

## Labour Market Brief Australian Capital Territory

### Summary

The ABS Labour Force Survey data for **Australian Capital Territory** released in April for March showed that in **trend** terms:

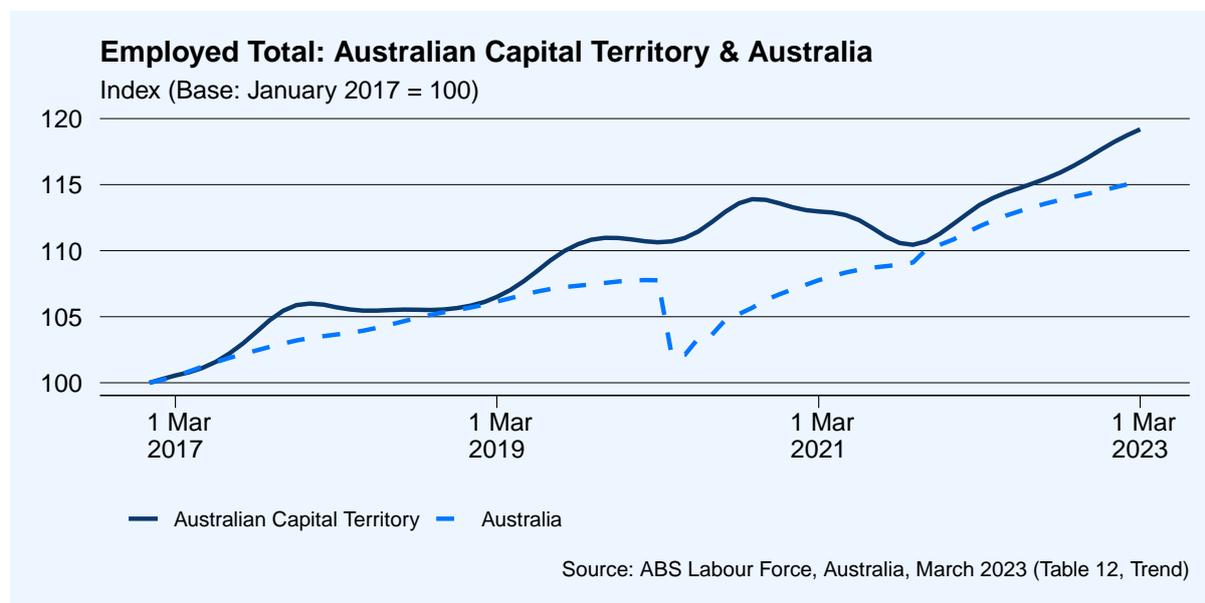
- Total *employment* increased by 942 (0.4%) to 265,022 people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 12,740 (4.8%).
- Total *unemployment* decreased by 5 (-0.1%) to 7,917 people, and the *unemployment rate* remained steady at 2.9%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 955 (-12.1%), and the unemployment rate has decreased by 0.5 percentage points.
- Total *underutilisation* has decreased by 106 (-0.5%) to 20,796 people, and the *underutilisation rate* decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 7.6%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 582 (-2.8%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 0.6 percentage points.

**Nationally** in March:

- Total *employment* increased by 31,734 (0.2%) to 13.88 million people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australia has increased by 415,598 (3.0%).
- Total *unemployment* increased by 582 (0.1%) to 508,508 people and the *unemployment rate* remained steady at 3.5%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australia has decreased by 40,976 (-8.1%) and the *unemployment rate* has decreased by 0.4 percentage points.
- Total *underutilisation* increased by 3,865 (0.3%) to 1.38 million people, and the *underutilisation rate* remained steady at 9.6%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 57,801 (-4.2%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 0.7 percentage points.

