





QES Background

QES is an enterprise-based sample survey

QES collects information on employing businesses registered for VAT with annual turnover greater than R300 000

R300 000

Samples are drawn from private non-agricultural businesses e.g. Factories, offices, stores as well as national, provincial and local government

entities

Sample size of approximately 20 000 was selected



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QES Coverage

INCLUDES



EXCLUDES



Agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing



The informal business sector



Domestic services

* Administrative data from DMR





QES Variables

Estimates are published on a quarter lag (SDDS)

Number of employees

as at the *last month* of the reference quarter



Average monthly earnings

for *the middle month* of the reference quarter

Gross earnings

for the **three months** of the reference quarter





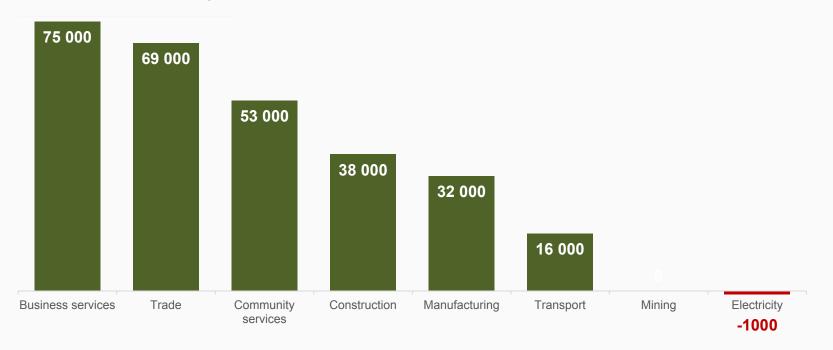






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Difference in QES 2017 and 2018 estimates as at June 2018 quarter

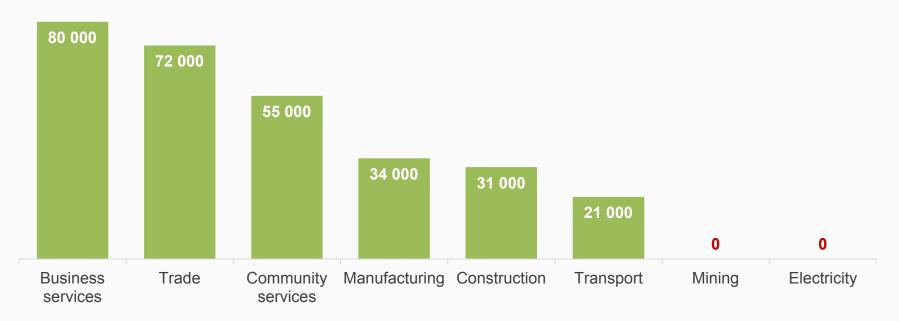






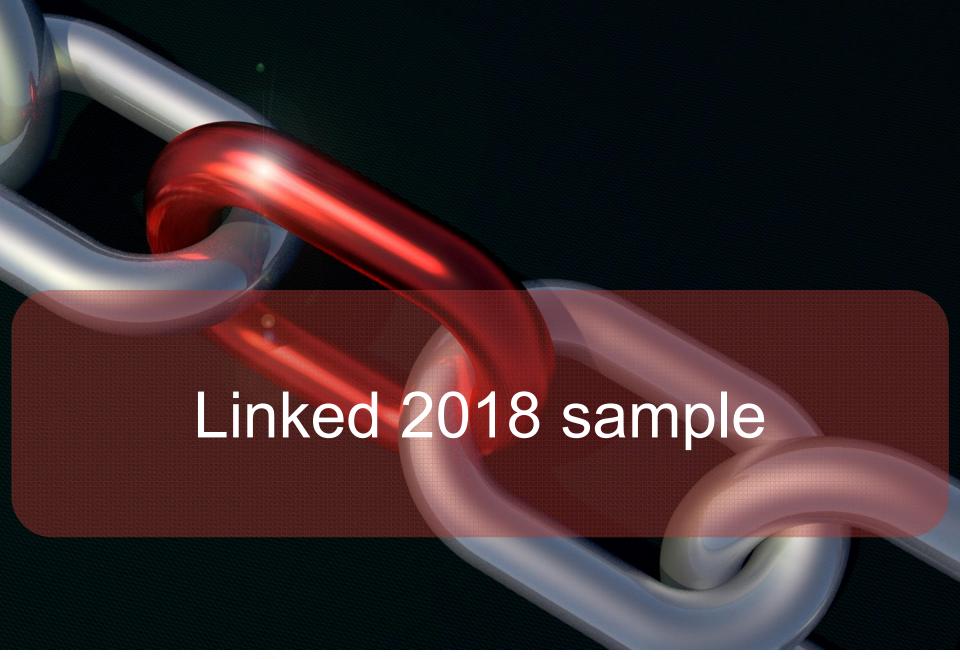
The employment estimates produced by the 2018 sample for Sept quarter were greater than the 2017 employment estimates in all sectors except Mining and Electricity. The estimates were 293 000 higher compared to 2017 sample estimates which were 9 771 000 in the same period.

