

TASMANIA COMPARED WITH AUSTRALIA

| Area | Period | Per cent of Australian total |
|---|--------------|------------------------------|
| | | 0.89 |
| Demography— | | |
| Estimated resident population | 30 June 1996 | 2.59 |
| Births | 1996p | 2.54 |
| Deaths (including infant deaths) | 1996p | 3.04 |
| Marriages | 1996p | 2.55 |
| Divorces | 1996p | 3.02 |
| Labour force (provisional trend estimate)— | | |
| Employed persons | June 1997 | 2.29 |
| Unemployed persons | June 1997 | 2.96 |
| Agriculture— | | |
| Gross value of agricultural commodities produced | 1995-96p | 2.3 |
| Area of establishments | 1995-96 | 0.4 |
| Cattle | 1995-96 | 2.7 |
| Sheep and lambs | 1995-96 | 3.2 |
| Pigs | 1995-96 | 1.0 |
| Milk by volume | 1995-96 | 5.9 |
| Wool by weight (a) | 1995-96 | 2.5 |
| Manufacturing— | | |
| Persons employed | 1994-95 | 2.4 |
| Turnover | 1994-95 | 2.3 |
| Foreign trade— | | |
| Value of imports | 1996-97 | 0.5 |
| Value of exports | 1996-97 | 2.2 |

(a) Wool received by brokers and dealers.

Abbreviations:
 p=preliminary
 r=revised
 n.y.a.=not yet available



TASMANIA AT A GLANCE 1997



PHYSICALArea of State (incl. lesser islands) km² 68 049**CLIMATE (a)**

| | Launceston Airport | Hobart |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Mean annual rainfall (mm) | 691 | 623 |
| Mean annual rain days | 137 | 161 |
| Mean daily maximum temperature (°C) | 16.9 | 16.8 |
| Mean daily minimum temperature (°C) | 6.2 | 8.2 |
| Extreme highest temperature (°C) | 37.3 | 40.8 |
| Extreme lowest temperature (°C) | -7.1 | -2.8 |
| Mean daily hours of sunshine | 6.8 | 5.9 |
| Mean annual frost days | 76 | 25 |

POPULATION

| | 1991 | 1996 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Estimated resident population (no.) | 466 802 | 474 592 |
| Aged less than 15 (no.) | 107 926 | 105 975 |
| Aged 15-24 (no.) | 71 339 | 66 474 |
| Aged 25-64 (no.) | 232 173 | 241 702 |
| Aged 65 and over (no.) | 55 364 | 60 441 |
| Greater Hobart Statistical Division (no.) | 190 950 | 195 795 |
| Greater Launceston Statistical District (no.) | 96 134 | 98 890 |
| Burnie-Devonport Statistical District (no.) | 78 707 | 79 172 |
| Density (no./km ²) | 6.9 | 7.0 |

| | 1995 | 1996p |
|-----------------|-------|-------|
| Births (no.) | 6 852 | 6 415 |
| Deaths (no.) | 3 898 | 3 836 |
| Marriages (no.) | 2 881 | 2 753 |
| Divorces (no.) | 1 443 | 1 568 |

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION

| | 1986 | 1996 |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Christian | 324 792 | 332 468 |
| Non-Christian | 1 967 | 3 661 |
| Other groups | 50 231 | 79 203 |
| Not stated | 59 363 | 44 327 |
| Total persons | 436 353 | 459 659 |

EDUCATION

| | 1995 | 1996 |
|---|--------|-----------|
| Schools: Government (no.) | 230 | 229 |
| Non-government (no.) | 70 | 70 |
| Students: Government (no.) | 63 284 | 62 776 |
| Non-government (no.) | 21 375 | 21 406 |
| University (total enrolments) (no.) | 12 398 | 12 611 |
| Maritime College (total enrolments) (no.) | 1 401 | (b) 1 150 |
| TAFE (total enrolments) (no.) | 24 022 | 26 588 |

(a) Averages based on all available complete years. Extremes based on all available data.

(b) Does not include short-course enrolments.