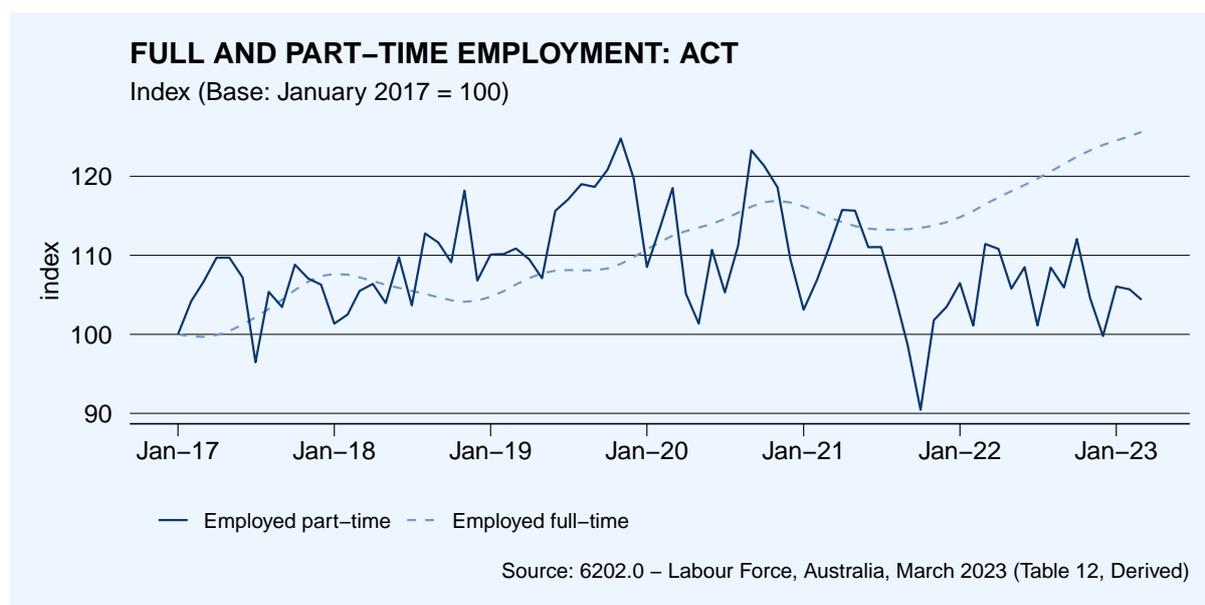
## Employment

- In March, trend employment in Australian Capital Territory increased by 942 (0.4%) to 265,022 people.
- Compared with March last year, total employment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 12,740 (4.8%).
- Nationally, employment in increased by 31,734 (0.2%) to 13.88 million people.



