## Quarterly Labour Force Survey Q3:2018

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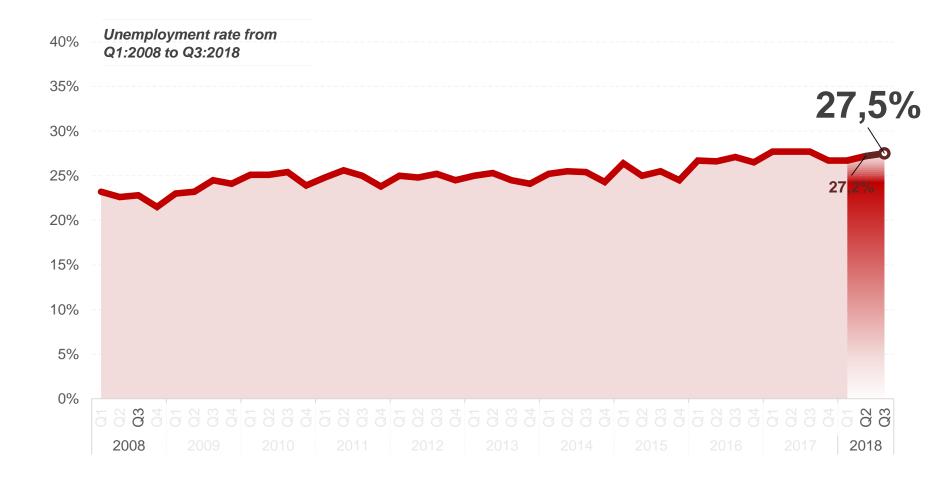
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Labour statistics



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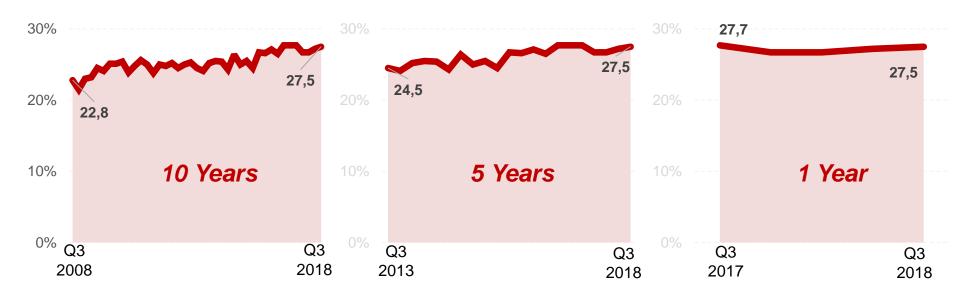
#### SOUTH AFRICA'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE INCREASED BY 0,3 OF A PERCENTAGE POINT TO 27,5% IN Q3 OF 2018. The unemployment rate has fluctuated between the 20% and 30% band for the last 10 years.





## **THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HAS REMAINED STAGNANT YEAR ON YEAR.** There has been a 0,2 of a percentage point decrease between Q3:2017 and Q3:2018.

Unemployment rate from Q3:2008 to Q3:2018



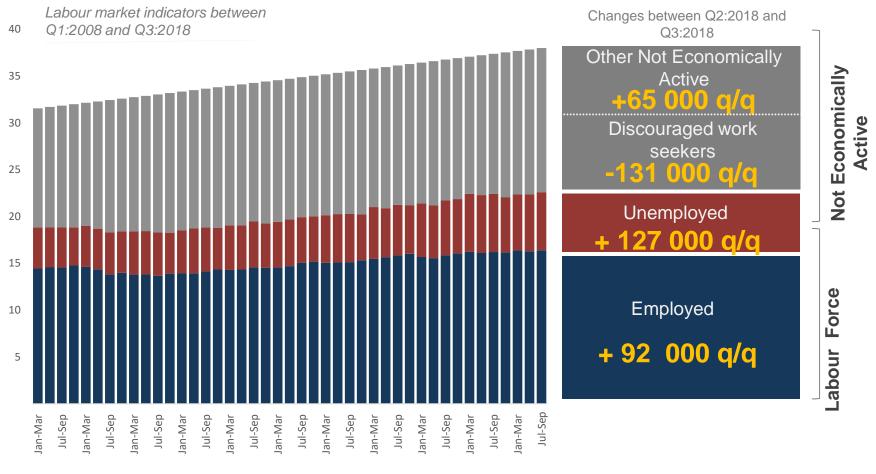


#### THE WORKING AGE POPULATION (15-64 YEARS) IN Q3:2018 WAS 38,0 MILLION

Labour force		Not Economically Active		
22,6 million		15,4 million		
Employed 16,4M	Unemployed 6,2M	discouraged work seekers 7,2	Other NEA 12,7 <sub>M</sub>	
	South Africa's official unemployment rate stands at <b>27,5%</b> Increased by 0,3 ppt between	and the rem job-s	chy – Employed first then unemplo nainder is NEA (including discoura neekers). 3 mutually exclusive gro not be in two groups at the same t	



### THERE WAS AN INCREASE OF 153 000 PEOPLE OF WORKING AGE IN SOUTH AFRICA (15 – 64 YEAR OLDS) BETWEEN Q2:2018 AND Q3:2018



