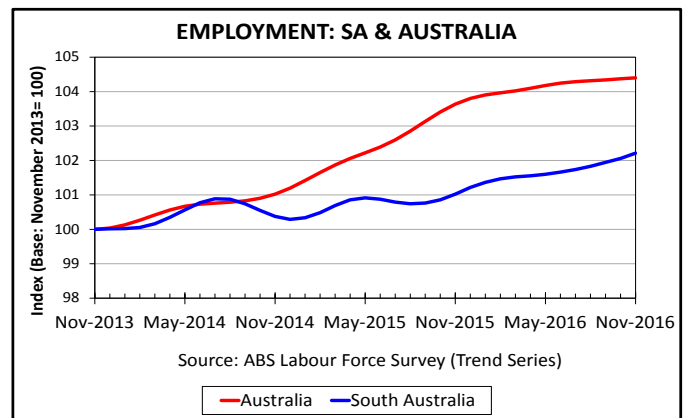




ABS Labour Force Survey data for SA in November recorded an increase in **trend** employment of 1200 or 0.2 per cent to 814,900 persons. There was a small increase in the number of part-time employed (100 persons) and a larger increase in full-time employed (1100 persons). Compared with 12 months ago, full-time employment has grown by 0.6 per cent (3200 persons) while part-time employment has grown by 2.2 per cent (6300 persons). In aggregate, SA employment over the past year has increased by 9500 persons or 1.2 per cent. Unemployment in November increased by 300 persons or 0.5 per cent to 58,800 persons while the labour force participation rate increased by 0.1 percentage points to 62.1 per cent. The unemployment rate remained unchanged from the previous month at 6.7 per cent. Nationally, employment in November increased by 0.03 per cent while unemployment fell by 0.1 per cent and the unemployment rate was steady at 5.6 per cent.

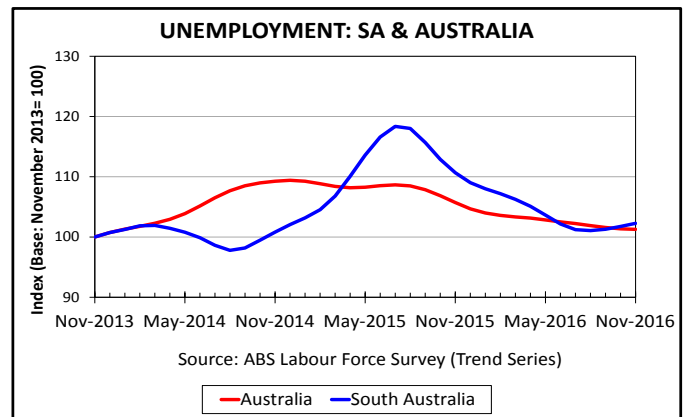
Employment Trends

- SA employment has recorded 15 months of consecutive growth.
- In November, employment grew by 1200 persons (0.2 per cent) to stand at 814,900 persons.
- Compared with November last year, SA employment has increased by 9500 persons (1.2 per cent).
- Nationally, employment in November grew by 0.03 per cent (or 3100) to stand at 11,949,300 persons, an increase of 0.7 per cent over the year.



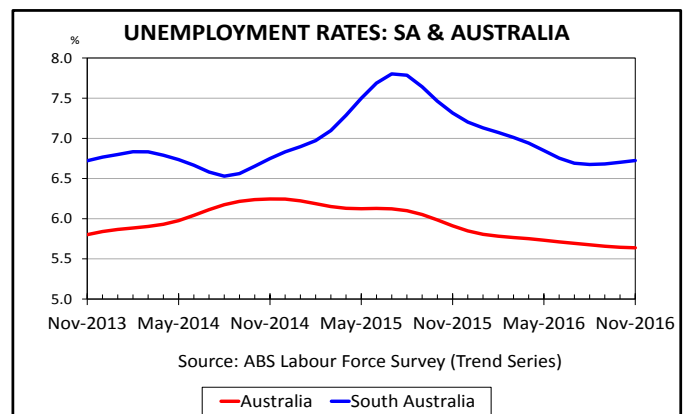
Unemployment Trends

- The level of unemployment in SA had declined between August 2015 and August 2016 but has subsequently begun to increase.
- In November, the number of unemployed increased by 0.5 per cent to 58,800 persons.
- Nonetheless, unemployment has fallen by 7.6 per cent compared with a year ago.
- Nationally, unemployment in November decreased by 0.1 per cent to stand at 714,000 persons which was 4.2 per cent lower than November 2015.