Difference in QES 2017 and 2018 estimates as at September 2018 quarter





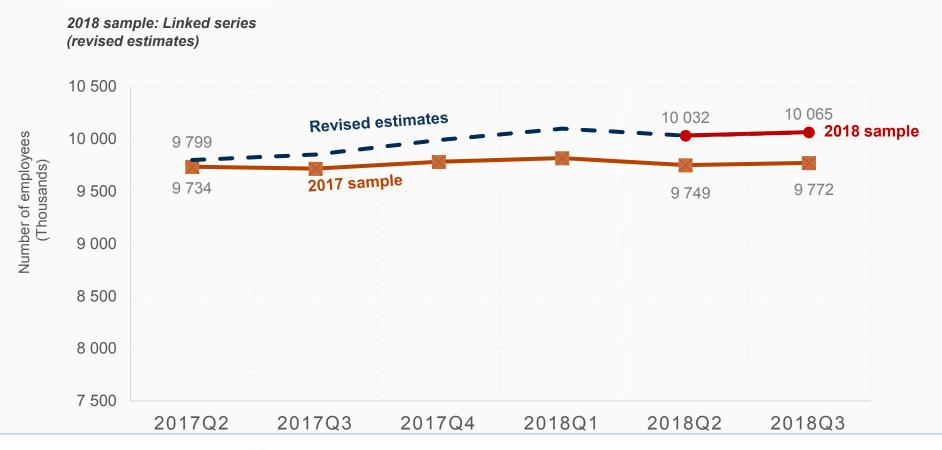








The estimates for the June 2018 quarter were linked to the 2017 sample estimate. The difference between the two estimates was 282 000 in June 2018 quarter and 293 000 in September 2018 quarter.









Why is there a difference in employment and gross earnings levels 2018 and 2017 samples?

The higher employment and earnings estimates from the 2018 sample may be attributed, though not limited to, the following:



Small businesses growing to the extent that they are now captured in the registration process;

 greater compliance with administrative requirements to register as an employer (Business Sampling Frame rose by 1.5% in February 2017 compared with February 2018)





Methodology

- The series was linked from sub-sector reporting level, and aggregated to industry level
- Only 4 quarters were linked to the series (i.e. Q2:2017, Q3:2017, Q4:2017, and Q1:2018)













Q4:2018 EMPLOYMENT RESULTS

10,151M

The total number of persons employed increased from **10,064M** in Q3:2018

There was a quarterly increase of 87 000 jobs (or 0,9%) in the Q4:2018 compared with Q3:2018. Jobs increased by 158 000 (or 1,6%) in the reference quarter compared with the same quarter of 2017 (Q4:2017).



