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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 only covers labour market activities of persons aged 15 to 64 years.

This report presents the key findings of the QLFS conducted from April to June 2012 (Q2:2012).

2. Highlights of the results

Table A: Key labour market indicators

	Apr–Jun 2011	Jan–Mar 2012	Apr–Jun 2012	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand				Per cent		
Population 15–64 yrs	32 435	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Labour force	17 663	17 948	17 916	-32	253	-0,2	1,4
Employed	13 125	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	9 198	9 509	9 571	62	373	0,7	4,1
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 213	2 106	2 085	-21	-128	-1,0	-5,8
Agriculture	598	656	638	-18	40	-2,7	6,7
Private households	1 117	1 151	1 153	2	36	0,2	3,2
Unemployed	4 538	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Not economically active	14 772	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
Discouraged work-seekers	2 207	2 335	2 311	-24	104	-1,0	4,7
Other (not economically active)	12 566	12 503	12 675	172	109	1,4	0,9
Rates (%)							
Unemployment rate	25,7	25,2	24,9	-0,3	-0,8		
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	40,5	40,9	40,9	0,0	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	54,5	54,7	54,5	-0,2	0,0		

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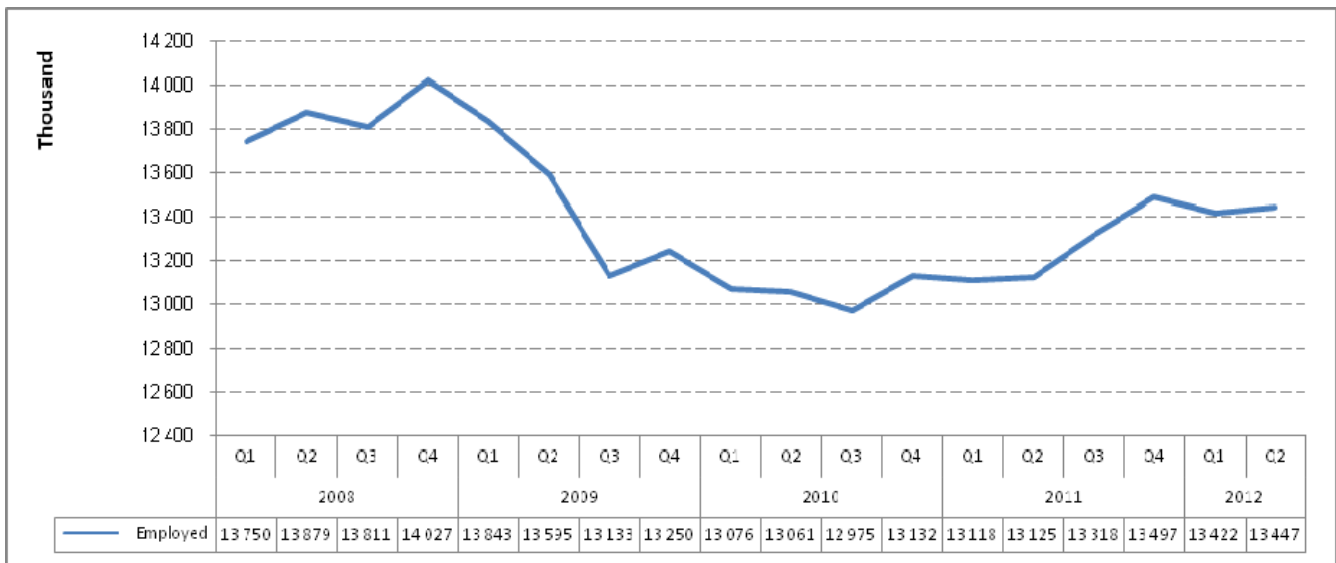
The labour force decreased by 32 000 persons between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012. This decrease was reflected in a decrease in the number of unemployed persons, which saw the unemployment rate decline by 0,3 of a percentage point from 25,2% to 24,9% in the Q2:2012. The number of employed persons increased by 25 000 persons. The economy has created 472 000 jobs since the lowest point in employment in Q3:2010.

Behind the increase in employment was an increase in formal sector employment of 62 000. Employment in the informal sector decreased by 21 000, following declines of 28 000 on a quarterly basis in the previous quarter, while Agriculture declined by 18 000, reversing gains of 26 000 in Q1:2012. Private households employment increased by a marginal 2 000 (0,2 of a percentage point) in Q2:2012. The number of discouraged work-seekers declined by 24 000 between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012, while other not economically active persons increased by 172 000, a large rise in the number of persons who have left the labour force.

Compared to a year ago, in Q2:2012, employment increased by 2,5% (322 000), unemployment decreased by 1,5% (68 000), the number of discouraged work-seekers increased by 4,7% (104 000) and other (not economically active) increased by 0,9% (109 000), resulting in a net increase of 215 000 among the not economically.

3. Employment

Figure 1: Total employment, quarter 1:2008 to quarter 2:2012



A trend analysis, since 2008, finds a rise in employment during the fourth quarter of every year, followed by a decline in the subsequent quarter. Since Q3:2010, employment levels have steadily risen from 12,9 million to 13,4 million in Q2 2012, increasing on a quarterly basis, with the exception of the first quarter in 2011 and 2012. A fact ascribed to seasonal factors.

Figure 2: Quarter-to-quarter change in employment, quarter 1:2008 to quarter 2:2012

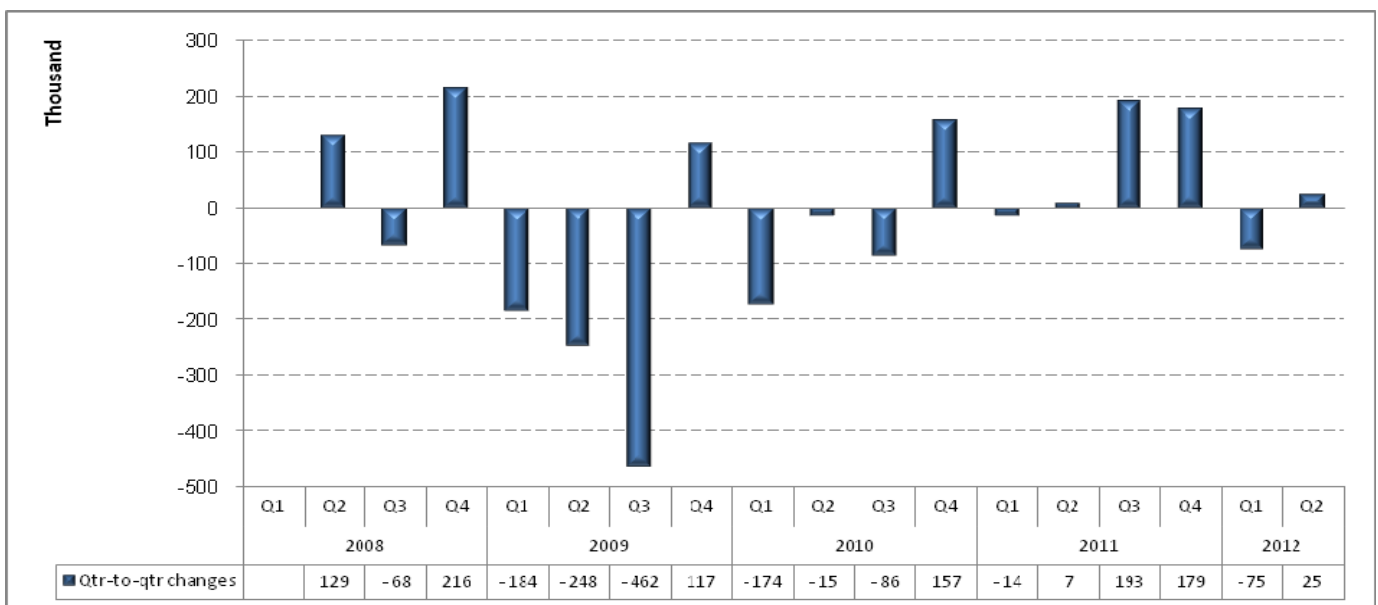
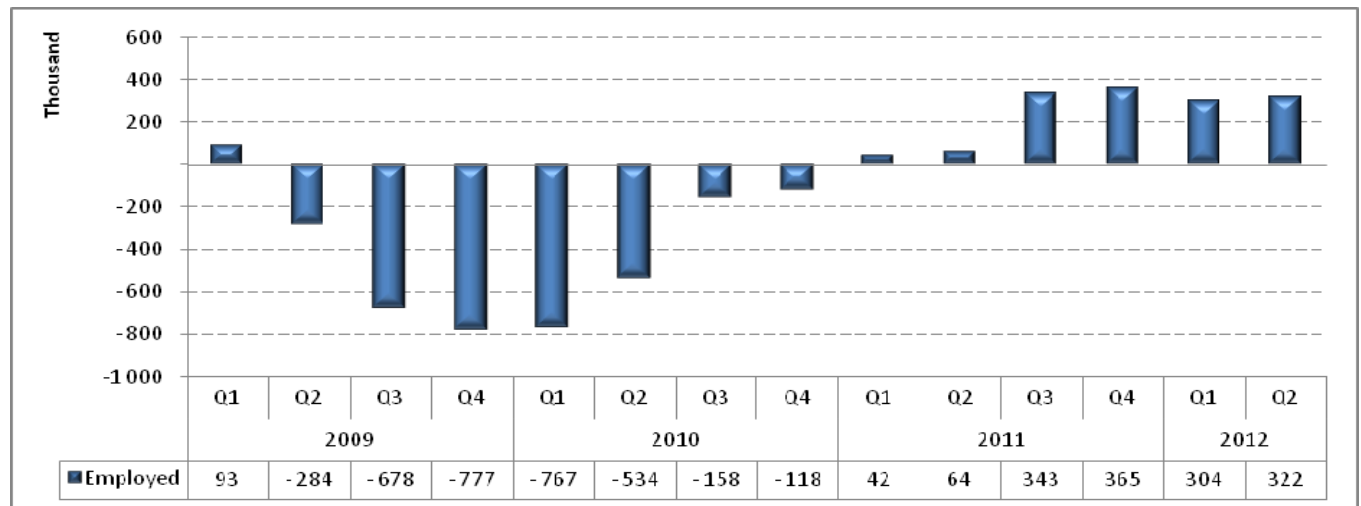


Figure 2 shows that after three successive quarters of increases in employment, employment declined by 75 000 in Q1:2012. This is not surprising as it has always been the case that employment decreases in the first quarter of each year. In Q2:2012 the number of employed persons rose by 25 000 on a quarterly basis.

Figure 3: Year-on-year change in employment, quarter 1:2008 to quarter 2:2012



South Africa has experienced solid employment growth over the past year, with employment growing by 322 000 (or 2,5%), following growth of 304 000 (or 2,3%) in the year ended March 2012. Employment grew for six consecutive quarters year-on-year since Q1:2011.

Table B: Employment by industry

Industry	Apr–Jun 2011	Jan–Mar 2012	Apr–Jun 2012	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand			Per cent			
Total*	13 125	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Agriculture	598	656	638	-18	40	-2,7	6,7
Mining [#]	282	336	357	21	75	6,3	26,6
Manufacturing	1 735	1 722	1 678	-44	-57	-2,6	-3,3
Utilities	93	91	98	7	5	7,7	5,4
Construction	1 043	986	1 012	26	-31	2,6	-3,0
Trade	2 944	3 057	2 966	-91	22	-3,0	0,7
Transport	777	783	791	8	14	1,0	1,8
Finance and other business services	1 704	1 741	1 737	-4	33	-0,2	1,9
Community and social services	2 831	2 891	3 012	121	181	4,2	6,4
Private households	1 117	1 151	1 153	2	36	0,2	3,2

Note: Total includes other industry.

[#]Mining is a very clustered industry, hence the industry might not have been adequately captured by the QLFS sample.

For more robust mining estimates, please use the Quarterly Employment Statistics (QES).

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Table B indicates that between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012, the increase in total employment was mainly driven by the increase in the number of employed persons in the Community and social services (121 000), Construction (26 000) and Mining (21 000) industries, while employment losses were observed in Trade (91 000), Manufacturing (44 000) and Agriculture (18 000). Job losses in the Manufacturing sector continues, as 67 000 jobs were lost in Q1:2012, while job losses in the trade sector also accelerated from 3 000 jobs lost in the first quarter of this year. The Agricultural sector reversed job gains of 26 000 in Q1:2012. Both the Community and social services and Construction industries reflected employment gains.

Compared to the same period last year, employment increased by 322 000 jobs, with Community and social services, Mining and Agriculture, contributing 181 000, 75 000 and 40 000 jobs respectively. Job

losses were observed in Manufacturing and Construction industries, as employment declined by 57 000 and 31 000 respectively in these industries between Q2:2011 and Q2:2012.

Table C: Employment by province

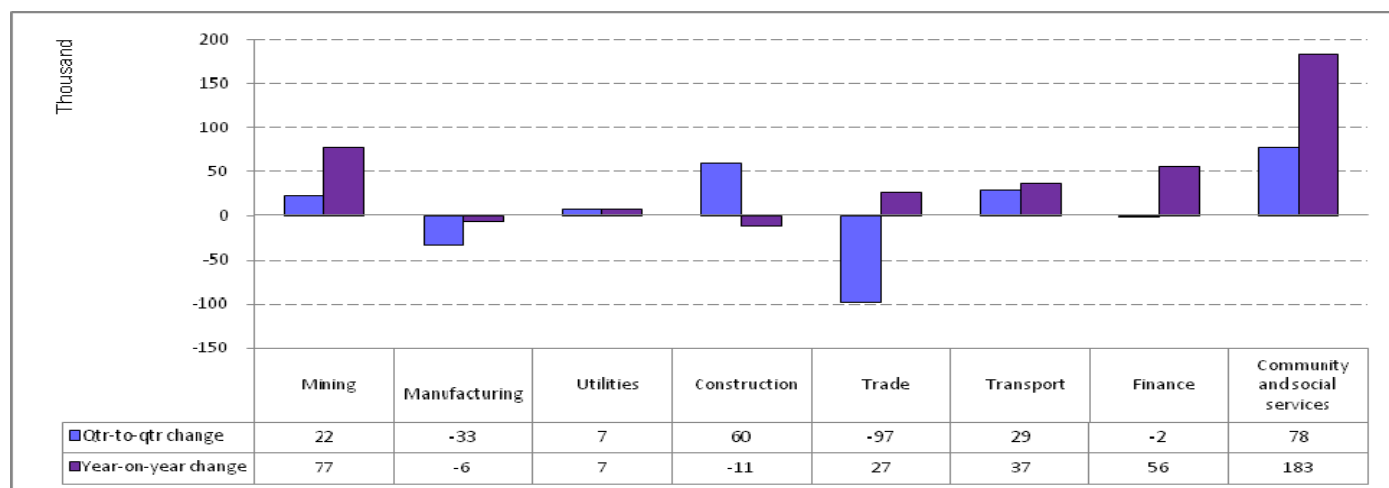
Province	Apr–Jun 2011	Jan–Mar 2012	Apr–Jun 2012	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand				Per cent		
South Africa	13 125	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Western Cape	1 805	1 847	1 815	-32	10	-1,7	0,6
Eastern Cape	1 309	1 279	1 298	19	-11	1,5	-0,8
Northern Cape	264	286	281	-5	17	-1,7	6,4
Free State	772	737	728	-9	-44	-1,2	-5,7
KwaZulu-Natal	2 500	2 519	2 520	1	20	0,0	0,8
North West	691	704	709	5	18	0,7	2,6
Gauteng	3 965	4 140	4 125	-15	160	-0,4	4,0
Mpumalanga	884	913	953	40	69	4,4	7,8
Limpopo	936	996	1 018	22	82	2,2	8,8

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Table C shows that between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012, employment gains in five of the nine provinces, with the highest increases observed in Mpumalanga (40 000), Limpopo (22 000) and Eastern Cape (19 000). There were job losses in Western Cape (32 000), Gauteng (15 000) and Free State (9 000) over the same period.

For the year ended June 2012, employment increased in seven of the nine provinces, with Gauteng (160 000), Limpopo (82 000) and Mpumalanga (69 000) being the biggest contributors, while employment declined in Free State (44 000) and Eastern Cape (11 000).

Figure 4: Changes in the formal sector employment by industry

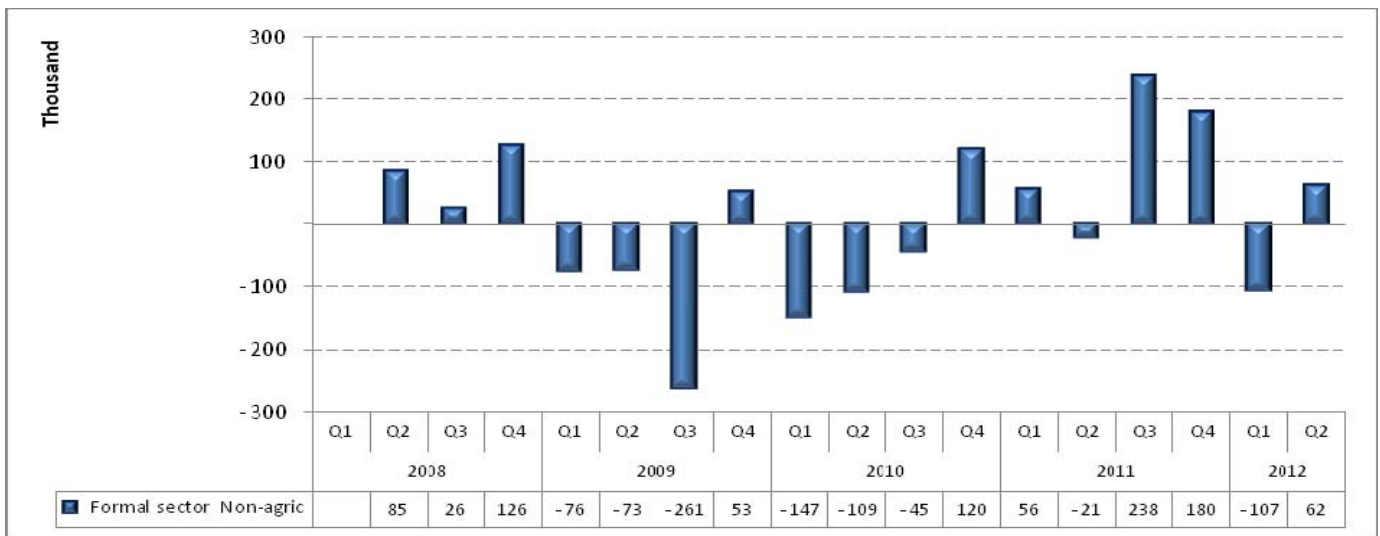


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In Q2:2012, formal sector employment accounted for 71,2% of total employment, an increase of 0,3 of a percentage point from the previous quarter, as employment in the sector expanded by 62 000. Between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012 the majority of formal sector job gains were in the Community and social services (78 000), Construction (60 000) and Transport (29 000) industries. Job losses were observed in Trade (97 000) and Manufacturing (33 000) industries over the same period.

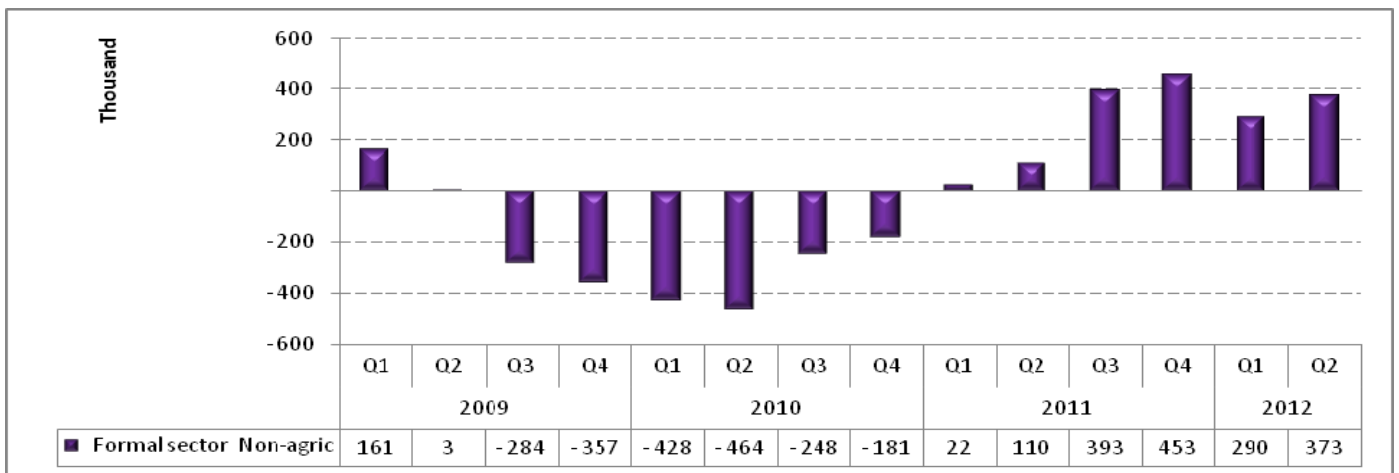
Compared to the same period last year, employment gains were recorded in six of the eight industries, in particular the Community and social services (183 000), Mining (77 000) and Finance and other business services (56 000) industries.