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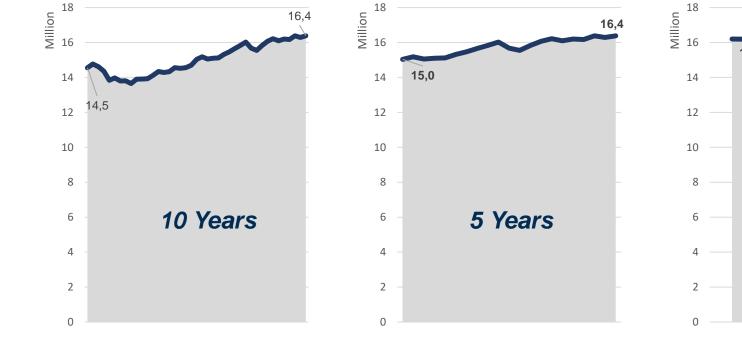
# EMPLOYMENT & LABOUR MARKET RATES



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## THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS INCREASED BY 92 000 TO 16,4 MILLION IN Q3:2018

Number of employed From Q3:2008 to Q3:2018



The number of employed people increased from 14,5 million in Q3:2008 to **16,4 million** in Q3:2018

Employment increased by about 1,4 million jobs from 15,0 million in Q3:2013 to **16,4 million** in Q3:2018



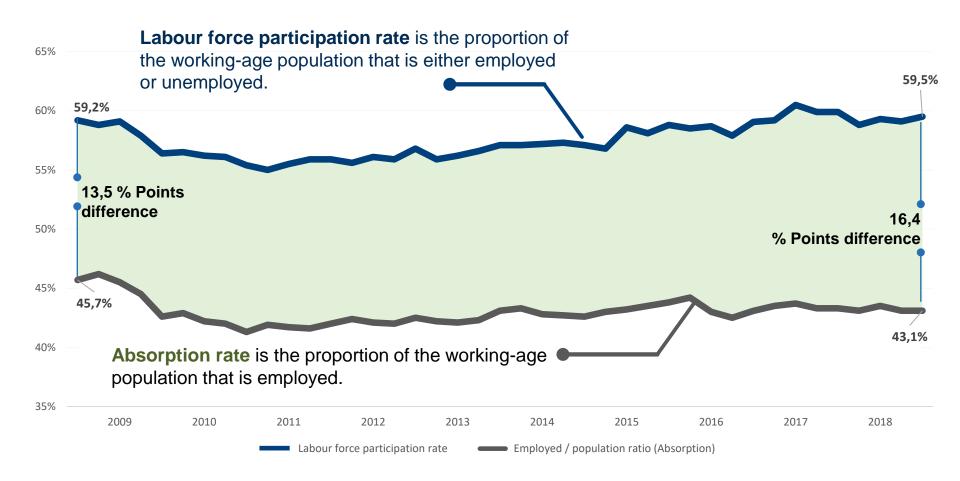
The number of employed people increased from 16,2 million in Q3:2017 to **16,4 million** in Q3:2018



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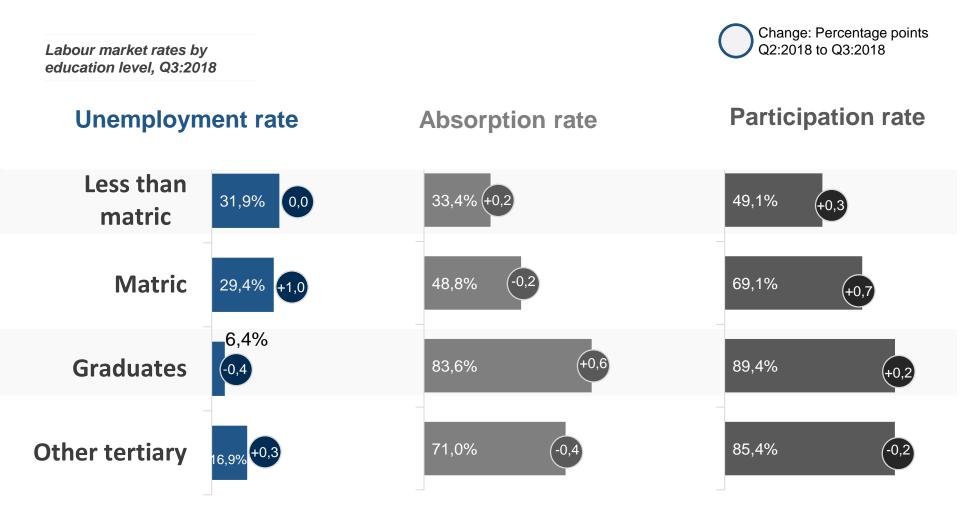
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### THE LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE INCREASED BY 0,4 OF A PERCENTAGE POINT FROM 59,2% IN Q3:2008 TO 59,5% IN Q3:2018



