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ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

This publication presents statistics compiled from the Survey of Income and Housing (SIH) on Australian housing mobility and dwelling conditions. These data were collected in the 2007–08 SIH, in addition to the housing occupancy and costs information regularly collected in every SIH cycle and released in Housing Occupancy and Costs, Australia (cat. no. 4130.0).

The ABS will collect information on additional housing topics in the SIH every six years. The topics selected for inclusion in the 2007–08 SIH were determined through extensive consultation with major users of housing statistics. A similar process is expected to be followed for the 2013–14 SIH, which will next include additional housing topics.

The selected housing topics include length of time in dwelling, number of times moved in last five years, reasons for moving, and characteristics of the previous dwelling occupied. They also include aspects of the dwelling occupied, such as any major structural problems, repairs and maintenance carried out in the past 12 months, and sources of energy and water. For first home buyers, data on home deposits paid and any monetary assistance received for the purchase were collected.

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Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals. Published percentages are calculated prior to the rounding of the figures and therefore some discrepancy may exist between these percentages and those that could be calculated from the rounded figures.

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ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| ABS | Australian Bureau of Statistics |
| ACT | Australian Capital Territory |
| Aust. | Australia |
| CD | collection district |
| CPI | consumer price index |
| CURF | confidentialised unit record file |
| LPG | liquefied petroleum gas |
| NSW | New South Wales |
| NT | Northern Territory |
| Qld | Queensland |
| RADL | Remote Access Data Laboratory |
| RSE | relative standard error |
| SA | South Australia |
| SE | standard error |
| SIH | Survey of Income and Housing |
| Tas. | Tasmania |
| Vic. | Victoria |
| WA | Western Australia |

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

INTRODUCTION

For many Australians, whether owning or renting their home, moves to new housing and the condition of their housing, impact significantly on their quality of life. Australians may choose to change their housing at particular points in their life cycle e.g. due to marriage or children, because of moves associated with employment, or due to life style preferences. They may also move because of the expiry of rental leases or because particular forms of housing become less affordable. What is suitable housing at one stage of people's lives may not meet their needs at another.

HOUSING MOBILITY

Length of time in current dwelling

The length of time people have spent in their current dwelling is strongly related to their age and their tenure and landlord type. In 2007–08, 85% of reference persons who were owners without a mortgage had spent more than 5 years in their current dwelling and 44% had spent more than 20 years. For owners with a mortgage, 58% of reference persons had spent more than 5 years in their current dwelling and 9% had spent more than 20 years.

Most (64%) household reference persons who rented from state or territory housing authorities had spent more than 5 years in their current dwelling and 14% had spent more than 20 years. Only 15% of private renters had spent more than 5 years in their current dwelling, with 58% having spent less than 2 years. This is, in part, a reflection of the generally younger age profile of private renters, who may move for study, employment or relationship reasons.

1 LENGTH OF TIME REFERENCE PERSON HAS LIVED IN CURRENT DWELLING, Tenure and landlord type, 2007–08



Recent movers

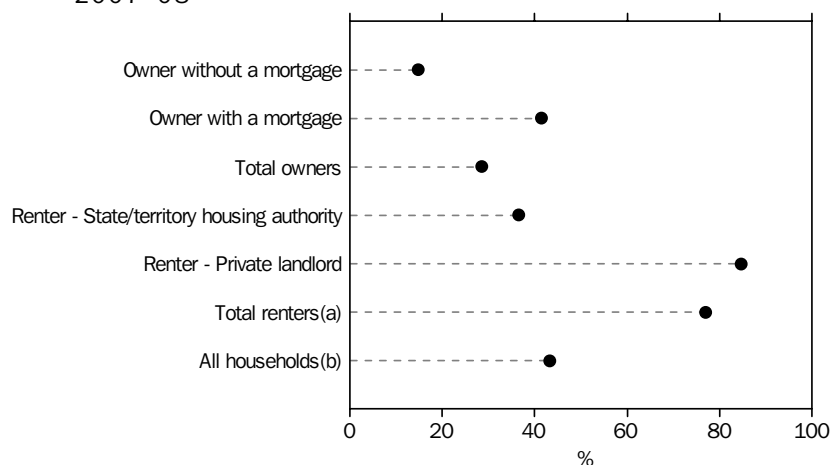
In 2007–08, 43% of household reference persons had moved in the 5 years prior to being interviewed. Of these reference persons, 8% had moved from interstate or overseas, 45% had moved from a different suburb / locality, and 47% relocated within the same suburb/locality.

Private renter households were most likely to have moved in the last 5 years (85% of reference persons), and owners without a mortgage the least likely (15%). Renters from state and territory housing authorities were less than half as likely to have moved in the last 5 years as private renters (37% of reference persons).

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Recent movers *continued*

2 PROPORTION OF HOUSEHOLDS WHOSE REFERENCE PERSON HAD MOVED IN THE LAST 5 YEARS, Tenure and landlord type, 2007–08

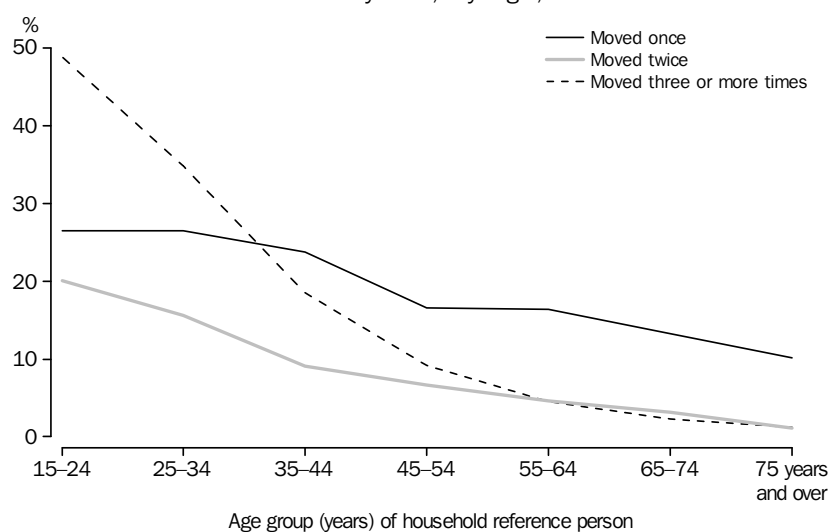


(a) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.
(b) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

Frequency of moves

In the five years prior to interview, 57% of household reference persons did not move, 19% moved once, 8% moved twice and 15% moved three or more times. Where the reference person was aged between 15 and 24 years, moves occurred more frequently - almost half of this group (49%) had moved three or more times in the last 5 years, a further 20% had moved twice. The proportion that had moved three or more times decreased to 35% for reference persons aged between 25 and 34 years, to 19% for reference persons aged between 35 and 44 years, and progressively lower proportions for older age groups.

3 ALL HOUSEHOLDS, Number of times reference person had moved in the last five years, by age, 2007–08



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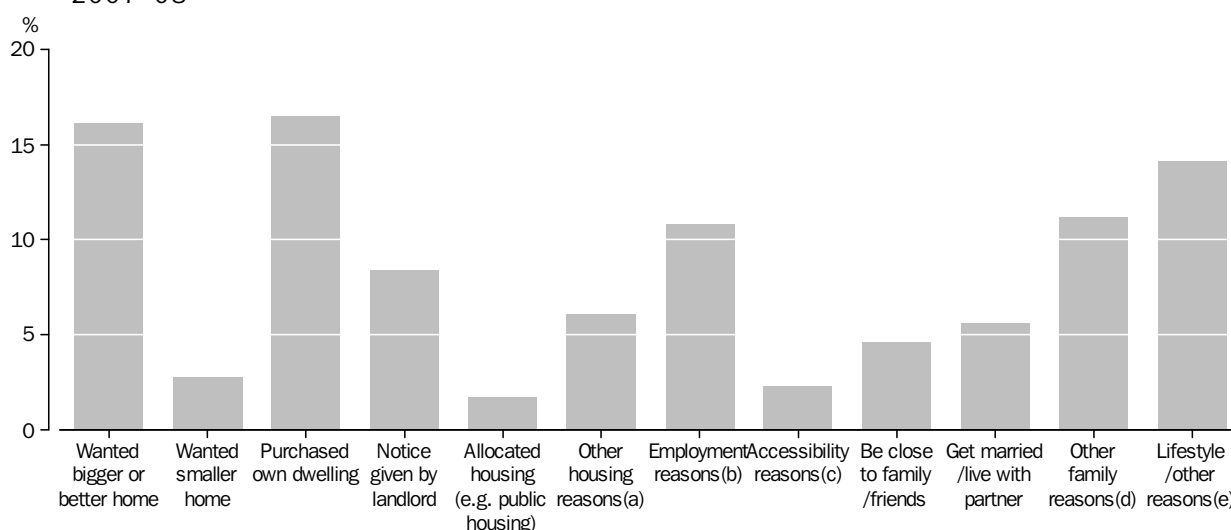
Frequency of moves *continued*

With the exception of group households, which often reflect relatively short term arrangements, reference persons in one parent families with dependent children moved most frequently, with 24% moving three or more times in the previous five years, compared with 14% of reference persons in couple families with dependent children, 12% of those in couple only households and 15% of lone persons.

Main reason for moving

For recent movers (i.e. those reference persons that had moved in the last 5 years), the most common reasons for moving to their current dwelling were: purchased own dwelling (17%); wanted a bigger or better home (16%); and lifestyle / other reasons (14%). Other reasons included neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia and returning from living overseas.

4 RECENT MOVER HOUSEHOLDS, Main reason for reference person's most recent move, 2007–08



(a) Includes renovations/re-building.

(b) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(c) Includes moves to be near facilities such as education and/or medical.

(d) Includes family conflict, breakdown of marriage/relationship, to be independent.

(e) Includes lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned from living overseas, had been travelling and not known.

The reasons reference persons moved varied significantly with their family composition. The most common main reason for those in couple families with dependent children was that they wanted a bigger or better home (28%), which reflects in part the need to increase their housing space and number of bedrooms as family size increases and children mature. Those in one parent families with dependent children, and lone person households, were most likely to have moved to their current dwelling for other family reasons, with 28% and 18% respectively reporting that the main reason was either: family conflict; breakdown of marriage / relationship; or to be independent.

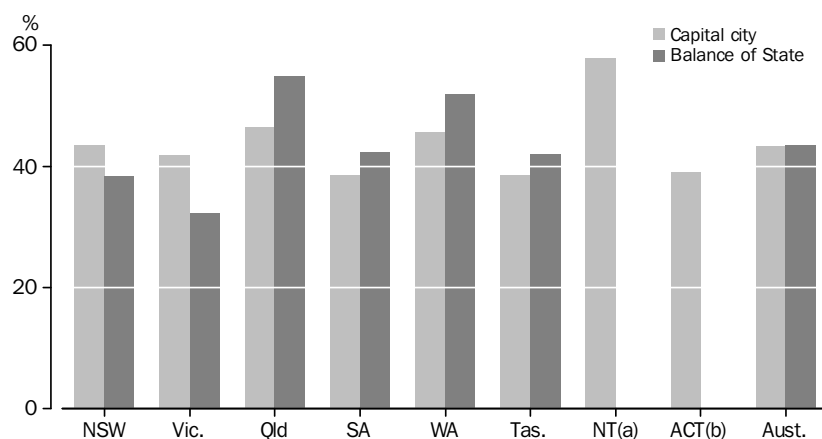
For reference persons in couple only households, the most common main reasons for moving were: purchased own dwelling (20%); and lifestyle / other reasons (18%). These reasons reflect, among other things, the housing needs and preference of couples at different points in the life cycle: purchasing a home to raise a family, and moving to improve one's lifestyle as children leave home and work commitments reduce.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

States and territories

Darwin, Brisbane and Perth were the capital cities with the highest percentage of household reference persons who had moved in the last five years (58%, 47% and 46% respectively), while Adelaide and Hobart had the lowest (both 39%). Darwin, Brisbane and Perth also had the highest proportion of household reference persons that had moved most frequently, with 27%, 17% and 17% respectively moving three times or more in the last five years. This generally reflects these cities' younger age structure, their more mobile work forces, and higher levels of net interstate migration.

5 PROPORTION OF HOUSEHOLDS WHOSE REFERENCE PERSON HAD MOVED IN THE LAST 5 YEARS, States and territories, 2007–08



(a) NT estimates are not shown separately since estimates for NT other than Darwin are not considered reliable.

(b) Capital city estimates for ACT relate to total ACT.

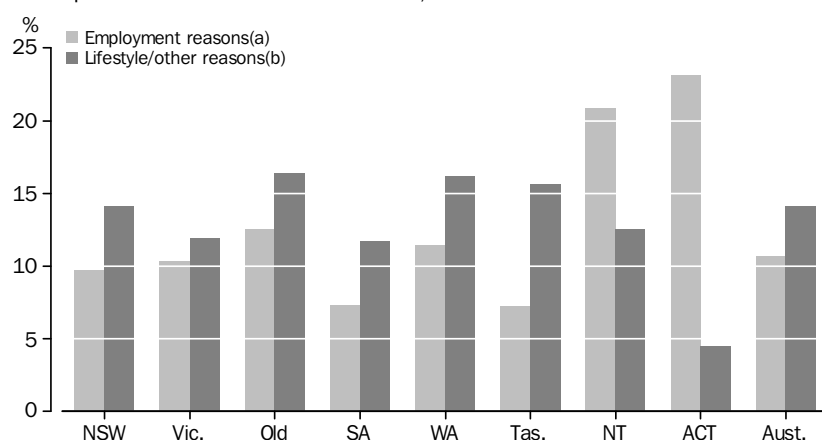
Reasons for moving varied across states and territories, with significant differences in moves for lifestyle and employment reasons. Household reference persons in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory were most likely to move for employment reasons, with 23% and 21% respectively reporting that the main reason was either gained / lost job, job transfer or to improve job prospects. Moving for lifestyle / other reasons was more common in Queensland (16%), Western Australia (16%) and Tasmania (16%) than in the other states and territories.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

States and territories

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6 RECENT MOVER HOUSEHOLDS, Selected reasons for reference person's most recent move, 2007–08



(a) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(b) Includes lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned travelling and not known.

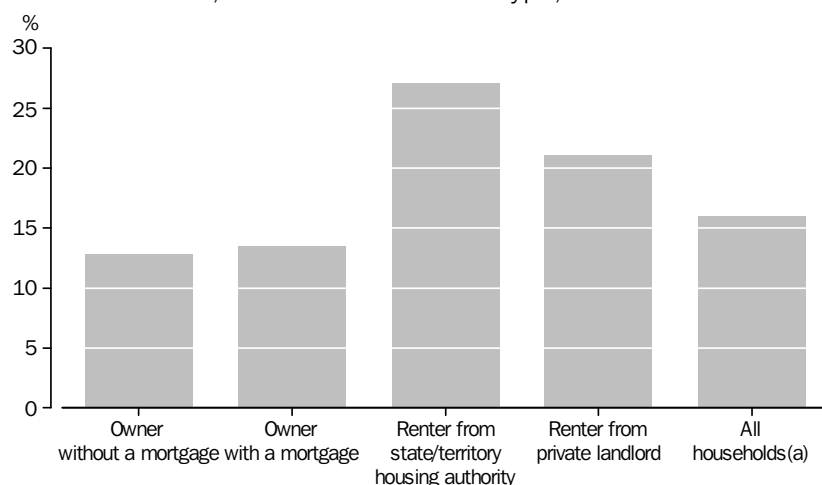
CONDITION OF DWELLING

Major structural problems

In 2007–08, most Australian dwellings were reported to be in good condition, with 82% of households reporting no major structural problems. For those with problems, cracks in walls or floors were the most often reported (by 6% of all households). Other problems were sinking or moving foundations (4%), walls or windows being out of plumb (4%) and major plumbing problems (3%).

The condition of dwellings varied across tenure and landlord types, with major structural problems of all kinds being most frequently reported by renters from state and territory housing authorities (27%) and private landlords (26%). By comparison, only 14% of owners with or without a mortgage reported a major structural problem.

7 PROPORTION OF HOUSEHOLDS REPORTING MAJOR STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS, Tenure and landlord type, 2007–08



(a) Includes other landlord and tenure types

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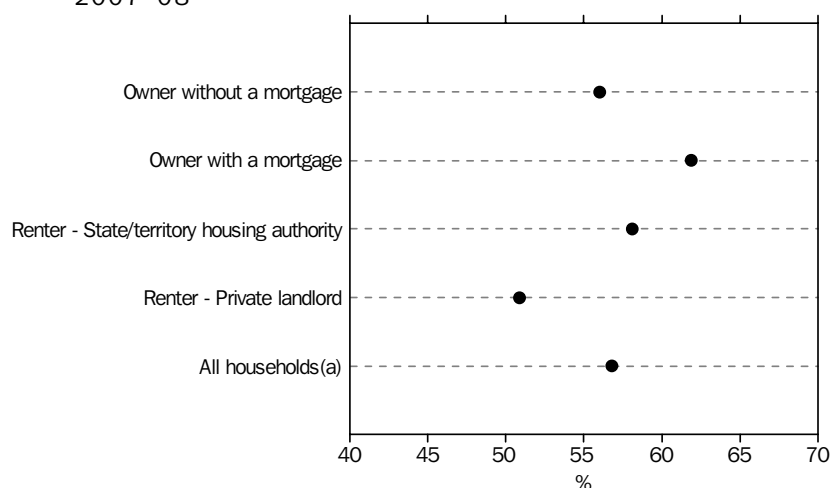
Major structural problems continued

The frequency of major structural problems also varied by state and territory. Households in Victoria and Tasmania were more likely to report major structural problems with their dwelling than those in other states and territories (21% and 19% respectively). Households in Queensland and Northern Territory were the least likely (11% and 14% respectively) to report such problems.