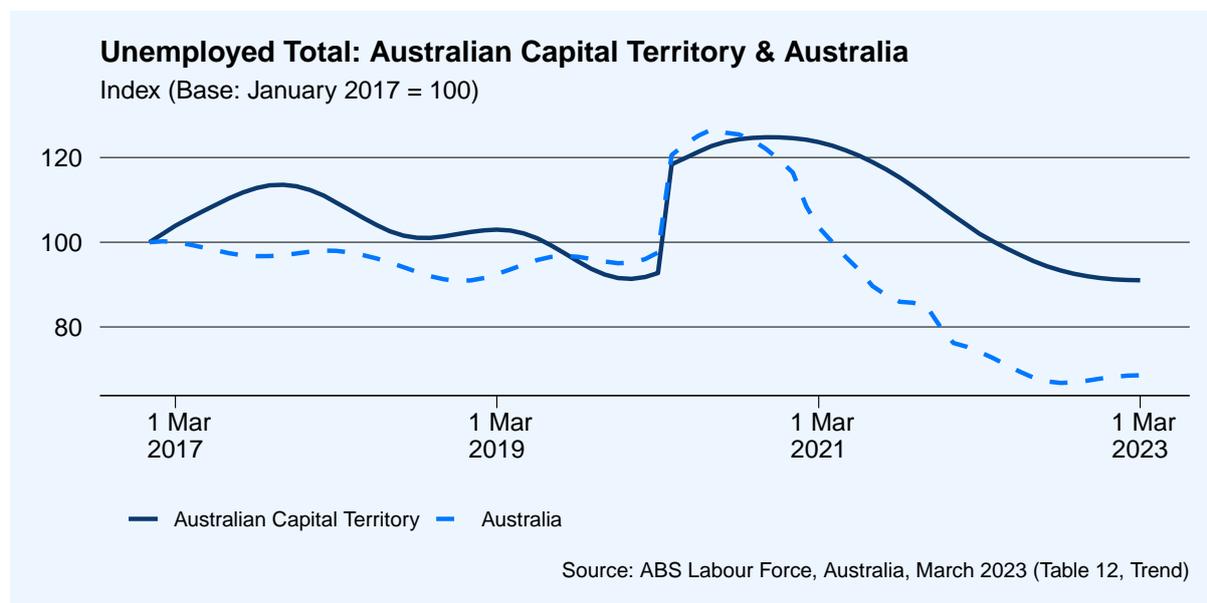
## Full and Part Time Employment

- Full-time employment in Australian Capital Territory increased by 897 (0.4%) to 201,463 in March, and has increased by 14,669 (7.3%) over the year.
- Part-time employment in Australian Capital Territory, in original terms decreased by 793 (-1.3%) to 62,902 in March. Part-time employment has decreased by 4,252 (-6.8%) over the last year.



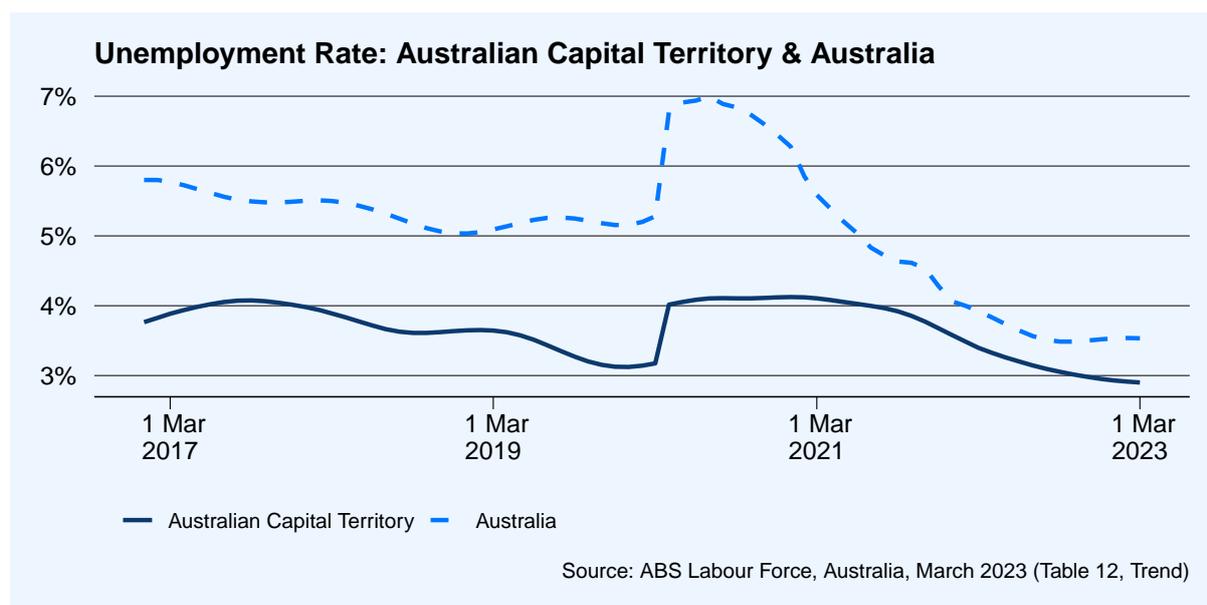
## Unemployment

- In March, the total number of unemployed people in Australian Capital Territory decreased by 5 (-0.1%) to 7,917.
- Compared with March last year, unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 955 (-12.1%) people.
- Nationally, total unemployment in March increased by 582 (0.1%) to 508,508 people.