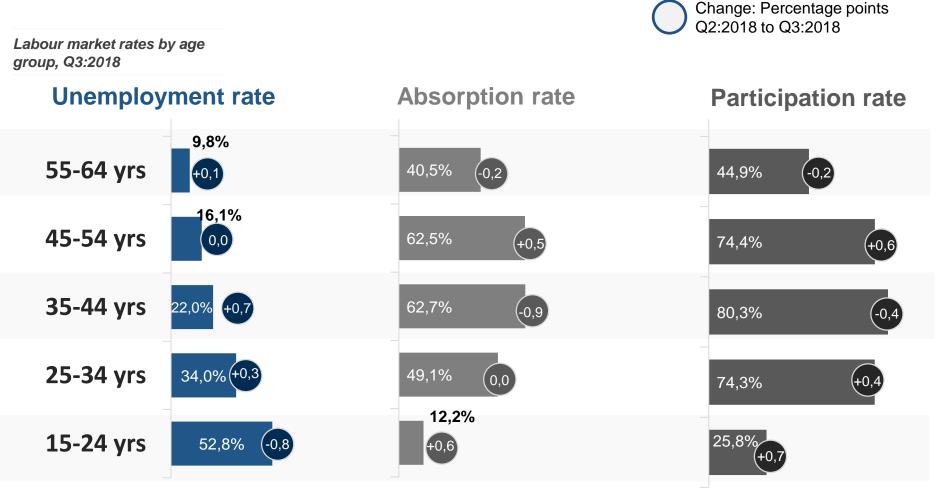


#### LABOUR MARKET RATES VARY SIGNIFICANTLY DEPENDING ON EDUCATION LEVEL





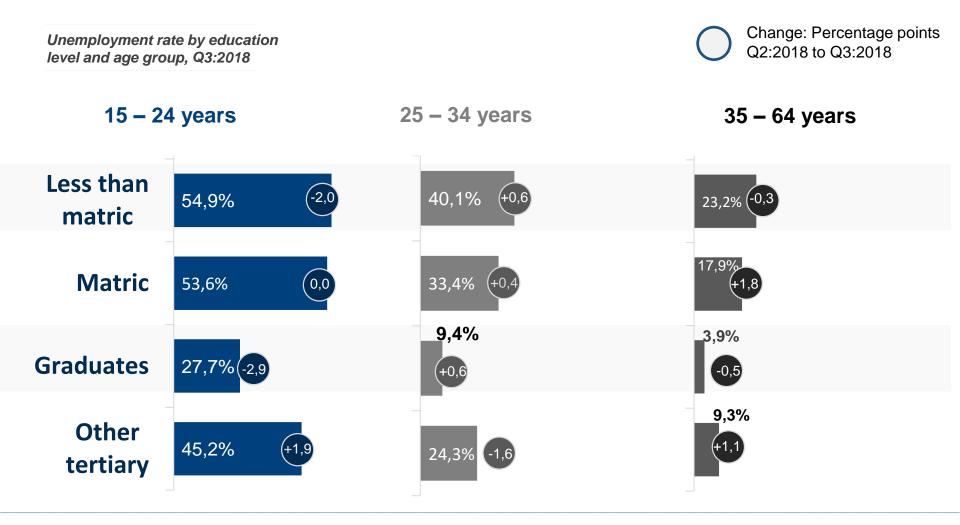
### THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR THOSE AGED 25-34 IS DOUBLE THAT OF THE 45-54 YEAR OLDS.





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### THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AMONG THE YOUTH IS HIGHER IRRESPECTIVE OF EDUCATION LEVEL





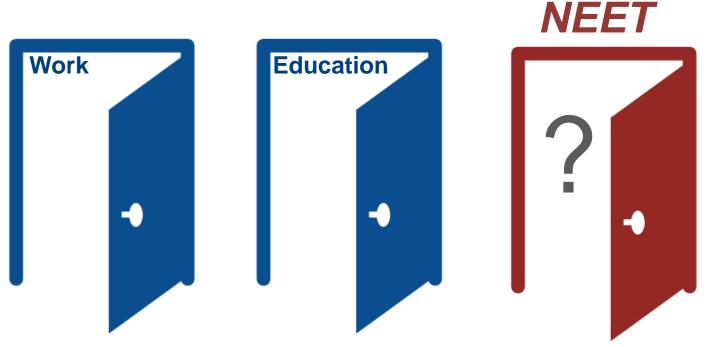


### PROFILE OF THOSE NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING (NEET)



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### NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING (NEET)

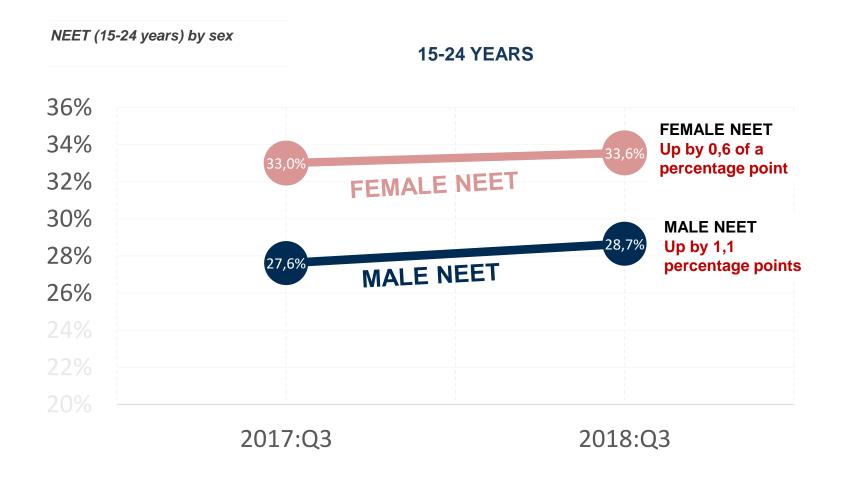


Those young people (15-24 years) who are categorised as NEET are considered to be *disengaged* from both work and education.