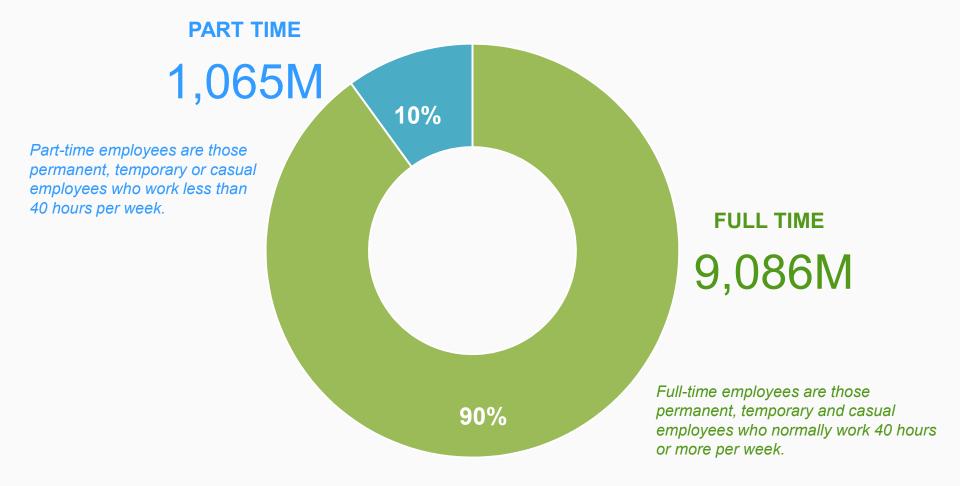








Q4:2018 EMPLOYMENT COMPOSITION





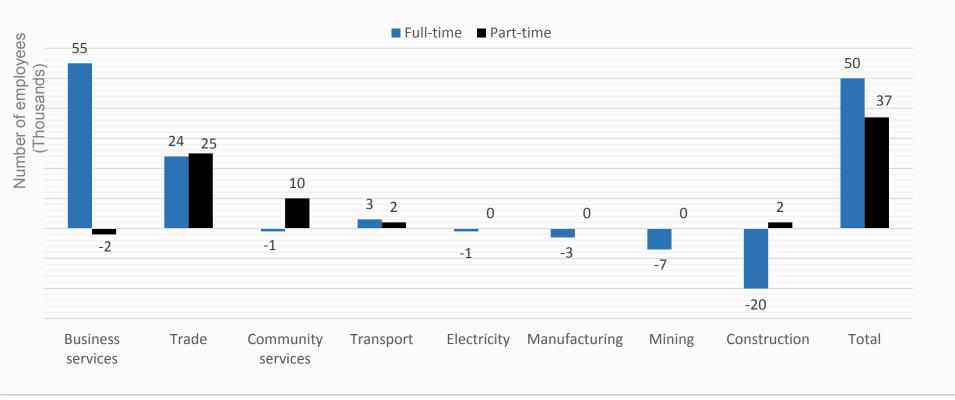




Full-time jobs rose by 50 000 and part-time by 37 000.

Business services industry showed an increase of 53 000 in employment for the quarter ended in December 2018, followed by trade industry with 49 000 employees. A combined total of 29 000 jobs were lost in the construction, mining, manufacturing and electricity industries.

