DJPR Labour Force Summary

05 August, 2021

### Table : Victorian employment summary, June 2021

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Unemployment rate** |  | 4.4% | -0.3 ppts | -2.9 ppts | -2.3 ppts |
| Male unemployment rate |  | 4.0% | -0.4 ppts | -3.0 ppts | -2.7 ppts |
| Female unemployment rate |  | 4.9% | -0.3 ppts | -2.8 ppts | -1.8 ppts |
| Youth unemployment rate |  | 14.1% | -0.7 ppts | 2.3 ppts | -0.5 ppts |
| Regional unemployment rate |  | 3.8% | -0.5 ppts | -0.6 ppts | -2.8 ppts |
| Unemployed persons |  | 160,200 | -13,000 (-7.5%) | -99,300 (-38.3%) | -51,100 |
| **Employed persons** |  | 3.445m | -9,200 (-0.3%) | 172,100 (5.3%) | 523,800 |
| Employed full-time |  | 2.349m | 3,600 (0.2%) | 103,500 (4.6%) | 372,900 |
| Employed part-time |  | 1.096m | -12,800 (-1.2%) | 68,600 (6.7%) | 150,900 |
| Male employment |  | 1.834m | 6,800 (0.4%) | 84,000 (4.8%) | 251,300 |
| Female employment |  | 1.611m | -16,100 (-1%) | 88,000 (5.8%) | 272,500 |
| Youth employment |  | 448,100 | 5,300 (1.2%) | -41,200 (-8.4%) | 5,000 |
| **Participation rate** |  | 66.1% | -0.4 ppts | 1.6 ppts | 1.5 ppts |
| Male participation rate |  | 71.5% | 0.0 ppts | 1.4 ppts | 0.0 ppts |
| Female participation rate |  | 61.0% | -0.8 ppts | 1.8 ppts | 3.0 ppts |
| Youth participation rate |  | 63.8% | 0.5 ppts | -0.9 ppts | -1.7 ppts |
| **Monthly hours worked in all jobs** |  | 435.1m | -39.68m (-8.4%) | 1.763m (0.4%) | 34.994m |
| **Underemployment rate** |  | 10.1% | 2.3 ppts | -3.2 ppts | 0.5 ppts |
| **Underutilisation rate** |  | 14.5% | 2.0 ppts | -6.1 ppts | -1.8 ppts |
| **Employment to population ratio** |  | 63.2% | -0.2 ppts | 3.4 ppts | 2.9 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force monthly (latest data is from June 2021) and ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021). Notes: All data seasonally adjusted, other than youth figures, which are smoothed using a 12-month rolling average, and regional figures, which are smoothed using a 3-month rolling average.* | | | | | |

### Table : Victorian employment summary by sex, June 2021

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| Male employment |  | 1.834m | 6,800 (0.4%) | 84,000 (4.8%) | 251,300 |
| Female employment |  | 1.611m | -16,100 (-1%) | 88,000 (5.8%) | 272,500 |
| Male unemployed people |  | 76,900 | -7,500 (-8.9%) | -55,400 (-41.9%) | -37,700 |
| Female unemployed people |  | 83,300 | -5,500 (-6.2%) | -43,900 (-34.5%) | -13,400 |
| Male unemployment rate |  | 4.0% | -0.4 ppts | -3.0 ppts | -2.7 ppts |
| Female unemployment rate |  | 4.9% | -0.3 ppts | -2.8 ppts | -1.8 ppts |
| Male participation rate |  | 71.5% | 0.0 ppts | 1.4 ppts | 0.0 ppts |
| Female participation rate |  | 61.0% | -0.8 ppts | 1.8 ppts | 3.0 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

### Table : Unemployment rate by state, June 2021

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| Australia |  | 4.9% | -0.2 ppts | -2.4 ppts | -1.4 ppts |
| Victoria |  | 4.4% | -0.3 ppts | -2.9 ppts | -2.3 ppts |
| New South Wales |  | 5.1% | 0.0 ppts | -1.7 ppts | -1.1 ppts |
| Queensland |  | 5.1% | -0.3 ppts | -2.7 ppts | -1.8 ppts |
| Western Australia |  | 5.1% | 0.5 ppts | -3.4 ppts | 0.1 ppts |
| South Australia |  | 5.3% | -0.5 ppts | -3.4 ppts | -1.3 ppts |
| Tasmania |  | 4.5% | -1.2 ppts | -2.3 ppts | -2.3 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

## Youth

Youth labour market data provides insights into headline figures. Youth labour force data is volatile therefore DJPR smooths the data by using 12-month averages. While this assists in observing underlying trends, it makes large month-to-month changes in underlying conditions less apparent.