Figure 5: Quarter-to-quarter changes in the formal sector employment



Following two consecutive quarters of employment gains, the formal sector shed 107 000 jobs in Q1:2012, however the number of employed persons in the formal sector increased by 62 000 in Q2:2012.

Figure 6: Year-on-year changes in the formal sector employment



The annual change in the number of persons employed in the formal sector has been rising since Q1:2011. Compared to Q2:2011, the formal sector created 373 000 jobs in Q2:2012. This increase is larger than the increase observed in the preceding year.

Figure 7: Changes in the informal sector employment by industry

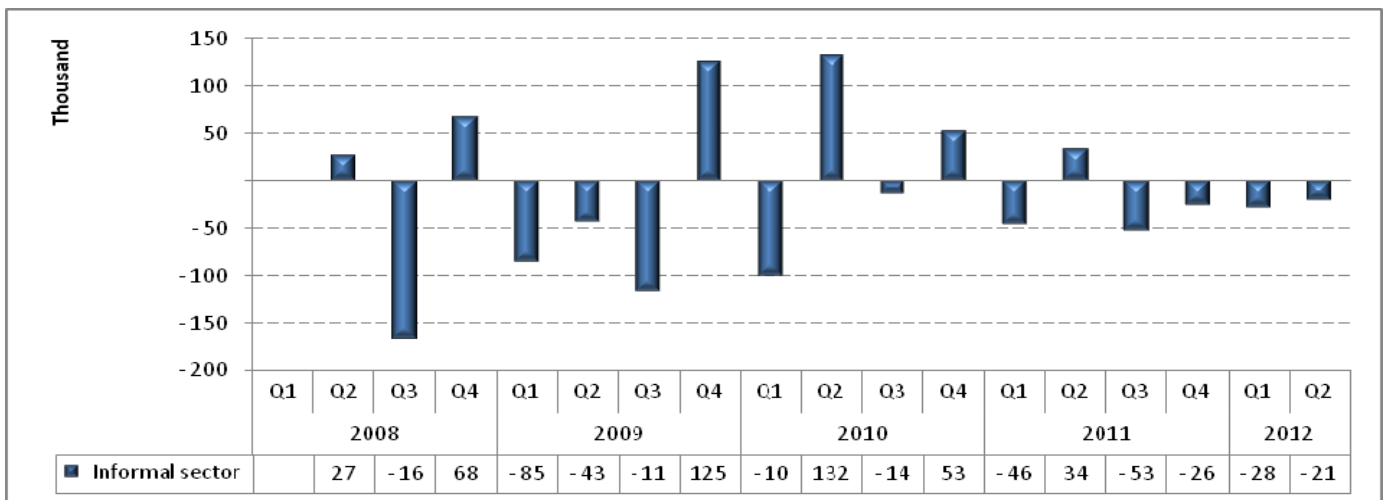


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Informal sector employment contracted by 21 000 jobs between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012. Figure 7 indicates that most informal sector jobs were lost in Construction (36 000), Transport (21 000) and Manufacturing (11 000). However, informal sector employment increased by 43 000 in the Community and social services industry quarter-on-quarter.

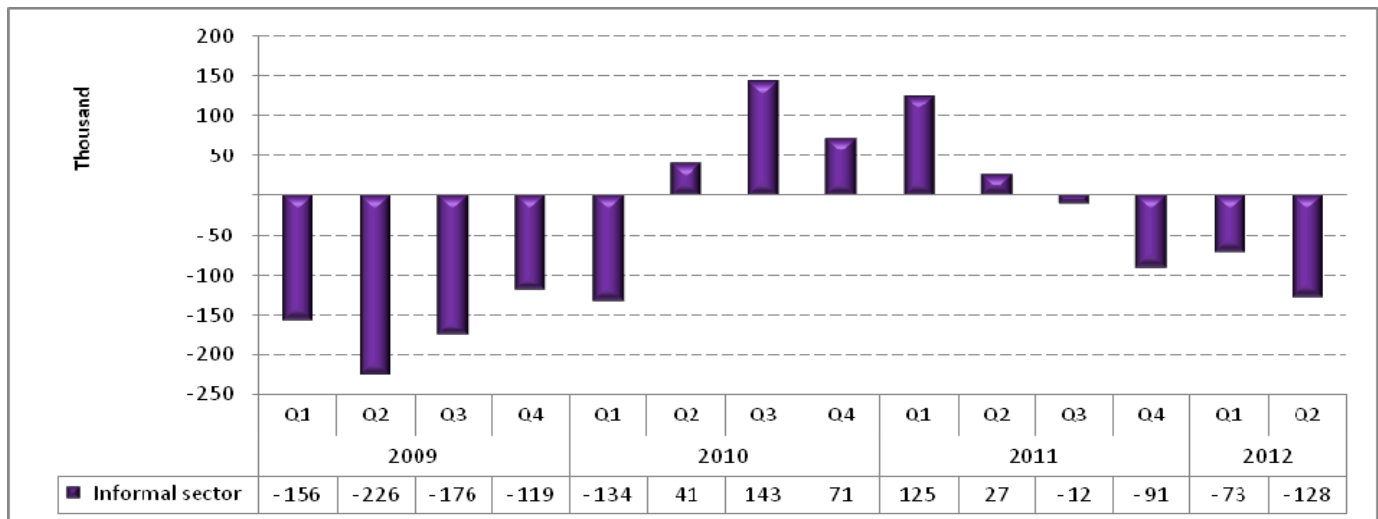
Compared to Q2:2011, the informal sector lost 128 000 jobs in Q2:2012. All industries experienced job losses with Manufacturing (51 000), Transport (23 000), Finance and other business services (23 000) and Construction (22 000) being the hardest hit with job losses.

Figure 8: Quarter-to-quarter changes in the informal sector employment



Informal sector employment on a quarterly basis declined for four successive quarters since Q3:2011. Compared to Q1:2012, the informal sector lost 21 000 jobs (or 1,0 %) in Q2:2012.

Figure 9: Year-on-year changes in the informal sector employment



Following five successive periods of year-on-year growth since Q2:2010, employment in the informal sector contracted for four successive quarters over the period Q3:2011 to Q2:2012.

Table D: Employment by occupation

Occupation	Apr–Jun 2011	Jan–Mar 2012	Apr–Jun 2012	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand			Per cent			
Total	13 125	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Manager	1 124	1 102	1 062	-40	-62	-3,6	-5,5
Professional	762	747	816	69	54	9,2	7,1
Technician	1 469	1 532	1 577	45	108	2,9	7,4
Clerk	1 358	1 419	1 406	-13	48	-0,9	3,5
Sales and services	1 944	1 969	1 956	-13	12	-0,7	0,6
Skilled agriculture	71	61	67	6	-4	9,8	-5,6
Craft and related trade	1 576	1 605	1 581	-24	5	-1,5	0,3
Plant and machine operator	1 121	1 106	1 111	5	-10	0,5	-0,9
Elementary	2 824	2 983	2 957	-26	133	-0,9	4,7
Domestic worker	876	896	913	17	37	1,9	4,2

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

Elementary occupations account for 22,0% of total employment. While accounting for the biggest share in total employment, the number of persons employed in Elementary occupations declined by 26 000 on a quarterly basis in Q2:2012 compared to Q1:2012. The biggest decline in employment by occupational category was observed for Managers (-40 000), followed by Elementary (26 000) and Craft and related trade (24 000) occupations. Employment for Clerks and Sales and service occupations declined by 13 000 each.

In the same period, employment gains were observed in some occupations with the main contributors being Professional (69 000), Technician (45 000) and Domestic worker (17 000) occupations.

Compared to a year ago, most jobs were created in Elementary (133 000), Technician (108 000) and Professional (54 000) occupations. There was a decline in the number of persons employed in Managerial (62 000) and Plant and machine operator (10 000) occupations.

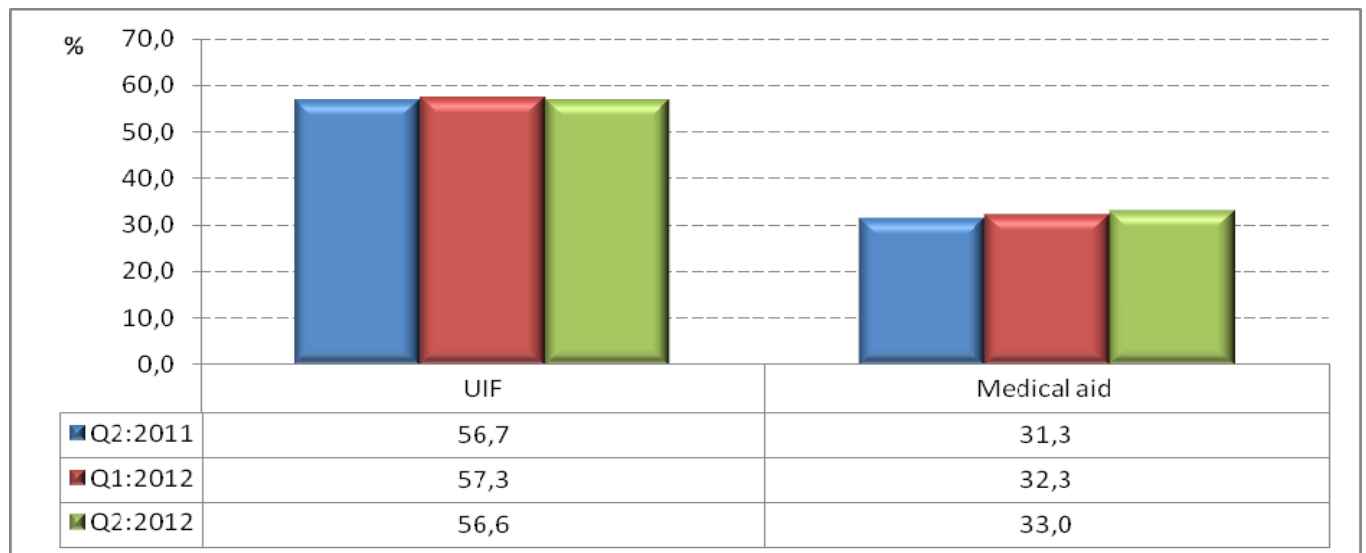
Figure 10: Employee access to selected leave benefits



Between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012, the proportion of employees with access to selected benefits declined. Entitlement to paid sick leave benefit was the most available benefit offered by employers, with paid sick leave available to 69,0% of employees in Q2:2012, a 0,3 percentage point decline from the previous quarter. The proportion of employees with paid annual (vacation) leave declined marginally from 66,7% in Q1:2012 to 66,3% in Q2:2012; while the maternity/paternity leave benefit declined by 0,6 of a percentage point.

Compared to the same quarter in 2011, the proportion of employees with paid sick leave benefit increased by 2,2 percentage points to 69,0%; there was a 1,6 percentage points increase in the proportion of employees with maternity/paternity leave and an increase of 1,0 percentage points for the paid annual leave benefit.

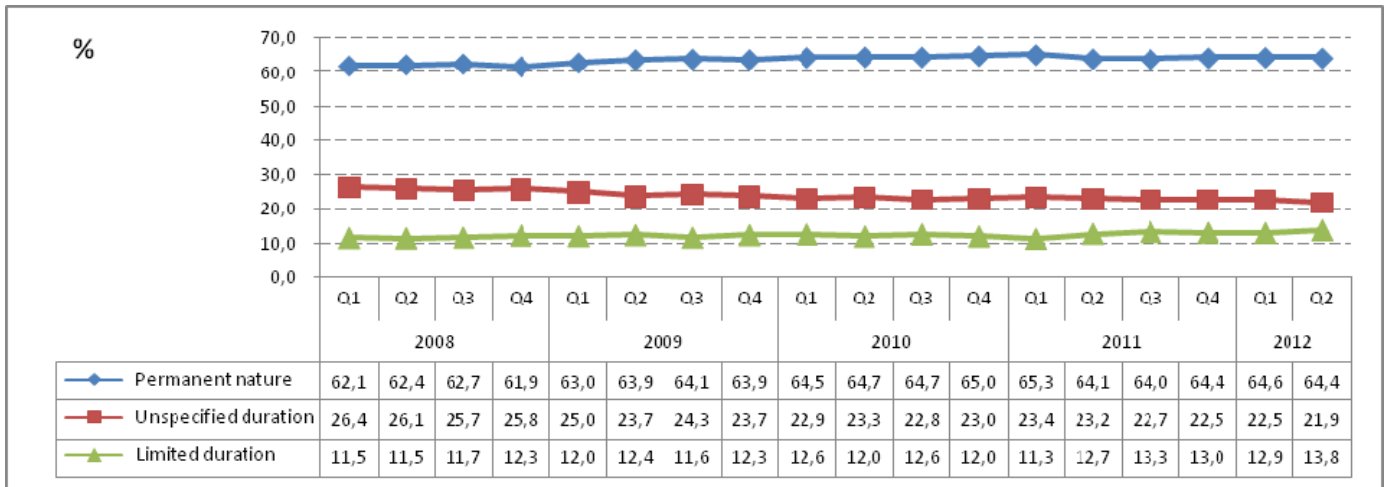
Figure 11: Employee access to other benefits



More than half of employees indicated that their employers paid Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) contributions on their behalf, while about a third of employees were entitled to medical aid benefits from their employers. Between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012, there was a decrease of 0,7 of a percentage point in the proportion of employees for whom their employers paid UIF, while medical aid benefit coverage increased by 0,7 of a percentage point.

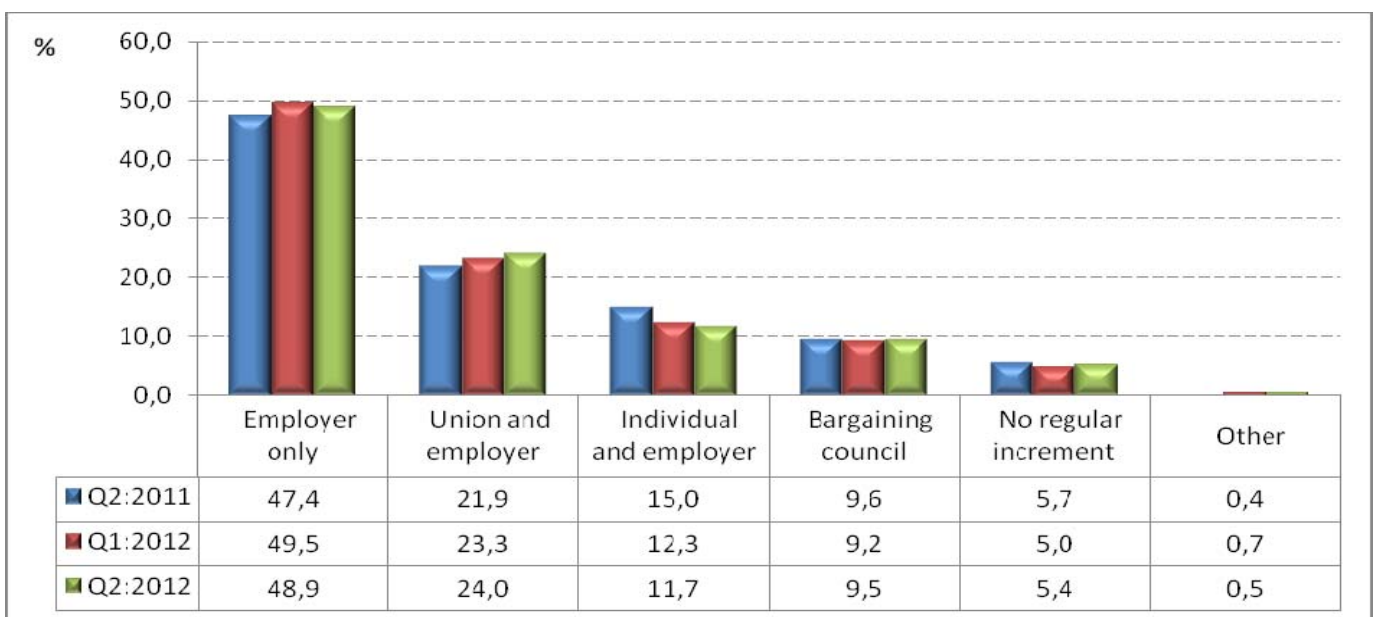
However, compared to a year ago, there was a slight improvement in the proportion of employees whose employers paid medical aid benefit for them (up by 1,7 percentage points), while the UIF benefit remained virtually unchanged.

Figure 12: Nature of employment contract or agreement , quarter 1:2008 to quarter 2:2012



Since Q1:2008, more than 60,0% of the employees had a permanent contract/agreement with their employer, while more than 11,0% had a contract of a limited duration with their employer. Between Q1:2008 and Q2:2012, there has been an increase of 2,3 percentage points in both the proportion of employees with a permanent contract/agreement with their employer and in the proportion that had a limited duration contract with their employer.

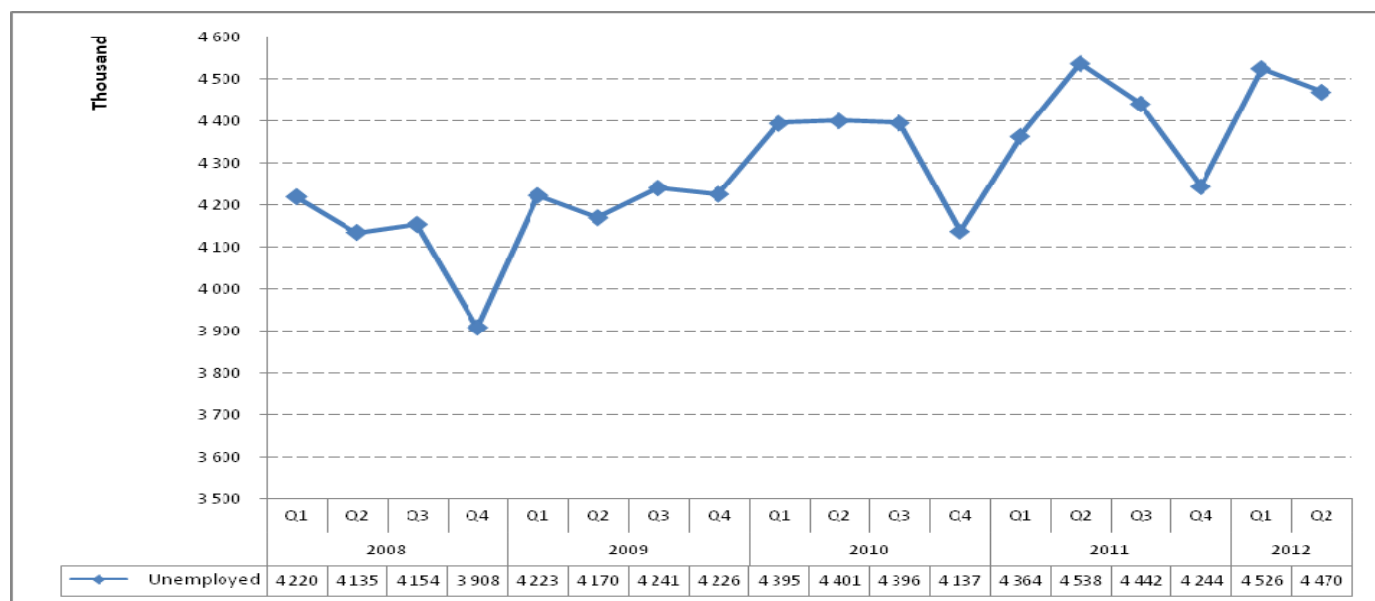
Figure 13: How annual salary increment is negotiated



Annual wage negotiations are currently underway in a number of industries, most notably the public service. In Q2:2012, approximately 48,9% of employees indicated that their annual salary increases are determined by the employer only, 24,0% by the union and the employer. While 9,5% of the employees reported that their annual salary increase is determined by the bargaining council or other sector bargaining arrangement, only 5,4% of employees did not have regular annual increases.