Quarter-to-quarter employment change



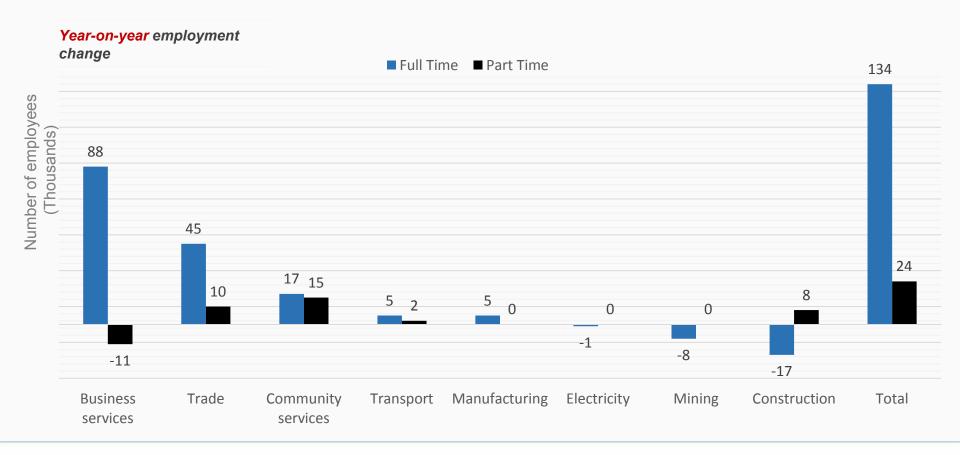






There was an annual increase of 158 000 jobs in Q4:2018

compared with Q4:2017. Business services industry recorded the highest increase in employment in the fourth quarter compared with the same quarter in 2017. Construction, mining and electricity industries lost a combined total of 18 000 jobs in Q4:2018 compared with Q4:2017. Full-time employees contributed the most jobs.



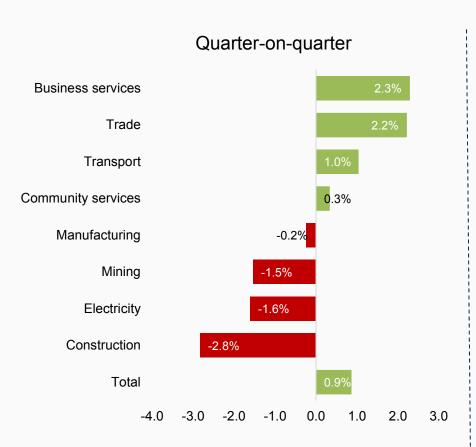


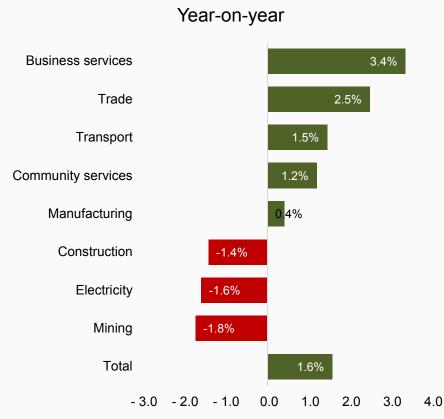




PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT

Quarterly and annual changes in employment in the fourth quarter of 2018.





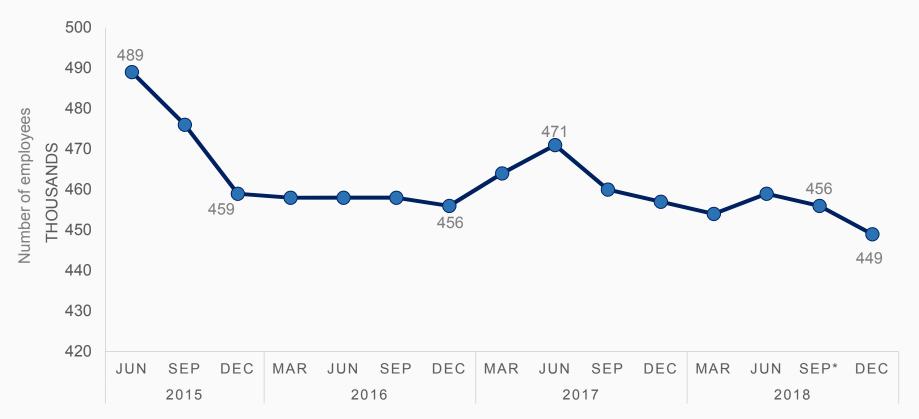


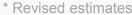




The mining industry continues to shed jobs, reaching its lowest level at 449 000 in Q4:2018. There was a quarterly decrease of 7 000 jobs compared with Q3:2018 from 456 000. The industry lost 8 000 jobs compared in the fourth quarter of 2017.

Number of employees in the Mining and Quarrying Industry



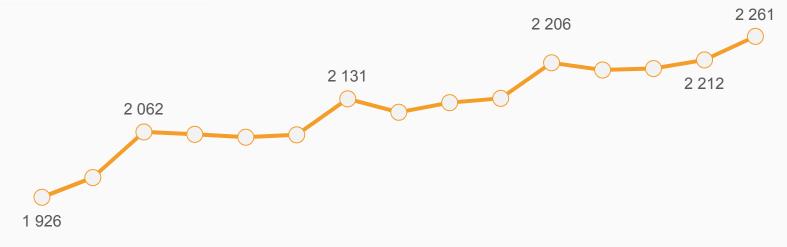






There's an upward trend shown in the trade industry with 49 000 additional jobs in fourth quarter following a moderate gain in the third quarter of 2018. Year-on-year the industry gained 55 000 jobs compared with same quarter of 2017.