**Youth NEET** rate is calculated as the total number of youth who are NEET as a proportion of the total youth-specific working-age population

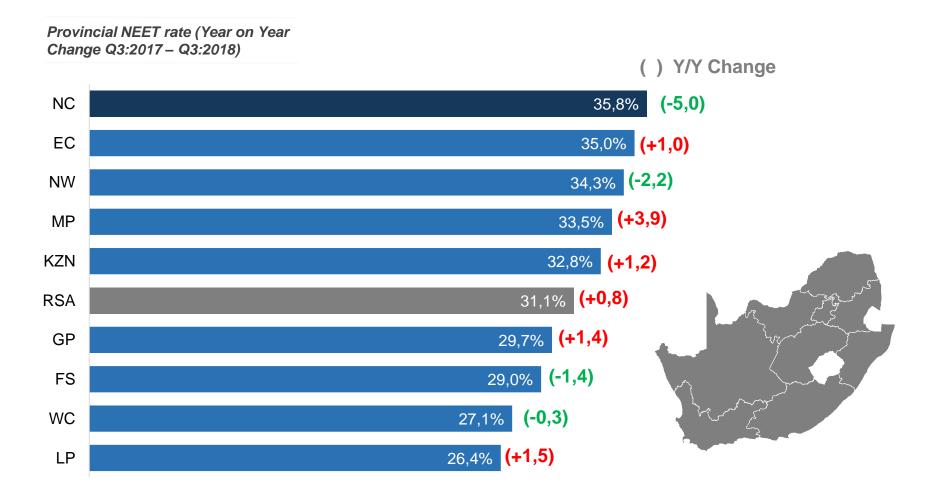


#### APPROXIMATELY 3,2 MILLION (31,1%) OUT OF 10,3 MILLION YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 15-24 YEARS WERE NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING (NEET). The overall NEET rate increased by 0,8 of a percentage point in Q3:2018 compared to Q3:2017.

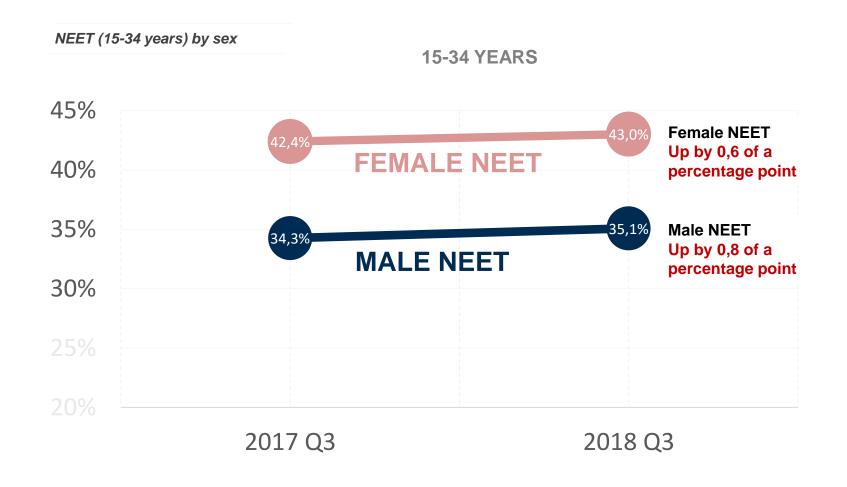




#### ALTHOUGH NC RECORDED THE HIGHEST RATE OF YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 15-24 YEARS NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING, THIS IS 5 PERCENTAGE POINTS LOWER THAN Q3:2017.

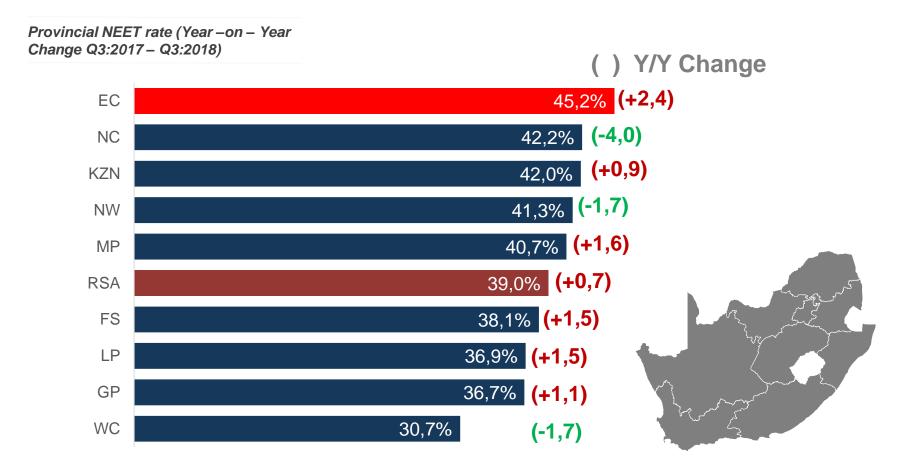


APPROXIMATELY 7,9 MILLION (39,0%) OUT OF 20,3 MILLION YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 15-34 YEARS, WERE NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING (NEET). The overall NEET rate increased by 0,7 of a percentage point y/y.





#### THE EC PROVINCE HAD THE HIGHEST RATE OF YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 15-34 YEARS NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING AT 45,2%. The rate increased by 2,4 percentage points year-on-year.