Repairs and maintenance

In 2007–08, 57% of households reported that repairs or maintenance had been carried out on their current dwelling within the last twelve months. The most commonly reported types of repair or maintenance were plumbing (30%), painting (27%) and electrical work (20%). Owners with a mortgage were the most likely to report repairs or maintenance (62%), while private renters were the least likely (51%).

8 PROPORTION OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT REPORTED REPAIRS OR MAINTENANCE ON THEIR DWELLINGS, Tenure and landlord type, 2007–08



(a) Includes other landlord and tenure types

SATISFACTION WITH DWELLING

Australians reported high levels of satisfaction with their current dwelling, with 87% of reference persons reporting being either satisfied or very satisfied. Only 5% of household reference persons were either dissatisfied or very dissatisfied. The highest levels of satisfaction were amongst owners without a mortgage (93%), while the lowest levels of satisfaction were among renters from private landlords and state or territory housing authorities (both 78%).

FEELINGS OF SAFETY

The feelings people have of safety or lack of safety when alone at home often relate to: perceptions of crime levels in their locality; previous experience as a victim of assault or break-in; relationships with people living nearby; a sense of their own strength and capacity to be in control; and their level of trust in their community.

In 2007–08, 94% of people aged 15 years and over reported that they felt safe or very safe alone in their homes during the day, while 87% reported feeling safe or very safe at home alone after dark. People were more likely to feel unsafe or very unsafe at home alone after dark if they lived in a rented dwelling (3% of males and 13% of females) than an owner occupied dwelling (2% of males and 7% of females). Renters from state /

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FEELINGS OF SAFETY

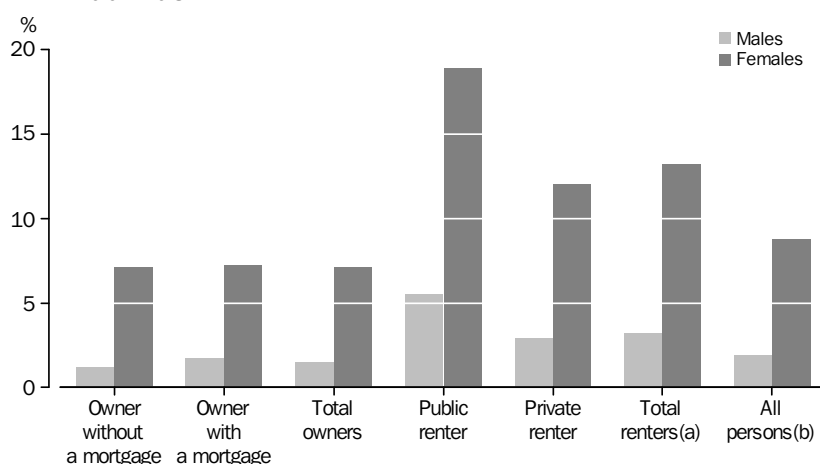
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territory housing authorities were much more likely to experience feelings of being unsafe than for any other tenure or landlord types, in part reflecting the age of this population and the particular circumstances of their lives which might be expected to affect their views on safety.

A higher proportion of females reported feeling unsafe or very unsafe than males, regardless of age, tenure type or family composition.

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ALL PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER, Proportion of persons who feel unsafe or very unsafe at home alone after dark, 2007–08



(a) Includes other landlord type.

(b) Includes other tenure type.

SOURCES OF ENERGY AND WATER

Sources of energy

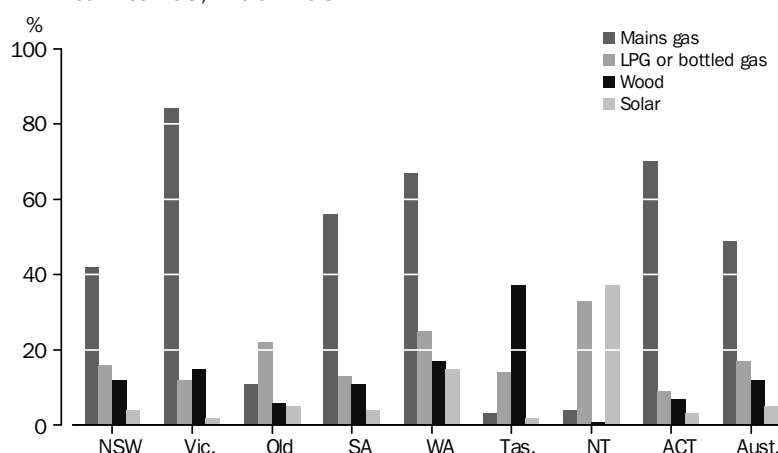
The use of electricity is almost universal in Australia, with 99.7% of private dwellings connected (excluding very remote areas of Australia). In 2007–08, households also used: mains gas (49%); LPG or bottled gas (17%); wood (12%); and solar energy (5%). Victoria, the Australian Capital Territory and Western Australia had the highest proportion of users of mains gas in Australia, with 84%, 70% and 67% of households respectively reporting this source. Northern Territory had the highest proportion using solar energy (37%) and Tasmania had the highest proportion using wood (37%).

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

Sources of energy

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10 SELECTED SOURCES OF HOUSEHOLD ENERGY, States and territories, 2007–08



Sources of water

Mains water is the most common source of water for Australian households. In 2007–08, 94% of Australian households reported sourcing water from the mains / town water supplies. Households also used: rainwater tanks (20%); grey water (7%); purchased bottled drinking water (7%); and water from bores or wells (5%).

Sources of water varied significantly between the states and territories. While South Australia and Queensland had the largest proportion of households that reported a rainwater tank as a source of water (43% and 29% respectively), Western Australia and the Northern Territory had the largest proportion of households that reported a bore or well as a source of water (20% and 9% respectively).

LEASE ARRANGEMENTS FOR RENTER HOUSEHOLDS

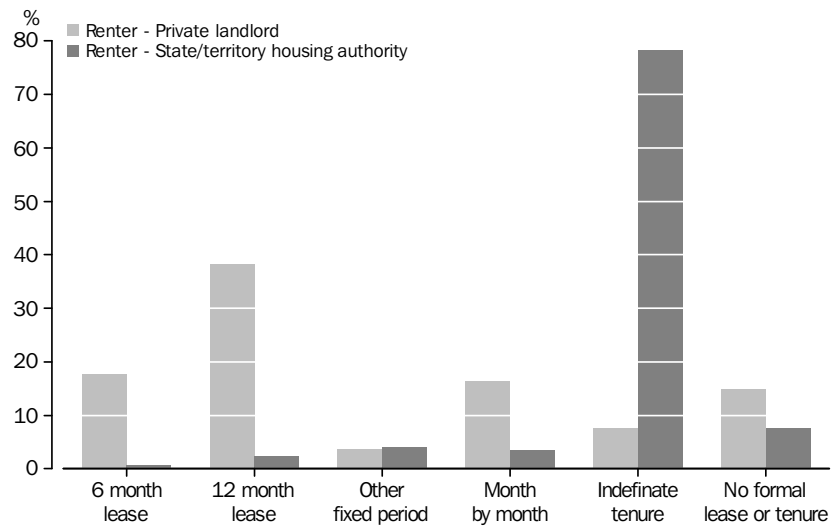
In 2007–08, 56% of private renters had a fixed period lease of 6 or 12 months and a further 20% had either a month by month or other fixed period lease arrangement. Six-month leases were most common in Queensland (32%) and Western Australia (22%), while month-by-month leases were most common in New South Wales (24%) and Victoria (22%).

Renters from state or territory housing authorities were most likely have an indefinite tenure arrangement (78%). Only 11% of renters from a state / territory housing authority reported a fixed period lease.

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ALL HOUSEHOLDS, Number of times reference person moved in last 5 years, by selected household characteristics

| | None | One | Two | Three | Four | Five or more | Total(a) | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|------|------|------|-------|-------|--------------|----------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 85.1 | 10.6 | 2.5 | 0.7 | *0.3 | *0.5 | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 58.4 | 21.5 | 7.3 | 6.4 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 71.4 | 16.2 | 5.0 | 3.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 63.4 | 18.0 | 6.6 | 5.3 | *1.7 | *3.7 | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 15.1 | 27.2 | 16.0 | 16.5 | 8.8 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(b) | 23.1 | 25.7 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 7.8 | 11.1 | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(c) | 56.7 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 55.4 | 21.6 | 7.7 | 6.9 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 42.0 | 21.0 | 10.9 | 10.3 | 5.5 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 60.9 | 18.8 | 7.3 | 5.9 | 2.0 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 69.9 | 13.0 | 6.1 | 5.1 | *1.3 | *2.8 | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | 53.1 | 19.6 | *6.5 | *10.6 | **7.6 | **2.5 | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 56.5 | 19.1 | 7.7 | 6.2 | 4.1 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 14.0 | 20.3 | 18.3 | 19.2 | 11.2 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 56.7 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | *2.4 | 26.5 | 20.1 | 18.0 | 11.6 | 19.3 | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 19.1 | 26.5 | 15.6 | 15.2 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 47.3 | 23.8 | 9.1 | 9.6 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 66.1 | 16.6 | 6.6 | 4.9 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 73.6 | 16.4 | 4.6 | 2.3 | *1.3 | *0.9 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 80.9 | 13.3 | 3.2 | *1.3 | **0.2 | **0.8 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 87.0 | 10.2 | *1.1 | *1.0 | **0.1 | **0.1 | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households | 56.7 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | 62.9 | 17.5 | 6.5 | 5.9 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 6 311.3 | 7 371 |
| Semi detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 43.3 | 23.6 | 10.9 | 9.6 | 4.4 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 695.5 | 871 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 28.3 | 25.9 | 14.8 | 11.4 | 7.1 | 9.6 | 100.0 | 1 042.0 | 1 069 |
| All households(d) | 56.7 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(e) | | | | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 65.9 | 16.0 | 6.6 | 4.7 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 58.4 | 20.5 | 7.4 | 5.9 | 2.3 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 56.3 | 18.0 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 51.5 | 20.1 | 9.6 | 8.8 | 3.2 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 49.1 | 21.7 | 9.0 | 8.5 | 5.0 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 56.7 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 62.9 | 18.0 | 6.1 | 5.0 | 2.6 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| Principal source of household income | | | | | | | | | |
| Wages and salaries | 49.9 | 20.6 | 9.5 | 8.6 | 4.2 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 4 966.2 | 5 586 |
| Own unincorporated business income | 61.6 | 17.2 | 8.1 | 6.1 | *2.4 | *3.4 | 100.0 | 464.0 | 539 |
| Government pensions and allowances | 68.6 | 15.5 | 5.3 | 4.5 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 1 872.2 | 2 302 |
| Other income | 69.2 | 19.3 | 4.1 | 2.7 | *1.5 | *2.3 | 100.0 | 741.9 | 875 |
| All households(f) | 56.7 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Includes not known.

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(c) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(d) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(e) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(f) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

ALL HOUSEHOLDS, Length of time reference person has lived in current dwelling, by selected household characteristics

| | Less than 1 year | 1 year | 2 years | 3–4 years | 5–9 years | 10–19 years | 20 years or more | Total | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 3.1 | 1.6 | 3.8 | 6.5 | 15.1 | 26.0 | 43.9 | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 10.7 | 7.3 | 8.1 | 15.5 | 28.4 | 20.7 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 7.0 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 11.1 | 22.0 | 23.3 | 26.1 | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 10.1 | 7.8 | *7.2 | 11.5 | 23.5 | 25.9 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 41.1 | 17.0 | 13.0 | 13.8 | 10.5 | 3.6 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(a) | 36.0 | 15.3 | 12.5 | 13.2 | 12.8 | 7.2 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(b) | 15.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 19.4 | 18.3 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 14.4 | 7.4 | 8.5 | 14.3 | 26.3 | 21.1 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 23.2 | 9.5 | 11.0 | 14.3 | 22.3 | 14.0 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 14.2 | 7.0 | 6.4 | 11.5 | 16.3 | 18.2 | 26.5 | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 10.7 | 7.6 | 4.3 | 7.5 | 15.4 | 20.2 | 34.4 | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | *19.9 | *10.1 | **4.8 | *12.0 | *13.3 | *14.1 | *25.7 | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 16.3 | 7.3 | 9.4 | 10.6 | 18.5 | 17.4 | 20.6 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 42.4 | 18.3 | 15.7 | 9.6 | 5.9 | *5.4 | *2.7 | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 15.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 19.4 | 18.3 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 59.0 | 18.3 | 13.1 | 7.2 | *1.9 | **0.5 | — | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 32.7 | 16.7 | 13.9 | 17.6 | 16.9 | 2.0 | **0.2 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 17.6 | 9.1 | 11.1 | 14.9 | 28.5 | 17.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 10.7 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 11.0 | 21.0 | 29.3 | 15.8 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 6.7 | 4.2 | 5.4 | 10.1 | 16.6 | 23.6 | 33.4 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 5.5 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 7.6 | 17.7 | 22.1 | 41.1 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 3.2 | *1.3 | 2.9 | 5.7 | 15.4 | 19.6 | 51.9 | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households | 15.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 19.4 | 18.3 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | 13.0 | 6.2 | 7.1 | 10.9 | 20.2 | 20.1 | 22.6 | 100.0 | 6 311.3 | 7 371 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 20.5 | 12.5 | 9.5 | 14.2 | 20.1 | 15.4 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 695.5 | 871 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 29.8 | 14.0 | 12.8 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 9.2 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 1 042.0 | 1 069 |
| All households(c) | 15.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 19.4 | 18.3 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(d) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 12.2 | 5.2 | 7.8 | 8.8 | 19.9 | 20.6 | 25.4 | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 14.6 | 6.0 | 7.8 | 13.2 | 17.5 | 18.1 | 22.9 | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 16.2 | 7.6 | 6.9 | 13.0 | 20.1 | 19.0 | 17.3 | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 18.1 | 11.1 | 7.4 | 11.8 | 20.2 | 17.0 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 18.9 | 9.6 | 10.0 | 12.4 | 19.0 | 16.3 | 13.9 | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 15.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 19.4 | 18.3 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 13.0 | 5.0 | 7.9 | 11.2 | 18.7 | 19.5 | 24.7 | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| Principal source of household income | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wages and salaries | 19.2 | 9.3 | 8.7 | 12.9 | 19.4 | 17.4 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 4 966.2 | 5 586 |
| Own unincorporated business income | 10.8 | 6.3 | 8.8 | 12.6 | 20.9 | 23.9 | 16.8 | 100.0 | 464.0 | 539 |
| Government pensions and allowances | 10.3 | 5.1 | 6.4 | 9.5 | 19.8 | 19.0 | 29.8 | 100.0 | 1 872.2 | 2 302 |
| Other income | 10.2 | 5.0 | 7.0 | 8.5 | 16.9 | 18.6 | 33.8 | 100.0 | 741.9 | 875 |
| All households(e) | 15.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 19.4 | 18.3 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

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** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(b) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(c) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(d) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(e) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

RECENT MOVERS(a), Reasons for reference person's most recent move, by tenure and landlord type of current dwelling

OWNER

RENTER

Owner
without a
mortgageOwner
with a
mortgageTotal
ownersState/territory
housing
authorityPrivate
landlordTotal
renters(c)All
households(b)

MAIN REASON FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 12.7 | 20.1 | 18.2 | *9.1 | 15.5 | 14.7 | 16.1 |
| Wanted smaller home/downsizing | % | 15.3 | 1.6 | 5.1 | *3.7 | *0.7 | 0.9 | 2.8 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 12.3 | 44.1 | 36.0 | — | **0.3 | **0.3 | 16.5 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | *1.4 | *0.7 | 0.9 | *5.4 | 15.8 | 14.9 | 8.4 |
| Allocated housing | % | — | — | — | 35.9 | **0.1 | 3.2 | 1.7 |
| Other housing reason(d) | % | *5.9 | 2.3 | 3.2 | *4.6 | 9.0 | 8.5 | 6.1 |

Employment reasons(e)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|-----|-----|-------|------|------|------|
| | % | *3.0 | 6.9 | 5.9 | **0.7 | 14.9 | 14.8 | 10.7 |
|--|---|------|-----|-----|-------|------|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(f)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| | % | *0.8 | *1.3 | 1.2 | **0.8 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 2.3 |
|--|---|------|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|-----|-----|-------|------|------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 10.5 | 2.8 | 4.7 | *4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.6 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | *3.2 | 6.1 | 5.4 | **0.5 | 6.5 | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| Other family reasons(g) | % | *7.1 | 5.9 | 6.2 | 16.8 | 15.4 | 15.1 | 11.2 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(h)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 27.8 | 8.1 | 13.1 | 18.1 | 14.1 | 14.5 | 14.1 |
|--|---|------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|

All households

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

ALL REASONS FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON) (i)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 13.8 | 22.3 | 20.2 | *9.1 | 17.3 | 16.3 | 17.8 |
| Wanted smaller home/downsizing | % | 18.3 | 1.8 | 5.9 | *3.7 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 3.6 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 14.1 | 45.9 | 37.8 | — | **0.3 | **0.3 | 17.3 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | *1.4 | *0.8 | 1.0 | *5.4 | 16.0 | 15.1 | 8.5 |
| Allocated housing | % | — | — | — | 39.3 | **0.1 | 3.4 | 1.8 |
| Other housing reason(d) | % | *7.5 | 3.4 | 4.4 | *4.9 | 9.7 | 9.2 | 7.1 |

Employment reasons(e)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|-----|-----|-------|------|------|------|
| | % | *4.5 | 8.4 | 7.4 | **0.9 | 16.5 | 16.3 | 12.3 |
|--|---|------|-----|-----|-------|------|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(f)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| | % | *2.0 | *1.9 | 1.9 | **1.1 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 3.0 |
|--|---|------|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|-----|-----|-------|------|------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 11.8 | 3.2 | 5.4 | *6.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.5 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 4.0 | 6.6 | 6.0 | **0.5 | 7.5 | 6.7 | 6.4 |
| Other family reasons(g) | % | *7.9 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 17.1 | 16.3 | 16.0 | 12.1 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(h)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 30.8 | 9.7 | 15.0 | 19.0 | 15.7 | 16.0 | 15.7 |
|--|---|------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|-------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| Mean number of times moved in last 5 years(j) | no. | 1.54 | 2.05 | 1.92 | 2.30 | 2.79 | 2.75 | 2.36 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 400.0 | 1 179.3 | 1 579.3 | 133.5 | 1 637.5 | 1 845.0 | 3 500.7 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 489 | 1 378 | 1 867 | 188 | 1 789 | 2 087 | 4 044 |

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— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(c) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(d) Includes renovations/re-building.