4. The unemployed population

Figure 14: Total unemployment, quarter 1:2008 to quarter 2:2012



In Q4:2008, there were approximately 3,9 million persons unemployed in South Africa. In the wake of the financial and economic crisis, the level of unemployment climbed rapidly, reaching a peak of 4,4 million in Q2:2010, and remaining around this level in the following quarter. The number of unemployed persons rose to 4,5 million in Q1:2012, but declined by 56 000 persons between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012.

Table E: The unemployed by sex

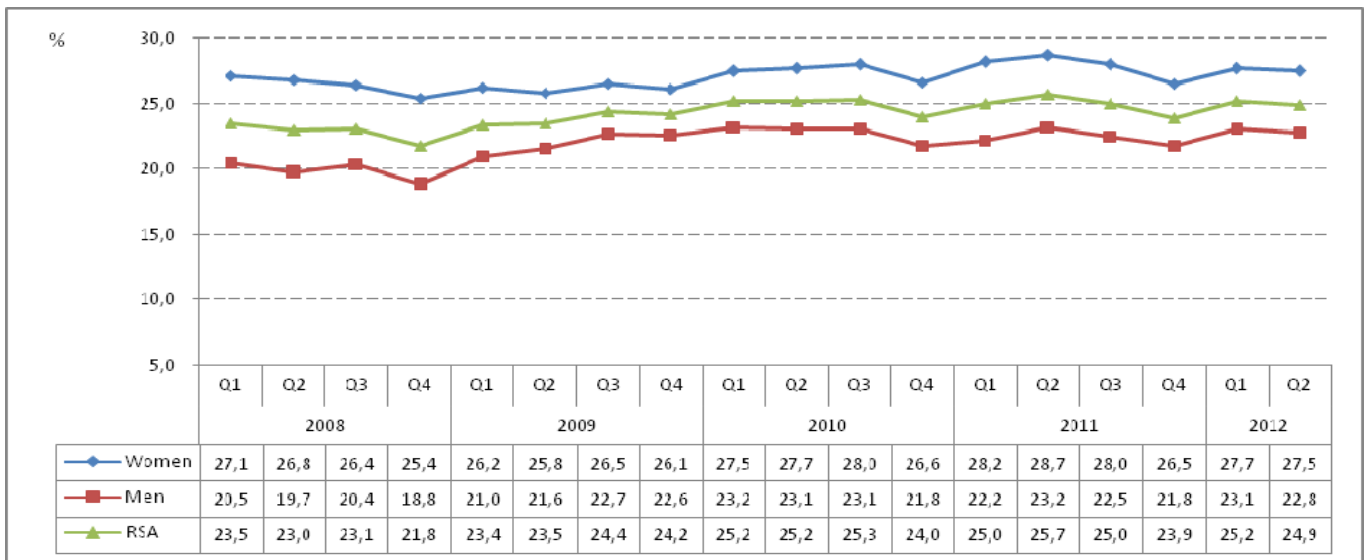
Unemployed	Apr–Jun 2011	Jan–Mar 2012	Apr–Jun 2012	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand			Per cent			
Total*	4 538	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Women	2 301	2 265	2 227	-38	-74	-1,7	-3,2
Men	2 237	2 261	2 243	-18	6	-0,8	0,3

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

Unemployment decreased by 56 000 (or 1,2%) persons between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012. This decline reflected a drop in both the number of unemployed women (38 000) and unemployed men (18 000).

Year-on-year, the number of unemployed women decreased by 74 000 (or 3,2%), while there was virtually no change in the number of unemployed men (a slight increase of 6 000).

Figure 15: Unemployment rate by sex



The unemployment rate for women was 27,1% in Q1:2008, while the rate for men was 6,6 percentage points lower, and by Q1:2012 this gap had narrowed to 4,6 percentage points.

Unemployment rate for women remained higher than the national average between Q1:2008 and Q2:2012, and by Q2:2012 the gap between the two had narrowed between 1,0% to 2,6%. Q2:2012 saw a slight decrease in the unemployment rate for both men and women compared to Q1:2012. The overall decline in the unemployment rate indicates improvements in the labour market environment, which enabled more persons to take active steps to look for work.

Figure 16: Share of the unemployed by education level



In general, lower unemployment rates are associated with higher levels of education. In Q1:2008, about 64% of the unemployed did not have matric, while only 5,2% of the unemployed had tertiary qualifications. In Q2:2012, approximately 59,3% of the unemployed did not have matric and only 6,3% had tertiary qualifications.

Figure 17: Unemployment rate by province

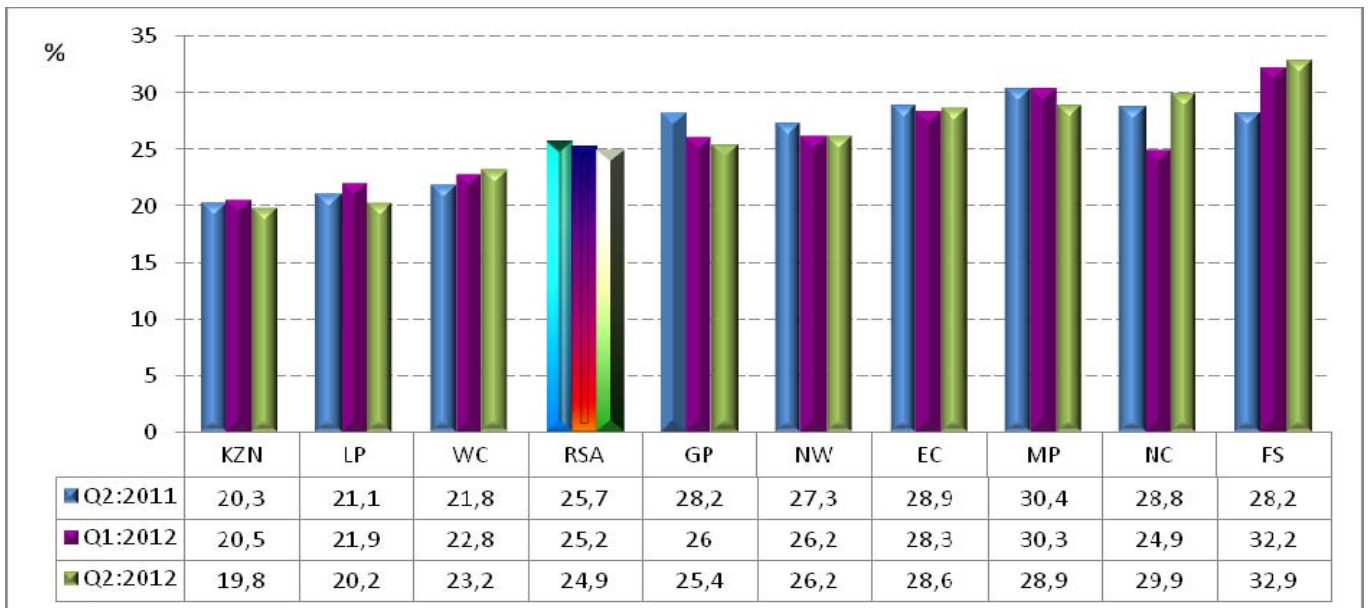
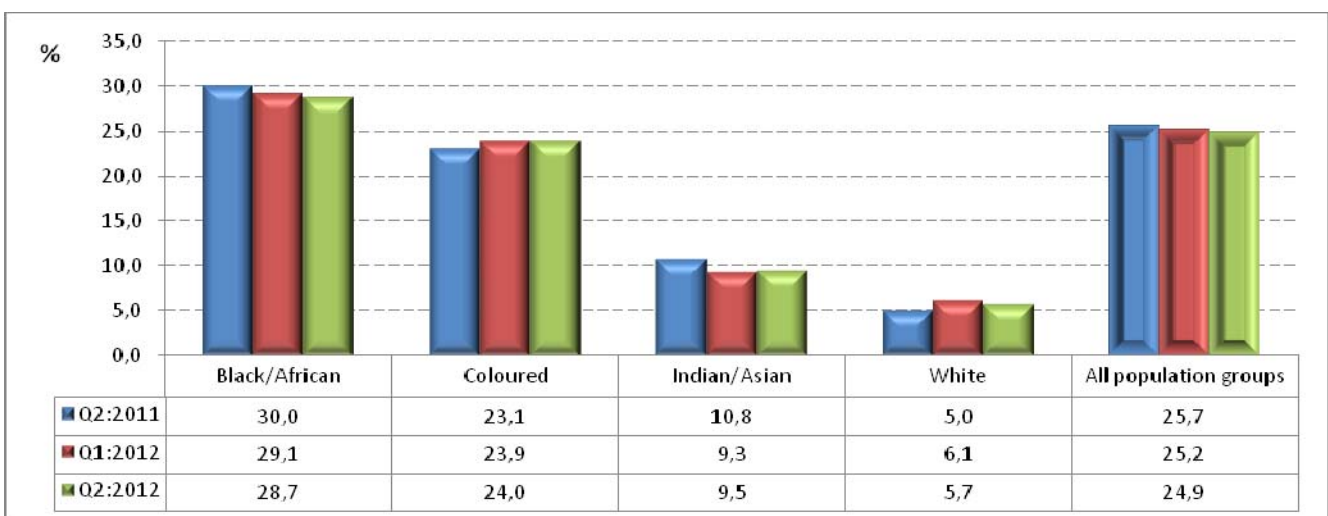


Figure 17 shows a decrease in the unemployment rate in four of the nine provinces in Q2:2012 compared to Q1:2012. The biggest decrease in the unemployment rate was observed in Limpopo (1,7 percentage points), Mpumalanga (1,4 percentage points) and KwaZulu-Natal (0,7 of a percentage point). The biggest increase in unemployment rate was recorded in Northern Cape (5,0 percentage points).

In comparison to the same period last year, the unemployment rate decreased by 0,8 of a percentage point at the national level. The biggest decreases in the unemployment rate were observed in Gauteng (2,8 percentage points), Mpumalanga (1,5 percentage points) and North West (1,1 percentage points). The biggest increases in unemployment rate was recorded in Free State (4,7 percentage points) in the same period.

Figure 18: Unemployment rate by population group

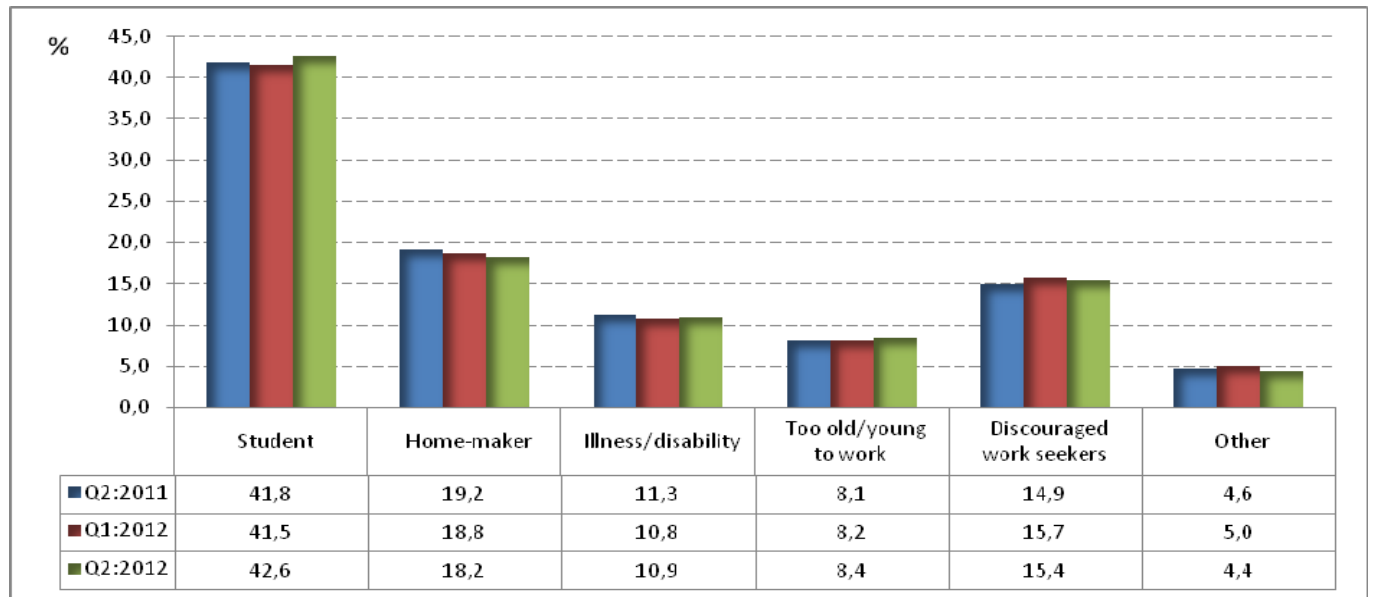


Between Q1:2012 and Q2:2012, the unemployment rate decreased by 0,4 of a percentage point amongst the black African and white population, while it increased amongst the Indian/Asian (0,2 of a percentage point) and coloured (0,1 of a percentage point) population groups.

The year-on-year comparisons show a decrease in the unemployment rate among the black African and Indian/Asian population groups while it increased among the coloured and white population groups.

5. Characteristics of the not economically active population

Figure 19: The not economically active



In Q2:2012, students (42,6%) accounted for the largest share of the not economically active population, followed by home-makers (18,2%), while discouraged work-seekers accounted for 15,4% of the not economically active (0,3 of a percentage point lower than in the previous quarter).

Compared to a year ago (Q2:2011), the share of students among the not economically active population increased by 0,8 of a percentage point; while the share of discouraged work-seekers increased by 0,5 of a percentage point.

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6. Technical notes

6.1. Response details

Table F: Response rates by province

Province	Apr–Jun 2012
	Per cent
Western Cape	86,4
Eastern Cape	99,2
Northern Cape	89,0
Free State	96,9
KwaZulu-Natal	97,6
North West	93,4
Gauteng	82,9
Mpumalanga	93,3
Limpopo	99,4
South Africa	92,6

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 comprise 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 subgroups 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 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 ¼ 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, 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 edits 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 years and above. 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 Western Cape, number of females employed in manufacturing, etc.

6.8. Reliability of the survey estimates

Since 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 some extent, 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, the difference is highly significant; if p-value is between 0,01 and 0,05, the difference is significant; and if p-value > 0,05, the difference is not significant.

¹ Wolter KM, 2007. *Introduction to Variance Estimation, 2nd Edition*. New York: Springer-Verlag.

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, namely: (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.

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 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	32 435	32 555	32 670	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Women	16 695	16 747	16 797	16 847	16 898	51	203	0,3	1,2
Men	15 740	15 808	15 873	15 939	16 005	66	265	0,4	1,7
Population groups	32 435	32 555	32 670	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Black/African	25 381	25 496	25 608	25 720	25 833	113	452	0,4	1,8
Coloured	3 030	3 038	3 046	3 055	3 063	8	33	0,3	1,1
Indian/Asian	926	930	934	938	943	5	17	0,5	1,8
White	3 098	3 090	3 081	3 073	3 064	-9	-34	-0,3	-1,1
South Africa	32 435	32 555	32 670	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Western Cape	3 430	3 444	3 457	3 470	3 484	14	54	0,4	1,6
Eastern Cape	4 167	4 179	4 191	4 203	4 215	12	48	0,3	1,2
Northern Cape	719	721	723	725	727	2	8	0,3	1,1
Free State	1 870	1 874	1 877	1 881	1 884	3	14	0,2	0,7
KwaZulu Natal	6 748	6 776	6 802	6 828	6 855	27	107	0,4	1,6
North West	2 037	2 043	2 049	2 055	2 061	6	24	0,3	1,2
Gauteng	7 793	7 821	7 847	7 873	7 899	26	106	0,3	1,4
Mpumalanga	2 326	2 336	2 346	2 356	2 366	10	40	0,4	1,7
Limpopo	3 345	3 362	3 378	3 394	3 411	17	66	0,5	2,0

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

Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex - All population groups									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes									
Population 15-64 yrs	32 435	32 555	32 670	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Labour Force	17 663	17 761	17 741	17 948	17 916	-32	253	-0,2	1,4
Employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9 198	9 436	9 616	9 509	9 571	62	373	0,7	4,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 213	2 160	2 134	2 106	2 085	-21	-128	-1,0	-5,8
Agriculture	598	624	630	656	638	-18	40	-2,7	6,7
Private households	1 117	1 098	1 118	1 151	1 153	2	36	0,2	3,2
Unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Not economically active	14 772	14 795	14 929	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
Discouraged work-seekers	2 207	2 204	2 315	2 335	2 311	-24	104	-1,0	4,7
Other(not economically active)	12 566	12 591	12 614	12 503	12 675	172	109	1,4	0,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	25,7	25,0	23,9	25,2	24,9	-0,3	-0,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,5	40,9	41,3	40,9	40,9	0,0	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	54,5	54,6	54,3	54,7	54,5	-0,2	0,0		
Women									
Population 15-64 yrs	16 695	16 747	16 797	16 847	16 898	51	203	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	8 018	8 064	8 050	8 167	8 099	-68	81	-0,8	1,0
Employed	5 717	5 807	5 920	5 902	5 872	-30	155	-0,5	2,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3 752	3 852	3 982	3 944	3 941	-3	189	-0,1	5,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	912	891	874	857	842	-15	-70	-1,8	-7,7
Agriculture	191	205	198	213	201	-12	10	-5,6	5,2
Private households	863	860	866	888	889	1	26	0,1	3,0
Unemployed	2 301	2 257	2 129	2 265	2 227	-38	-74	-1,7	-3,2
Not economically active	8 677	8 683	8 748	8 681	8 799	118	122	1,4	1,4
Discouraged work-seekers	1 212	1 240	1 281	1 281	1 325	44	113	3,4	9,3
Other(not economically active)	7 465	7 443	7 467	7 399	7 474	75	9	1,0	0,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,7	28,0	26,5	27,7	27,5	-0,2	-1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	34,2	34,7	35,2	35,0	34,7	-0,3	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	48,0	48,2	47,9	48,5	47,9	-0,6	-0,1		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.
Note: Employment refers to market production activities.

Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex - All population groups (concluded) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Men									
Population 15-64 yrs	15 740	15 808	15 873	15 939	16 005	66	265	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	9 645	9 697	9 692	9 781	9 817	36	172	0,4	1,8
Employed	7 408	7 511	7 577	7 520	7 574	54	166	0,7	2,2
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5 446	5 584	5 634	5 565	5 630	65	184	1,2	3,4
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 301	1 269	1 260	1 249	1 243	-6	-58	-0,5	-4,5
Agriculture	407	419	432	443	438	-5	31	-1,1	7,6
Private households	254	239	251	263	264	1	10	0,4	3,9
Unemployed	2 237	2 186	2 115	2 261	2 243	-18	6	-0,8	0,3
Not economically active	6 095	6 111	6 181	6 158	6 187	29	92	0,5	1,5
Discouraged work-seekers	995	963	1 034	1 054	986	-68	-9	-6,5	-0,9
Other(not economically active)	5 101	5 148	5 147	5 104	5 201	97	100	1,9	2,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	23,2	22,5	21,8	23,1	22,8	-0,3	-0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,1	47,5	47,7	47,2	47,3	0,1	0,2		
Labour force participation rate	61,3	61,3	61,1	61,4	61,3	-0,1	0,0		

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 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa									
Population 15-64 yrs	32 435	32 555	32 670	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Labour Force	17 663	17 761	17 741	17 948	17 916	-32	253	-0,2	1,4
Employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Not economically active	14 772	14 795	14 929	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	25,7	25,0	23,9	25,2	24,9	-0,3	-0,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,5	40,9	41,3	40,9	40,9	0,0	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	54,5	54,6	54,3	54,7	54,5	-0,2	0,0		
Black/African									
Population 15-64 yrs	25 381	25 496	25 608	25 720	25 833	113	452	0,4	1,8
Labour Force	13 169	13 165	13 171	13 350	13 383	33	214	0,2	1,6
Employed	9 215	9 361	9 519	9 470	9 544	74	329	0,8	3,6
Unemployed	3 953	3 804	3 651	3 879	3 839	-40	-114	-1,0	-2,9
Not economically active	12 213	12 331	12 437	12 370	12 449	79	236	0,6	1,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	30,0	28,9	27,7	29,1	28,7	-0,4	-1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,3	36,7	37,2	36,8	36,9	0,1	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	51,9	51,6	51,4	51,9	51,8	-0,1	-0,1		
Coloured									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 030	3 038	3 046	3 055	3 063	8	33	0,3	1,1
Labour Force	1 822	1 957	1 926	1 955	1 936	-19	114	-1,0	6,3
Employed	1 402	1 495	1 520	1 488	1 473	-15	71	-1,0	5,1
Unemployed	420	463	406	468	464	-4	44	-0,9	10,5
Not economically active	1 208	1 081	1 121	1 099	1 127	28	-81	2,5	-6,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	23,1	23,6	21,1	23,9	24,0	0,1	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	46,3	49,2	49,9	48,7	48,1	-0,6	1,8		
Labour force participation rate	60,1	64,5	63,2	64,0	63,2	-0,8	3,1		

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 (concluded) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Indian/Asian									
Population 15-64 yrs	926	930	934	938	943	5	17	0,5	1,8
Labour Force	557	528	533	551	529	-22	-28	-4,0	-5,0
Employed	497	471	487	500	479	-21	-18	-4,2	-3,6
Unemployed	60	57	45	51	50	-1	-10	-2,0	-16,7
Not economically active	369	402	402	388	413	25	44	6,4	11,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	10,8	10,8	8,5	9,3	9,5	0,2	-1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	53,7	50,6	52,1	53,3	50,8	-2,5	-2,9		
Labour force participation rate	60,2	56,8	57,0	58,7	56,1	-2,6	-4,1		
White									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 098	3 090	3 081	3 073	3 064	-9	-34	-0,3	-1,1
Labour Force	2 115	2 110	2 112	2 092	2 067	-25	-48	-1,2	-2,3
Employed	2 011	1 992	1 971	1 964	1 950	-14	-61	-0,7	-3,0
Unemployed	105	118	142	128	117	-11	12	-8,6	11,4
Not economically active	983	980	969	981	997	16	14	1,6	1,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	5,0	5,6	6,7	6,1	5,7	-0,4	0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	64,9	64,5	64,0	63,9	63,6	-0,3	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	68,3	68,3	68,6	68,1	67,5	-0,6	-0,8		

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									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa									
Population 15-64 yrs	32 435	32 555	32 670	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Labour Force	17 663	17 761	17 741	17 948	17 916	-32	253	-0,2	1,4
Employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Not economically active	14 772	14 795	14 929	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
Discouraged work-seekers	2 207	2 204	2 315	2 335	2 311	-24	104	-1,0	4,7
Other	12 566	12 591	12 614	12 503	12 675	172	109	1,4	0,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	25,7	25,0	23,9	25,2	24,9	-0,3	-0,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,5	40,9	41,3	40,9	40,9	0,0	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	54,5	54,6	54,3	54,7	54,5	-0,2	0,0		
Western Cape									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 430	3 444	3 457	3 470	3 484	14	54	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	2 309	2 356	2 349	2 393	2 363	-30	54	-1,3	2,3
Employed	1 805	1 806	1 842	1 847	1 815	-32	10	-1,7	0,6
Unemployed	504	550	507	546	548	2	44	0,4	8,7
Not economically active	1 121	1 087	1 108	1 077	1 121	44	0	4,1	0,0
Discouraged work-seekers	34	30	46	28	31	3	-3	10,7	-8,8
Other	1 087	1 057	1 062	1 049	1 090	41	3	3,9	0,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	21,8	23,3	21,6	22,8	23,2	0,4	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,6	52,4	53,3	53,2	52,1	-1,1	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	67,3	68,4	67,9	69,0	67,8	-1,2	0,5		

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 (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Eastern Cape									
Population 15-64 yrs	4 167	4 179	4 191	4 203	4 215	12	48	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	1 840	1 781	1 821	1 783	1 819	36	-21	2,0	-1,1
Employed	1 309	1 298	1 326	1 279	1 298	19	-11	1,5	-0,8
Unemployed	531	483	494	504	521	17	-10	3,4	-1,9
Not economically active	2 327	2 399	2 370	2 420	2 396	-24	69	-1,0	3,0
Discouraged work-seekers	382	388	353	399	383	-16	1	-4,0	0,3
Other	1 945	2 011	2 018	2 020	2 012	-8	67	-0,4	3,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,9	27,1	27,1	28,3	28,6	0,3	-0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	31,4	31,1	31,6	30,4	30,8	0,4	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	44,2	42,6	43,4	42,4	43,2	0,8	-1,0		
Northern Cape									
Population 15-64 yrs	719	721	723	725	727	2	8	0,3	1,1
Labour Force	371	387	397	382	401	19	30	5,0	8,1
Employed	264	278	291	286	281	-5	17	-1,7	6,4
Unemployed	107	109	106	95	120	25	13	26,3	12,1
Not economically active	348	334	326	343	327	-16	-21	-4,7	-6,0
Discouraged work-seekers	30	34	39	34	30	-4	0	-11,8	0,0
Other	318	300	287	310	296	-14	-22	-4,5	-6,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,8	28,2	26,7	24,9	29,9	5,0	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,7	38,6	40,2	39,4	38,7	-0,7	2,0		
Labour force participation rate	51,6	53,7	54,9	52,6	55,2	2,6	3,6		

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 (continued) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Free State									
Population 15-64 yrs	1 870	1 874	1 877	1 881	1 884	3	14	0,2	0,7
Labour Force	1 074	1 109	1 067	1 087	1 085	-2	11	-0,2	1,0
Employed	772	826	753	737	728	-9	-44	-1,2	-5,7
Unemployed	303	283	314	350	357	7	54	2,0	17,8
Not economically active	796	765	810	794	799	5	3	0,6	0,4
Discouraged work-seekers	94	104	87	69	82	13	-12	18,8	-12,8
Other	701	660	723	725	717	-8	16	-1,1	2,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,2	25,5	29,4	32,2	32,9	0,7	4,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,3	44,1	40,1	39,2	38,6	-0,6	-2,7		
Labour force participation rate	57,5	59,2	56,8	57,8	57,6	-0,2	0,1		
KwaZulu Natal									
Population 15-64 yrs	6 748	6 776	6 802	6 828	6 855	27	107	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	3 137	3 103	3 176	3 168	3 143	-25	6	-0,8	0,2
Employed	2 500	2 510	2 562	2 519	2 520	1	20	0,0	0,8
Unemployed	638	593	614	649	623	-26	-15	-4,0	-2,4
Not economically active	3 611	3 672	3 626	3 660	3 712	52	101	1,4	2,8
Discouraged work-seekers	604	549	547	579	585	6	-19	1,0	-3,1
Other	3 007	3 124	3 079	3 081	3 127	46	120	1,5	4,0
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	20,3	19,1	19,3	20,5	19,8	-0,7	-0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,0	37,0	37,7	36,9	36,8	-0,1	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	46,5	45,8	46,7	46,4	45,8	-0,6	-0,7		

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 (continued)

	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
North West									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 037	2 043	2 049	2 055	2 061	6	24	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	951	952	928	954	961	7	10	0,7	1,1
Employed	691	680	700	704	709	5	18	0,7	2,6
Unemployed	260	272	228	250	252	2	-8	0,8	-3,1
Not economically active	1 086	1 091	1 121	1 101	1 101	0	15	0,0	1,4
Discouraged work-seekers	233	241	262	251	257	6	24	2,4	10,3
Other	854	850	859	850	844	-6	-10	-0,7	-1,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	27,3	28,6	24,6	26,2	26,2	0,0	-1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	33,9	33,3	34,2	34,3	34,4	0,1	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	46,7	46,6	45,3	46,4	46,6	0,2	-0,1		
Gauteng									
Population 15-64 yrs	7 793	7 821	7 847	7 873	7 899	26	106	0,3	1,4
Labour Force	5 523	5 517	5 493	5 596	5 527	-69	4	-1,2	0,1
Employed	3 965	3 983	4 115	4 140	4 125	-15	160	-0,4	4,0
Unemployed	1 558	1 533	1 379	1 456	1 402	-54	-156	-3,7	-10,0
Not economically active	2 270	2 305	2 354	2 277	2 372	95	102	4,2	4,5
Discouraged work-seekers	231	235	309	293	284	-9	53	-3,1	22,9
Other	2 039	2 069	2 045	1 984	2 088	104	49	5,2	2,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	28,2	27,8	25,1	26,0	25,4	-0,6	-2,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,9	50,9	52,4	52,6	52,2	-0,4	1,3		
Labour force participation rate	70,9	70,5	70,0	71,1	70,0	-1,1	-0,9		

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 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Mpumalanga									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 326	2 336	2 346	2 356	2 366	10	40	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	1 271	1 285	1 277	1 310	1 341	31	70	2,4	5,5
Employed	884	911	923	913	953	40	69	4,4	7,8
Unemployed	387	374	354	397	388	-9	1	-2,3	0,3
Not economically active	1 055	1 051	1 069	1 046	1 025	-21	-30	-2,0	-2,8
Discouraged work-seekers	185	213	232	257	229	-28	44	-10,9	23,8
Other	870	839	837	789	795	6	-75	0,8	-8,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	30,4	29,1	27,7	30,3	28,9	-1,4	-1,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,0	39,0	39,3	38,8	40,3	1,5	2,3		
Labour force participation rate	54,6	55,0	54,4	55,6	56,7	1,1	2,1		
Limpopo									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 345	3 362	3 378	3 394	3 411	17	66	0,5	2,0
Labour Force	1 186	1 271	1 234	1 275	1 276	1	90	0,1	7,6
Employed	936	1 026	985	996	1 018	22	82	2,2	8,8
Unemployed	251	246	249	279	258	-21	7	-7,5	2,8
Not economically active	2 159	2 090	2 144	2 119	2 134	15	-25	0,7	-1,2
Discouraged work-seekers	413	410	441	424	430	6	17	1,4	4,1
Other	1 746	1 681	1 703	1 695	1 705	10	-41	0,6	-2,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	21,1	19,3	20,2	21,9	20,2	-1,7	-0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	28,0	30,5	29,2	29,3	29,8	0,5	1,8		
Labour force participation rate	35,5	37,8	36,5	37,6	37,4	-0,2	1,9		

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

Note: Employment refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province - Expanded definition of unemployment

	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa									
Population 15-64 yrs	32 435	32 555	32 670	32 786	32 903	117	468	0,4	1,4
Labour Force	20 804	20 822	20 893	21 167	21 070	-97	266	-0,5	1,3
Employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Unemployed	7 678	7 504	7 396	7 745	7 623	-122	-55	-1,6	-0,7
Not economically active	11 632	11 733	11 777	11 619	11 833	214	201	1,8	1,7
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	36,9	36,0	35,4	36,6	36,2	-0,4	-0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,5	40,9	41,3	40,9	40,9	0,0	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	64,1	64,0	64,0	64,6	64,0	-0,6	-0,1		
Western Cape									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 430	3 444	3 457	3 470	3 484	14	54	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	2 362	2 408	2 433	2 446	2 420	-26	58	-1,1	2,5
Employed	1 805	1 806	1 842	1 847	1 815	-32	10	-1,7	0,6
Unemployed	557	602	590	599	605	6	48	1,0	8,6
Not economically active	1 068	1 036	1 024	1 024	1 063	39	-5	3,8	-0,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	23,6	25,0	24,3	24,5	25,0	0,5	1,4	.	.
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,6	52,4	53,3	53,2	52,1	-1,1	-0,5		
Labour force participation rate	68,9	69,9	70,4	70,5	69,5	-1,0	0,6		
Eastern Cape									
Population 15-64 yrs	4 167	4 179	4 191	4 203	4 215	12	48	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	2 280	2 234	2 243	2 245	2 255	10	-25	0,4	-1,1
Employed	1 309	1 298	1 326	1 279	1 298	19	-11	1,5	-0,8
Unemployed	971	936	917	967	957	-10	-14	-1,0	-1,4
Not economically active	1 887	1 945	1 947	1 958	1 960	2	73	0,1	3,9
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	42,6	41,9	40,9	43,1	42,4	-0,7	-0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	31,4	31,1	31,6	30,4	30,8	0,4	-0,6		
Labour force participation rate	54,7	53,5	53,5	53,4	53,5	0,1	-1,2		

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

Note: Employment refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province - Expanded definition of unemployment (continued) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Northern Cape									
Population 15-64 yrs	719	721	723	725	727	2	8	0,3	1,1
Labour Force	422	435	448	432	446	14	24	3,2	5,7
Employed	264	278	291	286	281	-5	17	-1,7	6,4
Unemployed	157	157	157	146	166	20	9	13,7	5,7
Not economically active	297	286	275	293	281	-12	-16	-4,1	-5,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,3	36,1	35,0	33,8	37,1	3,3	-0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,7	38,6	40,2	39,4	38,7	-0,7	2,0		
Labour force participation rate	58,6	60,3	62,0	59,6	61,5	1,9	2,9		
Free State									
Population 15-64 yrs	1 870	1 874	1 877	1 881	1 884	3	14	0,2	0,7
Labour Force	1 225	1 253	1 197	1 207	1 206	-1	-19	-0,1	-1,6
Employed	772	826	753	737	728	-9	-44	-1,2	-5,7
Unemployed	453	426	444	470	478	8	25	1,7	5,5
Not economically active	645	621	680	674	678	4	33	0,6	5,1
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	37,0	34,0	37,1	38,9	39,6	0,7	2,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,3	44,1	40,1	39,2	38,6	-0,6	-2,7		
Labour force participation rate	65,5	66,8	63,8	64,2	64,0	-0,2	-1,5		
KwaZulu Natal									
Population 15-64 yrs	6 748	6 776	6 802	6 828	6 855	27	107	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	4 101	4 022	4 038	4 152	4 097	-55	-4	-1,3	-0,1
Employed	2 500	2 510	2 562	2 519	2 520	1	20	0,0	0,8
Unemployed	1 602	1 512	1 476	1 633	1 577	-56	-25	-3,4	-1,6
Not economically active	2 647	2 754	2 764	2 676	2 758	82	111	3,1	4,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	39,1	37,6	36,6	39,3	38,5	-0,8	-0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,0	37,0	37,7	36,9	36,8	-0,1	-0,2		
Labour force participation rate	60,8	59,4	59,4	60,8	59,8	-1,0	-1,0		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.
Note: Employment refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province - Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
North West									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 037	2 043	2 049	2 055	2 061	6	24	0,3	1,2
Labour Force	1 286	1 264	1 272	1 292	1 292		6	0,0	0,5
Employed	691	680	700	704	709	5	18	0,7	2,6
Unemployed	595	584	572	587	583	-4	-12	-0,7	-2,0
Not economically active	751	779	777	763	769	6	18	0,8	2,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	46,3	46,2	45,0	45,5	45,1	-0,4	-1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	33,9	33,3	34,2	34,3	34,4	0,1	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	63,1	61,9	62,1	62,8	62,7	-0,1	-0,4		
Gauteng									
Population 15-64 yrs	7 793	7 821	7 847	7 873	7 899	26	106	0,3	1,4
Labour Force	5 821	5 827	5 867	5 942	5 879	-63	58	-1,1	1,0
Employed	3 965	3 983	4 115	4 140	4 125	-15	160	-0,4	4,0
Unemployed	1 857	1 844	1 752	1 802	1 754	-48	-103	-2,7	-5,5
Not economically active	1 972	1 994	1 980	1 931	2 021	90	49	4,7	2,5
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	31,9	31,6	29,9	30,3	29,8	-0,5	-2,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,9	50,9	52,4	52,6	52,2	-0,4	1,3		
Labour force participation rate	74,7	74,5	74,8	75,5	74,4	-1,1	-0,3		
Mpumalanga									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 326	2 336	2 346	2 356	2 366	10	40	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	1 573	1 591	1 614	1 665	1 667	2	94	0,1	6,0
Employed	884	911	923	913	953	40	69	4,4	7,8
Unemployed	689	680	691	752	714	-38	25	-5,1	3,6
Not economically active	753	745	732	691	699	8	-54	1,2	-7,2
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	43,8	42,7	42,8	45,2	42,8	-2,4	-1,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,0	39,0	39,3	38,8	40,3	1,5	2,3		
Labour force participation rate	67,6	68,1	68,8	70,7	70,5	-0,2	2,9		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.
Note: Employment refers to market production activities.

Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province - Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Limpopo									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 345	3 362	3 378	3 394	3 411	17	66	0,5	2,0
Labour Force	1 733	1 789	1 781	1 786	1 807	21	74	1,2	4,3
Employed	936	1 026	985	996	1 018	22	82	2,2	8,8
Unemployed	798	763	796	790	789	-1	-9	-0,1	-1,1
Not economically active	1 612	1 573	1 597	1 608	1 603	-5	-9	-0,3	-0,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	46,0	42,6	44,7	44,2	43,7	-0,5	-2,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	28,0	30,5	29,2	29,3	29,8	0,5	1,8		
Labour force participation rate	51,8	53,2	52,7	52,6	53,0	0,4	1,2		

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 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand
Both sexes	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Agriculture	598	624	630	656	638	-18	40	-2,7	6,7
Mining	282	324	327	336	357	21	75	6,3	26,6
Manufacturing	1 735	1 737	1 789	1 722	1 678	-44	-57	-2,6	-3,3
Utilities	93	73	81	91	98	7	5	7,7	5,4
Construction	1 043	1 086	1 057	986	1 012	26	-31	2,6	-3,0
Trade	2 944	3 012	3 060	3 057	2 966	-91	22	-3,0	0,7
Transport	777	756	788	783	791	8	14	1,0	1,8
Finance	1 704	1 768	1 739	1 741	1 737	-4	33	-0,2	1,9
Community and social services	2 831	2 836	2 902	2 891	3 012	121	181	4,2	6,4
Private households	1 117	1 098	1 118	1 151	1 153	2	36	0,2	3,2
Other	3	4	6	7	5	-2	2	-28,6	66,7
Women	5 717	5 807	5 920	5 902	5 872	-30	155	-0,5	2,7
Agriculture	191	205	198	213	201	-12	10	-5,6	5,2
Mining	32	31	34	43	52	9	20	20,9	62,5
Manufacturing	592	580	581	557	516	-41	-76	-7,4	-12,8
Utilities	22	13	14	14	19	5	-3	35,7	-13,6
Construction	119	112	118	107	120	13	1	12,1	0,8
Trade	1 376	1 414	1 469	1 452	1 391	-61	15	-4,2	1,1
Transport	148	140	167	162	155	-7	7	-4,3	4,7
Finance	747	781	743	748	744	-4	-3	-0,5	-0,4
Community and social services	1 628	1 672	1 729	1 715	1 785	70	157	4,1	9,6
Private households	863	860	866	888	889	1	26	0,1	3,0
Other	1	1	2	3	2	-1	1	-33,3	100,0
Men	7 408	7 511	7 577	7 520	7 574	54	166	0,7	2,2
Agriculture	407	419	432	443	438	-5	31	-1,1	7,6
Mining	249	292	294	293	306	13	57	4,4	22,9
Manufacturing	1 143	1 156	1 208	1 165	1 162	-3	19	-0,3	1,7
Utilities	71	60	67	77	80	3	9	3,9	12,7
Construction	925	975	939	880	892	12	-33	1,4	-3,6
Trade	1 568	1 599	1 592	1 606	1 574	-32	6	-2,0	0,4
Transport	629	616	621	621	636	15	7	2,4	1,1
Finance	957	987	996	993	993	0	36	0,0	3,8
Community and social services	1 203	1 164	1 173	1 176	1 227	51	24	4,3	2,0
Private households	254	239	251	263	264	1	10	0,4	3,9
Other	2	3	5	4	3	-1	1	-25,0	50,0

Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province

	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand
Agriculture	598	624	630	656	638	-18	40	-2,7	6,7
Western Cape	100	113	94	127	102	-25	2	-19,7	2,0
Eastern Cape	61	67	64	47	60	13	-1	27,7	-1,6
Northern Cape	47	47	55	47	43	-4	-4	-8,5	-8,5
Free State	73	68	62	72	56	-16	-17	-22,2	-23,3
KwaZulu Natal	99	97	95	91	91		-8	0,0	-8,1
North West	32	31	30	38	34	-4	2	-10,5	6,3
Gauteng	34	39	64	62	69	7	35	11,3	102,9
Mpumalanga	78	75	75	83	85	2	7	2,4	9,0
Limpopo	74	87	90	88	99	11	25	12,5	33,8
Mining	282	324	327	336	357	21	75	6,3	26,6
Western Cape	4	6	4	3	4	1		33,3	0,0
Eastern Cape	.	1	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
Northern Cape	10	10	13	16	19	3	9	18,8	90,0
Free State	16	21	27	28	26	-2	10	-7,1	62,5
KwaZulu Natal	6	16	13	18	19	1	13	5,6	216,7
North West	108	114	110	109	120	11	12	10,1	11,1
Gauteng	31	25	30	28	32	4	1	14,3	3,2
Mpumalanga	52	72	69	64	67	3	15	4,7	28,8
Limpopo	55	58	61	70	68	-2	13	-2,9	23,6
Manufacturing	1 735	1 737	1 789	1 722	1 678	-44	-57	-2,6	-3,3
Western Cape	277	276	320	294	280	-14	3	-4,8	1,1
Eastern Cape	201	171	155	158	158		-43	0,0	-21,4
Northern Cape	9	13	15	16	10	-6	1	-37,5	11,1
Free State	60	65	64	54	57	3	-3	5,6	-5,0
KwaZulu Natal	397	400	428	386	389	3	-8	0,8	-2,0
North West	63	67	62	56	56		-7	0,0	-11,1
Gauteng	581	600	608	608	589	-19	8	-3,1	1,4
Mpumalanga	75	77	76	81	76	-5	1	-6,2	1,3
Limpopo	71	67	62	69	63	-6	-8	-8,7	-11,3

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Utilities	93	73	81	91	98	7	5	7,7	5,4
Western Cape	12	10	6	4	6	2	-6	50,0	-50,0
Eastern Cape	6	5	5	7	7		1	0,0	16,7
Northern Cape	2	3	3	4	3	-1	1	-25,0	50,0
Free State	4	3	3	5	6	1	2	20,0	50,0
KwaZulu Natal	18	8	7	9	13	4	-5	44,4	-27,8
North West	3	3	3	3	5	2	2	66,7	66,7
Gauteng	19	24	25	26	22	-4	3	-15,4	15,8
Mpumalanga	23	14	22	24	26	2	3	8,3	13,0
Limpopo	6	5	7	8	11	3	5	37,5	83,3
Construction	1 043	1 086	1 057	986	1 012	26	-31	2,6	-3,0
Western Cape	118	129	144	135	144	9	26	6,7	22,0
Eastern Cape	118	107	124	108	106	-2	-12	-1,9	-10,2
Northern Cape	13	21	19	19	20	1	7	5,3	53,8
Free State	54	108	49	47	48	1	-6	2,1	-11,1
KwaZulu Natal	235	234	239	210	211	1	-24	0,5	-10,2
North West	45	41	49	46	45	-1		-2,2	0,0
Gauteng	313	259	259	265	269	4	-44	1,5	-14,1
Mpumalanga	69	76	78	64	76	12	7	18,8	10,1
Limpopo	78	111	95	92	94	2	16	2,2	20,5
Trade	2 944	3 012	3 060	3 057	2 966	-91	22	-3,0	0,7
Western Cape	406	397	406	391	395	4	-11	1,0	-2,7
Eastern Cape	286	296	308	327	324	-3	38	-0,9	13,3
Northern Cape	39	40	42	41	42	1	3	2,4	7,7
Free State	178	176	173	160	156	-4	-22	-2,5	-12,4
KwaZulu Natal	555	605	614	570	545	-25	-10	-4,4	-1,8
North West	141	130	138	152	145	-7	4	-4,6	2,8
Gauteng	899	894	914	944	851	-93	-48	-9,9	-5,3
Mpumalanga	217	222	222	228	249	21	32	9,2	14,7
Limpopo	224	252	242	246	259	13	35	5,3	15,6

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Transport	777	756	788	783	791	8	14	1,0	1,8
Western Cape	106	105	96	100	96	-4	-10	-4,0	-9,4
Eastern Cape	74	75	75	75	69	-6	-5	-8,0	-6,8
Northern Cape	11	10	10	10	8	-2	-3	-20,0	-27,3
Free State	31	33	35	27	30	3	-1	11,1	-3,2
KwaZulu Natal	181	156	171	180	196	16	15	8,9	8,3
North West	24	22	26	26	30	4	6	15,4	25,0
Gauteng	278	278	298	263	254	-9	-24	-3,4	-8,6
Mpumalanga	39	42	39	48	56	8	17	16,7	43,6
Limpopo	34	35	39	55	53	-2	19	-3,6	55,9
Finance	1 704	1 768	1 739	1 741	1 737	-4	33	-0,2	1,9
Western Cape	286	288	281	293	282	-11	-4	-3,8	-1,4
Eastern Cape	139	138	147	126	102	-24	-37	-19,0	-26,6
Northern Cape	24	23	27	24	25	1	1	4,2	4,2
Free State	76	75	62	70	76	6		8,6	0,0
KwaZulu Natal	274	287	277	276	282	6	8	2,2	2,9
North West	55	63	56	52	45	-7	-10	-13,5	-18,2
Gauteng	705	744	740	761	786	25	81	3,3	11,5
Mpumalanga	82	81	84	79	85	6	3	7,6	3,7
Limpopo	64	69	66	58	55	-3	-9	-5,2	-14,1
Community and social services	2 831	2 836	2 902	2 891	3 012	121	181	4,2	6,4
Western Cape	382	364	374	382	391	9	9	2,4	2,4
Eastern Cape	326	330	339	336	363	27	37	8,0	11,3
Northern Cape	83	83	79	83	89	6	6	7,2	7,2
Free State	197	197	192	181	176	-5	-21	-2,8	-10,7
KwaZulu Natal	509	486	516	540	544	4	35	0,7	6,9
North West	151	151	165	161	164	3	13	1,9	8,6
Gauteng	769	805	830	824	900	76	131	9,2	17,0
Mpumalanga	164	163	163	149	148	-1	-16	-0,7	-9,8
Limpopo	249	257	244	234	236	2	-13	0,9	-5,2

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Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (concluded) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Private households	1 117	1 098	1 118	1 151	1 153	2	36	0,2	3,2
Western Cape	113	119	117	117	117		4	0,0	3,5
Eastern Cape	97	106	110	94	106	12	9	12,8	9,3
Northern Cape	26	27	28	25	23	-2	-3	-8,0	-11,5
Free State	83	82	85	92	97	5	14	5,4	16,9
KwaZulu Natal	226	220	201	239	229	-10	3	-4,2	1,3
North West	67	59	61	60	64	4	-3	6,7	-4,5
Gauteng	336	312	341	354	349	-5	13	-1,4	3,9
Mpumalanga	87	90	95	94	86	-8	-1	-8,5	-1,1
Limpopo	81	84	78	76	81	5	0	6,6	0,0

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Table 3.3: Employed by sector and industry - South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Total employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Formal and informal sector (Non-agricultural)	11 411	11 596	11 750	11 615	11 656	41	245	0,4	2,1
Mining	282	324	327	336	357	21	75	6,3	26,6
Manufacturing	1 735	1 737	1 789	1 722	1 678	-44	-57	-2,6	-3,3
Utilities	93	73	81	91	98	7	5	7,7	5,4
Construction	1 043	1 086	1 057	986	1 012	26	-31	2,6	-3,0
Trade	2 944	3 012	3 060	3 057	2 966	-91	22	-3,0	0,7
Transport	777	756	788	783	791	8	14	1,0	1,8
Finance	1 704	1 768	1 739	1 741	1 737	-4	33	-0,2	1,9
Community and social services	2 831	2 836	2 902	2 891	3 012	121	181	4,2	6,4
Other	3	4	6	7	5	-2	2	-28,6	66,7
Formal sector (Non- agricultural)	9 198	9 436	9 616	9 509	9 571	62	373	0,7	4,1
Mining	280	323	327	335	357	22	77	6,6	27,5
Manufacturing	1 513	1 527	1 586	1 540	1 507	-33	-6	-2,1	-0,4
Utilities	90	71	80	90	97	7	7	7,8	7,8
Construction	730	783	737	659	719	60	-11	9,1	-1,5
Trade	1 938	1 979	2 064	2 062	1 965	-97	27	-4,7	1,4
Transport	567	572	597	575	604	29	37	5,0	6,5
Finance	1 549	1 618	1 598	1 607	1 605	-2	56	-0,1	3,6
Community and social services	2 529	2 559	2 622	2 634	2 712	78	183	3,0	7,2
Other	2	4	5	7	5	-2	3	-28,6	150,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 213	2 160	2 134	2 106	2 085	-21	-128	-1,0	-5,8
Mining	1	1		1		-1	-1	-100,0	-100,0
Manufacturing	222	209	203	182	171	-11	-51	-6,0	-23,0
Utilities	4	2		1	2	1	-2	100,0	-50,0
Construction	314	303	320	328	292	-36	-22	-11,0	-7,0
Trade	1 006	1 033	997	995	1 000	5	-6	0,5	-0,6
Transport	210	184	192	208	187	-21	-23	-10,1	-11,0
Finance	155	150	141	134	132	-2	-23	-1,5	-14,8
Community and social services	301	277	280	257	300	43	-1	16,7	-0,3
Other	1		1						
Agriculture	598	624	630	656	638	-18	40	-2,7	6,7
Private households	1 117	1 098	1 118	1 151	1 153	2	36	0,2	3,2

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector#									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	9 198	9 436	9 616	9 509	9 571	62	373	0,7	4,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 213	2 160	2 134	2 106	2 085	-21	-128	-1,0	-5,8
Agriculture	598	624	630	656	638	-18	40	-2,7	6,7
Private households	1 117	1 098	1 118	1 151	1 153	2	36	0,2	3,2
Western Cape	1 805	1 806	1 842	1 847	1 815	-32	10	-1,7	0,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 414	1 387	1 455	1 435	1 435	0	21	0,0	1,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	178	188	176	168	162	-6	-16	-3,6	-9,0
Agriculture	100	113	94	127	102	-25	2	-19,7	2,0
Private households	113	119	117	117	117	0	4	0,0	3,5
Eastern Cape	1 309	1 298	1 326	1 279	1 298	19	-11	1,5	-0,8
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	871	876	903	852	877	25	6	2,9	0,7
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	279	249	250	286	254	-32	-25	-11,2	-9,0
Agriculture	61	67	64	47	60	13	-1	27,7	-1,6
Private households	97	106	110	94	106	12	9	12,8	9,3
Northern Cape	264	278	291	286	281	-5	17	-1,7	6,4
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	162	170	178	186	189	3	27	1,6	16,7
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	28	34	30	29	26	-3	-2	-10,3	-7,1
Agriculture	47	47	55	47	43	-4	-4	-8,5	-8,5
Private households	26	27	28	25	23	-2	-3	-8,0	-11,5
Free State	772	826	753	737	728	-9	-44	-1,2	-5,7
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	480	544	488	472	475	3	-5	0,6	-1,0
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	136	133	118	101	100	-1	-36	-1,0	-26,5
Agriculture	73	68	62	72	56	-16	-17	-22,2	-23,3
Private households	83	82	85	92	97	5	14	5,4	16,9
KwaZulu Natal	2 500	2 510	2 562	2 519	2 520	1	20	0,0	0,8
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 688	1 688	1 757	1 729	1 757	28	69	1,6	4,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	487	505	509	460	443	-17	-44	-3,7	-9,0
Agriculture	99	97	95	91	91	0	-8	0,0	-8,1
Private households	226	220	201	239	229	-10	3	-4,2	1,3

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Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (concluded) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
North West	691	680	700	704	709	5	18	0,7	2,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	504	506	519	514	505	-9	1	-1,8	0,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	87	85	89	92	106	14	19	15,2	21,8
Agriculture	32	31	30	38	34	-4	2	-10,5	6,3
Private households	67	59	61	60	64	4	-3	6,7	-4,5
Gauteng	3 965	3 983	4 115	4 140	4 125	-15	160	-0,4	4,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3 053	3 126	3 217	3 233	3 227	-6	174	-0,2	5,7
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	543	506	492	491	479	-12	-64	-2,4	-11,8
Agriculture	34	39	64	62	69	7	35	11,3	102,9
Private households	336	312	341	354	349	-5	13	-1,4	3,9
Mpumalanga	884	911	923	913	953	40	69	4,4	7,8
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	519	563	555	548	568	20	49	3,6	9,4
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	201	183	197	189	214	25	13	13,2	6,5
Agriculture	78	75	75	83	85	2	7	2,4	9,0
Private households	87	90	95	94	86	-8	-1	-8,5	-1,1
Limpopo	936	1 026	985	996	1 018	22	82	2,2	8,8
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	507	577	544	541	538	-3	31	-0,6	6,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	274	278	273	290	301	11	27	3,8	9,9
Agriculture	74	87	90	88	99	11	25	12,5	33,8
Private households	81	84	78	76	81	5	0	6,6	0,0

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Table 3.5: Employed by sex and occupation - South Africa#									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Manager	1 124	1 130	1 130	1 102	1 062	-40	-62	-3,6	-5,5
Professional	762	763	745	747	816	69	54	9,2	7,1
Technician	1 469	1 440	1 498	1 532	1 577	45	108	2,9	7,4
Clerk	1 358	1 426	1 523	1 419	1 406	-13	48	-0,9	3,5
Sales and services	1 944	1 975	1 960	1 969	1 956	-13	12	-0,7	0,6
Skilled agriculture	71	61	67	61	67	6	-4	9,8	-5,6
Craft and related trade	1 576	1 655	1 637	1 605	1 581	-24	5	-1,5	0,3
Plant and machine operator	1 121	1 097	1 126	1 106	1 111	5	-10	0,5	-0,9
Elementary	2 824	2 894	2 933	2 983	2 957	-26	133	-0,9	4,7
Domestic worker	876	878	878	896	913	17	37	1,9	4,2
Women	5 717	5 807	5 920	5 902	5 872	-30	155	-0,5	2,7
Manager	352	349	340	357	337	-20	-15	-5,6	-4,3
Professional	351	373	343	321	370	49	19	15,3	5,4
Technician	823	796	838	854	842	-12	19	-1,4	2,3
Clerk	941	988	1 066	987	987	0	46	0,0	4,9
Sales and services	843	875	886	912	895	-17	52	-1,9	6,2
Skilled agriculture	18	20	21	22	17	-5	-1	-22,7	-5,6
Craft and related trade	193	185	186	188	154	-34	-39	-18,1	-20,2
Plant and machine operator	166	166	165	143	148	5	-18	3,5	-10,8
Elementary	1 189	1 211	1 233	1 248	1 248	0	59	0,0	5,0
Domestic worker	841	843	843	871	874	3	33	0,3	3,9
Men	7 408	7 511	7 577	7 520	7 574	54	166	0,7	2,2
Manager	772	781	790	745	725	-20	-47	-2,7	-6,1
Professional	411	390	402	427	446	19	35	4,4	8,5
Technician	647	643	660	678	736	58	89	8,6	13,8
Clerk	416	437	457	433	419	-14	3	-3,2	0,7
Sales and services	1 102	1 100	1 075	1 057	1 061	4	-41	0,4	-3,7
Skilled agriculture	52	41	46	40	50	10	-2	25,0	-3,8
Craft and related trade	1 383	1 471	1 452	1 417	1 427	10	44	0,7	3,2
Plant and machine operator	955	931	960	963	962	-1	7	-0,1	0,7
Elementary	1 635	1 683	1 700	1 735	1 710	-25	75	-1,4	4,6
Domestic worker	36	34	35	25	39	14	3	56,0	8,3

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Table 3.6: Employed by sex and status in employment - South Africa#									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Employee	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Employer	748	713	704	669	695	26	-53	3,9	-7,1
Own-account worker	1 224	1 231	1 230	1 247	1 243	-4	19	-0,3	1,6
Unpaid household member	97	112	103	100	93	-7	-4	-7,0	-4,1
Women	5 717	5 807	5 920	5 902	5 872	-30	155	-0,5	2,7
Employee	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Employer	168	158	148	129	148	19	-20	14,7	-11,9
Own-account worker	589	584	580	582	543	-39	-46	-6,7	-7,8
Unpaid household member	69	65	68	70	64	-6	-5	-8,6	-7,2
Men	7 408	7 511	7 577	7 520	7 574	54	166	0,7	2,2
Employee	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Employer	580	555	556	540	546	6	-34	1,1	-5,9
Own-account worker	636	647	650	666	701	35	65	5,3	10,2
Unpaid household member	28	47	36	30	29	-1	1	-3,3	3,6

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Table 3.7: Employed by sex and usual hours of work - South Africa#									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Working less than 15 hours per week	234	227	238	218	228	10	-6	4,6	-2,6
Working 15-29 hours per week	744	779	774	811	784	-27	40	-3,3	5,4
Working 30-39 hours per week	963	957	932	989	936	-53	-27	-5,4	-2,8
Working 40-45 hours per week	7 177	7 389	7 424	7 377	7 504	127	327	1,7	4,6
Working more than 45 hours per week	4 008	3 966	4 129	4 027	3 994	-33	-14	-0,8	-0,3
Women	5 717	5 807	5 920	5 902	5 872	-30	155	-0,5	2,7
Working less than 15 hours per week	129	140	143	142	146	4	17	2,8	13,2
Working 15-29 hours per week	485	485	501	529	521	-8	36	-1,5	7,4
Working 30-39 hours per week	583	586	576	598	600	2	17	0,3	2,9
Working 40-45 hours per week	3 102	3 232	3 264	3 202	3 275	73	173	2,3	5,6
Working more than 45 hours per week	1 419	1 364	1 436	1 432	1 330	-102	-89	-7,1	-6,3
Men	7 408	7 511	7 577	7 520	7 574	54	166	0,7	2,2
Working less than 15 hours per week	106	87	95	76	82	6	-24	7,9	-22,6
Working 15-29 hours per week	258	293	273	282	263	-19	5	-6,7	1,9
Working 30-39 hours per week	380	371	356	391	336	-55	-44	-14,1	-11,6
Working 40-45 hours per week	4 075	4 157	4 159	4 175	4 229	54	154	1,3	3,8
Working more than 45 hours per week	2 589	2 602	2 693	2 595	2 664	69	75	2,7	2,9

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment - South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Pension/retirement fund contribution									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	5 188	5 355	5 537	5 513	5 631	118	443	2,1	8,5
No	5 721	5 740	5 769	5 726	5 612	-114	-109	-2,0	-1,9
Don't know	146	168	154	167	172	5	26	3,0	17,8
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	2 119	2 246	2 315	2 288	2 347	59	228	2,6	10,8
No	2 707	2 688	2 743	2 760	2 707	-53		-1,9	0,0
Don't know	66	68	66	75	64	-11	-2	-14,7	-3,0
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	3 070	3 110	3 222	3 225	3 284	59	214	1,8	7,0
No	3 014	3 052	3 025	2 966	2 905	-61	-109	-2,1	-3,6
Don't know	80	101	88	93	109	16	29	17,2	36,3
Entitled to any paid leave									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	7 222	7 444	7 631	7 613	7 568	-45	346	-0,6	4,8
No	3 741	3 691	3 712	3 680	3 723	43	-18	1,2	-0,5
Don't know	93	129	118	112	124	12	31	10,7	33,3
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	3 093	3 256	3 343	3 314	3 284	-30	191	-0,9	6,2
No	1 762	1 698	1 741	1 752	1 791	39	29	2,2	1,6
Don't know	37	47	41	55	43	-12	6	-21,8	16,2
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	4 129	4 187	4 288	4 299	4 284	-15	155	-0,3	3,8
No	1 979	1 993	1 971	1 928	1 933	5	-46	0,3	-2,3
Don't know	56	82	76	57	81	24	25	42,1	44,6