TOURISM AND TRAVEL

| | 1995 | 1996 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Total adult visitors to Tasmania (a) (no.) | 480 500 | 472 900 |
| Visitors' expenditure in Tasmania (a) (\$m) | 578 | 568 |
| Passenger movements (incl. residents)— | | |
| Arrivals by air | | |
| Interstate (no.) | 811 784 | 831 040 |
| New Zealand (no.) | 3 982 | 2 999 |
| Arrivals by sea (b) (no.) | 11 869 | 115 486 |
| Total arrivals (no.) | 932 635 | 949 525 |
| Departures (b) (no.) | 931 278 | 961 468 |

Accommodation (total capacity 30 June)---

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Hotels, motels etc., with facilities: | | |
| Guest rooms available (no.) | 5 408 | 5 523 |
| Holiday unit establishments: | | |
| Units available (no.) | 830 | 846 |
| Caravan parks: | | |
| Sites and cabins, flats etc. (no.) | 6 625 | 6 479 |

LABOUR FORCE (provisional trend estimate)

| | 1996 | 1997 |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Persons in labour force (May) (no.) | 225 000 | 216 700 |
| Employed (no.) | 201 300 | 193 200 |
| Unemployed (no.) | 23 700 | 23 500 |
| Participation rate (May) (%) | 61.1 | 58.7 |
| Unemployment rate (May) (%) | 10.5 | 10.9 |

Employed wage and salary earners

| by industry (May)— | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing (no.) | 600 | 600 |
| Mining (no.) | 1 600 | 2 200 |
| Manufacturing (no.) | 23 200 | 23 200 |
| Electricity, gas and water (no.) | 2 300 | 2 300 |
| Construction (no.) | 7 800 | 6 500 |
| Wholesale and retail trade (no.) | 31 700 | 28 700 |
| Accommodation, cafes and restaurants (no.) | 10 600 | 11 600 |
| Transport and storage (no.) | 5 200 | 6 900 |
| Communication services (no.) | 2 600 | 2 700 |
| Finance, property and business services (no.) | 15 000 | 17 800 |
| Government administration and defence (no.) | 10 100 | 9 300 |
| Education (no.) | 16 900 | 18 400 |
| Health and community services (no.) | 23 800 | 23 400 |
| Cultural, recreation, personal & other services (no.) | 8 700 | 12 800 |
| Total | 160 000 | 166 300 |

(a) Source: Tasmanian Visitor Survey conducted by Tourism Tasmania.

(b) Source: Tourism Tasmania. Note: excludes cruise ships.

| RETAIL TRADE (a) | 1986 | 1992 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Retail establishments at 30 June (no.) | 4 592 | 4 839 |
| Turnover (Trend)— | 1995-96 | 1996-97 |
| Food retailing (\$m) | 1 307.4 | 1 330.5 |
| Clothing and soft goods retailing (\$m) | 193.8 | 186.9 |
| Household goods retailing (\$m) | 331.3 | 331.0 |
| Recreational goods retailing (\$m) | 191.1 | 182.2 |
| Hospitality and services (\$m) | 480.1 | 473.8 |
| Other retailing (b) (\$m) | 546.5 | 589.1 |
| Total (\$m) | 3 050.2 | 3 093.5 |
| AGRICULTURE | 1994-95 | 1995-96 |
| Livestock numbers— | | |
| Dairy cattle (excluding house cows) ('000) | 185.3 | 196.6 |
| Beef cattle ('000) | 507.4 | 521.0 |
| Sheep and lambs ('000) | 3 852.9 | 3 862.3 |
| Pigs ('000) | 38.1 | 26.4 |
| Production of— | | |
| Red meat (carcass weight) (tonnes) | r 76 509 | 66 707 |
| Milk (c) (million litres) | 436 | 514 |
| Wool (d) (tonnes) | 17 577 | 15 997 |
| Barley for grain (tonnes) | 27 073 | 38 463 |
| Apples (tonnes) | 57 050 | 52 398 |
| Beans, french and runner (tonnes) | 8 462 | 9 453 |
| Peas, green (processing) (tonnes) | 37 946 | 29 734 |
| Onions (tonnes) | 73 537 | 91 119 |
| Potatoes (tonnes) | 255 738 | 302 035 |
| Hops (dry weight) (tonnes) | 1 832 | 1 930 |
| Oil poppies (area) (hectares) | 7 764 | 7 435 |
| Gross value (\$m) | r 618.8 | p 638.6 |
| MINING | 1995-96 | 1996-97 |
| Turnover of establishments (\$m) | 381.2 | n.y.a. |
| Mineral concentrates produced— | | |
| Copper concentrate ('000 tonnes) | 53.5 | 99.7 |
| Iron concentrate (pellets) ('000 tonnes) | 1 681.3 | 809.4 |
| Tin concentrate ('000 tonnes) | 16.0 | 16.3 |
| Zinc concentrate ('000 tonnes) | 316.5 | 356.9 |