### Table : Victorian youth (15-24) labour force status summary, June 2021 (12-month average)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Youth employment** |  | 448,100 | 5,300 (1.2%) | -41,200 (-8.4%) | 4,100 |
| **Youth unemployment rate** |  | 14.1% | -0.7 ppts | 2.3 ppts | -0.5 ppts |
| Male youth unemployment rate |  | 14.3% | -0.7 ppts | 1.7 ppts | -1.1 ppts |
| Female youth unemployment rate |  | 13.9% | -0.6 ppts | 2.9 ppts | 0.2 ppts |
| **Unemployed young people** |  | 73,200 | -3,200 (-4.2%) | 8,100 (12.4%) | -2,600 |
| **Youth participation rate** |  | 63.8% | 0.5 ppts | -0.9 ppts | -1.7 ppts |
| Participation rate - young people not in full-time study |  | 83.7% | 0.1 ppts | -1.6 ppts | -3.3 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force monthly (latest data is from June 2021) and ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021). Notes: Data not seasonally adjusted; smoothed using a 12-month rolling average.* | | | | | |

### Table : Youth (15-24) unemployment rate across Victoria, June 2021 (12-month average)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Regional Victoria youth unemployment rate** |  | 10.7% | -0.5 ppts | 1.2 ppts | -5.0 ppts |
| Ballarat |  | 12.1% | -1.4 ppts | 0.5 ppts | -1.4 ppts |
| Bendigo |  | 11.4% | -1.0 ppts | 1.8 ppts | -6.4 ppts |
| Geelong |  | 10.4% | 0.0 ppts | 3.2 ppts | -8.1 ppts |
| Hume |  | 12.9% | 0.3 ppts | 2.6 ppts | -0.2 ppts |
| Latrobe - Gippsland |  | 12.8% | -0.1 ppts | 1.6 ppts | 0.4 ppts |
| Shepparton |  | 10.2% | -1.5 ppts | -6.8 ppts | -7.1 ppts |
| Victoria - North West |  | 5.4% | -1.1 ppts | -3.5 ppts | -11.4 ppts |
| Warrnambool and South West |  | 7.8% | 0.0 ppts | 5.8 ppts | -11.0 ppts |
| **Greater Melbourne youth unemployment rate** |  | 15.1% | -0.7 ppts | 2.6 ppts | 0.8 ppts |
| Melbourne - Inner |  | 14.0% | -1.1 ppts | 0.7 ppts | 1.2 ppts |
| Melbourne - Inner East |  | 13.9% | 0.2 ppts | 0.3 ppts | -0.7 ppts |
| Melbourne - Inner South |  | 13.5% | -0.8 ppts | 2.8 ppts | -1.0 ppts |
| Melbourne - North East |  | 13.8% | -0.3 ppts | 3.4 ppts | -1.4 ppts |
| Melbourne - North West |  | 14.6% | -1.6 ppts | 2.3 ppts | -1.2 ppts |
| Melbourne - Outer East |  | 11.2% | -0.9 ppts | 0.7 ppts | -1.3 ppts |
| Melbourne - South East |  | 15.1% | -0.6 ppts | 1.9 ppts | 1.7 ppts |
| Melbourne - West |  | 21.2% | -0.2 ppts | 8.0 ppts | 6.4 ppts |
| Mornington Peninsula |  | 14.4% | -1.2 ppts | 0.8 ppts | -1.9 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

## Regional Victoria

### Table : Regional unemployment rates by state, June 2021 (3-month average)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| Regional Vic. |  | 3.8% | -0.5 ppts | -0.6 ppts | -2.8 ppts |
| Regional NSW |  | 4.5% | 0.0 ppts | -2.0 ppts | -2.4 ppts |
| Regional Qld |  | 5.4% | -0.1 ppts | -2.3 ppts | -1.4 ppts |
| Regional WA |  | 4.8% | 0.2 ppts | -0.7 ppts | 1.1 ppts |
| Regional SA |  | 5.9% | 0.1 ppts | -1.6 ppts | -0.6 ppts |
| Regional Tas. |  | 5.3% | -0.5 ppts | -0.9 ppts | -2.5 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