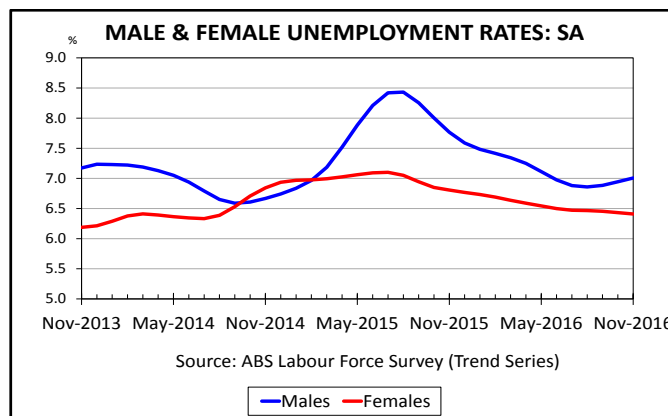
Unemployment Rate Trends

- The state's unemployment rate has resumed an upward trend in the last few months.
- In November, the unemployment rate increased by 0.2 percentage points to 6.7 per cent.
- Compared with a year ago, this represents a reduction of 0.6 percentage points.
- Nationally, the November unemployment rate of 5.6 per cent was unchanged from last month but was 0.3 percentage points lower than last year.



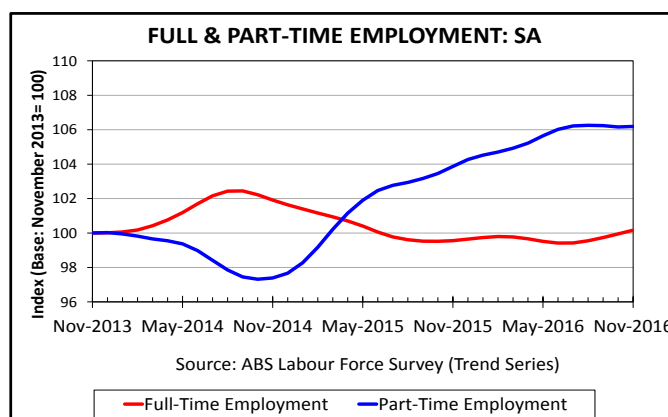
Male and Female Unemployment Rates

- The SA male unemployment rate rose 0.1 percentage points during the month of November to 7.0 per cent, which was 0.8 percentage points lower than a year earlier.
- In November the SA female unemployment rate remained steady at 6.4 per cent, a reduction of 0.4 percentage points on a year ago.
- The national November male and female unemployment rates were 5.6 per cent and 5.7 per cent, respectively.



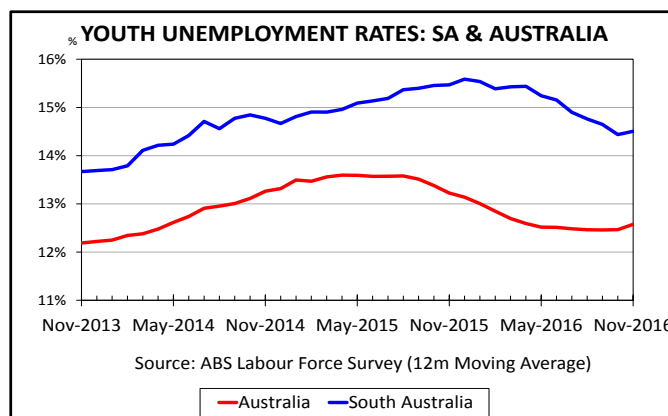
Full and Part Time Employment Trends

- In the last three months there has been a reversal of the previous downward trend in full-time employment.
- Full-time employment increased by 0.2 per cent (1100 persons) in November representing a 0.6 per cent increase on a year ago.
- Part-time employment grew by 0.03 per cent in November (100 persons) to stand at 288,000. This level of part-time employment was 2.2 per cent (6300 persons) higher than last year.
- Part-time employment's share of total employment stands at 35.3 per cent compared with 35.0 per cent last year.



