

globalisation

and

world politics

International political organisations include the:

- United Nations (UN)
- European Union (EU)
- Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)
- World Trade Organisation (WTO)



Australia's measures of living standards

Real GDP per head		UN 'Human Development Index'	
1870	1 st	1870	1 st
1913	1 st	1913	2 nd
1950	4 th	1950	2 nd
1975	9 th	1975	12 th
1990	15 th	1990	14 th
2001	7 th	2001	5 th

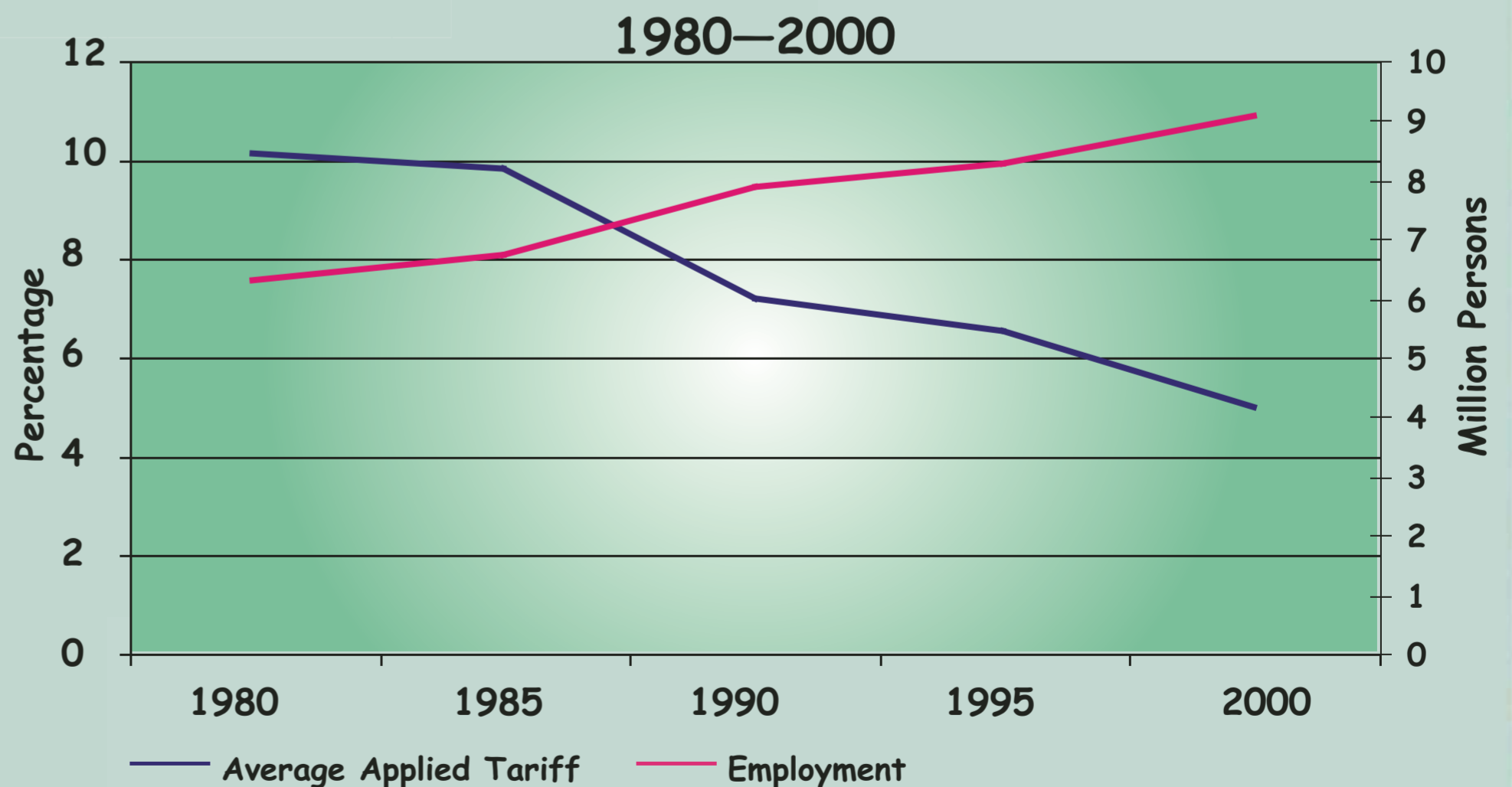
Source: DFAT 2003

Agreements made between two or more countries — treaties, protocols and free trade agreements — can increase trade and living standards

Australian governments have globalised the economy from the 1980s, following the period of protectionism in the mid 1900s

Employment increases when trade barriers, such as tariffs, are removed

Australia's average applied tariff & employment 1980–2000



Source: ABS, DFAT & Economic Planning Advisory Commission



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