- (a) Excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol etc.
(b) Includes department stores.
(c) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation.
(d) Wool received by brokers and dealers.

| MANUFACTURING | 1995-96 | 1996-97 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Production of— | | |
| Butter (a) (tonnes) | 9 589 | 10 869 |
| Cheese (a) (tonnes) | 24 852 | 25 373 |
| Electricity (million kW.h) | 9 100 | 9 543 |
| Newsprint ('000 tonnes) | 242.9 | 232.7 |
| Refined zinc ('000 tonnes) | 207.8 | 207.7 |
| Sawn timber ('000 m ³) | 349.3 | 330.7 |
| Woodchips ('000 tonnes) | 3 820.1 | 3 609.3 |
| BUILDING APPROVALS | 1995-96 | 1996-97 |
| New dwellings— | | |
| Private (no.) | 2 372 | 1 781 |
| Public (no.) | 174 | 80 |
| Total (no.) | 2 546 | 1 861 |
| Value (\$'000) | 217 445 | 157 428 |
| New non-residential buildings approved (plus alterations and additions valued at \$50,000 or more) (\$'000) | 216 752 | 158 970 |
| TRANSPORT | 1995 | 1996 |
| New motor vehicles registered during year (no.) | 13 793 | 14 171 |
| New motorcycles registered during year (no.) | 393 | 462 |
| Motor vehicles & motorcycles on register, June (no.) | 319 700 | 325 519 |
| PRICE INDEXES (HOBART) | 1996 | 1997 |
| Consumer Price Index (March) | | |
| Index number (1989-90=100.0) | 120.1 | 121.9 |
| Increase over previous year (%) | 3.4 | 1.5 |
| Building materials—house (March) | | |
| Index number (1989-90=100.0) | 120.9 | 120.1 |
| Increase over previous year (%) | 1.7 | -0.5 |
| Building materials—other (March) | | |
| Index number (1989-90=100.0) | 115.1 | 116.5 |
| Increase over previous year (%) | 1.4 | 1.1 |

(a) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation.

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FINANCE

| | 1995-96 | 1996-97p |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| State Government— | | |
| Final consumption expenditure (\$m) | 1 314 | 1 389 |
| Gross fixed capital expenditure (\$m) | 284 | 234 |
| Other outlays (\$m) | 732 | 755 |
| Total outlays (\$m) | 2 330 | 2 378 |
| Taxes, fees and fines (\$m) | 659 | 672 |
| Grants received (\$m) | 1 111 | 1 124 |
| Other revenue and grants received (\$m) | 484 | 504 |
| Total revenue and grants received (\$m) | 2 255 | 2 301 |
| Net debt at June (a) (\$m) | 3 264 | 3 181 |
| Local government— | | |
| Final consumption expenditure (\$m) | 147 | 161 |
| Gross fixed capital expenditure (\$m) | 98 | 110 |
| Other outlays (\$m) | 30 | 30 |
| Total outlays (\$m) | 275 | 301 |
| Taxes fees and fines (\$m) | 142 | 146 |
| Other revenue and grants received | 116 | 117 |
| Total revenue and grants received | 259 | 263 |
| Net debt at 30 June (a) (\$m) | 34 | 85 |
| Private— | | |
| Banking | 1996 | 1997 |
| Deposits (b) (June) (\$m) | 3 615 | 3 719 |
| Housing finance (seasonally adjusted) | 1995-96 | 1996-97 |
| Total secured housing commitments (c) (\$m) | 773 | 754 |
| FOREIGN TRADE | | |
| Value of imports into Tasmania (\$m) | 351 | 396 |
| Value of exports of Tasmanian origin (\$m) | 1 620 | 1 709 |
| WAGES | | |
| Total average weekly earnings, full-time adult employees (May) (\$) | 662.40 | 690.20 |
| Increase over previous year (%) | 3.7 | 4.2 |
| Award rates of pay index for full-time adult wage and salary earners (1985=100.0) (May) | 147.7 | 148.6 |
| Increase over previous year (%) | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| (a) Gross debt minus financial assets. | | |
| (b) Average of weekly figures. | | |
| (c) Excludes alterations and additions: includes refinancing. | | |