Youth Unemployment Rate (15 to 24 year olds)*

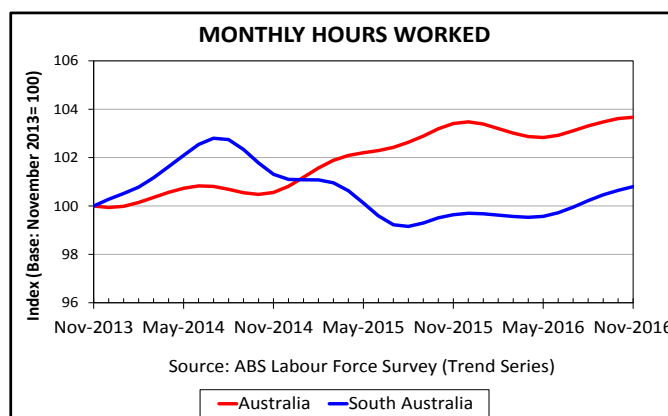
- SA's youth unemployment rate had been falling since December 2015 when it peaked at 15.6 per cent and had fallen to 14.4 per cent in October 2016.
- In November the youth unemployment increased by 0.1 percentage points to 14.5 per cent.
- The state youth unemployment rate is higher than the national rate of 12.6 per cent. A year ago the national rate was 13.2 per cent.



* Based on 12 month moving average since trend data not available.

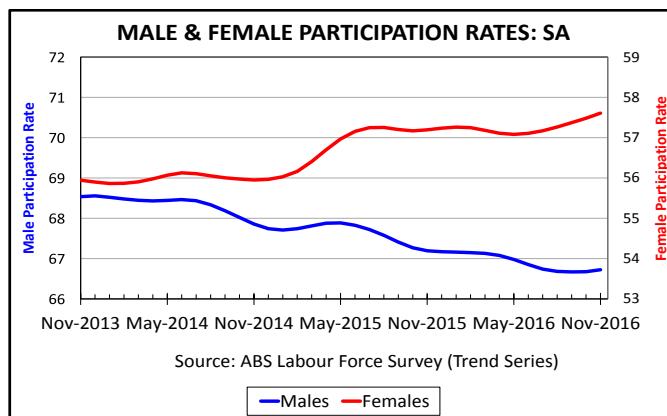
Monthly Hours Worked Trends

- SA monthly hours worked stood at 109.8 million in November, representing a 0.2 percentage point increase on the previous month.
- Total SA hours worked is currently 1.2 per cent higher than November last year.
- Nationally, total hours worked increased by 0.1 per cent in the month and was 0.3 per cent higher than a year ago.



Participation Rate Trends

- Over the past few years there has been a steady decline in the SA male labour force participation rate.
- Compared to 12 months ago it has fallen by 0.5 percentage points to 66.7 per cent. More recently the data shows a modest increase.
- In contrast, the female participation rate increased by 0.1 percentage points in November to stand at 57.6 per cent, 0.4 percentage points higher than November last year.
- This is nonetheless lower than the peak of 58 per cent recorded in April 2009.
- Nationally, the male and female participation rates in November were 70.2 per cent and 59.0 per cent respectively.



AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS (ABS) LABOUR FORCE SURVEY (TREND SERIES)

