461	6.0	629	14.6
Nov.	12657		8118	4539	11396		7554	3843	10.0		1,260		564	6.9	696	15.3
Dec.	12901	(12522)♦	8218	4683	11499	(11271)♦	7565	3934	10.9	(10.0)♦	1,402	(1,251)♦	653	7.9	749	16.0
2015																
Jan.	12627		8355	4272	11394		7720	3674	9.8		1,233		635	7.6	598	14.0
Feb.	12526		7993	4533	11145		7403	3742	11.0		1,381		590	7.4	791	17.4
March	12670	(12608)♦	8328	4342	11302	(11280)♦	7586	3716	10.8	(10.5)♦	1,368	(1,327)♦	742	8.9	626	14.4
April	12627		8218	4409	11318		7562	3756	10.4		1,309		656	8.0	653	14.8
May	12490		8219	4271	11201		7573	3628	10.3		1,289		646	7.9	643	15.1
June	12755	(12624)♦	8372	4383	11563	(11361)♦	7820	3743	9.3	(10.0)♦	1,192	(1,263)♦	552	6.6	640	14.6
July	12673		8425	4248	11576		7900	3676	8.7		1,097		525	6.2	572	13.5
Aug.	12751		8295	4456	11578		7747	3831	9.2		1,173		548	6.6	625	14.0
Sep.	12764	(12729)♦	8370	4394	11706	(11620)♦	7888	3818	8.3	(8.7)♦	1,058	(1,109)♦	482	5.8	576	13.1
Oct.	12663		8141	4522	11553		7677	3876	8.8		1,110		464	5.7	646	14.3
Nov.	12954		8199	4755	11768		7576	4192	9.2		1,186		623	7.6	563	11.8
Dec.	13007	(12875)♦	8109	4898	11751	(11691)♦	7387	4364	9.7	(9.2)♦	1,256	(1,184)♦	722	8.9	534	10.9
2016																
Jan.	13098		8560	4538	11752		7864	3888	10.3		1,346		696	8.1	650	14.3
Feb.	13174		8406	4768	11855		7817	4038	10.0		1,319		589	7.0	730	15.3
March	12944	(13072)♦	8235	4709	11522	(11709)♦	7604	3918	11.0	(10.4)♦	1,422	(1,362)♦	631	7.7	791	16.8
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