(e) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(f) Includes moves to be near facilities such as education or medical.

(g) Includes family conflict, breakdown of marriage/relationship, to be independent.

(h) Includes responses such as lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned from living overseas, had been travelling, and not known.

(i) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(j) Excludes not known.

RECENT MOVERS(a), Reasons for reference person's most recent move, by family composition of household

ONE FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS

NON FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS

Couple family with dependent children *One parent family with dependent children* *Couple only household* *Other one family households* *Multiple family households* *Lone person* *Group households* *All households*

MAIN REASON FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-------|-------|------|------|--------|------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 27.7 | 12.3 | 12.0 | 19.4 | **19.8 | 9.1 | *8.6 | 16.1 |
| Wanted smaller home/downsizing | % | *1.1 | **0.3 | 4.4 | *3.1 | — | 4.7 | **0.4 | 2.8 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 20.6 | 7.9 | 20.4 | 14.1 | **9.9 | 14.7 | *6.9 | 16.5 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 7.4 | 12.8 | 4.9 | *7.7 | **8.1 | 9.3 | 16.8 | 8.4 |
| Allocated housing | % | **0.3 | 6.2 | *0.5 | *1.1 | **3.7 | *2.7 | **2.7 | 1.7 |
| Other housing reason(b) | % | 3.8 | *7.1 | 5.2 | *8.8 | *13.4 | 6.7 | *11.0 | 6.1 |

Employment reasons(c)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|-------|-----|------|------|
| | % | 13.4 | *5.2 | 11.0 | *7.0 | **7.4 | 9.7 | 14.9 | 10.7 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|-------|-----|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(d)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|
| | % | 2.8 | *3.5 | *0.8 | **2.0 | **6.5 | *2.4 | *2.8 | 2.3 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----|-------|------|------|--------|-------|-------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 3.5 | *5.3 | 4.0 | *4.8 | **6.6 | 5.9 | *4.4 | 4.6 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 4.7 | **0.7 | 14.3 | *3.5 | **12.6 | **1.3 | **1.7 | 5.6 |
| Other family reasons(e) | % | 4.8 | 27.6 | 4.6 | 12.7 | **8.2 | 18.2 | 12.8 | 11.2 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(f)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| | % | 9.9 | 11.1 | 17.9 | 15.8 | **3.7 | 15.3 | 17.0 | 14.1 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|

All households

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

ALL REASONS FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON) (g)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|--------|------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 30.1 | 13.7 | 14.3 | 20.6 | **19.8 | 9.7 | 11.1 | 17.8 |
| Wanted smaller home/downsizing | % | *1.4 | *0.9 | 5.5 | *3.4 | — | 6.0 | **0.4 | 3.6 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 21.8 | 7.9 | 20.8 | 15.4 | *17.2 | 15.3 | *7.0 | 17.3 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 7.4 | 13.4 | 4.9 | *7.7 | **11.6 | 9.5 | 16.8 | 8.5 |
| Allocated housing | % | *0.5 | 6.2 | *0.5 | *1.2 | **3.7 | 2.9 | **2.7 | 1.8 |
| Other housing reason(b) | % | 4.3 | *8.4 | 6.5 | 9.3 | *14.7 | 7.7 | 12.3 | 7.1 |

Employment reasons(c)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|-----|-------|------|------|------|
| | % | 14.9 | *6.3 | 12.5 | 9.2 | **7.4 | 11.3 | 16.5 | 12.3 |
|--|---|------|------|------|-----|-------|------|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(d)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|
| | % | 3.2 | *3.7 | *2.0 | **3.4 | **6.5 | *2.9 | *4.5 | 3.0 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----|-------|------|------|--------|-------|-------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 4.3 | *6.9 | 4.8 | *5.6 | **6.6 | 6.8 | *5.3 | 5.5 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 5.3 | **0.7 | 15.6 | *5.2 | **15.7 | **1.5 | **1.7 | 6.4 |
| Other family reasons(e) | % | 5.7 | 29.2 | 5.4 | 14.3 | **8.2 | 19.0 | 13.0 | 12.1 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(f)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| | % | 11.8 | 11.4 | 19.4 | 18.8 | **3.7 | 17.1 | 17.9 | 15.7 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|

Mean number of times moved in last 5 years(h)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | no. | 2.22 | 2.76 | 2.20 | 2.29 | 2.52 | 2.40 | 2.95 | 2.36 |
|--|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 948.8 | 288.5 | 836.8 | 280.5 | 53.4 | 871.3 | 221.4 | 3 500.7 |
|--------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|----|-------|-----|-------|
| Number of households in sample | no. | 1 079 | 395 | 960 | 284 | 36 | 1 067 | 223 | 4 044 |
|--------------------------------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|----|-------|-----|-------|

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— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) Includes renovations/re-building.

(c) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(d) Includes moves to be near facilities such as education or medical.

(e) Includes family conflict, breakdown of marriage/relationship, to be independent.

(f) Includes responses such as lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned from living overseas, had been travelling, and not known.

(g) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(h) Excludes not known.

RECENT MOVERS(a), Reasons for reference person's most recent move, by age of reference person

AGE OF REFERENCE PERSON

15-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 75 and over All households

MAIN REASON FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-------|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 13.8 | 14.1 | 22.8 | 15.0 | 16.1 | *8.4 | *6.3 | 16.1 |
| Wanted smaller home/downsizing | % | *0.9 | **0.2 | *0.2 | *3.8 | 7.4 | 15.5 | 15.8 | 2.8 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 7.5 | 22.7 | 18.9 | 15.9 | 11.6 | *3.6 | *2.6 | 16.5 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | *4.7 | 9.9 | 7.5 | 9.7 | 9.5 | 7.3 | **2.6 | 8.4 |
| Allocated housing | % | **0.9 | 1.1 | *1.8 | *1.5 | *2.9 | **4.0 | **3.2 | 1.7 |
| Other housing reason(b) | % | *8.2 | 5.4 | 4.7 | 8.1 | 6.0 | *7.0 | *7.8 | 6.1 |

Employment reasons(c)

% 11.8 12.6 11.5 12.2 7.3 **1.9 **0.5 10.7

Accessibility reasons(d)

% 8.8 *1.7 1.8 *2.0 **0.3 **0.6 **1.2 2.3

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | *3.1 | 3.7 | 2.6 | 5.4 | 6.4 | 10.8 | *14.5 | 4.6 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 11.8 | 8.2 | 5.5 | *2.3 | *1.5 | **0.5 | **1.1 | 5.6 |
| Other family reasons(e) | % | 20.7 | 10.0 | 11.9 | 10.7 | 7.3 | *8.5 | *5.3 | 11.2 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(f)

% 7.8 10.5 10.9 13.4 23.9 31.9 39.1 14.1

All households

% 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0

ALL REASONS FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON) (g)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 15.2 | 16.1 | 25.1 | 16.8 | 17.1 | *8.6 | *6.3 | 17.8 |
| Wanted smaller home/downsizing | % | *0.9 | **0.2 | *0.7 | *4.0 | 8.8 | 19.2 | 24.5 | 3.6 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 7.7 | 23.0 | 20.1 | 17.8 | 12.3 | *4.2 | *2.6 | 17.3 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | *4.8 | 10.0 | 7.7 | 9.8 | 9.5 | 7.3 | **2.6 | 8.5 |
| Allocated housing | % | **0.9 | 1.1 | *2.0 | *1.7 | *3.1 | *4.3 | **3.6 | 1.8 |
| Other housing reason(b) | % | *8.5 | 5.9 | 6.2 | 8.7 | 6.8 | 10.1 | *9.1 | 7.1 |

Employment reasons(c)

% 14.3 14.0 13.2 14.0 8.4 *2.3 **0.5 12.3

Accessibility reasons(d)

% 9.2 2.7 2.0 *2.0 **1.4 **2.1 *6.2 3.0

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | *3.7 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 13.2 | 17.7 | 5.5 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 13.0 | 9.5 | 6.1 | *2.3 | *1.8 | **0.5 | **1.1 | 6.4 |
| Other family reasons(e) | % | 21.3 | 11.5 | 13.0 | 10.7 | 8.0 | 9.6 | *5.3 | 12.1 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(f)

% 9.0 12.7 12.1 14.3 26.4 33.1 41.9 15.7

Mean number of times moved in last 5 years(h) no. 3.08 2.72 2.31 2.16 1.71 1.53 1.32 2.36

Estimated number of households '000 345.8 1 082.9 873.3 564.0 356.2 173.8 104.7 3 500.7

Number of households in sample no. 406 1 176 994 680 435 223 130 4 044

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** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) Includes renovations/re-building.

(c) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(d) Includes moves to be near facilities such as education or medical.

(e) Includes family conflict, breakdown of marriage/relationship, to be independent.

(f) Includes responses such as lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned from living overseas, had been travelling, and not known.

(g) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(h) Excludes not known.

RECENT MOVERS(a), Reasons for reference person's most recent move, by structure of current dwelling

STRUCTURE OF CURRENT DWELLING

| Separate house | Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | Flat/unit/apartment | All households(b) |
|----------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|
|----------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|

MAIN REASON FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 18.6 | 11.3 | 10.9 | 16.1 |
| Wanted smaller home / downsizing | % | 2.3 | 5.2 | 3.0 | 2.8 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 17.9 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 16.5 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 8.1 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.4 |
| Allocated housing | % | *1.0 | *3.0 | 3.2 | 1.7 |
| Other housing reason(c) | % | 5.8 | 7.1 | 6.2 | 6.1 |

Employment reasons(d)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|
| | % | 9.7 | 11.0 | 13.9 | 10.7 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(e)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| | % | 1.9 | *2.3 | 3.5 | 2.3 |
|--|---|-----|------|-----|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----|------|------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 5.1 | 5.6 | 2.6 | 4.6 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 5.6 |
| Other family reasons(f) | % | 9.9 | 11.4 | 14.4 | 11.2 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(g)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 14.1 | 14.9 | 13.6 | 14.1 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|

All households

| | | | | | |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|

ALL REASONS FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON) (h)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 20.5 | 13.1 | 12.1 | 17.8 |
| Wanted smaller home / downsizing | % | 2.9 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 3.6 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 18.8 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 17.3 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 8.3 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 8.5 |
| Allocated housing | % | 1.1 | *3.5 | 3.3 | 1.8 |
| Other housing reason(c) | % | 6.7 | 8.6 | 7.2 | 7.1 |

Employment reasons(d)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 11.1 | 12.3 | 15.6 | 12.3 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(e)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| | % | 2.6 | *2.9 | 4.3 | 3.0 |
|--|---|-----|------|-----|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 5.9 | 6.5 | 3.5 | 5.5 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 6.4 |
| Other family reasons(f) | % | 10.8 | 12.3 | 15.4 | 12.1 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(g)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 15.7 | 16.5 | 15.5 | 15.7 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|

| | | | | | |
|---|------|---------|-------|-------|---------|
| Mean number of times moved in last 5 years(i) | no. | 2.25 | 2.34 | 2.69 | 2.36 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 2 343.8 | 394.3 | 746.9 | 3 500.7 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 2 786 | 478 | 760 | 4 044 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(c) Includes renovations/re-building.

(d) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(e) Includes moves to be near facilities such as education or medical.

(f) Includes family conflict, breakdown of marriage/relationship, to be independent.

(g) Includes responses such as lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned from living overseas, had been travelling, and not known.

(h) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(i) Excludes not known.

RECENT MOVERS(a), Reasons for reference person's most recent move, by equivalised disposable household income quintile

EQUIVALISED DISPOSABLE HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE(b)

Lowest Second Third Fourth Highest All and third deciles

MAIN REASON FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 12.1 | 19.6 | 18.5 | 14.9 | 15.9 | 16.1 | 16.0 |
| Wanted smaller home / downsizing | % | 4.3 | *3.7 | 2.0 | 2.0 | *2.2 | 2.8 | 5.6 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 5.2 | 10.0 | 16.9 | 19.4 | 27.3 | 16.5 | 7.7 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 8.7 | 10.3 | 10.5 | 7.1 | 6.2 | 8.4 | 13.3 |
| Allocated housing | % | 6.5 | *1.3 | **0.2 | — | **0.7 | 1.7 | 2.4 |
| Other housing reason(c) | % | 7.1 | 6.2 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 3.8 | 6.1 | 6.6 |

Employment reasons(d)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|
| | % | 4.8 | 8.8 | 10.6 | 14.3 | 13.9 | 10.7 | 6.0 |
|--|---|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|

Accessibility reasons(e)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|------|
| | % | 4.9 | *2.5 | *2.0 | *1.2 | *1.1 | 2.3 | *3.3 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|------|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 7.7 | 5.2 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 4.6 | 4.8 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | *1.7 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 8.5 | 7.7 | 5.6 | *3.1 |
| Other family reasons(f) | % | 15.3 | 12.9 | 12.2 | 8.6 | 8.1 | 11.2 | 12.6 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(g)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 21.7 | 14.0 | 11.5 | 13.9 | 10.0 | 14.1 | 18.6 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

All households

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

ALL REASONS FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON) (h)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 13.3 | 22.5 | 19.6 | 16.7 | 17.6 | 17.8 | 18.1 |
| Wanted smaller home / downsizing | % | 5.1 | 5.8 | 2.5 | 2.5 | *2.4 | 3.6 | 7.1 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 5.6 | 11.1 | 17.0 | 20.3 | 28.6 | 17.3 | 8.7 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 9.0 | 10.3 | 10.6 | 7.4 | 6.2 | 8.5 | 13.7 |
| Allocated housing | % | 7.2 | *1.3 | **0.2 | — | **0.7 | 1.8 | 2.9 |
| Other housing reason(c) | % | 7.9 | 7.1 | 8.4 | 8.0 | 4.7 | 7.1 | 7.7 |

Employment reasons(d)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-----|
| | % | 5.5 | 10.6 | 12.3 | 15.5 | 16.0 | 12.3 | 6.7 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-----|

Accessibility reasons(e)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
| | % | 6.3 | *2.5 | *3.1 | *1.6 | *1.9 | 3.0 | 4.3 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 8.6 | 6.7 | 5.4 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 5.5 | 6.1 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | *1.7 | 6.3 | 4.3 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 6.4 | *3.6 |
| Other family reasons(f) | % | 15.9 | 14.2 | 13.2 | 9.6 | 8.7 | 12.1 | 13.6 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(g)

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 22.9 | 16.7 | 13.1 | 15.3 | 11.6 | 15.7 | 20.2 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Mean number of times moved in last 5 years(i) | no. | 2.16 | 2.19 | 2.49 | 2.44 | 2.47 | 2.36 | 2.20 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 675.1 | 611.3 | 623.8 | 745.0 | 845.5 | 3 500.7 | 590.8 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 820 | 714 | 730 | 866 | 914 | 4 044 | 701 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(c) Includes renovations/re-building.

(d) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(e) Includes moves to be near facilities such as education or medical.

(f) Includes family conflict, breakdown of marriage/relationship, to be independent.

(g) Includes responses such as lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned from living overseas, had been travelling, and not known.

(h) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(i) Excludes not known.

RECENT MOVERS(a), Reasons for reference person's most recent move, by state or territory of usual residence

NSW Vic. Qld SA WA Tas. NT(b) ACT Aust.

MAIN REASON FOR MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 16.6 | 17.2 | 13.9 | 17.7 | 15.0 | 15.6 | 14.6 | 21.4 | 16.1 |
| Wanted smaller home / downsizing | % | *1.9 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | *6.1 | **0.7 | *2.7 | 2.8 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 16.3 | 16.9 | 17.9 | 15.8 | 13.1 | 14.5 | 22.4 | 16.8 | 16.5 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 8.5 | 7.0 | 8.9 | 8.2 | 10.7 | 7.2 | *4.4 | *4.3 | 8.4 |
| Allocated housing | % | *1.6 | *1.4 | *1.9 | *2.3 | *1.6 | **2.1 | *3.3 | **0.3 | 1.7 |
| Other housing reason(c) | % | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 4.5 | 6.9 | *3.6 | *4.1 | *4.8 | 6.1 |

Employment reasons(d)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|
| | % | 9.7 | 10.3 | 12.5 | 7.3 | 11.4 | 7.2 | 20.8 | 23.1 | 10.7 |
|--|---|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(e)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| | % | *2.7 | 3.1 | *1.8 | *1.7 | *1.1 | **1.6 | **0.7 | **1.7 | 2.3 |
|--|---|------|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|-----|------|-------|-------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 4.2 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 5.4 | *4.0 | *4.4 | *2.4 | 4.6 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 7.0 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 7.6 | 5.7 | *5.5 | **1.0 | *3.4 | 5.6 |
| Other family reasons(f) | % | 10.8 | 11.8 | 10.2 | 14.3 | 9.2 | 17.0 | *11.0 | *14.6 | 11.2 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(g)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 14.1 | 11.9 | 16.4 | 11.7 | 16.2 | 15.6 | 12.5 | *4.5 | 14.1 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

All households

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|--|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

ALL REASONS FOR LAST MOVE (REFERENCE PERSON) (h)

Housing reasons

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Wanted bigger or better home | % | 18.1 | 19.6 | 15.9 | 18.9 | 16.3 | 16.6 | 16.6 | 21.7 | 17.8 |
| Wanted smaller home / downsizing | % | *2.5 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 4.0 | *6.7 | **1.2 | *2.7 | 3.6 |
| Purchased own dwelling | % | 17.6 | 17.9 | 18.5 | 16.3 | 13.2 | 15.2 | 23.1 | 16.8 | 17.3 |
| Notice given by landlord | % | 8.7 | 7.3 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 10.9 | 7.2 | *4.4 | *4.3 | 8.5 |
| Allocated housing | % | *1.6 | *1.8 | *1.9 | *2.3 | *1.8 | **2.1 | *3.3 | **0.3 | 1.8 |
| Other housing reason(c) | % | 7.7 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 5.0 | 7.4 | *4.5 | *5.0 | *5.4 | 7.1 |

Employment reasons(d)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|
| | % | 11.6 | 12.3 | 13.5 | 9.0 | 12.3 | 8.0 | 21.7 | 24.6 | 12.3 |
|--|---|------|------|------|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|

Accessibility reasons(e)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| | % | 3.1 | 4.5 | *2.7 | *2.0 | *1.6 | **1.8 | **0.7 | **1.9 | 3.0 |
|--|---|-----|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-----|

Family reasons

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|-----|------|-------|------|------|
| Be close to family and friends | % | 4.8 | 6.5 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 6.5 | *4.6 | *5.4 | *3.6 | 5.5 |
| Get married/live with partner | % | 7.3 | 7.4 | 4.1 | 7.6 | 6.3 | *5.9 | **2.4 | *4.3 | 6.4 |
| Other family reasons(f) | % | 11.3 | 13.1 | 11.4 | 15.7 | 9.7 | 17.5 | *11.3 | 15.8 | 12.1 |

Lifestyle/other reasons(g)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | % | 14.5 | 14.3 | 19.6 | 12.1 | 18.0 | 15.9 | 13.1 | *5.1 | 15.7 |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Mean number of times moved in last 5 years(i) | no. | 2.32 | 2.19 | 2.63 | 2.08 | 2.43 | 2.38 | 2.60 | 2.32 | 2.36 |
|---|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|---------|
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 1 099.3 | 780.8 | 808.6 | 259.5 | 383.2 | 82.3 | 35.1 | 52.0 | 3 500.7 |
|--------------------------------|------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|---------|

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Number of households in sample | no. | 819 | 707 | 785 | 524 | 578 | 267 | 197 | 167 | 4 044 |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

(c) Includes renovations/re-building.