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment - South Africa (continued)

	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Entitled to paid sick leave									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	7 388	7 705	7 846	7 909	7 879	-30	491	-0,4	6,6
No	3 668	3 558	3 614	3 497	3 537	40	-131	1,1	-3,6
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	3 202	3 394	3 471	3 487	3 449	-38	247	-1,1	7,7
No	1 690	1 607	1 654	1 635	1 669	34	-21	2,1	-1,2
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	4 186	4 311	4 374	4 422	4 430	8	244	0,2	5,8
No	1 978	1 951	1 961	1 862	1 868	6	-110	0,3	-5,6
Entitled to maternity/paternity leave									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	5 907	6 090	6 415	6 338	6 284	-54	377	-0,9	6,4
No	5 149	5 173	5 045	5 068	5 132	64	-17	1,3	-0,3
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	2 701	2 789	2 961	2 910	2 898	-12	197	-0,4	7,3
No	2 191	2 212	2 163	2 211	2 220	9	29	0,4	1,3
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	3 206	3 300	3 454	3 427	3 386	-41	180	-1,2	5,6
No	2 958	2 962	2 881	2 856	2 912	56	-46	2,0	-1,6

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment - South Africa (continued)									
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	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
UIF contribution									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	6 265	6 479	6 563	6 541	6 463	-78	198	-1,2	3,2
No	4 687	4 670	4 748	4 738	4 819	81	132	1,7	2,8
Don't know	105	114	148	127	134	7	29	5,5	27,6
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	2 563	2 667	2 688	2 684	2 640	-44	77	-1,6	3,0
No	2 280	2 289	2 363	2 378	2 434	56	154	2,4	6,8
Don't know	49	46	73	60	43	-17	-6	-28,3	-12,2
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	3 702	3 812	3 875	3 857	3 823	-34	121	-0,9	3,3
No	2 407	2 381	2 385	2 360	2 385	25	-22	1,1	-0,9
Don't know	56	68	75	66	90	24	34	36,4	60,7
Medical aid benefits									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	3 465	3 523	3 689	3 686	3 767	81	302	2,2	8,7
No	7 522	7 648	7 672	7 634	7 538	-96	16	-1,3	0,2
Don't know	69	92	99	86	110	24	41	27,9	59,4
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	1 506	1 541	1 613	1 594	1 640	46	134	2,9	8,9
No	3 360	3 420	3 458	3 480	3 430	-50	70	-1,4	2,1
Don't know	26	40	54	48	47	-1	21	-2,1	80,8
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	1 959	1 982	2 075	2 091	2 127	36	168	1,7	8,6
No	4 162	4 228	4 214	4 154	4 108	-46	-54	-1,1	-1,3
Don't know	43	52	46	39	63	24	20	61,5	46,5

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	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Income tax (PAYE/ SITE) deduction									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	6 046	6 338	6 527	6 390	6 369	-21	323	-0,3	5,3
No	4 877	4 784	4 781	4 861	4 872	11	-5	0,2	-0,1
Don't know	132	141	152	154	175	21	43	13,6	32,6
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	2 490	2 654	2 742	2 667	2 674	7	184	0,3	7,4
No	2 354	2 293	2 323	2 387	2 383	-4	29	-0,2	1,2
Don't know	48	55	60	68	60	-8	12	-11,8	25,0
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	3 556	3 684	3 785	3 723	3 695	-28	139	-0,8	3,9
No	2 524	2 492	2 458	2 474	2 488	14	-36	0,6	-1,4
Don't know	84	86	93	87	115	28	31	32,2	36,9
Condition of employment									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Written contract	8 791	8 993	9 149	9 163	9 233	70	442	0,8	5,0
Verbal agreement	2 265	2 270	2 311	2 243	2 182	-61	-83	-2,7	-3,7
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Written contract	3 829	3 930	4 035	4 029	4 055	26	226	0,6	5,9
Verbal agreement	1 064	1 071	1 090	1 093	1 063	-30	-1	-2,7	-0,1
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Written contract	4 963	5 063	5 114	5 134	5 178	44	215	0,9	4,3
Verbal agreement	1 201	1 199	1 221	1 150	1 120	-30	-81	-2,6	-6,7

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment - South Africa (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Nature of contract/agreement									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Limited duration	1 407	1 498	1 495	1 477	1 571	94	164	6,4	11,7
Permanent nature	7 088	7 208	7 384	7 364	7 350	-14	262	-0,2	3,7
Unspecified duration	2 561	2 557	2 581	2 565	2 495	-70	-66	-2,7	-2,6
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Limited duration	622	646	685	680	712	32	90	4,7	14,5
Permanent nature	3 043	3 138	3 225	3 217	3 190	-27	147	-0,8	4,8
Unspecified duration	1 227	1 217	1 215	1 225	1 216	-9	-11	-0,7	-0,9
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Limited duration	785	852	810	797	859	62	74	7,8	9,4
Permanent nature	4 045	4 070	4 159	4 147	4 160	13	115	0,3	2,8
Unspecified duration	1 334	1 340	1 366	1 340	1 279	-61	-55	-4,6	-4,1
Trade union membership									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Yes	3 185	3 265	3 363	3 327	3 406	79	221	2,4	6,9
No	7 661	7 772	7 876	7 842	7 768	-74	107	-0,9	1,4
Don't know	210	226	221	237	241	4	31	1,7	14,8
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Yes	1 271	1 334	1 368	1 344	1 374	30	103	2,2	8,1
No	3 553	3 578	3 665	3 680	3 647	-33	94	-0,9	2,6
Don't know	68	90	92	98	96	-2	28	-2,0	41,2
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Yes	1 914	1 932	1 995	1 984	2 032	48	118	2,4	6,2
No	4 108	4 194	4 212	4 161	4 121	-40	13	-1,0	0,3
Don't know	142	136	128	139	145	6	3	4,3	2,1

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Table 3.8: Conditions of employment - South Africa (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
How annual salary increment is negotiated									
Both sexes	11 056	11 263	11 460	11 406	11 416	10	360	0,1	3,3
Individual and employer	1 660	1 542	1 442	1 404	1 337	-67	-323	-4,8	-19,5
Union and employer	2 425	2 491	2 551	2 660	2 738	78	313	2,9	12,9
Bargaining council	1 057	1 052	1 031	1 054	1 079	25	22	2,4	2,1
Employer only	5 240	5 418	5 779	5 647	5 586	-61	346	-1,1	6,6
No regular increment	627	710	593	565	619	54	-8	9,6	-1,3
Other	47	49	65	75	56	-19	9	-25,3	19,1
Women	4 892	5 001	5 125	5 122	5 118	-4	226	-0,1	4,6
Individual and employer	719	661	634	592	590	-2	-129	-0,3	-17,9
Union and employer	913	996	989	1 032	1 065	33	152	3,2	16,6
Bargaining council	496	500	506	503	507	4	11	0,8	2,2
Employer only	2 453	2 502	2 671	2 679	2 643	-36	190	-1,3	7,7
No regular increment	295	321	296	284	293	9	-2	3,2	-0,7
Other	16	21	28	33	20	-13	4	-39,4	25,0
Men	6 164	6 262	6 335	6 284	6 298	14	134	0,2	2,2
Individual and employer	941	881	807	812	748	-64	-193	-7,9	-20,5
Union and employer	1 513	1 495	1 561	1 629	1 673	44	160	2,7	10,6
Bargaining council	561	553	525	552	572	20	11	3,6	2,0
Employer only	2 787	2 916	3 108	2 968	2 943	-25	156	-0,8	5,6
No regular increment	332	389	297	281	327	46	-5	16,4	-1,5
Other	31	28	37	42	36	-6	5	-14,3	16,1

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Table 3.9: Time-related underemployment - South Africa#									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Both sexes	519	490	521	544	531	-13	12	-2,4	2,3
Women	304	297	306	313	327	14	23	4,5	7,6
Men	215	193	215	231	204	-27	-11	-11,7	-5,1
As percentage of the labour force (Both sexes)	2,9	2,8	2,9	3,0	3,0	0,0	0,1		
Women	3,8	3,7	3,8	3,8	4,0	0,2	0,2		
Men	2,2	2,0	2,2	2,4	2,1	-0,3	-0,1		
As percentage of total employment (Both sexes)	4,0	3,7	3,9	4,1	3,9	-0,2	-0,1		
Women	5,3	5,1	5,2	5,3	5,6	0,3	0,3		
Men	2,9	2,6	2,8	3,1	2,7	-0,4	-0,2		
Industry	519	490	521	544	531	-13	12	-2,4	2,3
Agriculture	6	10	11	14	7	-7	1	-50,0	16,7
Mining	0	0	1	0	0	0	0		
Manufacturing	39	37	50	32	29	-3	-10	-9,4	-25,6
Utilities	.			0					
Construction	56	55	48	57	53	-4	-3	-7,0	-5,4
Trade	106	83	98	126	99	-27	-7	-21,4	-6,6
Transport	15	10	10	19	14	-5	-1	-26,3	-6,7
Finance	31	45	35	33	38	5	7	15,2	22,6
Community and social services	68	74	77	68	91	23	23	33,8	33,8
Private households	196	176	191	196	200	4	4	2,0	2,0
Occupation	519	490	521	544	531	-13	12	-2,4	2,3
Manager	11	18	7	6	7	1	-4	16,7	-36,4
Professional	1	7	6	6	6	0	5	0,0	500,0
Technician	29	26	29	24	32	8	3	33,3	10,3
Clerk	20	20	14	16	14	-2	-6	-12,5	-30,0
Sales and services	46	43	48	55	56	1	10	1,8	21,7
Skilled agriculture	1	3	4	5	2	-3	1	-60,0	100,0
Craft and related trade	74	62	72	75	63	-12	-11	-16,0	-14,9
Plant and machine operator	14	10	14	15	16	1	2	6,7	14,3
Elementary	180	168	190	200	185	-15	5	-7,5	2,8
Domestic worker	142	133	138	142	151	9	9	6,3	6,3

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Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed - South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to- Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Job losers	1 359	1 339	1 288	1 400	1 458	58	99	4,1	7,3
Job leavers	255	264	260	275	232	-43	-23	-15,6	-9,0
New entrants	2 036	1 973	1 850	1 993	1 924	-69	-112	-3,5	-5,5
Re-entrants	188	218	236	164	161	-3	-27	-1,8	-14,4
Other	700	648	610	694	694	0	-6	0,0	-0,9
Unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Long-term unemployment (1 year and more)	3 093	3 029	2 866	3 069	3 032	-37	-61	-1,2	-2,0
Short-term unemployment (less than 1 year)	1 444	1 413	1 378	1 457	1 437	-20	-7	-1,4	-0,5
Long-term unemployment (%)									
Proportion of the labour force	17,5	17,1	16,2	17,1	16,9	-0,2	-0,6		
Proportion of the unemployed	68,2	68,2	67,5	67,8	67,8	0,0	-0,4		
Those who have worked in the past 5 years									
Previous occupation	1 802	1 821	1 784	1 839	1 851	12	49	0,7	2,7
Manager	41	45	45	53	31	-22	-10	-41,5	-24,4
Professional	31	43	39	39	45	6	14	15,4	45,2
Technician	73	114	94	100	96	-4	23	-4,0	31,5
Clerk	205	222	218	235	240	5	35	2,1	17,1
Sales and services	297	275	262	270	291	21	-6	7,8	-2,0
Skilled agriculture	10	6	6	7	9	2	-1	28,6	-10,0
Craft and related trade	303	292	293	328	315	-13	12	-4,0	4,0
Plant and machine operator	123	155	154	147	144	-3	21	-2,0	17,1
Elementary	582	518	512	525	527	2	-55	0,4	-9,5
Domestic worker	136	150	161	137	153	16	17	11,7	12,5
Other	0								

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	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to- Qrt change	Year- on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Previous industry	1 802	1 821	1 784	1 839	1 851	12	49	0,7	2,7
Agriculture	108	81	80	70	86	16	-22	22,9	-20,4
Mining	30	31	24	21	35	14	5	66,7	16,7
Manufacturing	242	264	251	266	258	-8	16	-3,0	6,6
Utilities	8	7	12	9	5	-4	-3	-44,4	-37,5
Construction	276	278	256	298	297	-1	21	-0,3	7,6
Trade	450	420	440	429	432	3	-18	0,7	-4,0
Transport	95	97	94	91	85	-6	-10	-6,6	-10,5
Finance	222	234	223	228	233	5	11	2,2	5,0
Community and social services	183	204	204	231	221	-10	38	-4,3	20,8
Private households	187	206	199	197	199	2	12	1,0	6,4
Other	1		1						

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Table 5: Characteristics of the not economically active - South Africa#									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on-year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Not economically active	14 772	14 795	14 929	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
Student	6 182	6 184	6 235	6 161	6 391	230	209	3,7	3,4
Home-maker	2 833	2 842	2 836	2 784	2 726	-58	-107	-2,1	-3,8
Illness/disability	1 670	1 618	1 585	1 608	1 637	29	-33	1,8	-2,0
Too old/young to work	1 197	1 249	1 215	1 213	1 263	50	66	4,1	5,5
Discouraged work seekers	2 207	2 204	2 315	2 335	2 311	-24	104	-1,0	4,7
Other	684	698	743	738	658	-80	-26	-10,8	-3,8
Inactivity rate by age (Both sexes)	45,5	45,4	45,7	45,3	45,5	0,2	0,0		
15-24 yrs	74,5	74,7	75,1	73,9	75,8	1,9	1,3		
25-54 yrs	27,7	27,5	27,8	27,7	27,1	-0,6	-0,6		
55-64 yrs	59,3	59,5	58,6	59,3	60,0	0,7	0,7		
Inactivity rate by age (Women)	52,0	51,8	52,1	51,5	52,1	0,6	0,1		
15-24 yrs	76,1	77,2	77,3	76,4	78,2	1,8	2,1		
25-54 yrs	36,5	36,1	36,6	36,1	36,1	0,0	-0,4		
55-64 yrs	69,6	67,9	66,8	67,3	67,6	0,3	-2,0		
Inactivity rate by age (Men)	38,7	38,7	38,9	38,6	38,7	0,1	0,0		
15-24 yrs	72,9	72,2	73,0	71,5	73,5	2,0	0,6		
25-54 yrs	18,2	18,1	18,3	18,6	17,4	-1,2	-0,8		
55-64 yrs	47,0	49,5	48,7	49,6	50,9	1,3	3,9		

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Table 6: Socio-demographic characteristics - South Africa									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to- Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Age group of the employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
15-24 yrs	1 318	1 297	1 306	1 305	1 217	-88	-101	-6,7	-7,7
25-34 yrs	4 314	4 417	4 522	4 491	4 519	28	205	0,6	4,8
35-44 yrs	3 800	3 847	3 921	3 899	3 993	94	193	2,4	5,1
45-54 yrs	2 529	2 596	2 553	2 551	2 551		22	0,0	0,9
55-64 yrs	1 164	1 162	1 196	1 175	1 167	-8	3	-0,7	0,3
Age group of the unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
15-24 yrs	1 309	1 319	1 267	1 393	1 291	-102	-18	-7,3	-1,4
25-34 yrs	1 933	1 851	1 737	1 819	1 870	51	-63	2,8	-3,3
35-44 yrs	861	857	813	862	864	2	3	0,2	0,3
45-54 yrs	364	341	349	366	364	-2		-0,5	0,0
55-64 yrs	72	75	79	86	80	-6	8	-7,0	11,1
Age group of the not economically active	14 772	14 795	14 929	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
15-24 yrs	7 682	7 711	7 770	7 658	7 863	205	181	2,7	2,4
25-34 yrs	2 425	2 439	2 481	2 465	2 421	-44	-4	-1,8	-0,2
35-44 yrs	1 490	1 493	1 508	1 528	1 477	-51	-13	-3,3	-0,9
45-54 yrs	1 372	1 331	1 368	1 354	1 358	4	-14	0,3	-1,0
55-64 yrs	1 803	1 821	1 802	1 834	1 867	33	64	1,8	3,5
Highest level of education of the employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
No schooling	331	360	350	373	347	-26	16	-7,0	4,8
Less than primary completed	1 052	1 151	1 090	1 073	1 033	-40	-19	-3,7	-1,8
Primary completed	607	590	590	601	594	-7	-13	-1,2	-2,1
Secondary not completed	4 313	4 455	4 523	4 469	4 426	-43	113	-1,0	2,6
Secondary completed	4 014	3 957	4 032	4 086	4 199	113	185	2,8	4,6
Tertiary	2 643	2 642	2 732	2 670	2 670		27	0,0	1,0
Other	166	163	179	151	178	27	12	17,9	7,2

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Table 6: Socio-demographic characteristics - South Africa (continued) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Highest level of education of the unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
No schooling	71	81	67	80	66	-14	-5	-17,5	-7,0
Less than primary completed	316	302	287	305	294	-11	-22	-3,6	-7,0
Primary completed	195	205	205	193	196	3	1	1,6	0,5
Secondary not completed	2 096	2 085	2 014	2 119	2 096	-23		-1,1	0,0
Secondary completed	1 580	1 476	1 371	1 520	1 498	-22	-82	-1,4	-5,2
Tertiary	256	260	266	280	280		24	0,0	9,4
Other	24	34	33	29	40	11	16	37,9	66,7
Highest level of education of the not economically active	14 772	14 795	14 929	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
No schooling	845	813	773	797	769	-28	-76	-3,5	-9,0
Less than primary completed	1 901	1 885	1 899	1 787	1 814	27	-87	1,5	-4,6
Primary completed	1 114	1 147	1 174	1 017	1 093	76	-21	7,5	-1,9
Secondary not completed	7 875	7 876	8 019	7 839	7 999	160	124	2,0	1,6
Secondary completed	2 493	2 526	2 532	2 847	2 754	-93	261	-3,3	10,5
Tertiary	435	420	416	425	426	1	-9	0,2	-2,1
Other	109	128	116	126	131	5	22	4,0	20,2
Current marital status of the employed	13 125	13 318	13 497	13 422	13 447	25	322	0,2	2,5
Married	5 475	5 629	5 639	5 641	5 720	79	245	1,4	4,5
Living together like husband and wife	1 502	1 486	1 498	1 468	1 515	47	13	3,2	0,9
Widow/widower	437	420	428	430	405	-25	-32	-5,8	-7,3
Divorced or separated	454	431	469	476	477	1	23	0,2	5,1
Never married	5 257	5 353	5 463	5 407	5 330	-77	73	-1,4	1,4
Current marital status of the unemployed	4 538	4 442	4 244	4 526	4 470	-56	-68	-1,2	-1,5
Married	736	727	719	753	727	-26	-9	-3,5	-1,2
Living together like husband and wife	447	449	418	465	471	6	24	1,3	5,4
Widow/widower	49	63	63	58	55	-3	6	-5,2	12,2
Divorced or separated	79	81	79	80	75	-5	-4	-6,3	-5,1
Never married	3 226	3 123	2 964	3 169	3 142	-27	-84	-0,9	-2,6

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Table 6: Socio-demographic characteristics - South Africa (concluded) #									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Current marital status of the not economically active	14 772	14 795	14 929	14 838	14 987	149	215	1,0	1,5
Married	2 979	2 921	2 913	2 957	2 934	-23	-45	-0,8	-1,5
Living together like husband and wife	676	675	731	712	714	2	38	0,3	5,6
Widow/widower	662	652	659	641	640	-1	-22	-0,2	-3,3
Divorced or separated	231	237	246	253	242	-11	11	-4,3	4,8
Never married	10 224	10 309	10 380	10 276	10 456	180	232	1,8	2,3