### Table : Employment across regional Victoria, June 2021 (3-month average)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Regional Victoria employed persons** |  | 748,000 | 7,000 (0.9%) | 22,900 (3.2%) | 89,700 |
| Ballarat |  | 82,400 | 1,600 (2%) | 2,000 (2.5%) | 13,400 |
| Bendigo |  | 84,300 | 1,100 (1.3%) | 10,200 (13.8%) | 9,300 |
| Geelong |  | 165,000 | -100 (-0.1%) | 3,500 (2.2%) | 46,900 |
| Hume |  | 95,100 | 1,500 (1.6%) | 400 (0.4%) | 12,600 |
| Latrobe - Gippsland |  | 131,500 | 5,000 (4%) | 11,100 (9.2%) | 8,100 |
| Victoria - North West |  | 66,300 | -200 (-0.4%) | -3,200 (-4.5%) | -9,100 |
| Shepparton |  | 59,100 | -2,000 (-3.3%) | -2,000 (-3.2%) | 2,300 |
| Warrnambool and South West |  | 64,300 | 100 (0.2%) | 800 (1.3%) | 6,300 |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

### Table : Unemployment across regional Victoria, June 2021 (3-month average)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Regional Victoria unemployed persons** |  | 29,400 | -3,600 (-11%) | -3,900 (-11.6%) | -16,900 |
| Ballarat |  | 3,500 | -800 (-19%) | -1,200 (-26.1%) | -1,700 |
| Bendigo |  | 3,200 | -1,000 (-22.8%) | -1,000 (-23.2%) | -2,400 |
| Geelong |  | 4,600 | 500 (12.2%) | -2,800 (-37.5%) | -5,800 |
| Hume |  | 2,800 | -900 (-23.7%) | 1,100 (67.5%) | -2,400 |
| Latrobe - Gippsland |  | 8,900 | 100 (1.1%) | 2,500 (38.7%) | 1,100 |
| Victoria - North West |  | 1,500 | -600 (-29.5%) | -1,100 (-40.6%) | -2,700 |
| Shepparton |  | 2,500 | -300 (-12.4%) | -2,200 (-47%) | -2,300 |
| Warrnambool and South West |  | 2,300 | -600 (-20.1%) | 800 (48.7%) | -800 |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

### Table : Unemployment rate across regional Victoria, June 2021 (3-month average)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Regional Victoria unemployment rate** |  | 3.8% | -0.5 ppts | -0.6 ppts | -2.8 ppts |
| Ballarat |  | 4.1% | -1.0 ppts | -1.5 ppts | -2.9 ppts |
| Bendigo |  | 3.7% | -1.1 ppts | -1.6 ppts | -3.2 ppts |
| Geelong |  | 2.7% | 0.3 ppts | -1.6 ppts | -5.4 ppts |
| Hume |  | 2.8% | -0.9 ppts | 1.1 ppts | -3.0 ppts |
| Latrobe - Gippsland |  | 6.3% | -0.2 ppts | 1.3 ppts | 0.4 ppts |
| Victoria - North West |  | 2.3% | -0.9 ppts | -1.3 ppts | -3.1 ppts |
| Shepparton |  | 4.0% | -0.4 ppts | -3.1 ppts | -3.8 ppts |
| Warrnambool and South West |  | 3.5% | -0.9 ppts | 1.1 ppts | -1.6 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

### Table : Participation rate across regional Victoria, June 2021 (3-month average)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Regional Victoria participation rate** |  | 62.9% | 0.3 ppts | 2.2 ppts | 1.9 ppts |
| Ballarat |  | 62.7% | 0.6 ppts | 1.0 ppts | 4.0 ppts |
| Bendigo |  | 66.0% | 0.1 ppts | 7.5 ppts | 0.1 ppts |
| Geelong |  | 65.7% | 0.1 ppts | 0.2 ppts | 8.0 ppts |
| Hume |  | 68.0% | 0.5 ppts | 1.9 ppts | 3.0 ppts |
| Latrobe - Gippsland |  | 59.7% | 2.2 ppts | 6.3 ppts | 0.1 ppts |
| Victoria - North West |  | 56.0% | -0.6 ppts | -2.1 ppts | -8.7 ppts |
| Shepparton |  | 57.4% | -2.1 ppts | -2.8 ppts | -1.1 ppts |
| Warrnambool and South West |  | 65.9% | -0.4 ppts | 2.8 ppts | 5.3 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