(d) Includes gained/lost job, job transfer and to improve job prospects.

(e) Includes moves to be near facilities such as education or medical.

(f) Includes family conflict, breakdown of marriage/relationship, to be independent.

(g) Includes responses such as lifestyle reasons, neighbourhood reasons, migration to Australia, interstate moves, returned from living overseas, had been travelling, and not known.

(h) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(i) Excludes not known.

RECENT MOVERS(a), Tenure and landlord type of current dwelling, by selected characteristics of reference person

| | | OWNER | | | RENTER | | | | |
|---|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| | | Owner without a mortgage | Owner with a mortgage | Total owners | State/territory housing authority | Private landlord | Other landlord type(c) | Total renters | All households(b) |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Tenure and landlord type of previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | % | 57.7 | 8.6 | 21.0 | **1.4 | 3.2 | *2.8 | 3.0 | 11.4 |
| Owner with a mortgage | % | 10.7 | 27.7 | 23.4 | — | 9.4 | *6.3 | 8.6 | 15.3 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | % | *0.2 | *0.4 | *0.3 | 38.1 | *1.0 | **1.2 | 3.7 | 2.2 |
| Private landlord | % | 20.3 | 43.0 | 37.3 | 37.0 | 63.1 | 28.4 | 59.8 | 48.8 |
| Other landlord type(c) | % | *1.2 | *2.0 | 1.8 | 11.0 | 4.5 | 46.4 | 6.7 | 4.3 |
| Total renters | % | 21.7 | 45.4 | 39.4 | 86.1 | 68.6 | 76.0 | 70.2 | 55.3 |
| Other tenure type(d) | % | 9.9 | 18.3 | 16.2 | 12.5 | 18.8 | *14.9 | 18.2 | 18.0 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Structure of previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | % | 74.2 | 69.3 | 70.5 | 49.2 | 58.4 | 68.2 | 58.1 | 64.2 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | % | 11.6 | 13.1 | 12.7 | 16.8 | 13.9 | *12.5 | 14.1 | 13.2 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | % | 10.9 | 16.2 | 14.8 | 25.6 | 25.9 | *12.0 | 25.3 | 20.3 |
| Other dwelling types(e) | % | *3.4 | *1.4 | 1.9 | *8.5 | *1.8 | *7.2 | 2.5 | 2.2 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Location of previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| In same suburb/locality | % | 41.3 | 48.7 | 46.9 | 50.0 | 47.9 | 40.1 | 47.7 | 47.1 |
| In same state/territory | % | 51.1 | 46.8 | 47.9 | 46.8 | 40.7 | 44.7 | 41.3 | 44.6 |
| In different state/territory | % | 5.7 | 3.3 | 3.9 | **3.0 | 6.3 | *13.2 | 6.3 | 5.2 |
| Overseas | % | *1.9 | *1.2 | 1.4 | **0.2 | 5.1 | **2.0 | 4.7 | 3.2 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Length of time in previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 1 year | % | 12.6 | 20.5 | 18.5 | 22.0 | 29.7 | 32.8 | 29.3 | 24.3 |
| 1 year | % | 7.7 | 16.6 | 14.3 | 16.4 | 21.7 | *13.4 | 21.0 | 17.9 |
| 2 years | % | 8.6 | 13.3 | 12.1 | *11.4 | 15.3 | *10.4 | 14.8 | 13.5 |
| 3 to 4 years | % | 11.3 | 17.0 | 15.5 | *13.8 | 13.7 | 14.7 | 13.8 | 14.4 |
| 5 to 9 years | % | 15.0 | 15.9 | 15.7 | 24.1 | 10.7 | *13.2 | 11.8 | 13.9 |
| 10 to 19 years | % | 19.8 | 11.1 | 13.3 | *7.8 | 5.5 | *11.7 | 5.9 | 9.3 |
| 20 years and over | % | 25.1 | 5.7 | 10.6 | *4.5 | 3.2 | **3.9 | 3.4 | 6.7 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of time moved in last five years | | | | | | | | | |
| One | % | 71.3 | 51.7 | 56.7 | 49.2 | 32.1 | 33.1 | 33.4 | 44.1 |
| Two | % | 16.8 | 17.7 | 17.4 | 18.2 | 18.9 | 21.0 | 18.9 | 18.3 |
| Three | % | 4.7 | 15.4 | 12.7 | 14.4 | 19.5 | 19.6 | 19.1 | 15.9 |
| Four | % | *1.8 | 6.1 | 5.0 | *4.6 | 10.4 | *13.5 | 10.1 | 7.8 |
| Five or more | % | *3.4 | 6.3 | 5.6 | *10.0 | 15.0 | *10.1 | 14.5 | 10.3 |
| All households(f) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 400.0 | 1 179.3 | 1 579.3 | 133.5 | 1 637.5 | 74.1 | 1 845.0 | 3 500.7 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 489 | 1 378 | 1 867 | 188 | 1 789 | 110 | 2 087 | 4 044 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) Includes other tenure type, which account for about 2% of all households.

(c) Includes manager of caravan park, employer, housing co-operative and community/church group.

(d) Includes rent free, life tenure and rent-buy/shared equity.

(e) Includes caravans, houseboats, or houses or flats attached to a shop or other commercial premise.

(f) Includes not known.

AGE OF REFERENCE PERSON

| | | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65-74 | 75 and over | All households |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Tenure and landlord type of previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | % | — | *1.4 | 6.0 | 12.5 | 32.1 | 52.5 | 51.4 | 11.4 |
| Owner with a mortgage | % | **0.9 | 10.4 | 23.0 | 25.2 | 17.8 | *5.2 | **3.9 | 15.3 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | % | **0.2 | *0.9 | *2.1 | *3.8 | *3.8 | *4.5 | *4.5 | 2.2 |
| Private landlord | % | 51.2 | 59.7 | 49.9 | 45.2 | 35.7 | 25.7 | 21.2 | 48.8 |
| Other landlord type(b) | % | 5.7 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 4.9 | *4.0 | *3.6 | *7.6 | 4.3 |
| Total renters | % | 57.1 | 64.0 | 56.6 | 53.9 | 43.6 | 33.8 | 33.3 | 55.3 |
| Other tenure type(c) | % | 41.6 | 24.2 | 14.5 | 8.3 | 6.5 | *8.5 | *11.4 | 18.0 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Structure of previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | % | 65.7 | 58.6 | 67.2 | 66.0 | 66.4 | 68.5 | 68.4 | 64.2 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | % | 11.5 | 14.6 | 12.0 | 14.5 | 13.2 | 11.3 | *11.6 | 13.2 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | % | 20.0 | 25.2 | 19.4 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 17.0 | *15.6 | 20.3 |
| Other dwelling types(d) | % | *2.8 | 1.6 | *1.4 | *2.8 | *3.6 | **3.2 | *4.4 | 2.2 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Location of previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| In same suburb/locality | % | 48.0 | 45.3 | 47.7 | 50.7 | 46.6 | 39.2 | 51.9 | 47.1 |
| In same state/territory | % | 44.6 | 46.5 | 43.0 | 40.4 | 45.8 | 52.1 | 43.7 | 44.6 |
| In different state/territory | % | *4.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 4.5 | 5.3 | *6.3 | *2.9 | 5.2 |
| Overseas | % | *2.9 | 2.7 | 3.8 | 4.3 | *2.3 | **2.5 | **1.5 | 3.2 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Length of time in previous dwelling | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 1 year | % | 37.6 | 30.4 | 23.6 | 19.7 | 13.1 | 12.2 | *6.6 | 24.3 |
| 1 year | % | 24.8 | 20.8 | 17.6 | 16.9 | 12.4 | *8.4 | *9.1 | 17.9 |
| 2 years | % | 9.2 | 16.9 | 14.4 | 12.0 | 10.4 | 12.2 | **4.5 | 13.5 |
| 3 to 4 years | % | 7.7 | 15.9 | 15.8 | 15.0 | 16.9 | *8.5 | *6.6 | 14.4 |
| 5 to 9 years | % | 7.3 | 8.6 | 18.9 | 16.7 | 15.8 | 20.0 | *17.8 | 13.9 |
| 10 to 19 years | % | 8.4 | 3.6 | 7.9 | 14.5 | 15.7 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 9.3 |
| 20 years and over | % | 5.1 | 3.9 | *1.7 | 5.2 | 15.7 | 20.6 | 37.2 | 6.7 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of time moved in last five years | | | | | | | | | |
| One | % | 27.2 | 32.8 | 45.3 | 48.9 | 62.3 | 69.5 | 78.2 | 44.1 |
| Two | % | 20.6 | 19.3 | 17.2 | 19.4 | 17.3 | 16.8 | *8.1 | 18.3 |
| Three | % | 18.4 | 18.7 | 18.1 | 14.4 | 8.9 | *6.9 | *7.4 | 15.9 |
| Four | % | 11.9 | 9.9 | 8.5 | 5.3 | *4.9 | **1.1 | **1.1 | 7.8 |
| Five or more | % | 19.8 | 14.4 | 8.6 | 7.5 | *3.3 | *4.3 | **1.0 | 10.3 |
| All households(e) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 345.8 | 1 082.9 | 873.3 | 564.0 | 356.2 | 173.8 | 104.7 | 3 500.7 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 406 | 1 176 | 994 | 680 | 435 | 223 | 130 | 4 044 |

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— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the last 5 years.

(b) Includes manager of caravan park, employer, housing co-operative and community/church group.

(c) Includes rent free, life tenure and rent-buy/shared equity, which account for about 1.7%, 0.3% and 0.04% of households respectively.

(d) Includes caravans, houseboats, or houses or flats attached to a shop or other commercial premise.

(e) Includes not known.

| | Can't afford to buy a new dwelling | Can't afford the costs associated with moving | Too much effort to move | For frailty disability or ill health | Other reasons | Total | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 45.9 | 15.9 | 20.7 | 9.0 | 29.2 | 100.0 | 153.8 | 181 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 59.6 | 26.1 | 16.9 | **1.1 | 24.9 | 100.0 | 269.9 | 295 |
| Total owners | 54.6 | 22.4 | 18.2 | 4.0 | 26.5 | 100.0 | 423.7 | 476 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 44.1 | 35.5 | *11.0 | *8.7 | 30.7 | 100.0 | 67.7 | 89 |
| Private landlord | 63.0 | 31.8 | 15.8 | **2.1 | 13.7 | 100.0 | 211.7 | 222 |
| Total renters(c) | 58.4 | 32.0 | 14.3 | *3.6 | 18.6 | 100.0 | 286.9 | 323 |
| All households(d) | 56.4 | 26.0 | 16.3 | 3.7 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 725.7 | 814 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 59.5 | 25.7 | 11.8 | **1.1 | 23.4 | 100.0 | 252.9 | 260 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 56.5 | 36.8 | 19.0 | **2.2 | 26.0 | 100.0 | 95.0 | 129 |
| Couple only | 58.0 | 16.2 | 14.4 | *4.3 | 29.9 | 100.0 | 134.9 | 155 |
| Other one family households | 68.3 | *15.4 | *19.2 | **5.5 | *11.4 | 100.0 | 64.4 | 64 |
| Multiple family households | **45.9 | *38.7 | **30.6 | — | *30.4 | 100.0 | *12.1 | 9 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 46.1 | 32.3 | 21.6 | *8.2 | 20.0 | 100.0 | 156.4 | 184 |
| Group household | *50.0 | **17.2 | **10.9 | — | **24.7 | 100.0 | *10.0 | 13 |
| All households | 56.4 | 26.0 | 16.3 | 3.7 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 725.7 | 814 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 50.9 | *34.1 | *18.4 | — | *16.1 | 100.0 | 51.0 | 46 |
| 25 to 34 | 64.3 | 27.7 | 14.9 | — | 20.4 | 100.0 | 167.2 | 191 |
| 35 to 44 | 58.9 | 25.3 | 15.6 | **1.4 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 205.6 | 218 |
| 45 to 54 | 52.2 | 24.4 | 15.9 | *4.9 | 28.4 | 100.0 | 158.5 | 182 |
| 55 to 64 | 51.5 | 26.2 | 16.3 | **2.8 | 23.8 | 100.0 | 81.1 | 100 |
| 65 to 74 | 55.8 | *23.9 | *21.1 | **8.3 | *22.9 | 100.0 | 38.7 | 48 |
| 75 and over | 35.7 | *16.1 | *22.4 | 46.7 | *23.1 | 100.0 | *23.6 | 29 |
| All households | 56.4 | 26.0 | 16.3 | 3.7 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 725.7 | 814 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | 55.9 | 23.1 | 16.5 | 3.2 | 24.7 | 100.0 | 531.7 | 610 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 59.4 | 39.6 | *17.9 | **7.2 | 19.3 | 100.0 | 64.0 | 81 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 57.1 | 30.6 | *14.8 | **3.7 | 19.6 | 100.0 | 129.0 | 121 |
| All households(e) | 56.4 | 26.0 | 16.3 | 3.7 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 725.7 | 814 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(f) | | | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 53.1 | 29.7 | 15.5 | 9.6 | 21.9 | 100.0 | 194.1 | 225 |
| Second quintile | 58.5 | 30.2 | 15.2 | *2.7 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 138.0 | 166 |
| Third quintile | 59.4 | 26.9 | *17.3 | **2.4 | 24.6 | 100.0 | 119.5 | 130 |
| Fourth quintile | 61.3 | 26.9 | 11.9 | **1.3 | 19.2 | 100.0 | 155.0 | 166 |
| Highest quintile | 49.7 | *13.0 | 23.6 | — | 31.5 | 100.0 | 119.2 | 127 |
| All households | 56.4 | 26.0 | 16.3 | 3.7 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 725.7 | 814 |
| Second and third deciles | 59.8 | 28.8 | 13.3 | *6.8 | 21.9 | 100.0 | 153.3 | 169 |
| Principal source of household income | | | | | | | | |
| Wages and salaries | 60.6 | 24.5 | 15.3 | **0.7 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 464.2 | 510 |
| Own unincorporated business income | 47.2 | *19.4 | *10.9 | — | *39.9 | 100.0 | 42.0 | 49 |
| Government pensions and allowances | 53.3 | 32.0 | 16.1 | 10.8 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 180.3 | 210 |
| Other income | *23.9 | *25.6 | *37.1 | **12.1 | 35.2 | 100.0 | 35.6 | 39 |
| All households(g) | 56.4 | 26.0 | 16.3 | 3.7 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 725.7 | 814 |

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(a) Households where the reference person was not likely to move within the next 12 months, but wanted to move.