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Table 7: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to- Qrt change	Year- on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
South Africa									
Subsistence farming	1 740	1 921	1 796	2 077	1 526	-551	-214	-26,5	-12,3
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	4 130	4 642	4 144	4 292	4 046	-246	-84	-5,7	-2,0
Produce other goods for household use	169	457	161	189	96	-93	-73	-49,2	-43,2
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	288	606	330	321	341	20	53	6,2	18,4
Hunting or fishing for household use	37	320	42	46	33	-13	-4	-28,3	-10,8
Involvement in at least one activity	5 155	6 254	5 152	5 540	4 903	-637	-252	-11,5	-4,9
Employed	1 051	1 515	1 146	1 211	1 005	-206	-46	-17,0	-4,4
Unemployed	642	759	596	675	615	-60	-27	-8,9	-4,2
Not economically active	3 462	3 980	3 411	3 654	3 283	-371	-179	-10,2	-5,2
Eastern Cape									
Subsistence farming	508	493	521	523	466	-57	-42	-10,9	-8,3
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	933	1 062	1 003	1 024	1 034	10	101	1,0	10,8
Produce other goods for household use	7	59	18	22	11	-11	4	-50,0	57,1
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	105	142	118	104	166	62	61	59,6	58,1
Hunting or fishing for household use	11	41	5	6	1	-5	-10	-83,3	-90,9
Involvement in at least one activity	1 210	1 334	1 242	1 348	1 326	-22	116	-1,6	9,6
Employed	174	215	201	254	256	2	82	0,8	47,1
Unemployed	136	132	109	103	123	20	-13	19,4	-9,6
Not economically active	900	987	933	990	947	-43	47	-4,3	5,2
Northern Cape									
Subsistence farming	4	12	5	7	8	1	4	14,3	100,0
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	75	74	66	85	97	12	22	14,1	29,3
Produce other goods for household use	1	10		1	.	.	.	.	.
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	1	8	1	1	.	.	.	.	.
Hunting or fishing for household use		9	1	4	1	-3	1	-75,0	.
Involvement in at least one activity	79	98	69	91	100	9	21	9,9	26,6
Employed	10	17	12	16	17	1	7	6,3	70,0
Unemployed	9	19	14	15	26	11	17	73,3	188,9
Not economically active	59	61	44	60	57	-3	-2	-5,0	-3,4

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Table 7: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to- Qrt change	Year- on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Free State									
Subsistence farming	114	85	84	118	60	-58	-54	-49,2	-47,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	52	80	21	40	30	-10	-22	-25,0	-42,3
Produce other goods for household use	10	27	3	4	1	-3	-9	-75,0	-90,0
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	19	36	10	7	3	-4	-16	-57,1	-84,2
Hunting or fishing for household use	13	29	8	14	8	-6	-5	-42,9	-38,5
Involvement in at least one activity	174	192	106	162	89	-73	-85	-45,1	-48,9
Employed	71	74	48	58	31	-27	-40	-46,6	-56,3
Unemployed	27	34	13	34	19	-15	-8	-44,1	-29,6
Not economically active	77	84	45	70	39	-31	-38	-44,3	-49,4
KwaZulu-Natal									
Subsistence farming	631	685	742	853	640	-213	9	-25,0	1,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 308	1 396	1 269	1 350	1 271	-79	-37	-5,9	-2,8
Produce other goods for household use	42	106	47	66	41	-25	-1	-37,9	-2,4
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	120	213	133	132	107	-25	-13	-18,9	-10,8
Hunting or fishing for household use	10	57	11	10	9	-1	-1	-10,0	-10,0
Involvement in at least one activity	1 604	1 831	1 605	1 754	1 545	-209	-59	-11,9	-3,7
Employed	367	459	390	398	343	-55	-24	-13,8	-6,5
Unemployed	168	167	209	236	193	-43	25	-18,2	14,9
Not economically active	1 068	1 206	1 005	1 121	1 009	-112	-59	-10,0	-5,5
North West									
Subsistence farming	89	106	75	76	78	2	-11	2,6	-12,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	294	333	232	211	216	5	-78	2,4	-26,5
Produce other goods for household use	4	18	1	1		-1	-4	-100,0	-100,0
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	2	11	1	1					
Hunting or fishing for household use	1	23					-1		-100,0
Involvement in at least one activity	337	425	274	253	253		-84	0,0	-24,9
Employed	53	85	39	40	45	5	-8	12,5	-15,1
Unemployed	74	73	41	46	41	-5	-33	-10,9	-44,6
Not economically active	210	266	193	166	167	1	-43	0,6	-20,5

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Table 7: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2011	Jul-Sep 2011	Oct-Dec 2011	Jan-Mar 2012	Apr-Jun 2012	Qrt-to-Qrt change	Year-on- year change	Qrt-to- Qrt change	Year- on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
Gauteng									
Subsistence farming	2	115	34	10	7	-3	5	-30,0	250,0
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	19	126	41	69	22	-47	3	-68,1	15,8
Produce other goods for household use	59	105	60	63	3	-60	-56	-95,2	-94,9
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	20	96	12	16	12	-4	-8	-25,0	-40,0
Hunting or fishing for household use	.	74	3	.	1	.	.	.	.
Involvement in at least one activity	97	435	136	151	38	-113	-59	-74,8	-60,8
Employed	65	220	93	83	17	-66	-48	-79,5	-73,8
Unemployed	12	91	17	20	11	-9	-1	-45,0	-8,3
Not economically active	21	124	26	47	9	-38	-12	-80,9	-57,1
Mpumalanga									
Subsistence farming	157	161	135	158	108	-50	-49	-31,6	-31,2
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	290	325	257	305	293	-12	3	-3,9	1,0
Produce other goods for household use	42	57	24	30	38	8	-4	26,7	-9,5
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	10	33	14	16	19	3	9	18,8	90,0
Hunting or fishing for household use	1	15	1	1	.	.	.	.	.
Involvement in at least one activity	392	473	358	409	380	-29	-12	-7,1	-3,1
Employed	86	116	74	93	76	-17	-10	-18,3	-11,6
Unemployed	110	114	88	97	93	-4	-17	-4,1	-15,5
Not economically active	196	243	195	219	211	-8	15	-3,7	7,7
Limpopo									
Subsistence farming	199	212	180	302	146	-156	-53	-51,7	-26,6
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 141	1 181	1 218	1 165	1 053	-112	-88	-9,6	-7,7
Produce other goods for household use	2	42	4	2	1	-1	-1	-50,0	-50,0
Construction or major repairs to own or household'	10	48	32	37	31	-6	21	-16,2	210,0
Hunting or fishing for household use	1	44	9	11	5	-6	4	-54,5	400,0
Involvement in at least one activity	1 207	1 300	1 306	1 298	1 121	-177	-86	-13,6	-7,1
Employed	194	247	257	230	195	-35	1	-15,2	0,5
Unemployed	105	99	97	108	98	-10	-7	-9,3	-6,7
Not economically active	908	954	952	960	828	-132	-80	-13,8	-8,8

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Appendix 2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Both sexes						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-32	-192	129	0,70
Employed	0,7	0,7	25	-133	182	0,76
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,0	0,9	62	-70	194	0,36
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,5	-21	-120	77	0,67
Agriculture	6,4	6,7	-18	-58	23	0,39
Private households	3,4	3,6	2	-59	62	0,96
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	-56	-197	83	0,43
Not economically active	0,6	0,7	149	-12	309	0,07
Discouraged work-seekers	3,0	3,4	-24	-147	101	0,71
Other(not economically active)	0,7	0,7	172	19	325	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,8	1,6	-0,3	-1,0	0,4	0,45
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,0	-0,6	0,4	0,78
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-0,2	-0,8	0,2	0,24
Women						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,8	0,8	-68	-185	49	0,26
Employed	1,0	1,0	-30	-135	76	0,58
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,4	1,4	-3	-89	84	0,95
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	3,2	-15	-77	47	0,63
Agriculture	8,9	9,1	-12	-36	10	0,28
Private households	3,4	3,5	1	-47	48	0,97
Unemployed	2,2	2,2	-38	-129	53	0,41
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	118	1	236	0,05
Discouraged work-seekers	3,1	3,6	44	-37	125	0,29
Other(not economically active)	0,8	0,8	75	-47	195	0,23
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,0	2,0	-0,2	-1,2	0,7	0,63
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,0	1,0	-0,3	-0,9	0,3	0,38
Labour force participation rate	0,8	0,8	-0,6	-1,2	0,2	0,12

Appendix 2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex (concluded)						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Men						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,6	0,6	36	-64	136	0,48
Employed	0,9	0,9	54	-49	158	0,30
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,1	1,2	65	-26	156	0,16
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,1	3,2	-6	-83	70	0,87
Agriculture	6,6	6,7	-5	-36	26	0,76
Private households	6,7	7,2	1	-36	37	0,97
Unemployed	2,5	2,1	-18	-116	79	0,71
Not economically active	1,0	1,0	29	-70	130	0,56
Discouraged work-seekers	3,9	4,5	-68	-144	9	0,09
Other(not economically active)	1,0	1,0	97	11	184	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,4	2,0	-0,3	-1,2	0,7	0,56
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,9	0,9	0,1	-0,5	0,8	0,66
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	0,1	-0,7	0,6	0,93

Appendix 2.1A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
South Africa						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-32	-192	129	0,70
Employed	0,7	0,7	25	-133	182	0,76
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	-56	-197	83	0,43
Not economically active	0,6	0,7	149	-12	309	0,07
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,6	-0,3	-1,0	0,4	0,45
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,0	-0,6	0,4	0,78
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-0,2	-0,8	0,2	0,24
Black/African						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,7	0,7	33	-118	185	0,66
Employed	0,9	0,9	74	-66	215	0,30
Unemployed	2,1	2,0	-40	-166	84	0,52
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	79	-72	230	0,31
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,9	1,8	-0,4	-1,2	0,5	0,37
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,9	0,9	0,1	-0,4	0,7	0,65
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	-0,1	-0,7	0,5	0,75
Coloured						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,1	1,2	-19	-60	22	0,36
Employed	1,5	1,5	-15	-53	23	0,43
Unemployed	5,0	4,3	-4	-41	33	0,83
Not economically active	1,9	2,0	28	-14	69	0,19
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,7	3,9	0,1	-1,6	1,7	0,97
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,5	1,5	-0,6	-1,9	0,6	0,32
Labour force participation rate	1,1	1,2	-0,8	-2,1	0,6	0,24

Appendix 2.1A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group (concluded)						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Indian/Asian						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,5	2,4	-22	-50	7	0,14
Employed	3,4	2,8	-21	-48	7	0,14
Unemployed	18,1	14,8	-1	-25	23	0,94
Not economically active	3,3	3,1	25	-3	54	0,08
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	18,5	14,6	0,2	-4,1	4,5	0,93
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,4	2,8	-2,5	-5,3	0,5	0,10
Labour force participation rate	2,5	2,4	-2,6	-5,6	0,5	0,10
White						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,3	1,2	-25	-63	13	0,20
Employed	1,5	1,4	-14	-55	27	0,51
Unemployed	10,1	11,2	-11	-33	10	0,31
Not economically active	2,7	2,5	16	-22	55	0,40
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	10,1	11,1	0,4	-1,5	0,6	0,37
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,5	1,4	-0,3	-1,6	1,1	0,69
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,2	-0,6	-1,9	0,6	0,33

Appendix 2.2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
South Africa						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-32	-192	129	0,70
Employed	0,7	0,7	25	-133	182	0,76
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	-56	-197	83	0,43
Not economically active	0,6	0,7	149	-12	309	0,07
Discouraged work-seekers	3,0	3,4	-24	-147	101	0,71
Other	0,7	0,7	172	19	325	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,8	1,6	-0,3	-1,0	0,4	0,45
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,0	-0,6	0,4	0,78
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-0,2	-0,8	0,2	0,24
Western Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,0	1,0	-30	-72	12	0,16
Employed	1,6	1,8	-32	-97	33	0,34
Unemployed	4,2	3,7	2	-53	57	0,94
Not economically active	2,3	2,1	44	1	85	0,04
Discouraged work-seekers	18,3	17,2	3	-12	17	0,75
Other	2,3	2,1	41	-5	87	0,08
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,1	3,9	0,4	-1,9	2,7	0,75
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,6	1,8	-1,1	-3,0	0,8	0,24
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,0	-1,2	-2,3	0,1	0,07

Appendix 2.2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Eastern Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,4	2,5	36	-27	100	0,27
Employed	2,6	3,0	19	-40	78	0,53
Unemployed	6,7	5,5	17	-37	71	0,54
Not economically active	1,8	1,9	-24	-88	39	0,46
Discouraged work-seekers	6,5	6,8	-16	-62	30	0,49
Other	1,7	1,9	-8	-68	52	0,80
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,5	4,7	0,3	-2,3	3,1	0,78
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,6	3,0	0,4	-1,0	1,8	0,61
Labour force participation rate	2,4	2,5	0,8	-0,8	2,2	0,34
Northern Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,3	2,0	19	-1	38	0,06
Employed	3,1	2,9	-5	-21	9	0,45
Unemployed	7,0	5,2	25	11	39	0,00
Not economically active	2,6	2,4	-16	-36	3	0,10
Discouraged work-seekers	13,1	10,6	-4	-12	5	0,43
Other	2,6	2,8	-14	-29	2	0,10
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,4	4,8	5,0	2,0	7,9	0,00
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,1	2,9	-0,7	-3,0	1,2	0,39
Labour force participation rate	2,3	2,0	2,6	-0,3	5,1	0,08

Appendix 2.2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Free State						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,4	1,6	-2	-29	25	0,88
Employed	2,1	2,1	-9	-34	16	0,48
Unemployed	4,1	3,1	7	-21	35	0,62
Not economically active	2,0	2,2	5	-21	32	0,69
Discouraged work-seekers	9,2	10,7	13	-4	30	0,13
Other	2,3	2,7	-8	-33	18	0,56
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	3,7	2,7	0,7	-1,5	2,9	0,53
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,1	2,1	-0,6	-1,9	0,8	0,42
Labour force participation rate	1,4	1,6	-0,2	-1,6	1,2	0,77
KwaZulu Natal						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,9	2,0	-25	-124	74	0,62
Employed	2,2	2,3	1	-76	77	0,98
Unemployed	5,0	5,1	-26	-84	33	0,39
Not economically active	1,7	1,7	52	-48	151	0,31
Discouraged work-seekers	6,6	7,5	6	-61	72	0,87
Other	2,0	1,8	46	-44	136	0,31
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,5	4,7	-0,7	-2,2	0,9	0,40
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,2	2,3	-0,1	-1,3	1,0	0,82
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,0	-0,6	-2,0	0,9	0,46

Appendix 2.2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
North West						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,7	2,7	7	-25	38	0,69
Employed	2,6	3,0	5	-27	36	0,78
Unemployed	7,0	6,8	2	-29	33	0,90
Not economically active	2,3	2,4	0	-32	31	0,98
Discouraged work-seekers	6,4	6,8	6	-23	35	0,68
Other	2,6	2,6	-6	-30	17	0,60
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,5	5,6	0,0	-2,9	2,9	0,99
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,6	3,0	0,1	-1,4	1,6	0,88
Labour force participation rate	2,7	2,7	0,2	-1,4	1,7	0,82
Gauteng						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,9	0,9	-69	-160	23	0,14
Employed	1,7	1,3	-15	-101	72	0,74
Unemployed	3,9	3,8	-54	-145	37	0,24
Not economically active	2,1	2,2	95	3	187	0,04
Discouraged work-seekers	10,6	13,8	-9	-56	38	0,71
Other	2,1	2,1	104	22	187	0,01
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	3,9	3,4	-0,6	-2,1	0,8	0,37
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,7	1,3	-0,4	-1,5	0,7	0,52
Labour force participation rate	0,9	0,9	-1,1	-2,3	0,1	0,06

Appendix 2.2A: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (concluded)						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Mpumalanga						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,2	1,9	31	-9	71	0,12
Employed	2,1	2,5	40	-3	83	0,07
Unemployed	8,0	6,6	-9	-41	24	0,60
Not economically active	2,7	2,4	-21	-61	19	0,30
Discouraged work-seekers	6,5	6,8	-28	-60	4	0,09
Other	3,1	2,5	6	-28	42	0,70
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,4	5,8	-1,4	-3,7	1,0	0,25
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,1	2,5	1,5	-0,3	3,3	0,10
Labour force participation rate	2,2	1,9	1,1	-0,6	2,8	0,21
Limpopo						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	3,0	3,4	1	-43	46	0,95
Employed	3,6	3,9	22	-22	66	0,32
Unemployed	7,5	6,4	-21	-52	10	0,19
Not economically active	1,8	2,0	15	-30	60	0,51
Discouraged work-seekers	7,6	8,4	6	-57	69	0,85
Other	1,9	2,8	10	-60	78	0,80
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,9	5,9	-1,7	-3,9	0,6	0,15
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,6	3,9	0,5	-0,8	1,8	0,44
Labour force participation rate	3,0	3,4	-0,2	-1,5	1,2	0,84

Appendix 3.1A: Sampling variability for the employed by industry and sex						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Both sexes	0,7	0,7	25	-133	182	0,76
Agriculture	6,4	6,7	-18	-58	23	0,39
Mining	8,0	6,6	21	-9	52	0,17
Manufacturing	2,6	2,9	-44	-131	44	0,33
Utilities	11,3	9,9	7	-10	25	0,41
Construction	3,6	3,3	26	-44	95	0,48
Trade	2,1	2,1	-92	-203	19	0,11
Transport	3,6	4,0	8	-47	63	0,78
Finance	3,1	2,9	-4	-88	81	0,93
Community and social services	2,0	1,8	121	20	222	0,02
Private households	3,4	3,6	2	-59	62	0,96
Women	1,0	1,0	-30	-135	76	0,58
Agriculture	8,9	9,1	-12	-36	10	0,28
Mining	14,1	13,3	9	-1	18	0,10
Manufacturing	4,1	4,7	-41	-84	3	0,07
Utilities	28,8	26,0	5	-1	10	0,12
Construction	8,6	9,1	13	-8	36	0,23
Trade	2,6	2,6	-61	-130	9	0,09
Transport	6,7	7,3	-7	-32	17	0,53
Finance	4,2	4,3	-4	-61	53	0,90
Community and social services	2,2	2,1	70	2	137	0,04
Private households	3,4	3,5	1	-47	48	0,97
Men	0,9	0,9	54	-49	158	0,30
Agriculture	6,6	6,7	-5	-36	26	0,76
Mining	8,4	6,7	13	-18	43	0,41
Manufacturing	3,2	3,4	-3	-77	72	0,94
Utilities	12,6	11,0	3	-14	19	0,75
Construction	3,7	3,4	12	-51	75	0,72
Trade	2,8	3,0	-32	-105	41	0,39
Transport	4,2	4,5	15	-32	64	0,52
Finance	3,9	3,7	0	-65	65	1,00
Community and social services	2,9	2,8	51	-9	112	0,10
Private households	6,7	7,2	1	-36	37	0,97

Appendix 3.4A: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
South Africa	0,7	0,7	25	-133	182	0,76
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,0	0,9	62	-70	194	0,36
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,5	-21	-120	77	0,67
Agriculture	6,4	6,7	-18	-58	23	0,39
Private households	3,4	3,6	2	-59	62	0,96
Western Cape	1,6	1,8	-32	-97	33	0,34
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,0	2,3	0	-55	56	0,99
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,5	10,2	-6	-39	26	0,71
Agriculture	12,8	16,4	-25	-40	-11	0,00
Private households	8,2	8,8	0	-17	16	0,94
Eastern Cape	2,6	3,0	19	-40	78	0,53
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,1	4,2	25	-22	72	0,29
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,4	7,6	-32	-67	4	0,08
Agriculture	18,3	18,7	13	-2	29	0,10
Private households	11,2	11,6	12	-14	38	0,37
Northern Cape	3,1	2,9	-5	-21	9	0,45
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	4,8	3	-12	18	0,69
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	18,0	10,7	-3	-11	5	0,44
Agriculture	7,8	10,4	-4	-16	9	0,55
Private households	12,8	15,1	-2	-7	3	0,48
Free State	2,1	2,1	-9	-34	16	0,48
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,9	2,9	3	-19	25	0,79
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,6	8,1	-1	-14	12	0,90
Agriculture	11,2	16,3	-16	-28	-5	0,01
Private households	6,7	9,7	5	-8	18	0,43
KwaZulu Natal	2,2	2,3	1	-76	77	0,98
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,7	3,0	28	-40	97	0,42
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,6	5,6	-17	-64	29	0,46
Agriculture	21,3	20,0	0	-14	14	0,99
Private households	8,6	8,8	-10	-35	15	0,43