		Nov 2015	Oct 2016	Nov 2016	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Employed persons ('000)	SA	805.4	813.7	814.9	0.1%	1.2%
	AUST	11,862.0	11,946.2	11,949.3	0.0%	0.7%
Unemployed persons ('000)	SA	63.6	58.5	58.8	0.5%	-7.5%
	AUST	745.3	714.6	714.0	-0.1%	-4.2%
Unemployment rate (%)	SA	7.3	6.7	6.7	0.0pp	-0.6pp
	AUST	5.9	5.6	5.6	0.0pp	-0.3pp
Participation rate (%)	SA	62.1	62.0	62.1	0.1pp	0.0pp
	AUST	65.1	64.5	64.5	0.0pp	-0.6pp
Unemployment rates (%) x States and Territories	NSW	5.4	4.9	4.9	0.0pp	-0.5pp
	VIC	6.0	5.8	5.8	0.0pp	-0.2pp
	QLD	6.1	6.0	5.9	-0.1pp	-0.2pp
	SA	7.3	6.7	6.7	0.0pp	-0.6pp
	WA	6.2	6.5	6.7	0.2pp	0.5pp
	TAS	6.5	6.5	6.5	0.0pp	0.0pp
	NT	4.3	3.7	3.7	0.0pp	-0.6pp
	ACT	5.0	3.6	3.7	0.1pp	-1.3pp

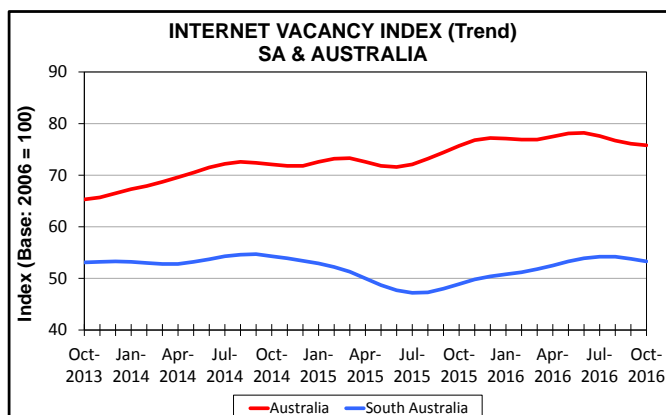
Note: Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time, however, revisions are made to the most recent months as additional observations become available.
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INTERNET VACANCY INDEX RESULTS

This series is based on a count of online vacancies newly lodged on SEEK, CareerOne and Australian JobSearch. Vacancies are coded by the Department of Employment to around 350 occupations.

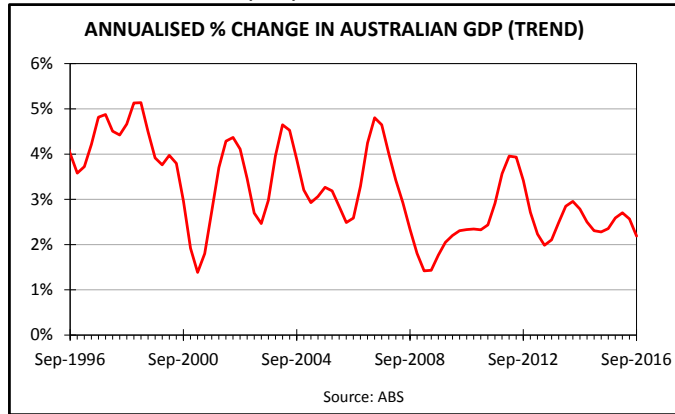
The trend index for South Australia decreased by 0.9 per cent to 53.3 in October 2016. Despite this fall, the index remains 9 per cent higher than the same time last year.

Nationally, the trend index declined by 0.4 per cent in October to 75.8. Compared with a year ago, the index is 0.1 per cent higher.

