

## Labour Market Brief Australian Capital Territory

### Summary

The ABS Labour Force Survey data for **Australian Capital Territory** released in September for August showed that in **original** terms:

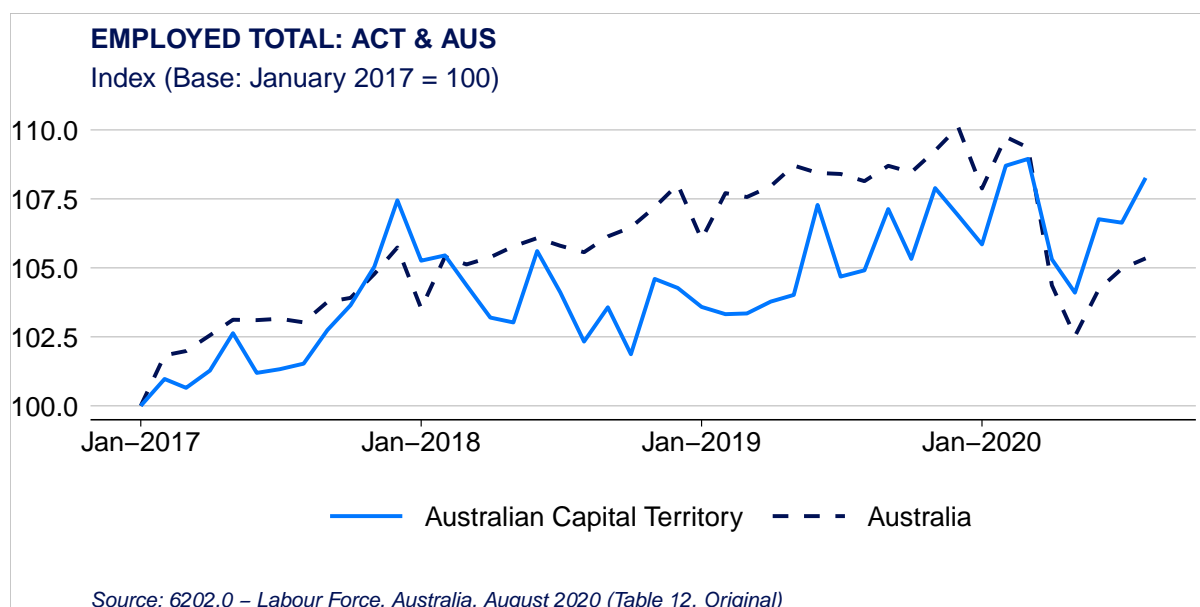
- Total *employment* increased by 3,562 (1.5%) to 237,584 people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 7,352 (3.1%).
- Total *unemployment* decreased by 311 (-2.9%) to 10,637 people, and the *unemployment rate* decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 4.3%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 1,598 (15.0%), and the unemployment rate has increased by 0.5 percentage points.
- Total *underutilisation* has decreased by 2,592 (-10.5%) to 24,663 people, and the *underutilisation rate* decreased by 1.2 percentage points to 9.9%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 2,449 (-9.9%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 1.4 percentage points.

### **Nationally** in August:

- Total *employment* increased by 44,482 (0.4%) to 12.52 million people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australia has decreased by 332,584 (-2.7%).
- Total *unemployment* decreased by 73,463 (-8.0%) to 921,600 people and the *unemployment rate* decreased by 0.5 percentage points to 6.9%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australia has increased by 207,113 (22.5%) and the *unemployment rate* has increased by 1.6 percentage points.
- Total *underutilisation* decreased by 111,912 (-4.7%) to 2.40 million people, and the *underutilisation rate* decreased by 0.8 percentage points to 17.8%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has increased by 547,632 (22.8%) and the underutilisation rate has increased by 4.2 percentage points.