Number of employees in the Trade Industry



JUN	SEP	DEC	MAR	JUN	SEP	DEC	MAR	JUN*	SEP*	DEC*	MAR*	JUN*	SEP*	DEC	
2015		2016			2017			2018							

* Revised estimates



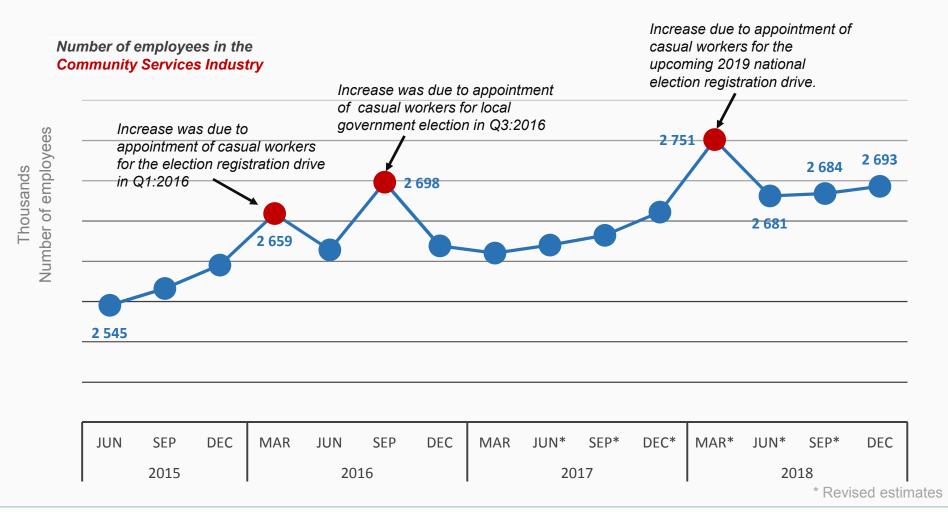
Number of employees

Thousands





The Community service industry reported an increase of 9 000 jobs in the fourth quarter. Year-on-year the industry gained 32 000 jobs in Q4:2018 compared with same quarter of previous year.





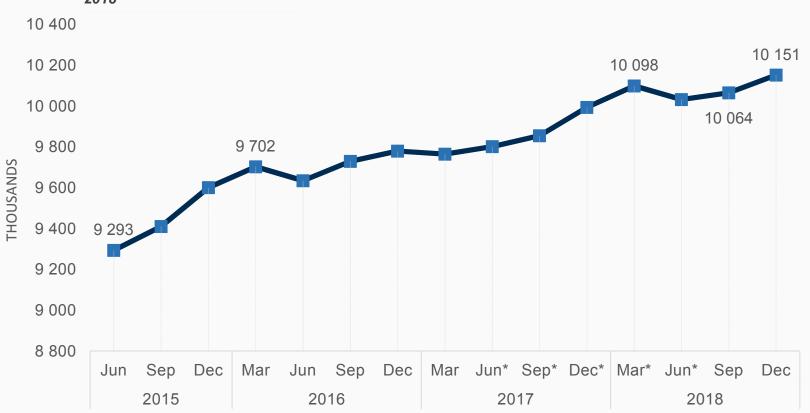




Employment time-series from 2015.

The number of jobs increased by nearly 900 thousand from 9,3 million in second quarter of 2015 to 10,2 million in the last quarter of 2018.

Employment growth over time from June 2015 to December 2018











Q4:2018 GROSS EARNINGS RESULTS

R725bn

Total gross earnings paid in the quarter (from **R685 billion** in 2018:Q3).

Increases in gross earnings may be due to salary increases, bonus and overtime payments paid in the current quarter.