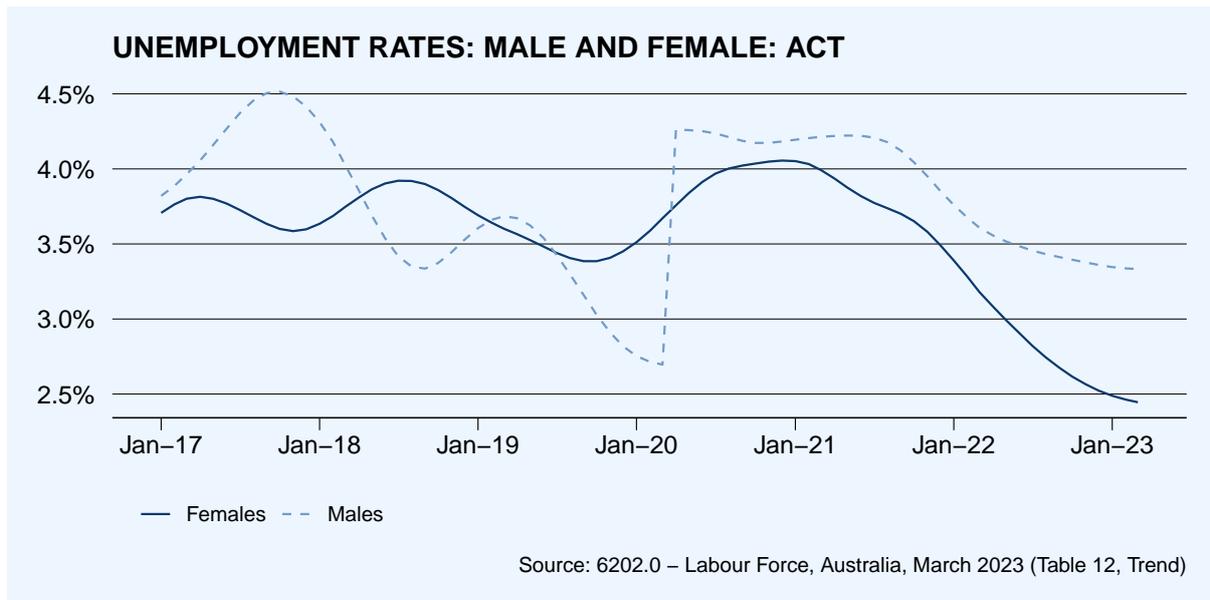
## Unemployment Rate

- In March, the trend unemployment rate in Australian Capital Territory remained steady at 2.9%.
- Compared with March last year, the unemployment rate in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 0.5 percentage points.
- Nationally, unemployment remained steady at 3.5%