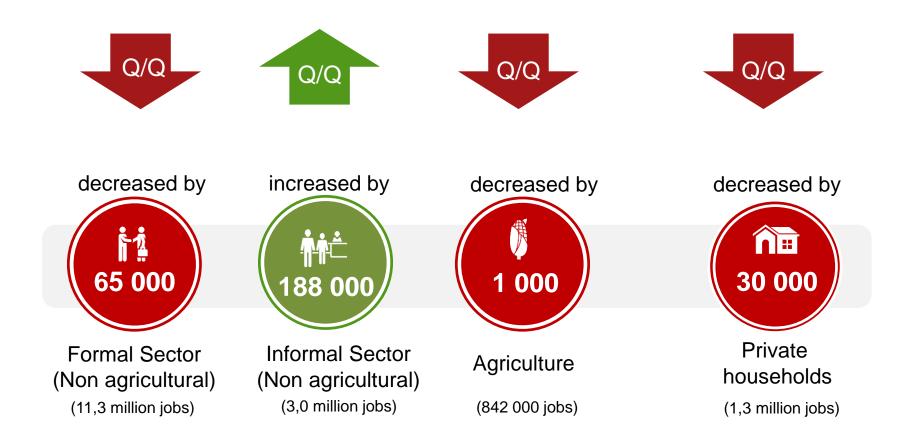


# **EMPLOYMENT**



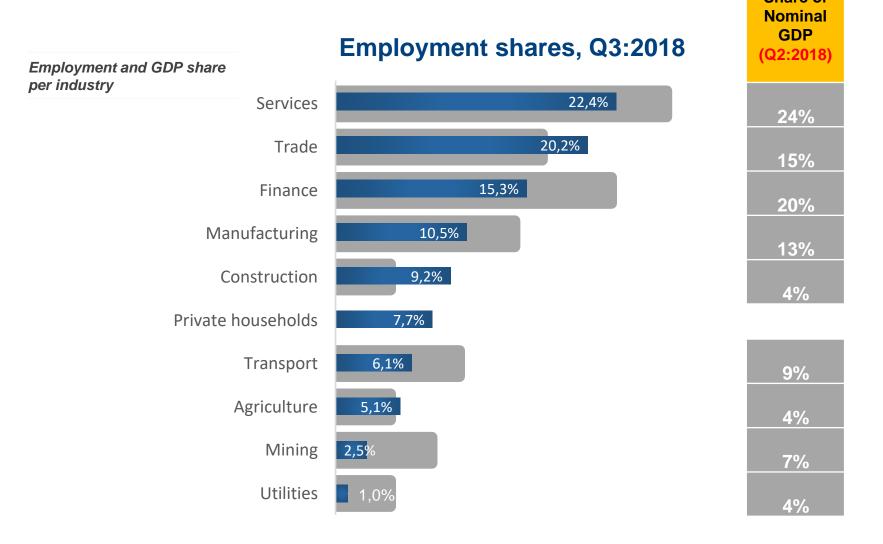
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THE NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED GREW BY 92 000 IN Q3:2018 TO 16,4 MILLION.





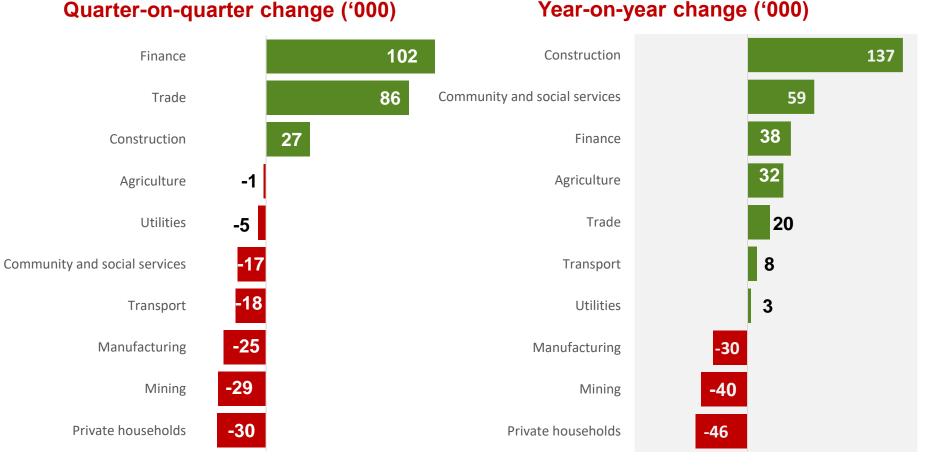
### CONSTRUCTION, TRADE AND AGRICULTURE HAVE HIGHER EMPLOYMENT SHARES RELATIVE TO THEIR GDP CONTRIBUTION





#### THE BIGGEST QUARTER-ON-QUARTER EMPLOYMENT GAINS WERE RECORDED IN FINANCE, TRADE AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES

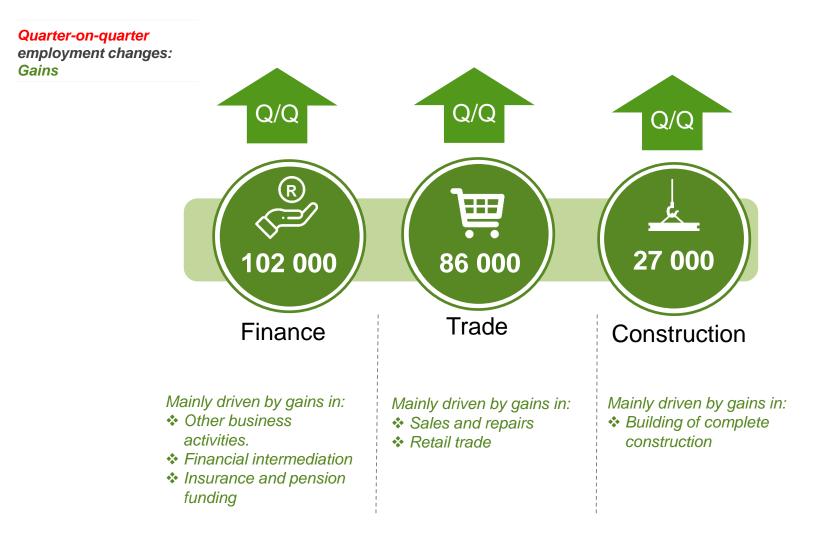
Employment changes by industry



#### Year-on-year change ('000)

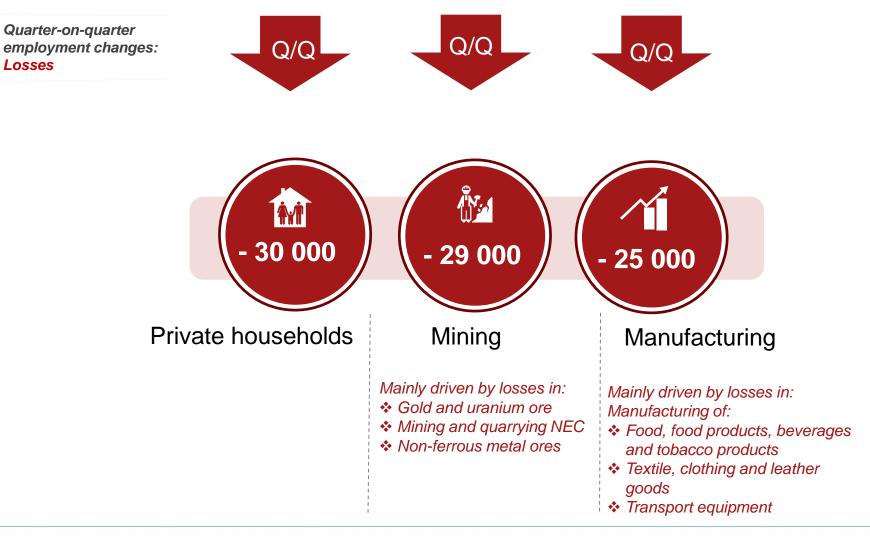


### EMPLOYMENT GAINS WERE MAINLY DRIVEN BY THE FINANCE, TRADE AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES





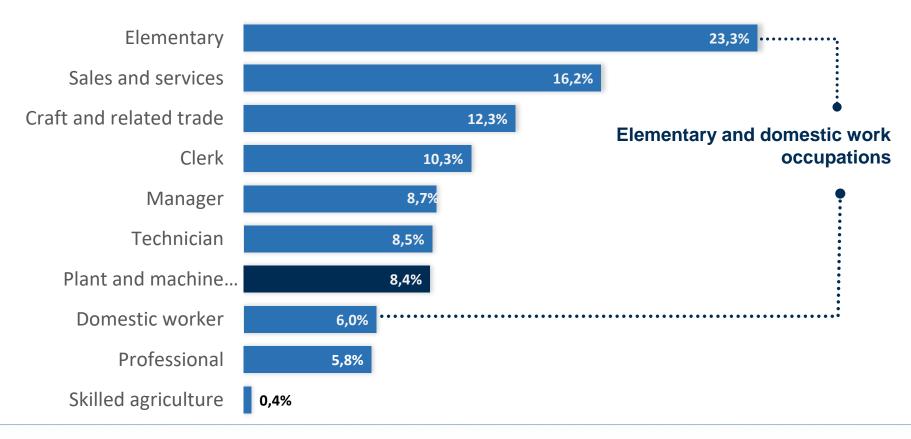
### EMPLOYMENT LOSSES WERE MAINLY DRIVEN BY THE MANUFACTURING, PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD AND MINING INDUSTRIES





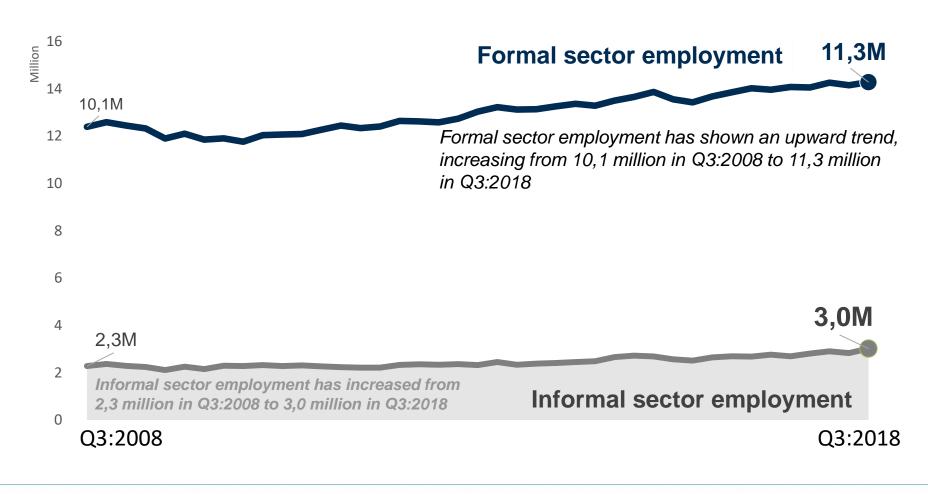
## CLOSE TO A THIRD (29,3%) OF ALL PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN Q3:2018 WERE EMPLOYED IN ELEMENTARY AND DOMESTIC WORK OCCUPATIONS