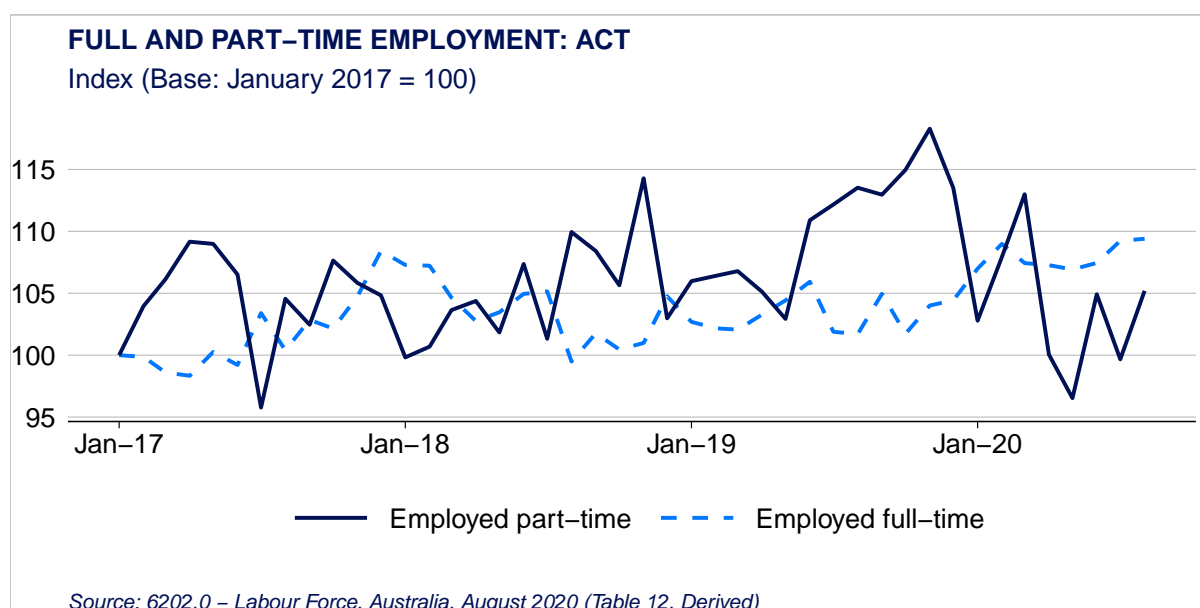
## Employment

- In August, original employment in Australian Capital Territory increased by 3,562 (1.5%) to 237,584 people.
- Compared with August last year, total employment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 7,352 (3.1%).
- Nationally, employment in increased by 44,482 (0.4%) to 12.52 million people.