(b) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(c) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(d) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(e) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(f) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(g) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

| | | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | NT(a) | ACT | Aust. |
|---|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| CAPITAL CITY (b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of time in current dwelling (reference person) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 1 year | % | 16.2 | 14.9 | 18.2 | 13.5 | 15.9 | 10.9 | 24.3 | 14.6 | 15.7 |
| 1 year | % | 7.2 | 7.3 | 8.6 | 6.7 | 9.2 | 9.5 | 9.9 | 6.6 | 7.7 |
| 2 years | % | 8.4 | 8.6 | 8.2 | 7.2 | 8.1 | 7.1 | 11.1 | 8.0 | 8.3 |
| 3–4 years | % | 11.8 | 11.0 | 11.6 | 11.2 | 12.5 | 11.2 | 12.6 | 9.7 | 11.5 |
| 5–9 years | % | 18.5 | 17.4 | 19.8 | 18.7 | 20.6 | 21.8 | 16.8 | 19.9 | 18.7 |
| 10–19 years | % | 18.2 | 17.9 | 17.5 | 22.3 | 17.0 | 19.1 | 16.0 | 19.2 | 18.3 |
| 20 years and over | % | 19.7 | 22.8 | 16.0 | 20.4 | 16.6 | 20.4 | *9.3 | 21.9 | 19.7 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of moves in the last 5 years (reference person) | | | | | | | | | | |
| None | % | 56.4 | 58.1 | 53.3 | 61.4 | 54.2 | 61.3 | 42.1 | 61.0 | 56.7 |
| One | % | 19.4 | 20.7 | 19.1 | 19.6 | 19.8 | 17.9 | 18.3 | 16.8 | 19.7 |
| Two | % | 8.1 | 6.7 | 8.0 | 7.0 | 8.3 | *7.3 | 9.5 | 9.1 | 7.6 |
| Three | % | 6.3 | 6.7 | 7.9 | 6.5 | 7.9 | *4.6 | *14.3 | *6.6 | 6.9 |
| Four | % | 3.1 | 3.5 | 4.8 | 1.8 | 4.2 | *3.5 | *6.1 | *1.7 | 3.5 |
| Five or more | % | 4.7 | *3.3 | *4.1 | *2.8 | *4.9 | *3.3 | **7.4 | **4.6 | 4.1 |
| All households(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 1 603.0 | 1 436.6 | 701.1 | 485.2 | 614.3 | 85.2 | 43.3 | 133.3 | 5 101.9 |
| Number of households in sample(c) | no. | 1 193 | 1 309 | 749 | 1 063 | 965 | 283 | 268 | 428 | 6 258 |

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---|---|--------------|
| BALANCE OF STATE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of time in current dwelling (reference person) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 1 year | % | 13.5 | 13.0 | 21.1 | 11.2 | 20.2 | 16.3 | — | — | 16.1 |
| 1 year | % | 7.2 | 5.0 | 9.9 | 8.3 | 11.3 | 7.7 | — | — | 7.9 |
| 2 years | % | 7.3 | 4.9 | 8.5 | 9.2 | 11.3 | *6.0 | — | — | 7.6 |
| 3–4 years | % | 10.1 | 9.6 | 15.5 | 13.8 | 9.2 | 12.1 | — | — | 11.9 |
| 5–9 years | % | 19.4 | 25.3 | 20.4 | 18.4 | 16.6 | 18.5 | — | — | 20.5 |
| 10–19 years | % | 21.7 | 20.0 | 12.8 | 18.4 | 20.4 | 17.8 | — | — | 18.3 |
| 20 years and over | % | 20.9 | 22.3 | 11.9 | 20.8 | 10.9 | 21.6 | — | — | 17.8 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | — | — | 100.0 |
| Number of moves in the last 5 years (reference person) | | | | | | | | | | |
| None | % | 61.9 | 67.6 | 45.0 | 57.5 | 48.0 | 57.9 | — | — | 56.5 |
| One | % | 17.0 | 16.4 | 18.6 | *22.4 | 22.9 | 16.9 | — | — | 18.1 |
| Two | % | 7.0 | 5.9 | 11.4 | *9.3 | 7.5 | 10.6 | — | — | 8.4 |
| Three | % | *6.3 | *5.0 | *8.7 | *4.9 | *9.1 | *7.9 | — | — | 6.9 |
| Four | % | *2.4 | 1.1 | 5.7 | *1.5 | *4.0 | 2.2 | — | — | 3.2 |
| Five or more | % | 3.2 | **3.4 | *8.6 | 4.4 | **6.5 | **4.2 | — | — | 5.2 |
| All households(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | — | — | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 1 048.7 | 551.0 | 875.9 | 169.8 | 196.2 | 117.3 | — | — | 2 975.4 |
| Number of households in sample(c) | no. | 765 | 482 | 828 | 292 | 269 | 387 | — | — | 3 087 |

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(b) Capital city estimates for ACT relate to total ACT.

(c) Includes not known.

| | | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | NT(a) | ACT | Aust. |
|---|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ALL HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of time in current dwelling (reference person) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 1 year | % | 15.1 | 14.4 | 19.8 | 12.9 | 17.0 | 14.0 | 23.0 | 14.6 | 15.9 |
| 1 year | % | 7.2 | 6.7 | 9.3 | 7.1 | 9.7 | 8.4 | 9.4 | 6.6 | 7.8 |
| 2 years | % | 8.0 | 7.6 | 8.4 | 7.7 | 8.9 | 6.4 | 11.8 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| 3–4 years | % | 11.1 | 10.6 | 13.8 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 11.7 | 14.6 | 9.7 | 11.7 |
| 5–9 years | % | 18.8 | 19.6 | 20.1 | 18.6 | 19.7 | 19.9 | 16.6 | 19.9 | 19.4 |
| 10–19 years | % | 19.5 | 18.5 | 14.8 | 21.3 | 17.8 | 18.3 | 16.0 | 19.2 | 18.3 |
| 20 years and over | % | 20.2 | 22.6 | 13.8 | 20.5 | 15.2 | 21.1 | *8.8 | 21.9 | 19.0 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of moves in the last 5 years (reference person) | | | | | | | | | | |
| None | % | 58.5 | 60.7 | 48.7 | 60.4 | 52.7 | 59.3 | 41.3 | 61.0 | 56.7 |
| One | % | 18.4 | 19.6 | 18.9 | 20.4 | 20.6 | 17.3 | 19.7 | 16.8 | 19.1 |
| Two | % | 7.6 | 6.4 | 9.9 | 7.6 | 8.1 | 9.2 | 10.4 | 9.1 | 7.9 |
| Three | % | 6.3 | 6.2 | 8.3 | 6.1 | 8.2 | *6.5 | *12.8 | *6.6 | 6.9 |
| Four | % | 2.8 | 2.9 | 5.3 | 1.7 | 4.2 | 2.7 | *6.5 | *1.7 | 3.4 |
| Five or more | % | 4.1 | 3.4 | 6.6 | *3.2 | *5.3 | *3.8 | *7.2 | **4.6 | 4.5 |
| All households(b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 2 651.7 | 1 987.6 | 1 576.9 | 655.0 | 810.5 | 202.4 | 59.8 | 133.3 | 8 077.3 |
| Number of households in sample(b) | no. | 1 958 | 1 791 | 1 577 | 1 355 | 1 234 | 670 | 332 | 428 | 9 345 |

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TENURE AND LANDLORD TYPE OF PREVIOUS DWELLING

| Tenure and landlord type of current dwelling | Owner without a mortgage | Owner with a mortgage | Renter - state/territory housing authority | Renter - private landlord | Renter - other landlord type(b) | Other tenure type(c) | Total | All households | Number of households in sample |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| REFERENCE PERSON AGED 15-34 YEARS | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | **19.6 | — | **1.3 | 62.5 | **3.7 | **12.8 | 100.0 | *25.1 | 24 |
| Owner with a mortgage | *1.5 | 16.4 | **0.1 | 47.4 | *1.7 | 32.8 | 100.0 | 419.3 | 477 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | — | — | *17.9 | 40.3 | *12.4 | 29.5 | 100.0 | 34.4 | 57 |
| Private landlord | *0.6 | 4.6 | **0.3 | 64.5 | 4.0 | 25.9 | 100.0 | 897.1 | 957 |
| Total renters(d) | *0.5 | 4.6 | *1.0 | 62.9 | 5.0 | 26.0 | 100.0 | 953.8 | 1 049 |
| All households | *1.2 | 8.1 | *0.8 | 57.6 | 3.9 | 28.4 | 100.0 | 1 428.6 | 1 582 |
| REFERENCE PERSON AGED 35-44 YEARS | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | *23.1 | *16.7 | — | *33.8 | **1.8 | *24.7 | 100.0 | 53.1 | 58 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 7.3 | 32.2 | **0.1 | 42.8 | *2.4 | 15.0 | 100.0 | 402.3 | 473 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | — | — | *41.1 | *36.2 | **13.5 | **9.2 | 100.0 | 24.5 | 32 |
| Private landlord | *2.0 | 16.3 | *1.9 | 64.7 | *3.8 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 353.4 | 383 |
| Total renters(d) | *1.8 | 14.5 | *4.4 | 60.9 | *7.1 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 402.1 | 446 |
| All households | 6.0 | 23.0 | *2.1 | 49.9 | 4.5 | 14.5 | 100.0 | 873.3 | 994 |
| REFERENCE PERSON AGED 45-54 YEARS | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 37.8 | *22.7 | **0.6 | 28.7 | — | *10.1 | 100.0 | 56.0 | 73 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 13.9 | 38.0 | *1.4 | 41.1 | **1.9 | *3.7 | 100.0 | 236.6 | 286 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | — | — | 45.3 | *36.4 | *8.7 | **9.6 | 100.0 | 26.7 | 39 |
| Private landlord | *7.1 | 16.8 | **2.0 | 57.5 | *6.3 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 218.4 | 246 |
| Total renters(d) | *6.1 | 14.8 | *6.4 | 53.3 | 9.0 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 256.6 | 303 |
| All households | 12.5 | 25.2 | *3.8 | 45.2 | 4.9 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 564.0 | 680 |
| REFERENCE PERSON AGED 55-64 YEARS | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 67.9 | 13.5 | — | *9.8 | **1.3 | *7.5 | 100.0 | 111.8 | 141 |
| Owner with a mortgage | *25.6 | 33.0 | **0.5 | 33.2 | **1.7 | **6.0 | 100.0 | 105.3 | 125 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | **1.4 | — | *50.6 | *36.4 | **11.5 | — | 100.0 | 23.6 | 29 |
| Private landlord | *10.2 | *12.6 | **1.1 | 64.3 | *6.5 | *5.4 | 100.0 | 106.2 | 128 |
| Total renters(d) | *8.3 | *10.0 | *9.7 | 59.6 | *8.3 | *4.2 | 100.0 | 135.0 | 163 |
| All households | 32.1 | 17.8 | *3.8 | 35.7 | *4.0 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 356.2 | 435 |

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(b) Includes manager of caravan park, employer, housing co-operative and community/church group.

(c) Includes rent free, life tenure and rent-buy/shared equity, which account for about 1.7%, 0.3% and 0.04% of households respectively.

(d) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

TENURE AND LANDLORD TYPE OF PREVIOUS DWELLING

| Tenure and landlord type of current dwelling | Owner without a mortgage | Owner with a mortgage | Renter - state/territory housing authority | Renter - private landlord | Renter - other landlord type(b) | Other tenure type(c) | Total | All households | Number of households in sample |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| REFERENCE PERSON AGED 65 YEARS AND OVER | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 75.7 | *4.0 | — | *13.4 | **1.0 | *5.9 | 100.0 | 154.0 | 193 |
| Owner with a mortgage | *36.5 | **17.5 | — | **25.7 | — | **20.3 | 100.0 | *15.8 | 17 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | **6.2 | — | 43.8 | *34.6 | **8.5 | **7.0 | 100.0 | *24.3 | 31 |
| Private landlord | *21.5 | *6.7 | **3.1 | 50.7 | *6.9 | *11.2 | 100.0 | 62.4 | 75 |
| Total renters(d) | 17.3 | *4.3 | *12.9 | 42.4 | 13.1 | *10.0 | 100.0 | 97.6 | 126 |
| All households | 52.1 | *4.7 | *4.5 | 24.0 | *5.1 | 9.6 | 100.0 | 278.6 | 353 |

ALL HOUSEHOLDS

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Owner without a mortgage | 57.7 | 10.7 | **0.2 | 20.3 | *1.2 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 400.0 | 489 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 8.6 | 27.7 | *0.4 | 43.0 | *2.0 | 18.3 | 100.0 | 1 179.3 | 1 378 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | **1.4 | — | 38.1 | 37.0 | 11.0 | 12.5 | 100.0 | 133.5 | 188 |
| Private landlord | 3.2 | 9.4 | *1.0 | 63.1 | 4.5 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 1 637.5 | 1 789 |
| Total renters(d) | 3.0 | 8.6 | 3.7 | 59.8 | 6.7 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 1 845.0 | 2 087 |
| All households(e) | 11.4 | 15.3 | 2.2 | 48.8 | 4.3 | 18.0 | 100.0 | 3 500.7 | 4 044 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Households in which the reference person has moved home in the last 5 years.

(b) Includes manager of caravan park, employer, housing co-operative and community/church group.

(c) Includes rent free, life tenure and rent-buy/shared equity, which account for about 1.7%, 0.3% and 0.04% of households respectively.

(d) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(e) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

ALL MAJOR STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS(a)

| | Major cracks in walls/floors | Sinking/moving foundations | Walls/windows out of plumb | Major plumbing problems |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | |
| Owner | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 5.4 | 3.9 | 2.9 | 1.4 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 4.4 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 2.5 |
| Total owners | 4.8 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 1.9 |
| Renter | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 12.6 | *4.4 | 5.2 | 6.5 |
| Private landlord | 8.6 | 4.1 | 5.2 | 6.0 |
| Total renters(b) | 9.2 | 4.1 | 5.2 | 6.2 |
| All households(c) | 6.2 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| Family composition of household | | | | |
| One family households | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 5.2 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 3.2 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 10.2 | 4.6 | 6.5 | 6.7 |
| Couple only | 4.6 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 1.8 |
| Other one family households | 7.7 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 2.5 |
| Multiple family households | *6.2 | **1.5 | **5.0 | *5.2 |
| Non-family households | | | | |
| Lone person household | 7.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.8 |
| Group household | 9.1 | *6.8 | *6.8 | *5.4 |
| All households | 6.2 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| Age of reference person | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 7.4 | *3.0 | *2.8 | *3.9 |
| 25 to 34 | 7.4 | 3.9 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
| 35 to 44 | 5.7 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.4 |
| 45 to 54 | 6.5 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 3.1 |
| 55 to 64 | 5.9 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 2.4 |
| 65 to 74 | 6.7 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 1.5 |
| 75 and over | 4.4 | 3.2 | *2.6 | *1.8 |
| All households(d) | 6.2 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(e) | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 7.4 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 3.3 |
| Second quintile | 6.9 | 3.9 | 3.5 | 4.5 |
| Third quintile | 5.6 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 2.4 |
| Fourth quintile | 7.0 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 3.2 |
| Highest quintile | 4.1 | 3.1 | 2.3 | 2.7 |
| All households | 6.2 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| Second and third deciles | 6.7 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 2.9 |
| States and territories | | | | |
| NSW | 5.9 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.7 |
| Vic. | 9.5 | 5.9 | 5.5 | 3.5 |
| Qld | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.5 | 1.9 |
| SA | 8.2 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 3.9 |
| WA | 5.2 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 3.3 |
| Tas. | 5.5 | 4.1 | 5.4 | *3.0 |
| NT(f) | *5.0 | *2.3 | *3.1 | *4.3 |
| ACT | 6.1 | *2.9 | *2.1 | *2.1 |
| Aust. | 6.2 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.2 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(c) Includes other tenure type, accounting for 2% of all households.

(d) Includes other dwelling types, accounting for 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(e) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(f) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in the Northern Territory.

ALL MAJOR STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS(a)

| | Other major structural problems(c) | Total households with structural problems | No structural problems | Total(b) | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|--|---|------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 6.5 | 12.8 | 86.1 | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 7.2 | 13.5 | 85.8 | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 6.9 | 13.2 | 85.9 | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 13.7 | 27.1 | 70.7 | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 13.3 | 21.1 | 74.8 | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(d) | 13.6 | 22.2 | 74.0 | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(e) | 8.9 | 16.0 | 82.3 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 7.7 | 14.3 | 84.7 | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 16.7 | 27.9 | 69.3 | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 7.3 | 12.7 | 86.2 | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 8.4 | 16.2 | 81.7 | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | *10.2 | *17.8 | 82.2 | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 9.3 | 17.1 | 80.5 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 14.1 | 23.8 | 71.4 | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 8.9 | 16.0 | 82.3 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 7.8 | 16.6 | 79.4 | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 11.3 | 19.1 | 79.2 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 10.1 | 17.6 | 80.7 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 10.3 | 16.6 | 81.7 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 7.5 | 14.7 | 83.9 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 5.3 | 12.5 | 86.8 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 6.2 | 11.7 | 85.5 | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households(f) | 8.9 | 16.0 | 82.3 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(g) | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 9.8 | 17.2 | 80.0 | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 9.5 | 16.6 | 81.9 | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 8.7 | 14.7 | 84.2 | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 9.2 | 17.9 | 80.5 | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 7.1 | 13.2 | 85.4 | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 8.9 | 16.0 | 82.3 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 8.2 | 15.2 | 82.4 | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| States and territories | | | | | | |
| NSW | 8.9 | 15.6 | 82.4 | 100.0 | 2 651.7 | 1 958 |
| Vic. | 10.1 | 20.5 | 77.7 | 100.0 | 1 987.6 | 1 791 |
| Qld | 6.5 | 10.6 | 87.6 | 100.0 | 1 576.9 | 1 577 |
| SA | 9.6 | 17.9 | 81.0 | 100.0 | 655.0 | 1 355 |
| WA | 9.4 | 14.8 | 84.1 | 100.0 | 810.5 | 1 234 |
| Tas. | 11.9 | 19.0 | 79.6 | 100.0 | 202.4 | 670 |
| NT(h) | *9.5 | 13.5 | 84.3 | 100.0 | 59.8 | 332 |
| ACT | 7.1 | 13.6 | 84.2 | 100.0 | 133.3 | 428 |
| Aust. | 8.9 | 16.0 | 82.3 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

(a) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(b) Includes not known.

(c) Includes rising damp, sagging floors, wood rot/termite damage.

(d) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(e) Includes other tenure type, accounting for 2% of all households.

(f) Includes other dwelling types, accounting for 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(g) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(h) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in the Northern Territory.