## Metropolitan Melbourne

### Table : Unemployment rate in metropolitan areas by State, June 2021

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | JUN 2021 | SINCE MAY 2021 | SINCE JUN 2020 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| Melbourne |  | 5.1% | -0.7 ppts | -2.1 ppts | -1.4 ppts |
| Sydney |  | 5.4% | -0.4 ppts | -1.0 ppts | 0.2 ppts |
| Brisbane |  | 5.8% | -0.6 ppts | -1.9 ppts | -0.3 ppts |
| Perth |  | 4.8% | -0.2 ppts | -2.9 ppts | -0.3 ppts |
| Adelaide |  | 5.5% | -0.6 ppts | -2.4 ppts | -1.1 ppts |
| Hobart |  | 5.5% | -0.5 ppts | -1.1 ppts | -0.2 ppts |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed monthly (latest data is from June 2021).* | | | | | |

## Industries

### Table : Victorian employment by industry, May 2021 quarter (not seasonally adjusted)

|  | **Recent trend** | **Current figures** | **Change in latest period** | **Change in past year** | **Change during govt** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LAST 3 YEARS | MAY 2021 | SINCE FEB 2021 | SINCE MAY 2018 | SINCE NOV 2014 |
| **Victoria - all industries** |  | 3.47m | 28,800 (0.8%) | 179,800 (5.5%) | 541,700 |
| Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing |  | 82,900 | 1,100 (1.3%) | -15,700 (-15.9%) | 800 |
| Mining |  | 11,100 | 3,800 (51.4%) | -1,000 (-7.9%) | 1,800 |
| Manufacturing |  | 273,000 | 4,200 (1.6%) | -10,600 (-3.7%) | -15,100 |
| Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services |  | 39,500 | 3,400 (9.5%) | 600 (1.6%) | 4,400 |
| Construction |  | 321,600 | 1,700 (0.5%) | -9,300 (-2.8%) | 84,800 |
| Wholesale Trade |  | 107,700 | -5,600 (-5%) | 7,800 (7.8%) | -4,200 |
| Retail Trade |  | 348,000 | -30,900 (-8.2%) | 7,900 (2.3%) | -1,300 |
| Accommodation and Food Services |  | 220,800 | 24,400 (12.4%) | -23,700 (-9.7%) | 21,500 |
| Transport, Postal and Warehousing |  | 157,800 | -44,700 (-22.1%) | -5,700 (-3.5%) | 4,300 |
| Information Media and Telecommunications |  | 59,400 | -10,400 (-14.9%) | -8,700 (-12.7%) | -5,400 |
| Financial and Insurance Services |  | 141,700 | 4,200 (3.1%) | 23,700 (20.1%) | 33,100 |
| Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services |  | 52,700 | 6,000 (12.9%) | -700 (-1.4%) | 4,900 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services |  | 354,500 | 12,700 (3.7%) | 60,700 (20.6%) | 114,400 |
| Administrative and Support Services |  | 107,900 | 11,900 (12.4%) | 3,600 (3.4%) | 19,700 |
| Public Administration and Safety |  | 202,900 | 4,300 (2.2%) | 35,500 (21.2%) | 46,600 |
| Education and Training |  | 299,600 | 13,400 (4.7%) | 32,200 (12%) | 61,900 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance |  | 471,600 | -700 (-0.1%) | 59,200 (14.4%) | 128,800 |
| Arts and Recreation Services |  | 80,800 | 5,200 (6.8%) | 13,100 (19.3%) | 10,100 |
| Other Services |  | 136,500 | 25,000 (22.4%) | 10,800 (8.6%) | 30,500 |
| *Sources: ABS Labour Force detailed quarterly (latest data is from May 2021). Notes: All data are original (not seasonally adjusted).* | | | | | |