

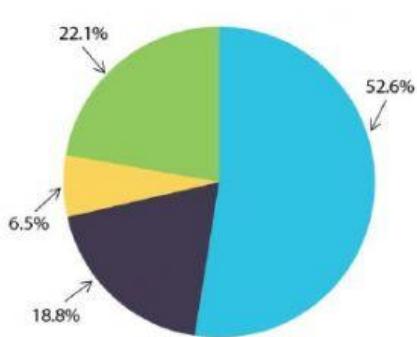
## Exercise 2

When comparing two charts, you need to carefully choose the most important information.

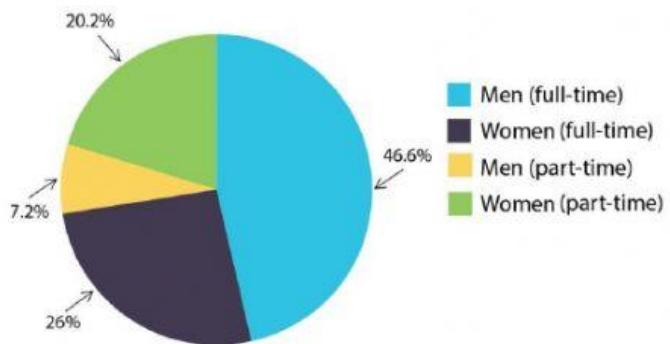
- Look for high numbers, low numbers and equal numbers.
- Remember to look for trends and patterns.
- Look for noticeable differences.

Look at the sentences and decide what type of information they give.

Employment in the UK 1988



Employment in the UK 2012



Key:

	Number (in 1000s)
Men (full-time)	12,539
Women (full-time)	4,482
Men (part-time)	1,550
Women (part-time)	5,268

Total 23,839

	Number (in 1000s)
Men (full-time)	13,794
Women (full-time)	7,696
Men (part-time)	2,131
Women (part-time)	5,979

Total 29,600

This is a key pattern as other numbers changed. This is a key trend. This is a large increase. This is not a key piece of information – small changes are not significant. This is not true – the percentage change was 7.2%. This is not true – women in full-time employment was the greatest percentage change. This is the highest number of employees in all the groups represented. This is the most significant change. This represents a key point – smallest and largest

numbers are important.

1. All the numbers increased.

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2. Women in full-time employment rose by 3,214,000.

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3. Women working full-time increased by over 8%.

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4. The number of men in full-time employment was greatest in both years.

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5. The number of women in part-time employment rose very slightly.

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6. The greatest percentage change was in men working full-time.

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7. 26% of workers in 2012 were women in full-time employment.

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8. Men working part-time was the smallest percentage in each year.

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9. 13,794,000 men were working full-time in 2012.

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