ALL REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE(a)

| | Painting | Roof repair / maintenance | Tile repair | Electrical work | Plumbing | Total with repairs and maintenance(b) |
|---|-------------|------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|---|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 28.4 | 13.0 | 8.5 | 17.9 | 26.3 | 56.0 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 35.4 | 13.3 | 11.5 | 23.9 | 31.3 | 61.9 |
| Total owners | 32.0 | 13.2 | 10.1 | 21.0 | 28.8 | 59.0 |
| Renter | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 20.2 | 7.5 | 9.9 | 19.3 | 33.5 | 58.1 |
| Private landlord | 14.0 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 16.3 | 32.1 | 50.9 |
| Total renters(c) | 15.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 17.0 | 32.5 | 52.2 |
| All households(d) | 26.7 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 19.7 | 29.8 | 56.8 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 30.1 | 12.3 | 9.9 | 24.9 | 30.8 | 59.4 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 24.0 | 8.7 | 9.7 | 22.1 | 36.2 | 62.5 |
| Couple only | 30.6 | 10.8 | 9.4 | 18.8 | 28.4 | 58.1 |
| Other one family households | 26.0 | 13.2 | 9.7 | 20.5 | 32.5 | 59.0 |
| Multiple family households | *25.8 | *5.0 | *10.7 | 14.5 | 43.5 | 53.0 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 21.5 | 10.5 | 7.2 | 15.0 | 26.8 | 51.2 |
| Group household | 16.0 | *5.5 | *5.9 | 15.1 | 29.0 | 50.6 |
| All households | 26.7 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 19.7 | 29.8 | 56.8 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 18.5 | 3.6 | 5.3 | 16.6 | 31.5 | 50.7 |
| 25 to 34 | 26.1 | 8.8 | 9.5 | 21.3 | 32.5 | 56.1 |
| 35 to 44 | 29.0 | 12.0 | 10.5 | 22.7 | 32.7 | 61.4 |
| 45 to 54 | 29.2 | 11.5 | 10.3 | 22.9 | 31.9 | 58.6 |
| 55 to 64 | 29.7 | 14.0 | 9.0 | 17.1 | 26.7 | 57.1 |
| 65 to 74 | 24.6 | 9.5 | 8.2 | 17.4 | 27.1 | 53.2 |
| 75 and over | 19.2 | 11.4 | 4.5 | 12.1 | 22.6 | 50.7 |
| All households | 26.7 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 19.7 | 29.8 | 56.8 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(e) | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 22.0 | 8.7 | 7.4 | 15.0 | 23.7 | 49.9 |
| Second quintile | 24.9 | 11.2 | 7.3 | 19.5 | 29.4 | 56.2 |
| Third quintile | 29.5 | 11.0 | 9.7 | 20.4 | 29.2 | 59.1 |
| Fourth quintile | 29.6 | 12.7 | 10.6 | 22.3 | 33.9 | 61.3 |
| Highest quintile | 29.1 | 12.0 | 10.1 | 22.3 | 34.3 | 59.4 |
| All households | 26.7 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 19.7 | 29.8 | 56.8 |
| Second and third deciles | 24.6 | 9.8 | 7.0 | 16.9 | 27.2 | 54.2 |
| States and territories | | | | | | |
| NSW | 27.4 | 11.7 | 10.0 | 18.1 | 30.0 | 56.7 |
| Vic. | 25.6 | 10.4 | 7.6 | 18.5 | 27.7 | 54.5 |
| Qld | 23.4 | 9.6 | 8.5 | 22.1 | 31.5 | 56.8 |
| SA | 29.4 | 10.3 | 8.4 | 18.5 | 29.7 | 56.7 |
| WA | 29.2 | 11.9 | 9.1 | 22.0 | 31.4 | 61.5 |
| Tas. | 35.3 | 14.1 | 9.0 | 22.5 | 26.8 | 58.6 |
| NT(f) | 22.8 | 8.3 | 14.9 | 29.0 | 35.0 | 59.9 |
| ACT | 31.6 | 16.8 | 13.5 | 20.9 | 32.4 | 60.7 |
| Aust. | 26.7 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 19.7 | 29.8 | 56.8 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

(a) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(b) Includes other repairs and maintenance.

(c) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(d) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(e) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(f) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

| | No repairs or maintenance | Total(a) | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | |
| Owner | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 43.4 | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 37.2 | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 40.2 | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 39.3 | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 41.2 | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(b) | 40.8 | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(c) | 40.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | | |
| One family households | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 38.7 | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 33.9 | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 40.2 | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 38.8 | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | 44.3 | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | | |
| Lone person household | 45.0 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 42.3 | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 40.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 38.7 | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 39.4 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 35.8 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 39.6 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 41.7 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 45.5 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 47.8 | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households | 40.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(d) | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 47.3 | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 41.0 | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 38.6 | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 35.3 | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 38.8 | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 40.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 43.7 | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| States and territories | | | | |
| NSW | 40.5 | 100.0 | 2 651.7 | 1 958 |
| Vic. | 43.2 | 100.0 | 1 987.6 | 1 791 |
| Qld | 40.1 | 100.0 | 1 576.9 | 1 577 |
| SA | 40.9 | 100.0 | 655.0 | 1 355 |
| WA | 36.6 | 100.0 | 810.5 | 1 234 |
| Tas. | 39.4 | 100.0 | 202.4 | 670 |
| NT(e) | 36.5 | 100.0 | 59.8 | 332 |
| ACT | 36.3 | 100.0 | 133.3 | 428 |
| Aust. | 40.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

(a) Includes not known

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(c) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(d) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(e) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

| | Very satisfied | Satisfied | Neither satisfied or dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Very dissatisfied | Total(a) | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|-------------------|-----------|---|--------------|----------------------|----------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 50.0 | 42.8 | 4.8 | 2.2 | *0.3 | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 40.5 | 48.8 | 6.9 | 3.4 | *0.4 | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 45.1 | 45.9 | 5.8 | 2.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 24.3 | 54.0 | 12.9 | 6.0 | *2.4 | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 27.8 | 50.5 | 13.8 | 6.6 | *1.1 | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(b) | 27.3 | 51.0 | 13.7 | 6.5 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(c) | 39.7 | 47.4 | 8.2 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 36.5 | 48.2 | 9.5 | 4.9 | *0.8 | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 22.5 | 50.5 | 14.8 | 9.8 | *2.3 | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 49.1 | 42.8 | 5.8 | 2.1 | **0.2 | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 40.9 | 48.4 | 7.2 | 2.5 | **0.4 | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | 25.1 | 56.7 | *10.2 | **5.2 | **2.7 | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 39.3 | 48.3 | 7.8 | 4.0 | *0.5 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 27.0 | 58.5 | 10.9 | *3.2 | **0.3 | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 39.7 | 47.4 | 8.2 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 27.6 | 54.8 | 11.1 | *3.6 | **0.7 | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 28.8 | 53.1 | 10.8 | 6.6 | *0.7 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 34.8 | 48.5 | 10.8 | 4.7 | *1.1 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 39.2 | 47.0 | 8.3 | 4.8 | *0.7 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 45.5 | 44.7 | 6.7 | 2.6 | *0.5 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 47.3 | 47.3 | 4.0 | *1.3 | **0.1 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 56.5 | 37.9 | 4.3 | *1.1 | **0.2 | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households | 39.7 | 47.4 | 8.2 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | 41.0 | 47.0 | 7.7 | 3.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 6 311.3 | 7 371 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 39.2 | 48.6 | 7.7 | 3.8 | **0.5 | 100.0 | 695.5 | 871 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 32.5 | 49.9 | 11.2 | 5.6 | *0.8 | 100.0 | 1 042.0 | 1 069 |
| All households(d) | 39.7 | 47.4 | 8.2 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(e) | | | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 38.7 | 47.0 | 8.8 | 4.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 34.9 | 52.2 | 8.0 | 4.0 | *0.8 | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 39.9 | 47.1 | 8.6 | 3.6 | *0.6 | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 40.6 | 45.6 | 8.6 | 4.7 | *0.4 | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 44.3 | 45.7 | 7.1 | 2.6 | *0.3 | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 39.7 | 47.4 | 8.2 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 39.1 | 47.5 | 8.3 | 4.3 | *0.6 | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| Principal source of household income | | | | | | | | |
| Wages and salaries | 37.3 | 49.2 | 8.6 | 4.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 4 966.2 | 5 586 |
| Own unincorporated business income | 41.5 | 46.1 | 8.2 | 3.6 | **0.4 | 100.0 | 464.0 | 539 |
| Government pensions and allowances | 42.2 | 45.2 | 7.9 | 3.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1 872.2 | 2 302 |
| Other income | 49.6 | 41.5 | 6.1 | 2.6 | **0.2 | 100.0 | 741.9 | 875 |
| All households(f) | 39.7 | 47.4 | 8.2 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Includes no response.

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(c) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(d) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(e) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(f) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

| | | OWNER | | | RENTER | | | |
|---|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | | Owner without a mortgage | Owner with a mortgage | Total owners | State/territory housing authority | Private landlord | Total renters(c) | All households(b) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| All reasons for dissatisfaction with location of current dwelling(d) | | | | | | | | |
| Security/feeling safe | % | *11.0 | 39.1 | 28.2 | 56.0 | 37.2 | 42.7 | 35.8 |
| Noise level | % | *38.9 | 26.9 | 31.5 | 40.9 | 45.0 | 43.1 | 37.4 |
| Traffic level | % | *39.4 | 20.3 | 27.7 | *19.5 | 26.4 | 23.9 | 25.7 |
| Natural surroundings | % | *5.0 | *18.2 | *13.1 | *20.7 | *14.3 | 17.6 | 15.4 |
| Distance from services and facilities | % | *35.1 | 43.2 | 40.1 | *27.4 | 29.1 | 29.7 | 34.6 |
| Other reason | % | *27.8 | *17.2 | 21.3 | *36.5 | *15.8 | 21.6 | 21.4 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 46.1 | 73.1 | 119.1 | 34.3 | 87.9 | 126.3 | 246.2 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 48 | 84 | 132 | 46 | 97 | 150 | 283 |
| All reasons for dissatisfaction with block(d) | | | | | | | | |
| Too big | % | *25.7 | *3.3 | 11.5 | *14.5 | **1.8 | *4.3 | 8.1 |
| Too small | % | *20.3 | 57.9 | 44.2 | *22.0 | 36.7 | 35.5 | 40.0 |
| Too steep | % | *31.2 | 20.9 | 24.6 | *41.3 | *26.6 | 28.0 | 26.1 |
| Lack of privacy | % | *8.1 | 21.2 | 16.4 | *30.6 | *12.5 | 15.5 | 15.7 |
| Garden maintenance too high | % | *24.0 | *11.1 | 15.8 | *20.2 | *16.4 | *16.3 | 16.4 |
| Other reason | % | *11.1 | 16.2 | 14.3 | *13.9 | *21.0 | 20.0 | 16.8 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 47.6 | 82.9 | 130.6 | 21.6 | 88.7 | 116.0 | 250.1 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 63 | 104 | 167 | 36 | 86 | 130 | 302 |
| All reasons for dissatisfaction with current dwelling(d) | | | | | | | | |
| Too big | % | *13.1 | **2.3 | *6.5 | **1.3 | **1.2 | *1.4 | 3.7 |
| Too small | % | 35.5 | 51.9 | 45.6 | 46.6 | 32.8 | 36.8 | 41.6 |
| Too cold | % | **10.1 | 14.5 | 12.8 | *27.6 | 21.8 | 24.1 | 18.9 |
| Too hot | % | *13.4 | 16.5 | 15.3 | *14.3 | 14.3 | 16.1 | 15.8 |
| Poor condition of dwelling | % | 38.1 | 49.3 | 45.0 | 46.2 | 63.2 | 58.5 | 51.7 |
| Structurally unsound | % | *12.6 | *9.5 | 10.6 | *13.1 | 15.0 | 14.6 | 12.5 |
| Needs to be more secure | % | *7.1 | *7.9 | 7.6 | *30.7 | 18.7 | 20.3 | 14.0 |
| Maintenance too high | % | *24.3 | 24.3 | 24.3 | **2.2 | *6.3 | *6.4 | 14.7 |
| Other(e) | % | *16.2 | 24.8 | 21.6 | *35.6 | 38.8 | 38.9 | 30.4 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 65.7 | 106.4 | 172.1 | 30.6 | 148.9 | 188.6 | 366.3 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 77 | 143 | 220 | 46 | 165 | 223 | 449 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Households where the reference person reported being dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with their current dwelling, its location, or the block of land on which it is located.

(b) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(c) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(d) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(e) Includes rates too expensive, mortgage too expensive and rent too expensive.

| | | OWNER | | | RENTER | | | |
|--|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | | Owner without a mortgage | Owner with a mortgage | Total owners | State/territory housing authority | Private landlord | Total renters(b) | All households(a) |
| MALES | | | | | | | | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 96.6 | 97.1 | 96.9 | 87.7 | 95.3 | 94.5 | 96.2 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.6 | *7.3 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 2.1 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | *0.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | *3.8 | *1.0 | 1.3 | 0.9 |
| All persons(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 93.9 | 94.8 | 94.4 | 84.4 | 92.1 | 91.2 | 93.5 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 4.1 | 3.1 | 3.6 | *9.5 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 3.9 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.5 | *5.5 | 2.9 | 3.2 | 1.9 |
| All persons(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons | '000 | 2 639.3 | 3 272.5 | 5 911.8 | 224.4 | 1 832.8 | 2 145.0 | 8 187.8 |
| Number of persons in sample | no. | 2 861 | 3 526 | 6 387 | 293 | 1 891 | 2 299 | 8 829 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 93.5 | 94.6 | 94.0 | 86.1 | 90.6 | 89.6 | 92.9 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 3.8 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 3.9 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 7.2 | 3.6 | 4.2 | 2.5 |
| All persons(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 81.3 | 82.8 | 82.1 | 68.6 | 75.9 | 74.4 | 80.0 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 9.2 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 10.5 | 10.3 | 10.6 | 9.5 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 7.1 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 18.9 | 12.0 | 13.2 | 8.8 |
| All persons(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons | '000 | 2 833.7 | 3 180.4 | 6 014.1 | 339.0 | 1 838.9 | 2 272.7 | 8 412.8 |
| Number of persons in sample | no. | 3 194 | 3 593 | 6 787 | 482 | 1 937 | 2 561 | 9 497 |
| ALL PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER | | | | | | | | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 95.0 | 95.8 | 95.4 | 86.7 | 92.9 | 92.0 | 94.5 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 2.8 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 4.2 | 3.0 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 5.8 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 1.7 |
| All persons(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 87.4 | 88.8 | 88.2 | 74.9 | 84.0 | 82.6 | 86.7 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 6.7 | 6.0 | 6.4 | 10.1 | 7.4 | 7.9 | 6.8 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 13.5 | 7.4 | 8.3 | 5.4 |
| All persons(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons aged 15 years and over | '000 | 5 472.9 | 6 452.9 | 11 925.9 | 563.4 | 3 671.8 | 4 417.7 | 16 600.6 |
| Number of persons aged 15 years and over in sample | no. | 6 055 | 7 119 | 13 174 | 775 | 3 828 | 4 860 | 18 326 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

(a) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(c) Includes never at home alone during the day.

(d) Includes never at home alone after dark.

| | | ONE FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | NON-FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS | | |
|---|------|--|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| | | Couple family with dependent children | One parent family with dependent children | Couple only | Other one family households | Multiple family households | Lone person | Group households | All households |
| MALES | | | | | | | | | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 97.0 | 94.0 | 96.7 | 95.6 | 98.6 | 93.5 | 95.8 | 96.2 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 1.5 | **3.5 | 1.2 | 2.8 | **0.8 | 4.4 | *2.7 | 2.1 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | *0.6 | *2.2 | *0.8 | *0.9 | — | *1.3 | **1.5 | 0.9 |
| All persons (a) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 94.6 | 88.9 | 94.4 | 94.3 | 93.0 | 89.2 | 91.6 | 93.5 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 2.8 | *6.4 | 3.5 | 3.6 | *3.5 | 7.7 | 5.6 | 3.9 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 2.1 | *4.0 | 1.1 | 1.5 | **2.6 | *3.0 | *2.8 | 1.9 |
| All persons (b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons | '000 | 2 851.7 | 222.0 | 2 151.3 | 1 451.8 | 205.4 | 934.2 | 371.4 | 8 187.8 |
| Number of persons in sample | no. | 3 035 | 303 | 2 567 | 1 330 | 141 | 1 089 | 364 | 8 829 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 93.5 | 87.2 | 94.1 | 92.0 | 93.1 | 93.9 | 90.4 | 92.9 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 3.4 | 7.1 | 3.2 | 4.4 | *4.7 | 4.0 | *3.8 | 3.9 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 2.6 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 2.6 | **0.8 | *1.6 | *4.1 | 2.5 |
| All persons (a) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 81.1 | 71.8 | 80.1 | 79.7 | 76.5 | 83.1 | 81.0 | 80.0 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 8.4 | 12.2 | 9.5 | 10.2 | *10.8 | 9.9 | 8.0 | 9.5 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 9.1 | 13.1 | 8.0 | 8.2 | *10.6 | 6.8 | 10.4 | 8.8 |
| All persons (b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons | '000 | 2 774.7 | 612.4 | 2 131.9 | 1 339.4 | 242.1 | 1 069.9 | 242.4 | 8 412.8 |
| Number of persons in sample | no. | 2 982 | 812 | 2 557 | 1 305 | 185 | 1 391 | 265 | 9 497 |
| ALL PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER | | | | | | | | | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 95.3 | 89.0 | 95.4 | 93.9 | 95.6 | 93.7 | 93.7 | 94.5 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 2.5 | 6.1 | 2.2 | 3.5 | *2.9 | 4.2 | *3.2 | 3.0 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 1.6 | 3.4 | *1.5 | 1.7 | **0.4 | 1.4 | *2.5 | 1.7 |
| All persons (a) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 87.9 | 76.4 | 87.3 | 87.3 | 84.1 | 85.9 | 87.4 | 86.7 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 5.6 | 10.7 | 6.5 | 6.8 | *7.5 | 8.9 | 6.6 | 6.8 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 5.6 | 10.7 | 4.5 | 4.7 | *6.9 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 5.4 |
| All persons (b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons aged 15 years and over | '000 | 5 626.4 | 834.4 | 4 283.2 | 2 791.2 | 447.5 | 2 004.1 | 613.9 | 16 600.6 |
| Number of persons aged 15 years and over in sample | no. | 6 017 | 1 115 | 5 124 | 2 635 | 326 | 2 480 | 629 | 18 326 |
| * estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution ** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use | | | | | | | | | |
| — nil or rounded to zero (including null cells) (a) Includes never at home alone during the day. (b) Includes never at home alone after dark. | | | | | | | | | |