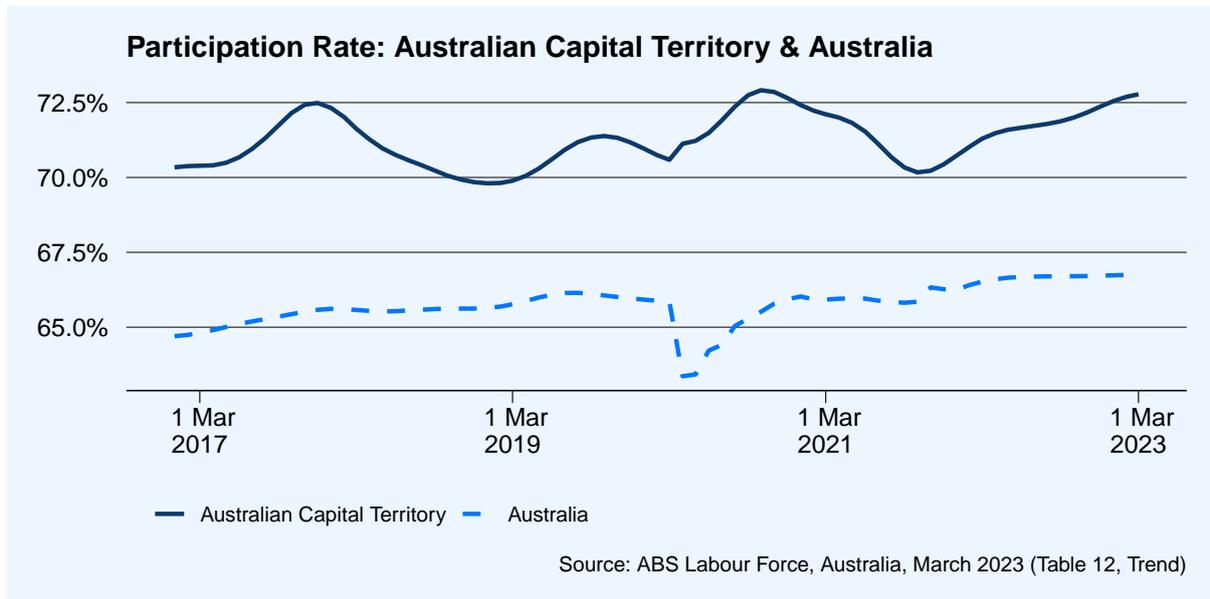
### Male and Female Unemployment Rates

- In March, the trend unemployment rate for males in Australian Capital Territory remained steady at 3.3%.
- Compared with March last year male unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 0.3 percentage points.