Appendix 3.4A: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (concluded)						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
North West	2,6	3,0	5	-27	36	0,78
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,5	3,4	-9	-38	19	0,53
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,9	6,5	14	-4	33	0,12
Agriculture	18,2	18,7	-4	-9	0	0,05
Private households	10,3	9,8	4	-4	12	0,33
Gauteng	1,7	1,3	-15	-101	72	0,74
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,0	1,8	-6	-78	67	0,88
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,1	4,9	-12	-57	33	0,60
Agriculture	36,7	32,4	7	-4	19	0,22
Private households	7,6	8,1	-5	-44	36	0,83
Mpumalanga	2,1	2,5	40	-3	83	0,07
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,8	3,8	20	-12	53	0,23
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,5	9,1	25	-5	55	0,10
Agriculture	13,4	8,9	2	-13	17	0,81
Private households	6,8	8,1	-8	-15	0	0,06
Limpopo	3,6	3,9	22	-22	66	0,32
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,1	5,0	-3	-33	27	0,83
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,8	7,3	11	-29	49	0,61
Agriculture	19,7	19,9	11	-7	28	0,23
Private households	10,9	10,1	5	-9	19	0,50

Appendix 3.5A: Sampling variability for the employed by sex and occupation						
	Jan-Mar 2012 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-value
Both sexes	0,7	0,7	25	-133	182	0,76
Manager	3,7	3,5	-40	-108	29	0,26
Professional	4,2	4,8	69	6	131	0,03
Technician	2,5	2,5	45	-34	123	0,26
Clerk	2,5	2,9	-13	-77	50	0,68
Sales and services	2,3	2,6	-13	-106	80	0,78
Skilled agriculture	12,4	11,2	6	-13	23	0,56
Craft and related trade	3,6	2,9	-24	-116	69	0,61
Plant and machine operator	3,1	3,1	5	-60	70	0,89
Elementary	2,1	2,0	-26	-136	85	0,65
Domestic worker	3,3	3,6	17	-31	65	0,49
Women	1,0	1,0	-30	-135	76	0,58
Manager	6,0	5,6	-20	-56	17	0,30
Professional	5,0	6,6	49	16	84	0,00
Technician	3,3	3,0	-12	-63	38	0,63
Clerk	3,0	3,1	0	-50	51	0,98
Sales and services	2,9	3,4	-17	-76	41	0,56
Skilled agriculture	22,5	20,7	-5	-18	8	0,46
Craft and related trade	7,0	7,6	-34	-63	-4	0,03
Plant and machine operator	8,7	7,7	5	-18	29	0,64
Elementary	2,9	2,6	0	-69	68	0,98
Domestic worker	3,3	3,6	3	-44	50	0,91
Men	0,9	0,9	54	-49	158	0,30
Manager	3,9	3,9	-20	-74	33	0,46
Professional	5,8	5,0	19	-23	61	0,37
Technician	4,1	3,7	58	6	108	0,03
Clerk	4,3	5,3	-14	-54	26	0,49
Sales and services	3,2	3,6	4	-58	66	0,89
Skilled agriculture	14,3	13,4	10	-3	23	0,12
Craft and related trade	4,0	3,0	10	-78	98	0,83
Plant and machine operator	3,1	3,2	-1	-60	59	0,98
Elementary	2,7	2,7	-25	-103	53	0,53
Domestic worker	18,7	21,0	14	-2	30	0,09

Appendix 2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,6	0,5	253	20	486	0,03
Employed	0,7	0,7	322	79	564	0,01
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,0	0,9	373	147	599	0,00
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,5	-128	-263	6	0,06
Agriculture	6,0	6,7	40	-41	122	0,33
Private households	2,9	3,6	36	-57	129	0,45
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	-68	-255	118	0,47
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	215	-19	447	0,07
Discouraged work-seekers	2,7	3,4	104	-55	265	0,20
Other(not economically active)	0,7	0,7	109	-110	329	0,33
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,6	-8,0	-1,7	0,2	0,14
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,4	-0,3	1,1	0,29
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,5	0,0	-0,7	0,7	0,99
Women						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,8	0,8	81	-78	239	0,32
Employed	1,0	1,0	155	0	309	0,05
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,4	1,4	189	48	331	0,01
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,2	3,2	-70	-142	1	0,05
Agriculture	8,3	9,1	10	-28	48	0,62
Private households	3,1	3,5	26	-51	103	0,51
Unemployed	2,3	2,2	-74	-195	46	0,23
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	122	-37	281	0,13
Discouraged work-seekers	3,2	3,6	113	13	214	0,03
Other(not economically active)	0,9	0,8	9	-147	165	0,91
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,0	2,0	-1,2	-2,6	0,2	0,08
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,0	1,0	0,5	-0,4	1,4	0,28
Labour force participation rate	0,8	0,8	-0,1	-1,0	0,9	0,84

Appendix 2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by sex (concluded)						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Men						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,6	0,6	172	27	318	0,02
Employed	0,8	0,9	166	-4	337	0,06
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,2	1,2	184	28	339	0,02
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,9	3,2	-58	-162	46	0,27
Agriculture	6,3	6,7	31	-28	89	0,30
Private households	5,8	7,2	10	-35	55	0,66
Unemployed	2,3	2,1	6	-117	128	0,93
Not economically active	1,0	1,0	92	-53	238	0,21
Discouraged work-seekers	3,8	4,5	-9	-109	92	0,87
Other(not economically active)	1,0	1,0	100	-26	228	0,12
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,1	2,0	-0,4	-1,6	0,9	0,58
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,9	0,2	-0,8	1,3	0,63
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	0,0	-0,9	1,0	0,89

Appendix 2.1B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,6	0,5	253	20	486	0,03
Employed	0,7	0,7	322	79	564	0,01
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	-68	-255	118	0,47
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	215	-19	447	0,07
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,6	-0,8	-1,7	0,2	0,14
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,4	-0,3	1,1	0,29
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,5	0,0	-0,7	0,7	0,99
Black/African						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,7	0,7	214	1	427	0,05
Employed	1,0	0,9	329	114	544	0,00
Unemployed	2,1	2,0	-114	-290	61	0,20
Not economically active	0,8	0,7	236	24	450	0,03
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,8	1,8	-1,3	-2,6	-0,1	0,03
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,0	0,9	0,6	-0,2	1,5	0,14
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	-0,1	-0,9	0,8	0,86
Coloured						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,4	1,2	114	56	173	0,00
Employed	1,7	1,5	71	3	138	0,04
Unemployed	5,7	4,3	44	-15	103	0,15
Not economically active	2,0	2,0	-81	-139	-22	0,01
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,1	3,9	0,9	-2,1	3,9	0,55
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,7	1,5	1,8	-0,4	4,0	0,11
Labour force participation rate	1,4	1,2	3,1	1,2	5,0	0,00

Appendix 2.1B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by population group (concluded)						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Indian/Asian						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,9	2,4	-28	-60	5	0,09
Employed	2,3	2,8	-18	-50	15	0,29
Unemployed	13,6	14,8	-10	-32	12	0,38
Not economically active	2,9	3,1	44	12	76	0,01
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	13,2	14,6	-1,3	-5,2	2,6	0,51
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,3	2,8	-2,9	-6,3	0,7	0,11
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,4	-4,1	-7,4	-0,5	0,02
White						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,3	1,2	-48	-118	21	0,17
Employed	1,4	1,4	-61	-129	8	0,09
Unemployed	13,2	11,2	12	-21	45	0,47
Not economically active	2,7	2,5	14	-55	84	0,68
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	13,0	11,1	0,7	-0,8	2,2	0,37
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,4	1,4	-1,3	-3,5	1,0	0,27
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,2	-0,8	-3,1	1,4	0,47

Appendix 2.2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,6	0,5	253	20	486	0,03
Employed	0,7	0,7	322	79	564	0,01
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	-68	-255	118	0,47
Not economically active	0,7	0,7	215	-19	447	0,07
Discouraged work-seekers	2,7	3,4	104	-55	265	0,2
Other	0,7	0,7	109	-110	329	0,33
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,6	-0,8	-1,7	0,2	0,14
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	0,4	-0,3	1,1	0,29
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,5	0,0	-0,7	0,7	0,99
Western Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,0	1,0	54	-11	119	0,1
Employed	1,6	1,8	10	-78	98	0,82
Unemployed	4,8	3,7	44	-16	104	0,15
Not economically active	2,0	2,1	0	-65	65	0,99
Discouraged work-seekers	21,6	17,2	-3	-23	15	0,69
Other	2,0	2,1	3	-60	67	0,91
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,7	3,9	1,4	-1,3	4,0	0,32
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,6	1,8	-0,5	-3,1	2,0	0,69
Labour force participation rate	1,0	1,0	0,5	-1,4	2,4	0,59

Appendix 2.2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Eastern Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,5	2,5	-21	-109	66	0,63
Employed	2,6	3,0	-11	-113	90	0,83
Unemployed	6,6	5,5	-10	-77	57	0,77
Not economically active	2,0	1,9	69	-19	156	0,12
Discouraged work-seekers	7,7	6,8	1	-56	59	0,97
Other	2,0	1,9	67	-14	148	0,1
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,3	4,7	0,3	-3,9	3,5	0,91
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,6	3,0	-0,6	-3,0	1,8	0,61
Labour force participation rate	2,5	2,5	-1,0	-3,1	1,1	0,35
Northern Cape						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	3,2	2,0	30	3	56	0,03
Employed	3,4	2,9	17	-7	40	0,16
Unemployed	6,8	5,2	13	-3	28	0,11
Not economically active	3,4	2,4	-21	-47	6	0,13
Discouraged work-seekers	15,2	10,6	0	-10	11	0,93
Other	3,4	2,8	-22	-46	4	0,09
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,3	4,8	1,1	-2,4	4,6	0,55
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,4	2,9	2,0	-1,4	5,1	0,26
Labour force participation rate	3,2	2,0	3,6	-0,3	7,1	0,07

Appendix 2.2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Free State						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,0	1,6	11	-50	71	0,73
Employed	2,1	2,1	-44	-92	4	0,07
Unemployed	5,7	3,1	54	18	91	0
Not economically active	2,7	2,2	3	-56	64	0,9
Discouraged work-seekers	11,4	10,7	-12	-38	14	0,36
Other	2,7	2,7	16	-41	73	0,58
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	4,6	2,7	4,7	2	7,5	0
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,1	2,1	-2,7	-5,2	-0,1	0,04
Labour force participation rate	2,0	1,6	0,1	-3,1	3,3	0,94
KwaZulu Natal						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	1,9	2,0	6	-138	149	0,94
Employed	2,0	2,3	20	-114	155	0,77
Unemployed	6,4	5,1	-15	-110	81	0,76
Not economically active	1,6	1,7	101	-42	245	0,17
Discouraged work-seekers	4,3	7,5	-19	-108	70	0,67
Other	2,0	1,8	120	-16	256	0,08
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,5	4,7	-0,5	-3,3	2,3	0,72
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,0	2,3	-0,2	-2,3	1,7	0,78
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,0	-0,7	-2,8	1,5	0,55

Appendix 2.2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (continued)						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
North West						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	3,1	2,7	10	-49	68	0,74
Employed	3,6	3,0	18	-39	75	0,53
Unemployed	6,3	6,8	-8	-51	35	0,71
Not economically active	2,7	2,4	15	-44	73	0,63
Discouraged work-seekers	8,5	6,8	24	-19	67	0,28
Other	2,8	2,6	-10	-64	45	0,73
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	5,2	5,6	-1,1	-5,3	3	0,59
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,6	3,0	0,5	-2,3	3,3	0,74
Labour force participation rate	3,1	2,7	-0,1	-2,9	2,8	0,96
Gauteng						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	0,9	0,9	4	-120	129	0,94
Employed	1,3	1,3	160	25	296	0,02
Unemployed	2,9	3,8	-156	-264	-48	0,01
Not economically active	2,2	2,2	102	-23	226	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	11,9	13,8	53	-29	134	0,21
Other	2,4	2,1	49	-81	179	0,46
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	2,7	3,4	-2,8	-4,7	-1,0	0
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,3	1,3	1,3	-0,4	3,1	0,13
Labour force participation rate	0,9	0,9	-0,9	-2,5	0,7	0,27

Appendix 2.2B: Sampling variability for labour force characteristics by province (concluded)						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Mpumalanga						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,1	1,9	70	4	136	0,04
Employed	2,9	2,5	69	4	134	0,04
Unemployed	7,8	6,6	1	-57	59	0,97
Not economically active	2,5	2,4	-30	-95	36	0,37
Discouraged work-seekers	7,3	6,8	44	17	73	0
Other	3,0	2,5	-75	-137	-12	0,02
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	6,8	5,8	-1,5	-5,5	2,5	0,47
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,9	2,5	2,3	-0,5	5,0	0,11
Labour force participation rate	2,1	1,9	2,1	-0,8	4,8	0,16
 Limpopo						
Population 15-64 yrs						
Labour Force	2,8	3,4	90	1	179	0,05
Employed	3,8	3,9	82	-7	172	0,07
Unemployed	7,6	6,4	7	-31	46	0,69
Not economically active	1,6	2,0	-25	-114	64	0,59
Discouraged work-seekers	5,5	8,4	17	-47	81	0,6
Other	1,7	2,8	-41	-128	45	0,34
Rates (%)						
Unemployment rate	7,6	5,9	-0,9	-4,1	2,3	0,59
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	3,8	3,9	1,8	-0,8	4,5	0,16
Labour force participation rate	2,8	3,4	1,9	-0,7	4,6	0,14

Appendix 3.1B: Sampling variability for the employed by industry and sex						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes	0,7	0,7	322	79	564	0,01
Agriculture	6,0	6,7	40	-41	122	0,33
Mining	9,3	6,6	75	22	129	0,01
Manufacturing	3,1	2,9	-57	-199	85	0,43
Utilities	11,0	9,9	5	-18	28	0,66
Construction	3,8	3,3	-31	-126	63	0,51
Trade	2,1	2,1	22	-148	192	0,80
Transport	4,1	4,0	14	-63	92	0,72
Finance	3,1	2,9	33	-105	170	0,64
Community and social services	2,2	1,8	181	34	328	0,02
Private households	2,9	3,6	36	-57	129	0,45
Women	1,0	1,0	155	0	309	0,05
Agriculture	8,3	9,1	10	-28	48	0,62
Mining	16,1	13,3	20	3	36	0,02
Manufacturing	5,0	4,7	-76	-147	-4	0,04
Utilities	21,2	26,0	-3	-17	9	0,58
Construction	8,5	9,1	1	-27	30	0,92
Trade	2,7	2,6	15	-88	118	0,77
Transport	8,5	7,3	7	-25	38	0,68
Finance	3,9	4,3	-3	-83	79	0,95
Community and social services	2,5	2,1	157	55	259	0,00
Private households	3,1	3,5	26	-51	103	0,51
Men	0,8	0,9	166	-4	337	0,06
Agriculture	6,3	6,7	31	-28	89	0,30
Mining	9,8	6,7	57	8	105	0,02
Manufacturing	3,4	3,4	19	-88	125	0,73
Utilities	12,4	11,0	9	-12	30	0,41
Construction	3,9	3,4	-33	-118	52	0,45
Trade	2,8	3,0	6	-113	126	0,91
Transport	4,6	4,5	7	-62	77	0,83
Finance	3,9	3,7	36	-64	134	0,48
Community and social services	2,9	2,8	24	-72	120	0,62
Private households	5,8	7,2	10	-35	55	0,66

Appendix 3.4B: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
South Africa	0,7	0,7	322	79	564	0,01
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,0	0,9	373	147	599	0,00
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,5	-128	-263	6	0,06
Agriculture	6,0	6,7	40	-41	122	0,33
Private households	2,9	3,6	36	-57	129	0,45
Western Cape	1,6	1,8	10	-78	98	0,82
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,0	2,3	21	-61	105	0,61
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,1	10,2	-16	-66	32	0,50
Agriculture	12,3	16,4	2	-24	28	0,87
Private households	9,4	8,8	4	-24	30	0,82
Eastern Cape	2,6	3,0	-11	-113	90	0,83
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	4,2	6	-81	93	0,90
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,1	7,6	-25	-68	18	0,25
Agriculture	25,4	18,7	-1	-25	23	0,94
Private households	10,2	11,6	9	-18	36	0,53
Northern Cape	3,4	2,9	17	-7	40	0,16
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,1	4,8	27	7	46	0,01
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	11,3	10,7	-2	-10	5	0,45
Agriculture	9,2	10,4	-4	-18	11	0,60
Private households	19,0	15,1	-3	-16	10	0,66
Free State	2,1	2,1	-44	-92	4	0,07
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,1	2,9	-5	-40	30	0,79
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,3	8,1	-36	-60	-11	0,00
Agriculture	11,6	16,3	-17	-42	7	0,17
Private households	7,3	9,7	14	-7	35	0,20
KwaZulu Natal	2,0	2,3	20	-114	155	0,77
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,6	3,0	69	-43	183	0,23
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	5,6	-44	-113	24	0,20
Agriculture	21,9	20,0	-8	-45	29	0,67
Private households	7,0	8,8	3	-47	53	0,90

Appendix 3.4B: Sampling variability for the employed by province and sector (concluded)						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
North West	3,6	3,0	18	-39	75	0,53
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	3,4	1	-55	57	0,97
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,4	6,5	19	2	35	0,03
Agriculture	24,3	18,7	2	-9	11	0,80
Private households	10,4	9,8	-3	-18	11	0,66
Gauteng	1,3	1,3	160	25	296	0,02
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,8	1,8	174	32	316	0,02
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,5	4,9	-64	-133	7	0,08
Agriculture	31,1	32,4	35	1	70	0,04
Private households	6,0	8,1	13	-44	72	0,64
Mpumalanga	2,9	2,5	69	4	134	0,04
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	3,8	49	-7	105	0,09
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,0	9,1	13	-19	46	0,42
Agriculture	14,7	8,9	7	-13	27	0,51
Private households	7,5	8,1	-1	-19	18	0,97
Limpopo	3,8	3,9	82	-7	172	0,07
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	5,0	31	-29	90	0,32
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,7	7,3	27	-25	79	0,31
Agriculture	9,6	19,9	25	-15	65	0,21
Private households	11,0	10,1	0	-17	17	1,00

Appendix 3.5B: Sampling variability for the employed by sex and occupation						
	Apr-Jun 2011 CV	Apr-Jun 2012 CV	Estimate	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
Both sexes	0,7	0,7	322	79	564	0,01
Manager	3,4	3,5	-62	-166	42	0,24
Professional	4,4	4,8	54	-34	143	0,23
Technician	2,5	2,5	108	6	210	0,04
Clerk	2,8	2,9	48	-44	140	0,30
Sales and services	2,7	2,6	12	-136	160	0,88
Skilled agriculture	13,2	11,2	-4	-26	18	0,73
Craft and related trade	2,9	2,9	5	-122	133	0,93
Plant and machine operator	3,4	3,1	-10	-108	88	0,84
Elementary	2,2	2,0	133	-24	291	0,10
Domestic worker	3,1	3,6	37	-41	114	0,36
Women	1,0	1,0	155	0	309	0,05
Manager	5,8	5,6	-15	-70	40	0,59
Professional	6,4	6,6	19	-40	79	0,53
Technician	3,5	3,0	19	-55	93	0,61
Clerk	3,0	3,1	46	-26	118	0,21
Sales and services	3,3	3,4	52	-30	134	0,21
Skilled agriculture	20,9	20,7	-1	-11	8	0,77
Craft and related trade	7,9	7,6	-39	-78	0	0,05
Plant and machine operator	8,4	7,7	-18	-50	14	0,27
Elementary	3,0	2,6	59	-32	149	0,20
Domestic worker	3,1	3,6	33	-43	109	0,39
Men	0,8	0,9	166	-4	337	0,06
Manager	3,9	3,9	-47	-127	33	0,25
Professional	5,3	5,0	35	-23	93	0,24
Technician	3,6	3,7	89	21	157	0,01
Clerk	5,2	5,3	3	-57	62	0,94
Sales and services	3,6	3,6	-41	-147	66	0,46
Skilled agriculture	13,5	13,4	-2	-21	16	0,79
Craft and related trade	3,1	3,0	44	-74	162	0,46
Plant and machine operator	3,6	3,2	7	-81	97	0,86
Elementary	2,7	2,7	75	-47	196	0,23
Domestic worker	18,8	21,0	3	-18	25	0,75