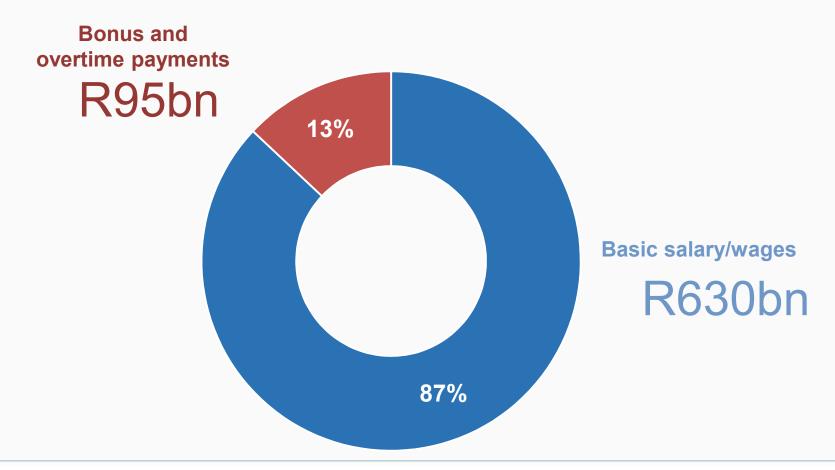








Q4:2018 GROSS EARNINGS COMPOSITION R725bn









Increases in gross earnings was due to salary increases (R5 billion), bonuses and overtime payments (R35 billion) paid in the fourth quarter of 2018.

Quarter-on-quarter gains

Quarter-on-quarter	Gross earnings (R' 000)							
Industry	Basic Salary/Wages	Bonus & Overtime Payments	Total Gross Earnings					
Trade	2 233 000	8 749 000	10 982 000					
Business services	3 692 000	3 365 000	7 057 000					
Manufacturing	997 000	7 247 000	8 244 000					
Community services	-2 892 000	8 409 000	5 517 000					
Construction	-182 000	3 687 000	3 505 000					
Transport	490 000	2 077 000	2 567 000					
Electricity	136 000	1 381 000	1 517 000					
Mining	544 000		544 000					
Total	5 018 000	34 915 000	39 933 000					







Increases in gross earnings was due to salary increases (R36 billion), bonuses and overtime payments (R10 billion) paid in the fourth quarter of 2018.

Year-on-year gains

Year-on-year	Gross earnings (R' 000)						
Industry	Basic Salary/Wages	Bonus & Overtime Payments	Total Gross Earnings				
Community services	15 674 000	3 983 000	19 657 000				
Business services	7 479 000	4 916 000	12 395 000				
Trade	5 710 000	1 264 000	6 974 000				
Manufacturing	3 054 000	738 000	3 792 000				
Mining	1 861 000		1 861 000				
Transport	1 955 000	-260 000	1 695 000				
Electricity	432 000	405 000	837 000				
Construction	261 000	-869 000	-608 000				
Total	36 426 000	10 177 000	46 603 000				

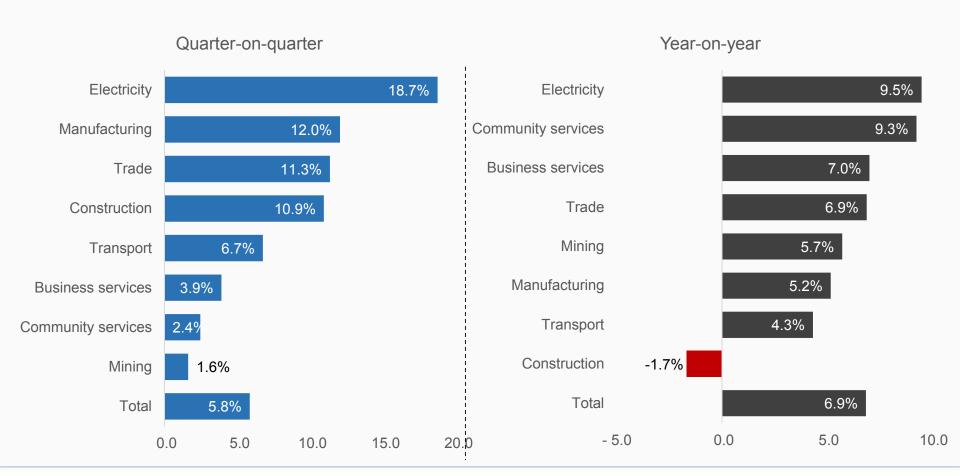






PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN GROSS EARNINGS

Changes in quarterly and annual changes in gross earnings paid in the fourth quarter of 2018.