- In the same period, the trend unemployment rate for females in decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 2.4%.
- Compared with March last year female unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 0.8 percentage points.



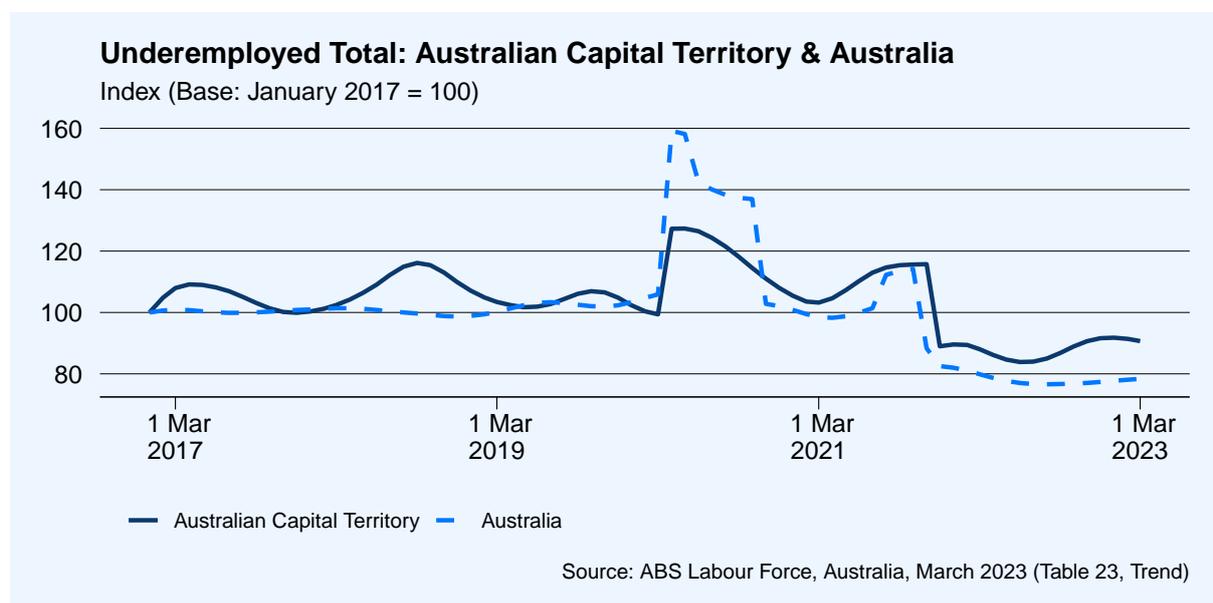
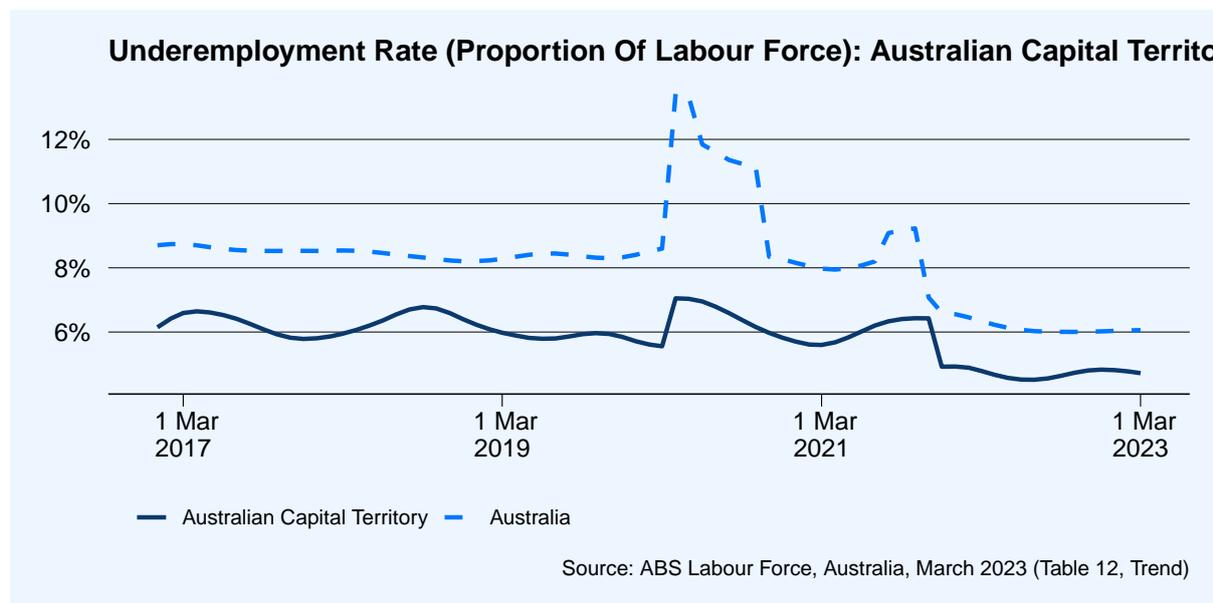
## Participation Rate