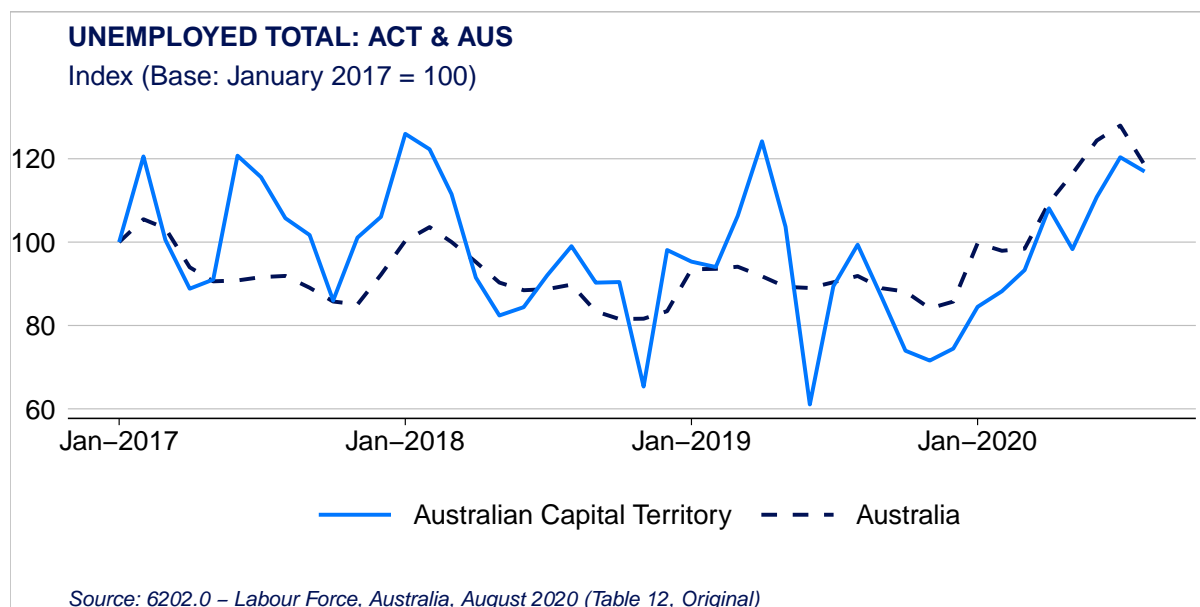
## Full and Part Time Employment

- Full-time employment in Australian Capital Territory increased by 263 (0.2%) to 174,861 in August, and has increased by 12,318 (7.0%) over the year.
- Part-time employment in Australian Capital Territory, in original terms increased by 3,299 (5.3%) to 62,724 in August. Part-time employment has decreased by 4,966 (-7.9%) over the last year.



## Unemployment

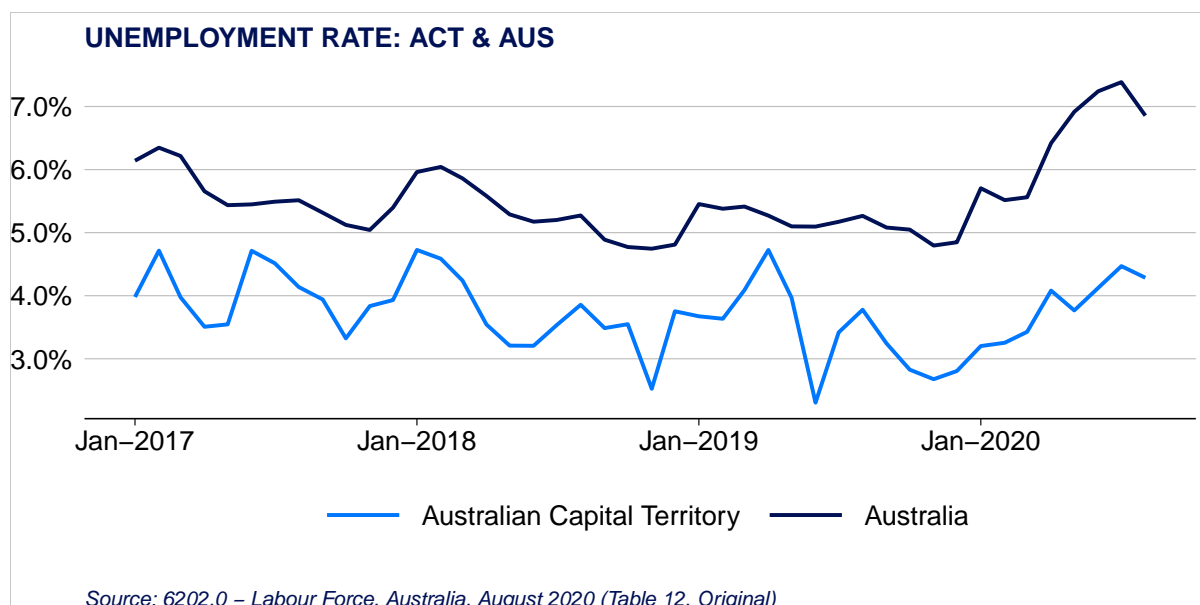
- In August, the total number of unemployed people in Australian Capital Territory decreased by 311 (-2.9%) to 10,637.
- Compared with August last year, unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 1,598 (15.0%) people.
- Nationally, total unemployment in August decreased by 73,463 (-8.0%) to 921,600 people.