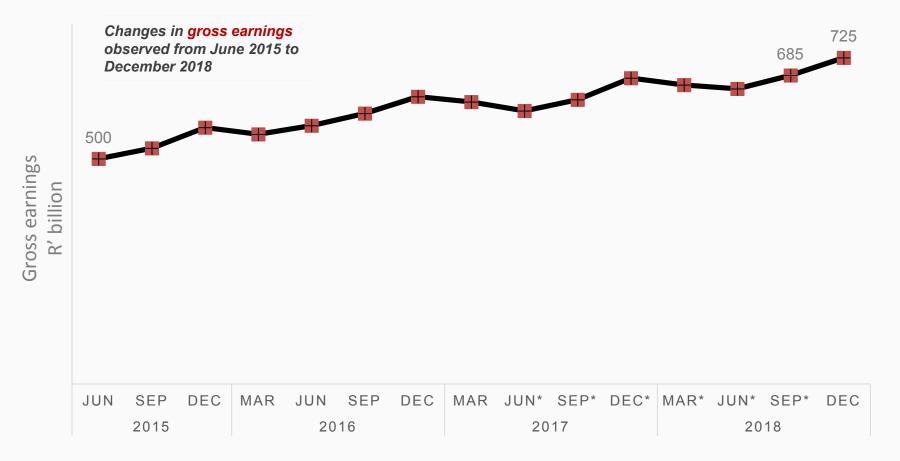






Gross earnings have steadily trended upwards since 2015.

The gross earnings increased by R225 billion (or 45.0%) from R500 billion in second quarter of 2015 to R725 billion at the end of 2018.



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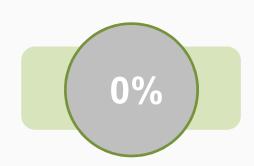


NOVEMBER 2018: AVERAGE MONTHLY EARNINGS (AME)

R21 190

AME including bonuses and overtime payments paid in November 2018 remained unchanged (R21 192 August 2018)

Quarter-on-quarter AME remained unchanged and year-on-year there was an increase of 4.9%





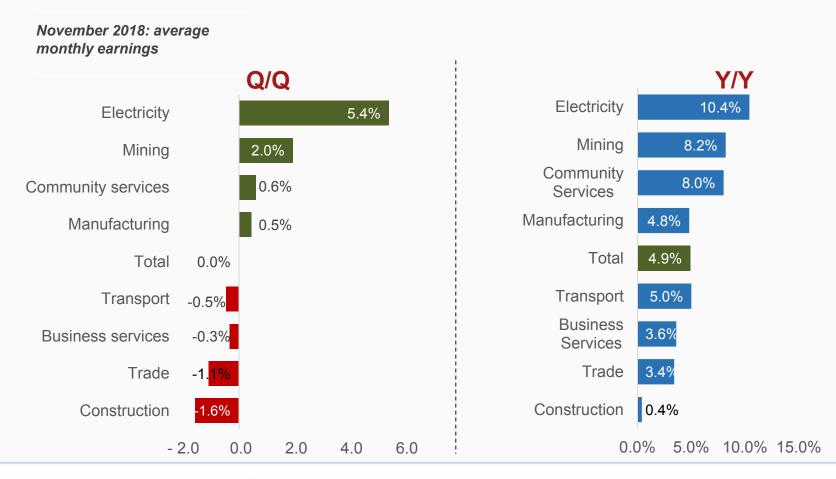






There was an increase in average monthly earnings for 4 of 8 industries in the fourth quarter compared with quarter three.

Year-on-year there was an increase in November 2018 compared with November 2017.







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