AGE OF PERSON

| | | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65-74 | 75 and over | All persons |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| MALES | | | | | | | | | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 96.8 | 95.8 | 96.9 | 95.5 | 96.6 | 95.7 | 94.9 | 96.2 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | *1.5 | 2.1 | *1.4 | 3.1 | *1.8 | *2.1 | *3.1 | 2.1 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | *0.9 | *1.1 | *0.6 | *0.8 | *0.3 | *2.0 | *1.0 | 0.9 |
| All persons(a) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 92.1 | 93.7 | 94.8 | 94.5 | 94.4 | 92.2 | 90.7 | 93.5 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 3.9 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 4.9 | *5.9 | 3.9 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 3.2 | 2.3 | *1.4 | 1.5 | *1.2 | *1.7 | *1.4 | 1.9 |
| All persons(b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons | '000 | 1 453.0 | 1 431.9 | 1 505.5 | 1 426.4 | 1 163.1 | 707.5 | 500.3 | 8 187.8 |
| Number of persons in sample | no. | 1 519 | 1 433 | 1 602 | 1 580 | 1 317 | 817 | 561 | 8 829 |

FEMALES

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 91.3 | 92.1 | 94.2 | 94.5 | 92.3 | 92.9 | 92.3 | 92.9 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 4.4 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 4.5 | 3.6 | *3.9 | 3.9 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 2.4 | *2.8 | *1.5 | 2.5 |
| All persons(a) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 72.5 | 76.3 | 83.5 | 85.5 | 83.0 | 80.0 | 78.8 | 80.0 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 12.6 | 12.7 | 8.0 | 6.6 | 7.4 | 9.5 | 9.6 | 9.5 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 12.5 | 10.6 | 7.4 | 7.2 | 8.2 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 8.8 |
| All persons(b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons | '000 | 1 401.7 | 1 440.3 | 1 537.8 | 1 463.4 | 1 175.5 | 740.1 | 653.9 | 8 412.8 |
| Number of persons in sample | no. | 1 502 | 1 538 | 1 750 | 1 713 | 1 357 | 896 | 741 | 9 497 |

ALL PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Feelings of safety at home alone during the day | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 94.1 | 93.9 | 95.5 | 95.0 | 94.4 | 94.3 | 93.5 | 94.5 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 3.0 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 2.9 | 3.6 | 3.0 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | *2.4 | *1.3 | 1.7 |
| All persons(a) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | | | | | | | | | |
| Safe or very safe | % | 82.5 | 85.0 | 89.1 | 89.9 | 88.7 | 86.0 | 84.0 | 86.7 |
| Neither safe nor unsafe | % | 8.2 | 8.1 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 5.6 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 6.8 |
| Unsafe or very unsafe | % | 7.8 | 6.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 5.4 |
| All persons(b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of persons aged 15 years and over | '000 | 2 854.8 | 2 872.3 | 3 043.4 | 2 889.8 | 2 338.6 | 1 447.6 | 1 154.2 | 16 600.6 |
| Number of persons aged 15 years and over in sample | no. | 3 021 | 2 971 | 3 352 | 3 293 | 2 674 | 1 713 | 1 302 | 18 326 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

(a) Includes never at home alone during the day.
(b) Includes never at home alone after dark.

FREQUENCY SMOKE ALARM CHECKED

| | Twice a year or more | Once a year | Less than once a year | Never | Total with smoke alarm fitted(b) | Smoke alarm not fitted | Total | All households(a) | Number of households in sample |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 44.4 | 35.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 91.6 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 42.5 | 37.3 | 5.3 | 6.2 | 93.7 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 43.4 | 36.3 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 92.7 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 36.6 | 39.1 | 5.3 | 12.5 | 98.5 | *1.5 | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 38.9 | 27.4 | 4.5 | 11.0 | 90.6 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(c) | 38.9 | 29.0 | 4.7 | 11.0 | 92.0 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(d) | 41.9 | 34.0 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 43.1 | 35.5 | 5.8 | 6.8 | 94.8 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 36.7 | 32.4 | 6.0 | 10.9 | 94.2 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 46.4 | 34.3 | 4.0 | 4.8 | 93.1 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 41.5 | 35.1 | 3.6 | 6.6 | 90.7 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | 49.2 | 29.0 | **1.9 | *5.1 | 87.5 | *12.5 | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 37.7 | 33.6 | 4.8 | 8.5 | 89.9 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 35.1 | 21.9 | *5.9 | 14.8 | 89.2 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 41.9 | 34.0 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 37.9 | 22.7 | *3.6 | 14.1 | 86.5 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 40.7 | 30.2 | 5.1 | 10.0 | 92.4 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 40.1 | 36.5 | 4.6 | 8.3 | 93.9 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 42.7 | 35.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 93.9 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 42.2 | 34.8 | 4.9 | 5.7 | 91.0 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 43.9 | 36.0 | 3.3 | 4.3 | 90.7 | 9.1 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 44.7 | 33.8 | 4.0 | 4.9 | 92.8 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households | 41.9 | 34.0 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | 43.0 | 35.0 | 4.7 | 6.0 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 6 311.3 | 7 371 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 39.0 | 31.5 | 5.4 | 10.7 | 91.7 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 695.5 | 871 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 37.1 | 29.8 | 5.1 | 11.4 | 93.1 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 1 042.0 | 1 069 |
| All households(e) | 41.9 | 34.0 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(f) | | | | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 41.0 | 31.5 | 5.1 | 7.3 | 91.0 | 8.9 | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 46.0 | 32.3 | 4.0 | 6.5 | 93.2 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 45.4 | 32.5 | 3.0 | 7.5 | 91.4 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 40.0 | 35.8 | 5.7 | 7.4 | 93.5 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 38.0 | 38.0 | 5.7 | 7.0 | 93.1 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 41.9 | 34.0 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 44.9 | 31.3 | 4.2 | 6.4 | 92.9 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| Principal source of household income | | | | | | | | | |
| Wages and salaries | 42.0 | 34.1 | 5.0 | 7.3 | 92.7 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 4 966.2 | 5 586 |
| Own unincorporated business income | 39.4 | 36.6 | 5.1 | 6.9 | 92.3 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 464.0 | 539 |
| Government pensions and allowances | 41.7 | 33.0 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 91.8 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 1 872.2 | 2 302 |
| Other income | 43.6 | 34.3 | 3.4 | 6.3 | 92.4 | 7.6 | 100.0 | 741.9 | 875 |
| All households(g) | 41.9 | 34.0 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 92.4 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Includes not known if smoke alarm fitted.

(b) Includes other frequency and frequency not known.

(c) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(d) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(e) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(f) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(g) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

| | Can easily get to | Sometimes have difficulty | Often have difficulty | Can't get to(a) | Total | All persons aged 15 years and over | Number of persons aged 15 years and over in sample |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--|
| | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type of person | | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 87.8 | 9.0 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 4 367.8 | 5 046 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 91.7 | 6.9 | 1.1 | *0.3 | 100.0 | 4 973.5 | 5 640 |
| Total owners | 89.9 | 7.9 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 9 341.3 | 10 686 |
| Renter | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 66.2 | 23.4 | 9.0 | *1.4 | 100.0 | 430.3 | 603 |
| Private landlord | 82.4 | 14.0 | 3.1 | *0.5 | 100.0 | 3 044.9 | 3 263 |
| Parent or relative in the same household | 75.0 | 16.8 | 6.4 | *1.7 | 100.0 | 699.1 | 663 |
| Unrelated person in the same household | 74.4 | 21.4 | *4.0 | **0.2 | 100.0 | 219.5 | 210 |
| Total renters(b) | 79.3 | 15.7 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 4 553.7 | 4 963 |
| Rent free | 75.1 | 18.4 | 5.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 2 612.0 | 2 572 |
| All persons(c) | 84.6 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 16 600.6 | 18 326 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 85.5 | 11.1 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 5 626.4 | 6 017 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 75.9 | 16.5 | 6.9 | *0.6 | 100.0 | 834.4 | 1 115 |
| Couple only | 88.1 | 9.2 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 4 283.2 | 5 124 |
| Other one family households | 83.4 | 13.3 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 2 791.2 | 2 635 |
| Multiple family households | 76.9 | 15.6 | *6.5 | **0.9 | 100.0 | 447.5 | 326 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 82.7 | 12.4 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 80.1 | 16.1 | *3.3 | **0.5 | 100.0 | 613.9 | 629 |
| All persons | 84.6 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 16 600.6 | 18 326 |
| Age of person | | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 74.1 | 20.0 | 5.1 | *0.8 | 100.0 | 2 854.8 | 3 021 |
| 25 to 34 | 84.5 | 12.6 | 2.6 | *0.4 | 100.0 | 2 872.3 | 2 971 |
| 35 to 44 | 90.1 | 8.1 | 1.5 | *0.3 | 100.0 | 3 043.4 | 3 352 |
| 45 to 54 | 88.8 | 8.5 | 2.2 | *0.5 | 100.0 | 2 889.8 | 3 293 |
| 55 to 64 | 89.5 | 7.9 | 2.1 | *0.5 | 100.0 | 2 338.6 | 2 674 |
| 65 to 74 | 86.0 | 9.8 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 1 447.6 | 1 713 |
| 75 and over | 74.3 | 16.6 | 6.4 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 1 154.2 | 1 302 |
| All persons | 84.6 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 16 600.6 | 18 326 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | 85.0 | 11.3 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 13 658.9 | 15 197 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 83.8 | 11.3 | 4.0 | *0.9 | 100.0 | 1 229.9 | 1 457 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 81.4 | 15.7 | 2.3 | *0.6 | 100.0 | 1 668.3 | 1 618 |
| All persons(d) | 84.6 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 16 600.6 | 18 326 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(e) | | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 76.8 | 15.6 | 5.9 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 3 279.9 | 3 850 |
| Second quintile | 83.2 | 12.8 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 3 128.7 | 3 410 |
| Third quintile | 85.5 | 11.5 | 2.6 | *0.4 | 100.0 | 3 151.6 | 3 402 |
| Fourth quintile | 87.0 | 10.2 | 2.4 | *0.4 | 100.0 | 3 398.2 | 3 738 |
| Highest quintile | 89.8 | 8.9 | 1.0 | *0.2 | 100.0 | 3 642.1 | 3 926 |
| All persons | 84.6 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 16 600.6 | 18 326 |
| Second and third deciles | 79.8 | 14.5 | 4.4 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 3 106.4 | 3 505 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Includes never go out/housebound.

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 3.5% of all renters.

(c) Includes rent-buy and shared equity, which accounts for about 0.5% of all persons aged 15 years and over.

(d) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(e) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

| | Can easily get to | Sometimes have difficulty | Often have difficulty | Can't get to (a) | Total | All persons aged 15 years and over | Number of persons aged 15 years and over in sample |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------|---|--|
| | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| States and territories | | | | | | | |
| NSW | 82.8 | 13.2 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 5 472.9 | 3 856 |
| Vic. | 85.7 | 11.0 | 2.7 | *0.6 | 100.0 | 4 177.1 | 3 569 |
| Qld | 83.0 | 12.3 | 3.4 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 3 263.9 | 3 147 |
| SA | 88.6 | 9.4 | 1.5 | *0.5 | 100.0 | 1 263.1 | 2 560 |
| WA | 87.1 | 10.0 | 2.4 | *0.6 | 100.0 | 1 639.2 | 2 409 |
| Tas. | 86.2 | 9.4 | 3.6 | *0.8 | 100.0 | 388.7 | 1 250 |
| NT(b) | 85.5 | 10.0 | *4.2 | **0.3 | 100.0 | 126.0 | 666 |
| ACT | 86.3 | 10.9 | *2.6 | **0.2 | 100.0 | 269.8 | 869 |
| Aust. | 84.6 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 16 600.6 | 18 326 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

(a) Includes never go out/housebound.

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(b) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

| | Electricity | Mains gas | LPG or bottled gas | Wood | Solar | Total(b) | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 99.6 | 47.2 | 17.4 | 15.4 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 99.8 | 54.3 | 21.9 | 15.3 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 99.7 | 50.9 | 19.7 | 15.4 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 100.0 | 43.6 | *6.0 | *3.0 | *0.6 | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 99.8 | 47.3 | 10.0 | 6.1 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(c) | 99.9 | 46.3 | 9.5 | 5.6 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(d) | 99.7 | 49.2 | 16.8 | 12.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 99.7 | 54.8 | 21.2 | 15.7 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 99.6 | 45.0 | 12.2 | 8.7 | *2.9 | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 99.8 | 46.7 | 19.9 | 15.1 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 99.5 | 51.5 | 14.5 | 11.5 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | 100.0 | 47.1 | *20.8 | **6.2 | *6.6 | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 99.7 | 45.1 | 11.3 | 9.1 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 100.0 | 55.5 | 12.1 | *2.8 | *1.2 | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 99.7 | 49.2 | 16.8 | 12.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 99.8 | 50.3 | 8.8 | *7.1 | *1.3 | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 99.8 | 51.9 | 12.3 | 7.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 99.8 | 53.1 | 18.2 | 12.9 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 99.5 | 50.3 | 21.1 | 16.6 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 99.5 | 47.1 | 20.7 | 16.8 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 99.8 | 44.1 | 14.7 | 11.8 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 99.9 | 42.5 | 11.5 | 7.7 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households | 99.7 | 49.2 | 16.8 | 12.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | | | | |
| Separate house | 99.7 | 49.5 | 19.6 | 15.6 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 6 311.3 | 7 371 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 100.0 | 54.4 | 7.1 | *1.9 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 695.5 | 871 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 99.9 | 44.6 | 5.2 | **0.2 | *0.3 | 100.0 | 1 042.0 | 1 069 |
| All households(e) | 99.7 | 49.2 | 16.8 | 12.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(f) | | | | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 99.6 | 40.7 | 14.8 | 11.7 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 99.8 | 46.2 | 16.9 | 13.1 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 99.7 | 48.0 | 16.9 | 12.5 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 99.7 | 53.8 | 17.2 | 13.2 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 99.8 | 58.6 | 18.5 | 11.9 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 99.7 | 49.2 | 16.8 | 12.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 99.7 | 44.7 | 16.7 | 12.5 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| States and territories | | | | | | | | |
| NSW | 99.6 | 42.2 | 16.2 | 11.9 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 2 651.7 | 1 958 |
| Vic. | 99.6 | 84.0 | 11.5 | 15.2 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1 987.6 | 1 791 |
| Qld | 99.9 | 10.9 | 22.3 | 6.0 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 1 576.9 | 1 577 |
| SA | 99.9 | 56.2 | 12.7 | 11.1 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 655.0 | 1 355 |
| WA | 99.7 | 66.8 | 25.0 | 16.6 | 15.0 | 100.0 | 810.5 | 1 234 |
| Tas. | 99.8 | *2.7 | 14.1 | 37.3 | *1.7 | 100.0 | 202.4 | 670 |
| NT(g) | 100.0 | **4.0 | 32.9 | **0.9 | 37.0 | 100.0 | 59.8 | 332 |
| ACT | 99.7 | 69.5 | 8.6 | 6.9 | *3.0 | 100.0 | 133.3 | 428 |
| Aust. | 99.7 | 49.2 | 16.8 | 12.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

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** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(b) Includes other sources of energy e.g. oil.

(c) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 2% of all renters.

(d) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 4% of all households.