- The participation rate increased by 0.1 percentage points to 72.8%.
- Over the past year, the participation rate has increased by 1.5 percentage points.
- Nationally, the participation rate in March increased by 0.1 percentage points to 66.8%.



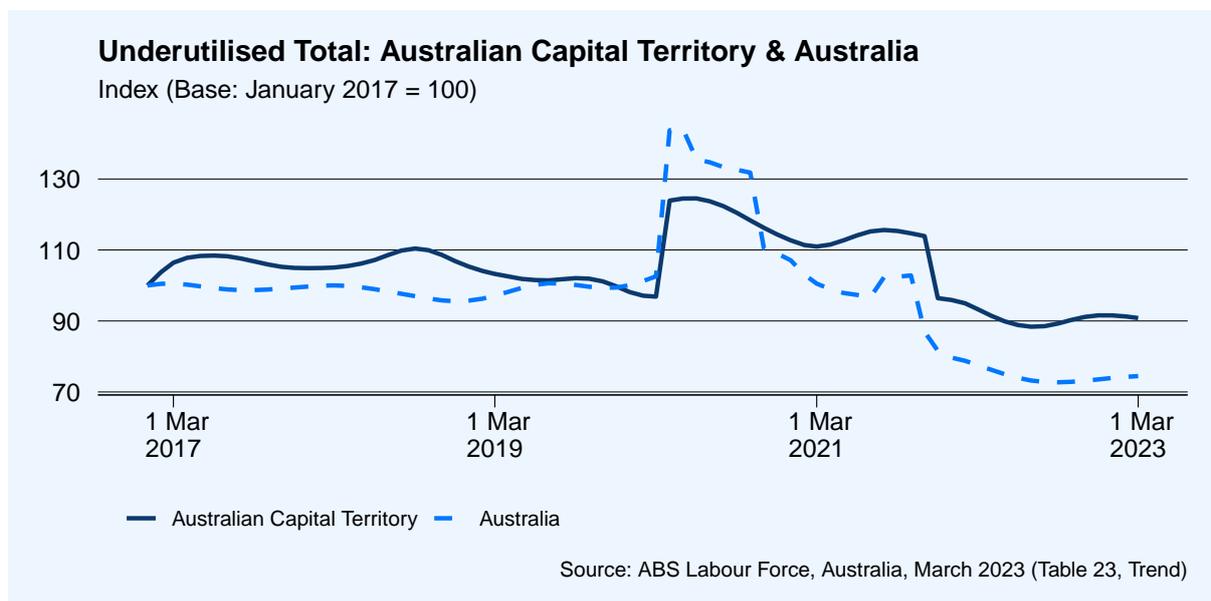
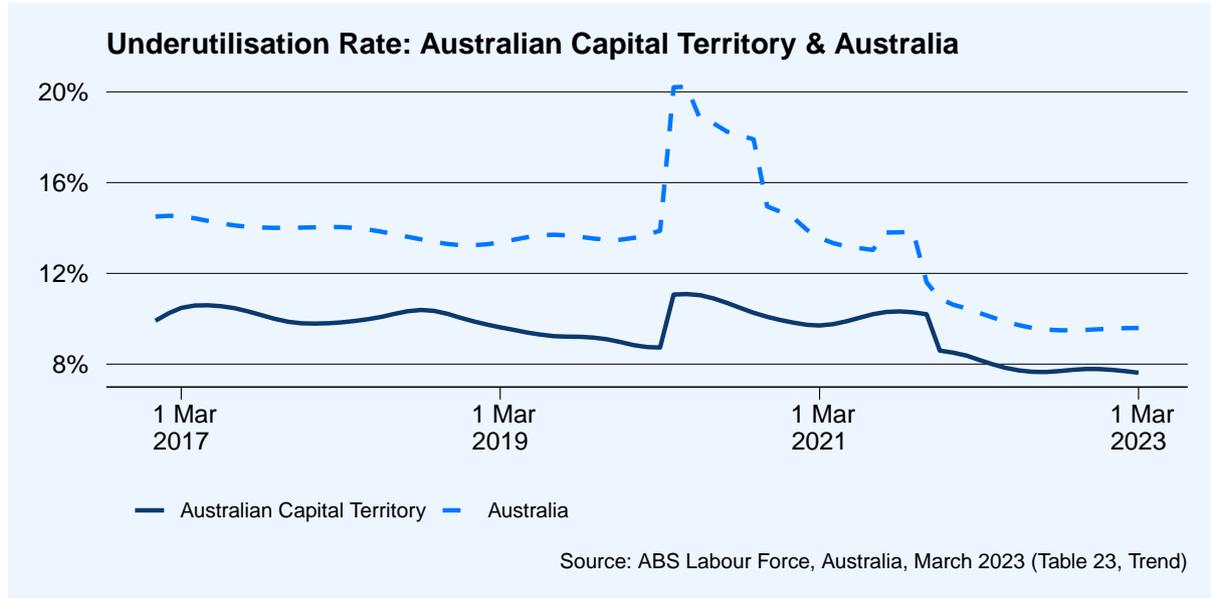
## Underemployment

- The underemployment rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 4.7%. The total number of people underemployed has decreased by 101 (-0.8%) to 12,879 people.
- Over the past year, total underemployment has increased by 373 (2.9%).
- Nationally, the underemployment rate in March increased by 0.1 percentage points to 6.1% and the total number of people underemployed increased by 3,283 (0.4%) to 871,842.



## Underutilisation

- The underutilisation rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 7.6%. Over the past month, the number of underutilised people has decreased by 106 (-0.5%) to 20,796.
- Over the past year, underutilisation in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 582 (-2.8%).
- Nationally the underutilisation rate in March remained steady at 9.6%, and the total number of underutilised people increased by 3,865 (0.3%) to 1.38 million.



### Hours Worked

- The total number of hours worked in all jobs increased by 130,667 (0.4%) to 36.16 million.
- Over the past year, the number of hours worked in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 1.79 million (4.9%).
- Nationally, the total number of hours worked in March increased by 4.76 million (0.2%) to 1,910 million.

