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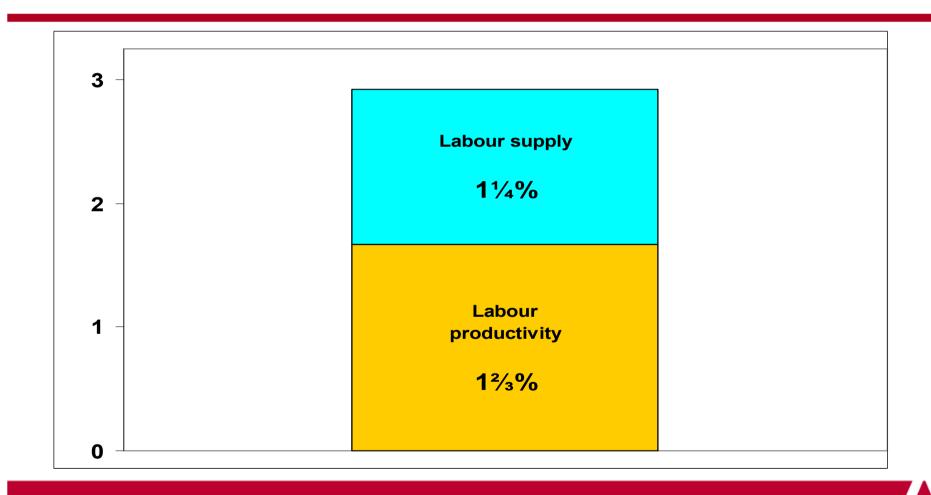
**How Fast Can Australia Grow? III** 

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#### How Fast Can Australia Grow? Mk III



#### Labour supply prospects to 2017

(in absence of policy changes)

- No growth in overall LFP (% of population aged over 16)
  - Ageing
  - Limited further gains from female LFP
  - Rising among over 55s
- Lower average hours of work
- Continued levels of net migration
- Further inroads into unemployment?

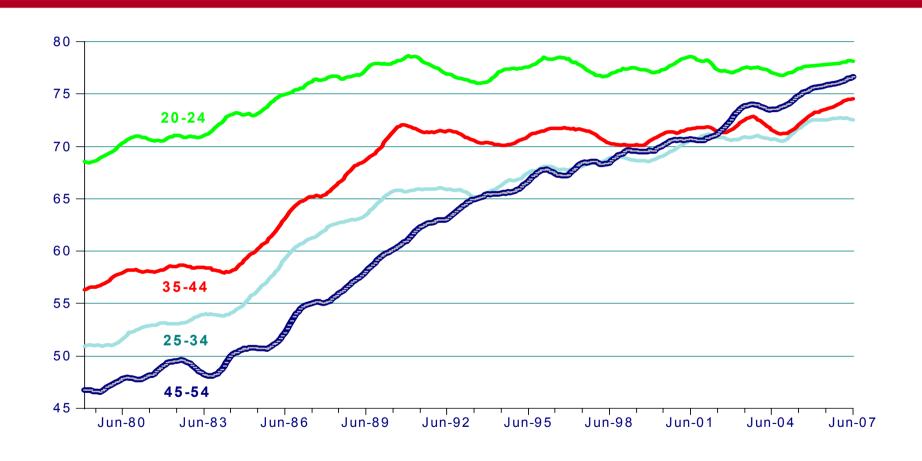


# **Participation & Unemployment**





# Female Prime Age Participation



#### Part-time work week



#### **Business**

- Generally greater emphasis on top end marginal tax rate tax cuts/threshold changes
- BCTR high emtrs in the context of ANTS
  - rates of FTB withdrawal
  - GST compensating adjustments
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  - shifting the 30% threshold upwards
  - raising the LITO phase-out threshold
  - steepening the LITO phase out taper rate





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