

EMPLOYMENT SURVEY

NOVEMBER/2019 - JANUARY 2020

- The general unemployment rate (1.7%) and the unemployment rate of local residents (2.3%) held steady from the previous period (October-December 2019). Meanwhile, the underemployment rate (0.4%) dropped by 0.1 percentage point.
- The general labour force participation rate was 70.7% and the labour force participation rate of local residents was 64.1%, up by 0.5 and 0.6 percentage points respectively over the previous period.
- Total employment was 393,100 and the number of employed residents totalled 284,700, up by 3,300 and 3,100 respectively from the previous period. Number of the unemployed was 6,800, up by 100.

Principal Indicators

	Current period	Previous period	Difference (p.p.)
Unemployment rate (%)	1.7	1.7	-
Labour force participation rate (%)	70.7	70.2	0.5
Male	74.9	74.6	0.3
Female	67.0	66.4	0.6
Underemployment rate (%)	0.4	0.5	-0.1

Total Labour Force

	Current period	Previous period	Change (%)
Total ('000)	399.9	396.5	0.9
Employed population	393.1	389.8	0.9
Unemployed population	6.8	6.7	1.8

Employment by Principal Industries

	Current period	Previous period	Change (%)
Gaming & Junket Activities ('000)	85.9	85.1	0.9
Wholesale & Retail Trade	45.9	43.6	5.0
Hotels & Similar Activities	32.0	32.7	-2.1
Construction	31.2	31.3	-0.3
Restaurants & Similar Activities	23.9	23.1	3.3

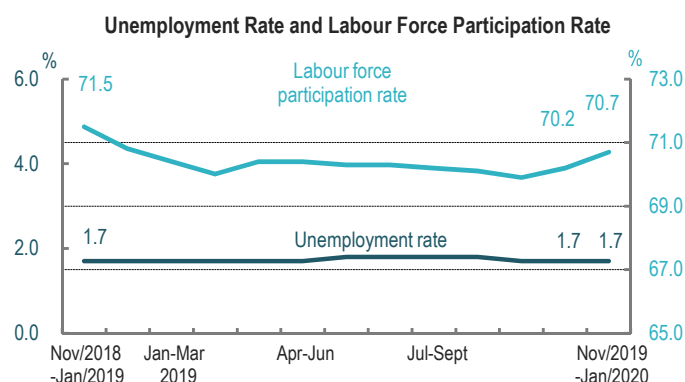
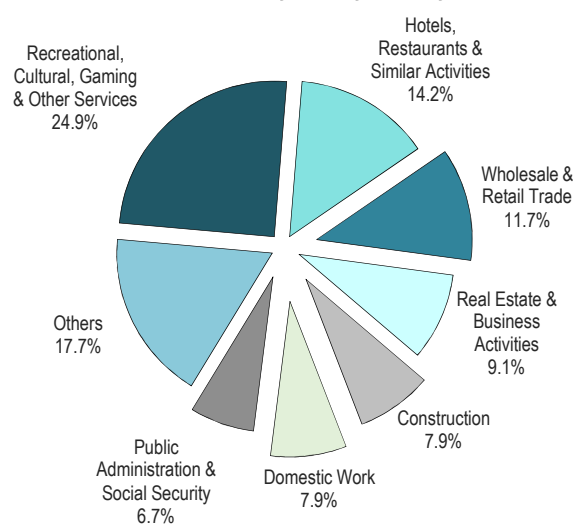
Principal Indicators of Local Residents

	Current period	Previous period	Change
Unemployment rate (%)	2.3	2.3	-
Labour force participation rate (%)	64.1	63.5	0.6 p.p.
Resident labour force ('000)	291.4	288.3	1.1 %
Employed residents ('000)	284.7	281.6	1.1 %

Historical Data

	Nov/2014 -Jan/2015	Nov/2015 -Jan/2016	Nov/2016 -Jan/2017	Nov/2017 -Jan/2018	Nov/2018 -Jan/2019
Unemployment rate	1.7	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.7
Labour force participation rate	74.3	72.6	71.3	69.8	71.5
Underemployment rate	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4

Total Employment by Industry



- Absolute value equals zero p.p. Percentage point '000 Thousand

Note: Figures may not add up to the total due to rounding.