*Employment share by occupation,* Q3:2018





## THE FORMAL SECTOR IN SOUTH AFRICA ACCOUNTS FOR 68,7% OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT





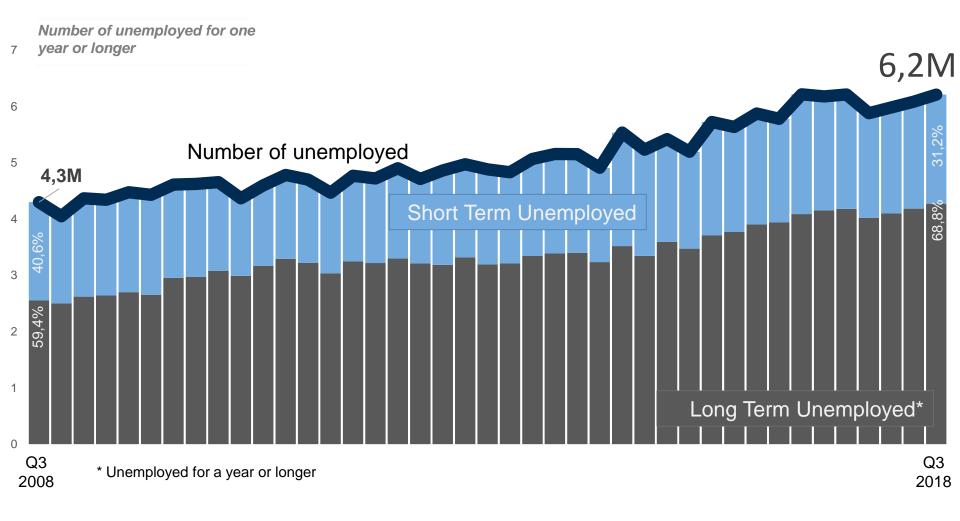


# UNEMPLOYMENT



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### **THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA INCREASED FROM 4,3 MILLION IN Q3:2008 TO 6,2 MILLION IN Q3:2018.** The proportion of those in long-term unemployment increased from 59,4% in Q3:2008 to 68,8% in Q3:2018





#### Q3:2018 Q3:2018 **Expanded** Unemployment Rate **Official Unemployment Rate 37,3%** (+0,1 % Point Change Q/Q) 27,5% (+0,3 % Point Change Q/Q) 45% 45% 40% 40% <u>S</u>A: 37,3% 35% 35% • 33,9% 30,9% 29.4% 30% 30% 9,8 million SA: 27.5% people were unemployed in Q3:2018 25% 25% 25,9% An increase of 125 000 g/g 20% 20% 6,2 million Expanded Definition includes the following people were unemployed in Q3:2018 15% 15% An increase of 127 000 q/q - Official unemployment (searched and available) 6,2 M 10% 10% - Available to work but are/or · Discouraged work-seekers 2,7 M Have other reasons for not searching 0,8 M 5% 5%

2008

0%

2018

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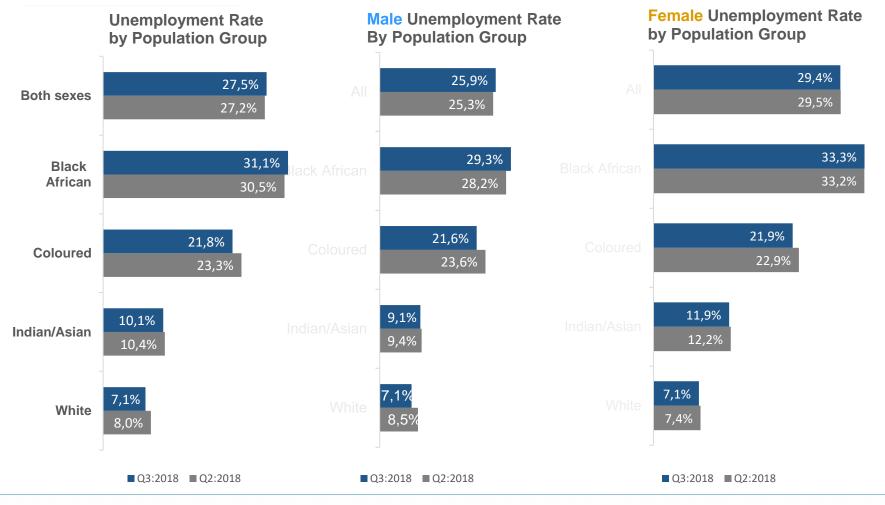


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### BLACK WOMEN ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE WITH AN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE OF OVER 30%.

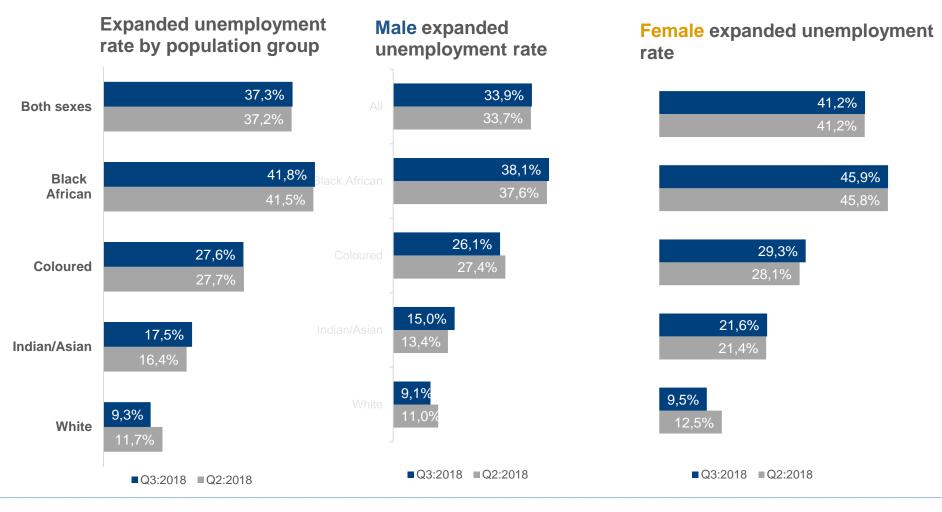
**OFFICIAL** unemployment rate by population group and sex





