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cyclical unemployment	occurs because of a downturn in the level of economic activity
2. economic costs	include the opportunity cost of lost production, a decline in workforce skills, and the cost of income support for the unemployed
3. fair work commission	the government agency that regulates Australian workplaces, with functions that include the setting of minimum wages, the approval of workplace agreements and in some instances the resolution of industrial disputes
4. frictional unemployment	occurs when people are temporarily unemployed as they change jobs
5. hard-core unemployment	refers to long term unemployed people who may be considered unemployable by employers because of personal circumstances such as drug use or mental or physical disabilities
6. hidden unemployment	refers to those people who can be considered unemployed but do not fit the official definition of unemployment and are thus not reflected in the unemployment statistics
7. Hysteresis	the process whereby unemployment in the current period results in the persistence of unemployment in future periods as unemployed people can lose their skills, job contracts and motivation to work
8. labour force	the number of people 15 years of age and above who are either working or actively seeking work
 labour force participation rate 	refers to the percentage of the population, aged 15 and over, in the labour force, that is either employed or unemployed
10. the non accelerating rate of unemployment (NAIRU)	refers to the level of unemployment at which there is no cyclical unemployment, i.e. where the economy is at full employment
11. Okun's law	explains the relationship between unemployment and economic growth, showing that to reduce unemployment, the annual rate of economic growth must exceed the sum of percentage growth in productivity plus increase in the size of the labour force in any one year
12. seasonal unemployment	occurs at predictable and regular times throughout the year because of the seasonal nature of some kinds of work

13. social costs	include increased inequality, poverty, family breakdown and crime
14. structural unemployment	occurs because of a mismatch between the skills of the unemployed and the skills required by job vacancies
15. underemployment	refers to those persons who are working less than full time (and therefor not unemployed) but would like to work full hours
16. unemployment	refers to a situation where individuals want to work but are unable to find a job, and as a result of labour resources in an economy are not utilised