## Unemployment Rate

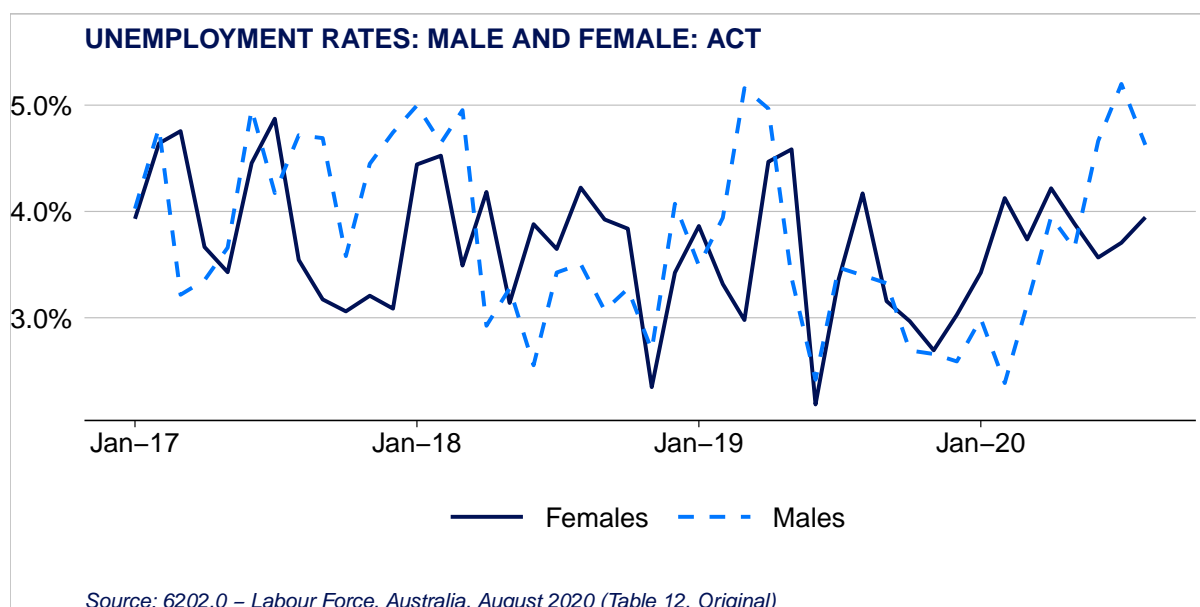
- In August, the original unemployment rate in Australian Capital Territory decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 4.3%.
- Compared with August last year, the unemployment rate in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 0.5 percentage points.
- Nationally, unemployment decreased by 0.5 percentage points to 6.9%.





