

Table 2: Shares of employment by occupation

Percentage of employment					
Years	Males				
	Managers & professionals	Community & personal service	Clerical & admin.	Sales	Blue Collar*
1971	17.2		8.4		58.1
1981	19.0		8.3		54.8
1986	28.9	3.7	8.4	6.0	53.0
1990	30.1	3.9	7.8	6.5	51.7
1995	30.6	4.2	7.4	7.1	50.7
2000	32.1	4.7	7.2	7.0	49.0
2005	33.1	5.0	7.0	7.3	47.6
2015	35.0	6.1	6.6	6.8	45.5
2019	34.9	6.1	7.0	6.3	45.7
Years	Females				
1971	16.3		32.0		19.7
1981	18.9		31.9		15.2
1986	25.4	8.4	32.3	13.2	20.7
1990	25.9	9.4	31.7	13.1	19.8
1995	27.1	10.9	30.1	13.7	18.2
2000	28.6	12.1	29.0	14.3	16.0
2005	31.7	12.9	26.4	14.3	14.7
2015	37.1	15.2	22.6	12.3	12.8
2019	38.0	16.4	21.3	11.1	13.2

- Comprises technicians and trades, machinery operators and drivers, and labourers.

Source: Bell & Keating, 2018, *Fair Share*, MUP, Table 6.3, and ABS, *Labour Force, Australia Detailed, Quarterly*, Table 07, Cat. 6291, Nov. 2019.