

Section 22



- The **long-term** projection period is characterised by a trend growth rate estimate (potential GDP) based on assumptions around trend levels of labour productivity, growth in the labour force, and the trend unemployment rate. This follows the approach used in the 2015 IGR and documented in Treasury Working Paper 2014-02.
  - Trend labour productivity is assumed to grow at its average rate over the past 30 years.
  - Labour force projections are based on detailed assumptions about population and labour force participation for different age and gender cohorts. These also incorporate key assumptions about the fertility rate, the mortality rate and net overseas migration.