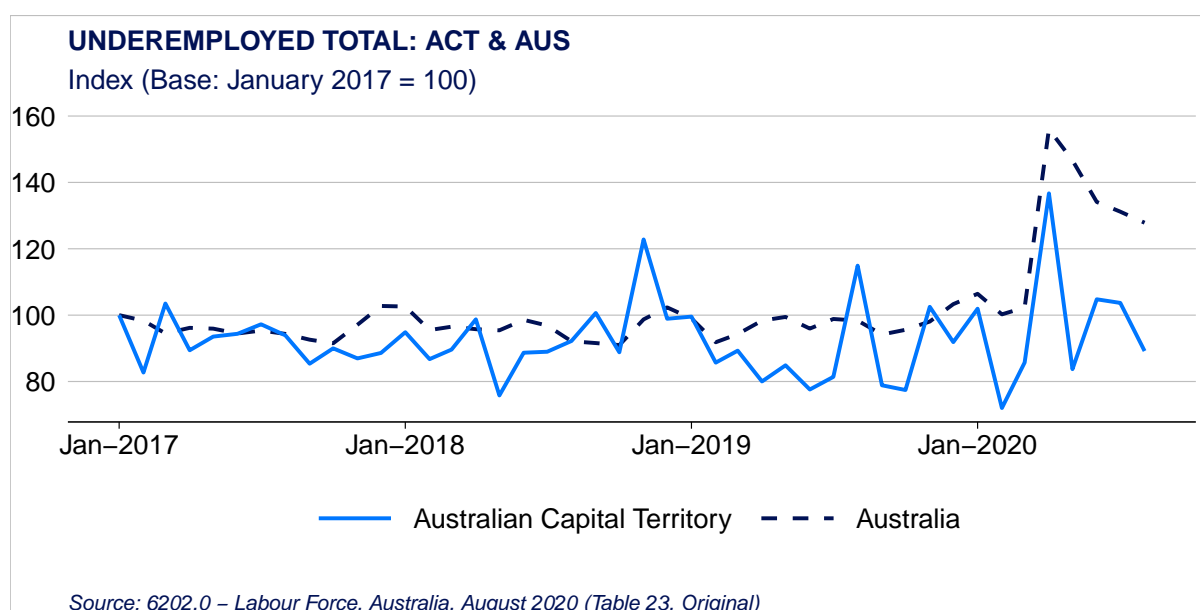
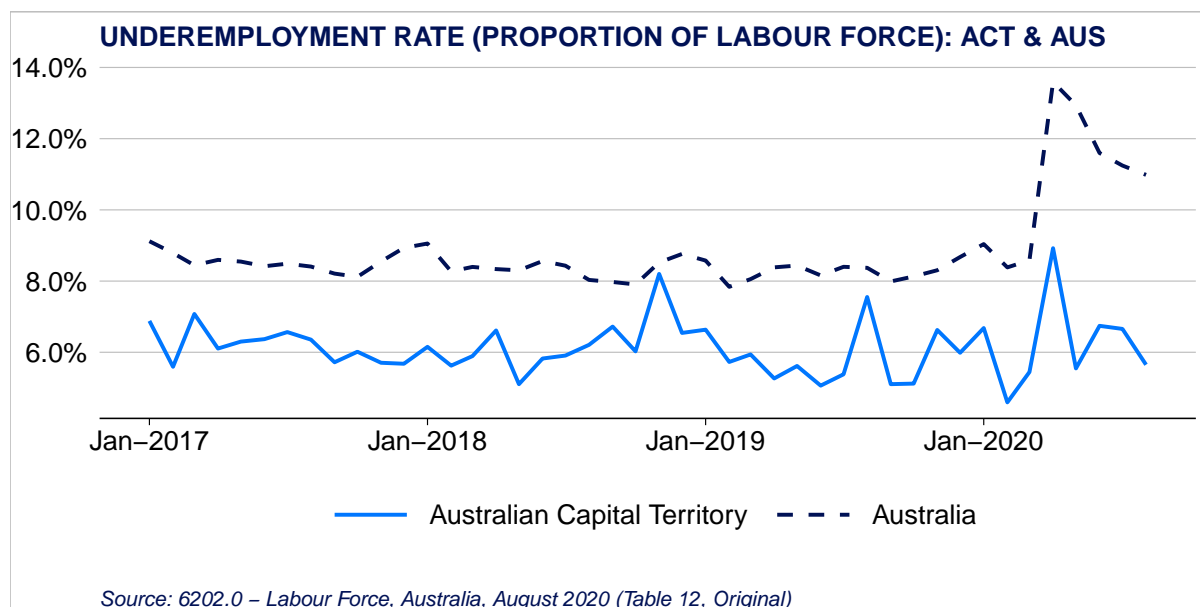
### Male and Female Unemployment Rates

- In August, the original unemployment rate for males in Australian Capital Territory decreased by 0.6 percentage points to 4.6%.
- Compared with August last year male unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 1.2 percentage points.
- In the same period, the original unemployment rate for females in increased by 0.2 percentage points to 3.9%.
- Compared with August last year female unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 0.3 percentage points.



## Underemployment

- The underemployment rate decreased by 1.0 percentage points to 5.7% . The total number of people underemployed has decreased by 2,281 (-16.3%) to 14,026 people.
- Over the past year, total underemployment has decreased by 4,046 (-28.8%).
- Nationally, the underemployment rate in August decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 11.0% and the total number of people underemployed decreased by 38,449 (-2.6%) to 1.48 million



## Underutilisation

- The underutilisation rate decreased by 1.2 percentage points to 9.9%. Over the past month, the number of underutilised people has decreased by 2,592 (-10.5%) to 24,663.
- Over the past year, underutilisation in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 2,449 (-9.9%).
- Nationally the underutilisation rate in August decreased by 0.8 percentage points to 17.8%, and the total number of underutilised people decreased by 111,912 (-4.7%) to 2.40 million.