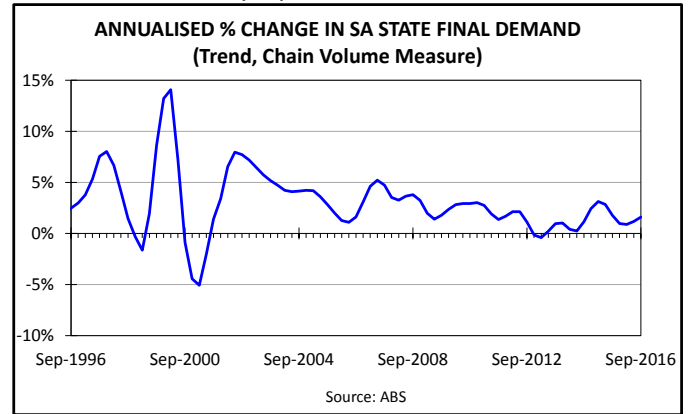


SELECTED KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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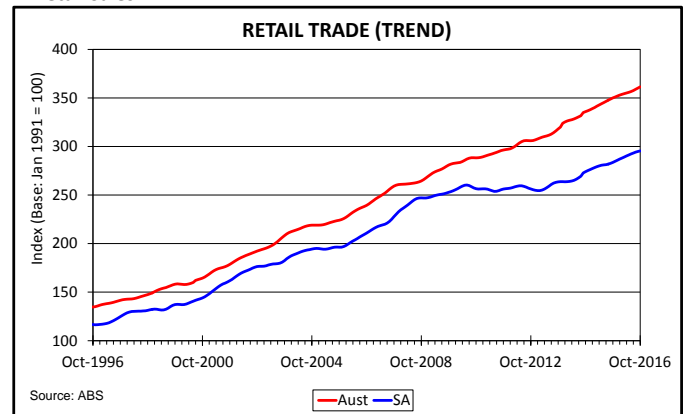
2. SA State Final Demand (SFD)



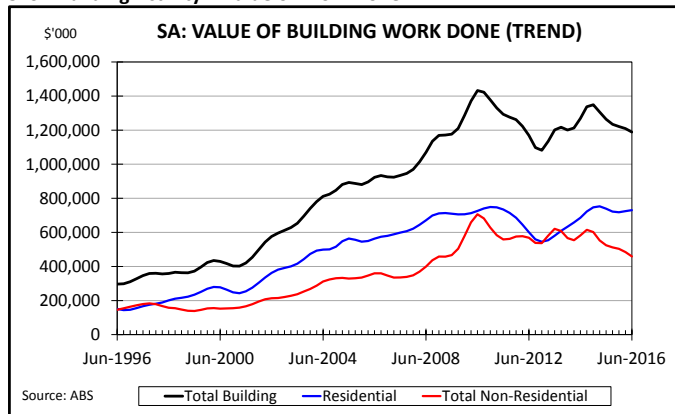
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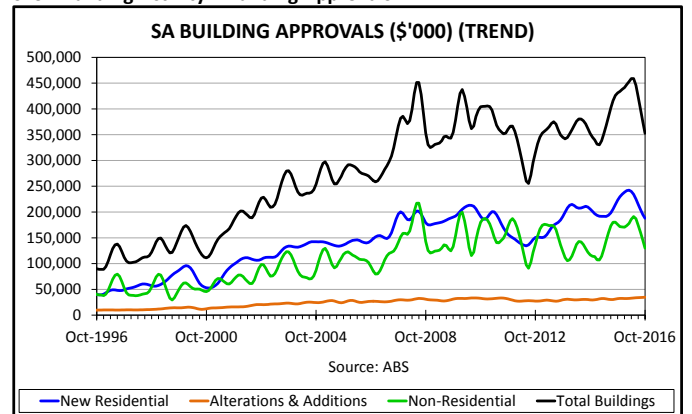
4. Retail Sales



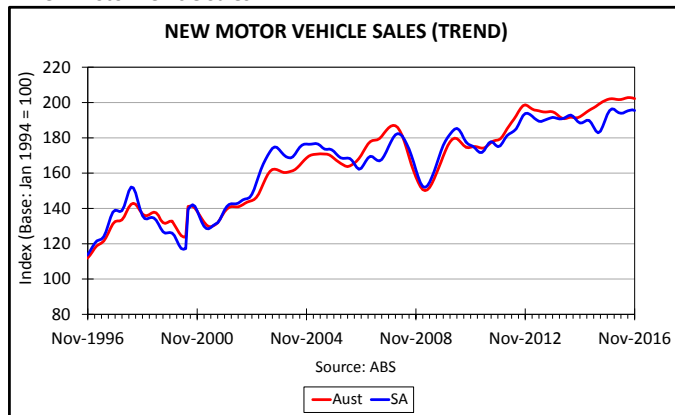
5. SA Building Activity – Value of Work Done



6. SA Building Activity – Building Approvals



7. New Motor Vehicle Sales



8. Private New Capital Expenditure