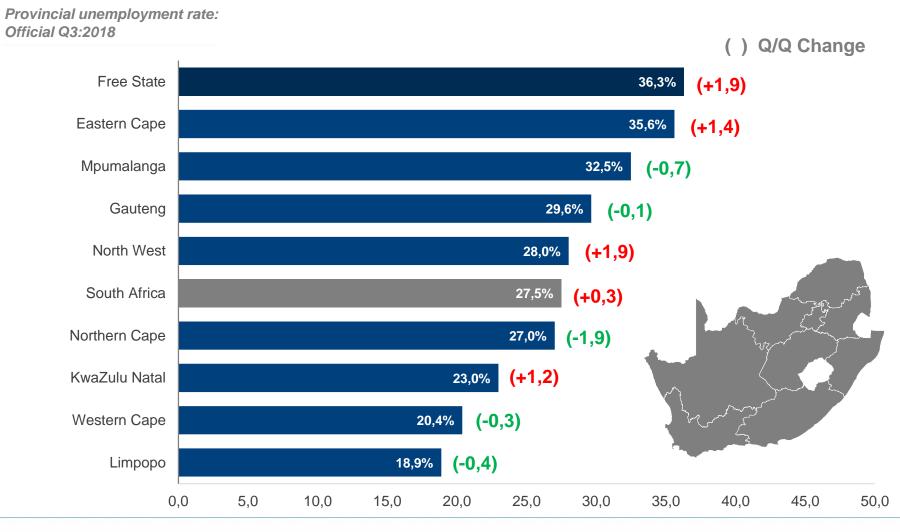
## IRRESPECTIVE OF SEX, THE BLACK AFRICAN AND COLOURED POPULATION GROUPS REMAIN VULNERABLE IN THE LABOUR MARKET

**EXPANDED** unemployment rate by population group and sex





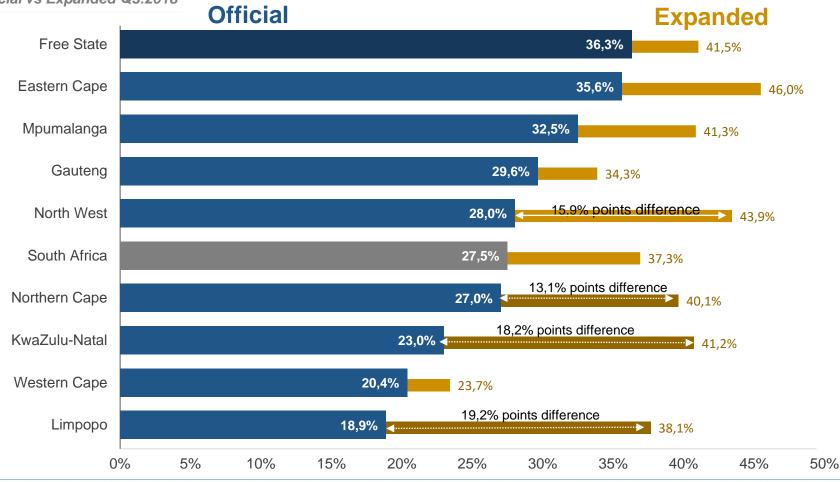
#### FIVE OUT OF NINE PROVINCES SHOWED DECREASES IN THEIR UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BETWEEN Q2:2018 AND Q3:2018 (MP, GP, NC, WC AND LP)



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#### **FS HAS THE HIGHEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BASED ON THE OFFICIAL DEFINITION OF UNEMPLOYMENT.** *EC* recorded the highest expanded unemployment rate while LP, KZN, NW and *NC provinces all have more than 13% points difference between their expanded and official unemployment rates*

Provincial unemployment rate: Official vs Expanded Q3:2018







## UNDERSTANDING NON-ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE (NEA)



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## **15,4 MILLION PEOPLE AGED 15 – 64 YEARS WERE NOT ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE.** This is a decrease of 66 000 q/q

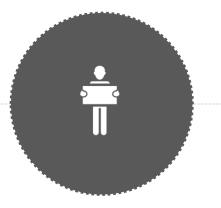
Reasons why – Not economically active (NEA)

active (NEA)		Q2:2018 to Q3:2018	Q2:2018 to Q3:2	018
-	5 main reasons for <b>NEA</b>	% Change	Change in leve	Is
	Too old/young to work; 9,1%	Down 0,3 of a % Point	Quarter-on-guarter changes Thousand	
	lliness/disability; 10,2%	Up 0,5 % Point	Student Homemaker	32 -16
	Home-maker 16,6%	No change	Illness/disability Too young/too old to work Discouraged work seekers Other	68 -49 -131 30
<b>Y</b> I 15,4 M	Discouraged work seekers 17,8%	Down 0,8 of a % Point		
	Student 40,6%	Up 0,4 of a % Point		





UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Unemployment rate increased by 0,3 of a % point to 27,5% .

Absorption rate remained unchanged while labour force participation rate increased 0,4 of a percentage point

### EMPLOYMENT GAINS



Employment gains were only recorded in Finance (102 000),

Trade (86 000) and Construction (27 000) Largest employment losses were observed in **Private households** (30 000), Mining (29 000), and Manufacturing (25 000)

**EMPLOYMENT** 

LOSSES

#### NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING



Of the 10,3 million persons aged 15-24 years, **31,1% were not in employment, education or training.** 

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