(e) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(f) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(g) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

| | Mains/Town water | Rainwater tank | Purchased bottled drinking water | Bore/Well | Grey water |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | | | |
| Owner | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 93.1 | 28.9 | 4.8 | 6.2 | 8.7 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 93.0 | 23.0 | 8.6 | 5.1 | 8.6 |
| Total owners | 93.0 | 25.9 | 6.7 | 5.6 | 8.7 |
| Renter | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 99.5 | *5.3 | 5.7 | **0.6 | *3.8 |
| Private landlord | 97.7 | 6.5 | 7.7 | 2.9 | 2.7 |
| Total renters(b) | 98.0 | 6.6 | 7.7 | 2.5 | 2.9 |
| All households(c) | 94.2 | 20.2 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 6.8 |
| Family composition of household | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 93.2 | 20.8 | 8.1 | 4.6 | 7.7 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 95.4 | 9.8 | 8.6 | 3.5 | 3.7 |
| Couple only | 92.6 | 27.5 | 6.8 | 6.4 | 8.4 |
| Other one family households | 95.1 | 20.3 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 8.3 |
| Multiple family households | 93.9 | *19.9 | *6.0 | *6.5 | **4.9 |
| Non-family households | | | | | |
| Lone person household | 95.4 | 16.5 | 6.1 | 3.8 | 4.8 |
| Group household | 99.9 | *4.4 | *6.7 | *4.7 | *3.2 |
| All households | 94.2 | 20.2 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 6.8 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 95.6 | *6.4 | 9.6 | *2.9 | **1.1 |
| 25 to 34 | 96.3 | 9.7 | 8.6 | 3.5 | 4.9 |
| 35 to 44 | 94.0 | 18.4 | 9.4 | 4.5 | 5.3 |
| 45 to 54 | 93.2 | 22.6 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 8.6 |
| 55 to 64 | 92.4 | 25.5 | 4.1 | 6.2 | 9.5 |
| 65 to 74 | 94.3 | 26.8 | 5.1 | 6.8 | 8.8 |
| 75 and over | 95.1 | 26.2 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 5.4 |
| All households | 94.2 | 20.2 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 6.8 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | |
| Separate house | 92.8 | 24.5 | 7.2 | 5.9 | 8.2 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 98.7 | 8.3 | 8.5 | *1.5 | 2.8 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 99.8 | 2.2 | 4.4 | *0.7 | *1.4 |
| All households(d) | 94.2 | 20.2 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 6.8 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(e) | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 92.8 | 21.0 | 5.6 | 4.8 | 6.1 |
| Second quintile | 93.3 | 22.9 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 7.1 |
| Third quintile | 93.5 | 19.5 | 7.7 | 5.6 | 6.6 |
| Fourth quintile | 95.3 | 19.4 | 8.0 | 4.8 | 6.5 |
| Highest quintile | 96.1 | 18.2 | 8.1 | 4.5 | 7.9 |
| All households | 94.2 | 20.2 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 6.8 |
| Second and third deciles | 93.6 | 22.1 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 6.2 |
| States and territories | | | | | |
| NSW | 95.2 | 15.6 | 6.6 | 2.9 | 3.2 |
| Vic. | 95.7 | 16.9 | 5.8 | 2.0 | 14.6 |
| Qld | 90.5 | 28.7 | 8.0 | 5.7 | 7.3 |
| SA | 97.7 | 43.1 | 9.9 | 2.3 | 5.4 |
| WA | 92.8 | 12.0 | 7.8 | 19.5 | 1.7 |
| Tas. | 85.8 | 17.3 | 3.8 | *2.3 | **0.4 |
| NT(f) | 91.7 | **3.1 | **3.0 | *8.7 | **0.3 |
| ACT | 99.1 | 11.6 | 5.5 | — | 8.9 |
| Aust. | 94.2 | 20.2 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 6.8 |

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** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(c) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(d) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(e) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(f) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

| | Total(b) | All households | Number of households in sample |
|---|--------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | % | '000 | no. |
| Tenure and landlord type | | | |
| Owner | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | 100.0 | 2 679.2 | 3 117 |
| Owner with a mortgage | 100.0 | 2 835.2 | 3 267 |
| Total owners | 100.0 | 5 514.4 | 6 384 |
| Renter | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | 100.0 | 365.1 | 508 |
| Private landlord | 100.0 | 1 929.5 | 2 113 |
| Total renters(c) | 100.0 | 2 399.9 | 2 772 |
| All households(d) | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Family composition of household | | | |
| One family households | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 100.0 | 2 129.0 | 2 361 |
| One parent family with dependent children | 100.0 | 497.7 | 672 |
| Couple only | 100.0 | 2 141.6 | 2 562 |
| Other one family households | 100.0 | 933.4 | 920 |
| Multiple family households | 100.0 | 114.0 | 83 |
| Non-family households | | | |
| Lone person household | 100.0 | 2 004.1 | 2 480 |
| Group household | 100.0 | 257.5 | 267 |
| All households | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Age of reference person | | | |
| 15 to 24 | 100.0 | 354.1 | 420 |
| 25 to 34 | 100.0 | 1 338.7 | 1 464 |
| 35 to 44 | 100.0 | 1 658.3 | 1 908 |
| 45 to 54 | 100.0 | 1 663.1 | 1 958 |
| 55 to 64 | 100.0 | 1 351.8 | 1 566 |
| 65 to 74 | 100.0 | 907.8 | 1 103 |
| 75 and over | 100.0 | 803.4 | 926 |
| All households | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Dwelling structure | | | |
| Separate house | 100.0 | 6 311.3 | 7 371 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | 100.0 | 695.5 | 871 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | 100.0 | 1 042.0 | 1 069 |
| All households(e) | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(f) | | | |
| Lowest quintile | 100.0 | 1 980.0 | 2 397 |
| Second quintile | 100.0 | 1 469.4 | 1 702 |
| Third quintile | 100.0 | 1 428.9 | 1 633 |
| Fourth quintile | 100.0 | 1 536.9 | 1 763 |
| Highest quintile | 100.0 | 1 662.0 | 1 850 |
| All households | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |
| Second and third deciles | 100.0 | 1 590.8 | 1 871 |
| States and territories | | | |
| NSW | 100.0 | 2 651.7 | 1 958 |
| Vic. | 100.0 | 1 987.6 | 1 791 |
| Qld | 100.0 | 1 576.9 | 1 577 |
| SA | 100.0 | 655.0 | 1 355 |
| WA | 100.0 | 810.5 | 1 234 |
| Tas. | 100.0 | 202.4 | 670 |
| NT(g) | 100.0 | 59.8 | 332 |
| ACT | 100.0 | 133.3 | 428 |
| Aust. | 100.0 | 8 077.3 | 9 345 |

(a) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(b) Includes other source of water e.g. spring, river/creek/dam, water delivered in a tanker.

(c) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(d) Includes other tenure type, which accounts for about 2% of all households.

(e) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(f) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(g) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

TENURE AND LANDLORD TYPE OF HOUSEHOLD

| | | Owner without a mortgage | Owner with a mortgage | Renter – state/territory housing authority | Renter – private landlord | Renter – other landlord type(b) | Total renters | Other tenure type(c) | Total |
|---|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Tenure and landlord type of income unit | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner without a mortgage | % | 79.4 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 26.0 |
| Owner with a mortgage | % | — | 79.6 | — | — | — | — | — | 27.7 |
| Renter / boarder from person living in the same household | | | | | | | | | |
| Parent/other relative | % | 6.9 | 6.8 | 8.6 | 4.2 | *3.0 | 4.8 | **0.3 | 6.1 |
| Other unrelated person | % | *0.6 | 1.3 | *1.0 | 4.6 | **1.7 | 4.0 | **0.1 | 1.9 |
| Renter from person not living in the same household | | | | | | | | | |
| State/territory housing authority | % | — | — | 84.1 | — | — | 11.9 | — | 3.6 |
| Private landlord | % | — | — | — | 85.9 | — | 70.3 | — | 21.5 |
| Other landlord type(b) | % | — | — | — | **0.2 | 92.5 | 3.9 | — | 1.2 |
| Rent free | % | 12.6 | 12.0 | 6.2 | 5.0 | *2.8 | 5.1 | 83.5 | 11.4 |
| Other tenure(d) | % | *0.4 | *0.3 | — | **0.1 | — | **0.1 | 16.2 | 0.6 |
| All income units | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of income units | '000 | 3 406.7 | 3 627.0 | 449.0 | 2 605.2 | 129.1 | 3 183.4 | 183.9 | 10 401.0 |
| Number of income units in sample | no. | 3 753 | 4 038 | 624 | 2 745 | 178 | 3 547 | 211 | 11 549 |

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(a) An income unit is a single person or a group of related people within a household, whose command over income is assumed to be shared. Income sharing is assumed to take place within married (registered or defacto) couples, and between parents and dependent children.

(b) Includes manager of caravan park, employer, housing co-operative and community/church group.

(c) Includes rent free, life tenure and rent-buy/shared equity, which account for 1.7%, 0.3% and 0.04% of households respectively.

(d) Includes life tenure and rent-buy/shared equity.

| | <i>Better interest rate</i> | <i>Better loan conditions</i> | <i>Extension</i> | <i>Renovation</i> | <i>Consolidating debt</i> |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| | % | % | % | % | % |
| Family composition of household | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 17.0 | 14.5 | 12.9 | 26.5 | 18.7 |
| One parent family with dependent children | *12.6 | *10.7 | **3.2 | *19.5 | *10.8 |
| Couple only | *10.1 | *4.3 | *10.1 | 21.0 | 15.4 |
| Other one family households | *21.5 | **5.9 | *14.1 | *19.8 | *11.7 |
| Non-family households | | | | | |
| Lone person household | *23.1 | *19.6 | **2.3 | 24.3 | *13.1 |
| Group household | **9.9 | **9.9 | — | **25.6 | **13.6 |
| All households(b) | 16.5 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 24.0 | 16.0 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | |
| 15 to 34 | 20.5 | 13.7 | *7.5 | 28.1 | 15.6 |
| 35 to 44 | 16.1 | 12.9 | 7.9 | 24.8 | 16.8 |
| 45 to 54 | 13.5 | 10.3 | 18.1 | 23.7 | 18.2 |
| 55 to 64 | *21.7 | *14.3 | **4.7 | *17.8 | *11.1 |
| 65 and over | **5.1 | **2.7 | **1.6 | **21.6 | **8.3 |
| All households | 16.5 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 24.0 | 16.0 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | |
| Separate house | 16.0 | 11.5 | 11.0 | 24.8 | 16.2 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | **12.6 | **8.8 | **4.8 | **13.8 | *21.1 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | *36.3 | *33.3 | — | *12.9 | **5.0 |
| All households(c) | 16.5 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 24.0 | 16.0 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(d) | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | *10.5 | **7.6 | **1.9 | *21.8 | *12.7 |
| Second quintile | *18.4 | *12.7 | *12.7 | 27.7 | *17.9 |
| Third quintile | 18.7 | *12.9 | *12.4 | 27.1 | 8.1 |
| Fourth quintile | *13.6 | *12.0 | *9.6 | 25.2 | 21.0 |
| Highest quintile | 18.6 | *12.7 | *11.0 | 18.2 | 17.2 |
| All households | 16.5 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 24.0 | 16.0 |
| Second and third deciles | *21.9 | **12.3 | *4.7 | 27.4 | *22.2 |
| Year purchased dwelling | | | | | |
| Prior to 1980 | **20.9 | **6.6 | **4.3 | *19.9 | **6.6 |
| 1980 to 1984 | **14.7 | **2.9 | **17.6 | *50.8 | **7.4 |
| 1985 to 1989 | **17.0 | **16.4 | **8.4 | *19.4 | **9.7 |
| 1990 to 1994 | *17.9 | *21.6 | *16.1 | *18.1 | *21.3 |
| 1995 to 1999 | *9.3 | *5.5 | *12.3 | 24.6 | 15.2 |
| 2000 to 2004 | 19.4 | 12.5 | *9.1 | 22.6 | 15.6 |
| After 2005 | *15.2 | *12.4 | *5.7 | 29.9 | *21.1 |
| All households | 16.5 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 24.0 | 16.0 |
| States and territories | | | | | |
| NSW | 22.9 | *15.3 | *12.8 | 19.3 | 19.6 |
| Vic. | 16.6 | 14.8 | *8.1 | 15.1 | *14.2 |
| Qld | 17.8 | *13.0 | *9.1 | 34.4 | 14.9 |
| SA | *9.3 | *4.4 | *11.5 | 32.3 | 11.2 |
| WA | 10.3 | *7.0 | *10.2 | 27.9 | 16.6 |
| Tas. | **7.0 | **1.2 | *11.5 | 34.8 | *12.6 |
| NT(e) | **5.8 | **7.3 | **5.3 | *29.4 | *20.7 |
| ACT | *12.0 | *14.5 | *16.7 | *24.8 | *23.3 |
| Aust. | 16.5 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 24.0 | 16.0 |

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(a) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(b) Includes multiple family households.

(c) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(d) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(e) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

| | Other purchase | Total(b) | All households | Proportion of owners with a mortgage that have refinanced in the last 2 years(c) | Number of households in sample |
|---|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| | % | % | '000 | % | no. |
| Family composition of household | | | | | |
| One family households | | | | | |
| Couple family with dependent children | 14.9 | 100.0 | 339.5 | 26.8 | 415 |
| One parent family with dependent children | *17.9 | 100.0 | 44.0 | 29.5 | 55 |
| Couple only | 28.3 | 100.0 | 115.1 | 17.6 | 139 |
| Other one family households | *18.3 | 100.0 | 61.5 | 20.9 | 74 |
| Non-family households | | | | | |
| Lone person household | *18.0 | 100.0 | 80.4 | 20.5 | 100 |
| Group household | **34.5 | 100.0 | *6.4 | *19.2 | 9 |
| All households(d) | 18.8 | 100.0 | 651.5 | 23.0 | 797 |
| Age of reference person | | | | | |
| 15 to 34 | 20.5 | 100.0 | 116.3 | 20.1 | 152 |
| 35 to 44 | 17.7 | 100.0 | 221.5 | 24.5 | 278 |
| 45 to 54 | 18.1 | 100.0 | 206.5 | 24.0 | 249 |
| 55 to 64 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 86.4 | 21.6 | 92 |
| 65 and over | **13.2 | 100.0 | 20.8 | 22.4 | 26 |
| All households | 18.8 | 100.0 | 651.5 | 23.0 | 797 |
| Dwelling structure | | | | | |
| Separate house | 19.2 | 100.0 | 608.9 | 24.5 | 744 |
| Semi-detached/row or terrace house/townhouse | *13.7 | 100.0 | 23.3 | 13.1 | 32 |
| Flat/unit/apartment | **10.8 | 100.0 | *19.3 | *11.2 | 21 |
| All households(e) | 18.8 | 100.0 | 651.5 | 23.0 | 797 |
| Equivalised disposable household income(f) | | | | | |
| Lowest quintile | *15.9 | 100.0 | 57.1 | 20.5 | 72 |
| Second quintile | 15.5 | 100.0 | 110.6 | 27.0 | 134 |
| Third quintile | 16.0 | 100.0 | 140.4 | 24.8 | 176 |
| Fourth quintile | 21.0 | 100.0 | 182.6 | 23.8 | 216 |
| Highest quintile | 22.0 | 100.0 | 160.8 | 19.7 | 199 |
| All households | 18.8 | 100.0 | 651.5 | 23.0 | 797 |
| Second and third deciles | *12.1 | 100.0 | 76.3 | 23.9 | 95 |
| Year purchased dwelling | | | | | |
| Prior to 1980 | **5.4 | 100.0 | 14.1 | 14.8 | 20 |
| 1980 to 1984 | **12.8 | 100.0 | *24.0 | 30.1 | 28 |
| 1985 to 1989 | *20.5 | 100.0 | 40.2 | 24.5 | 37 |
| 1990 to 1994 | 21.5 | 100.0 | 87.3 | 32.8 | 93 |
| 1995 to 1999 | 20.6 | 100.0 | 126.5 | 27.6 | 164 |
| 2000 to 2004 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 283.9 | 27.7 | 350 |
| After 2005 | *11.8 | 100.0 | 75.5 | 10.1 | 105 |
| All households | 18.8 | 100.0 | 651.5 | 23.0 | 797 |
| States and territories | | | | | |
| NSW | 12.6 | 100.0 | 175.7 | 19.2 | 136 |
| Vic. | 23.5 | 100.0 | 169.5 | 24.9 | 143 |
| Qld | 17.7 | 100.0 | 118.0 | 21.3 | 114 |
| SA | 19.1 | 100.0 | 62.0 | 25.3 | 125 |
| WA | 22.5 | 100.0 | 84.9 | 28.8 | 128 |
| Tas. | 28.1 | 100.0 | 20.7 | 29.2 | 65 |
| NT(g) | *15.4 | 100.0 | 6.3 | 27.9 | 38 |
| ACT | *12.7 | 100.0 | 14.5 | 26.9 | 48 |
| Aust. | 18.8 | 100.0 | 651.5 | 23.0 | 797 |

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(c) Includes households in a rent/buy or shared equity scheme.

(d) Includes multiple family households.

(e) Includes other dwelling types, which account for about 0.4% of all private dwellings.

(f) See paragraphs 34 to 41 of the explanatory notes.

(g) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

| | | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | NT(a) | ACT | Aust. |
|---|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| All sources of monetary assistance to purchase home(b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Home Owners Grant | % | 67.9 | 75.8 | 67.4 | 85.5 | 68.0 | 79.7 | 83.3 | 80.0 | 71.9 |
| Gift from family or friends | % | *8.7 | *16.3 | *8.3 | *12.5 | *11.0 | *9.5 | — | *35.0 | 11.5 |
| State or territory government concessions or exemptions | % | *7.9 | — | **2.1 | **4.7 | **4.2 | *8.1 | **12.4 | *7.9 | *4.6 |
| Other monetary assistance(c) | % | *10.2 | *17.5 | *5.7 | *4.6 | *7.7 | *10.2 | — | *13.4 | 10.3 |
| All households that received monetary assistance | % | 71.7 | 75.8 | 70.8 | 87.1 | 72.2 | 84.0 | 83.3 | 82.5 | 74.6 |
| All sources of funds for home deposit | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Home Owners Grant | % | 42.3 | 42.7 | 39.9 | 49.9 | 42.0 | *39.3 | *41.7 | *34.0 | 42.3 |
| Savings | % | 70.1 | 77.8 | 72.8 | 80.8 | 65.9 | 64.9 | 88.7 | 81.3 | 73.1 |
| Gift from family or friends | % | *13.3 | *13.4 | *5.9 | *6.5 | *11.3 | *9.5 | *4.1 | *35.3 | 11.7 |
| Loan from family or friends | % | *5.8 | *8.7 | *3.3 | *3.7 | *3.3 | — | — | *9.0 | 5.5 |
| Other source of deposit(d) | % | *8.9 | *17.3 | *7.4 | *1.2 | *7.3 | *20.4 | *3.0 | *25.4 | 10.4 |
| All households with a home deposit | % | 81.9 | 91.2 | 85.1 | 85.7 | 72.5 | 80.4 | 100.0 | 84.1 | 84.1 |
| Deposit as a proportion of purchase price | | | | | | | | | | |
| No deposit | % | *18.1 | *8.8 | *14.9 | *14.3 | 27.5 | *19.6 | — | *15.9 | 15.9 |
| Less than 5% | % | *7.9 | 26.5 | *31.6 | 33.7 | *25.1 | *34.1 | *64.8 | *7.4 | 21.2 |
| 5% to less than 10% | % | 21.4 | *21.7 | *20.3 | 29.1 | *15.1 | *28.5 | *8.2 | *39.2 | 21.8 |
| 10% to less than 20% | % | 30.3 | 22.7 | *16.8 | *16.6 | *15.4 | *10.1 | *10.2 | *12.9 | 22.5 |
| 20% or more | % | *22.2 | 20.3 | *16.4 | *6.3 | *16.9 | *7.6 | *16.7 | *24.6 | 18.6 |
| All households | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mean size of deposit(e) | \$'000 | 59 | 41 | 39 | 26 | 48 | 16 | *29 | 49 | 46 |
| Median size of deposit(e) | \$'000 | 41 | 24 | *18 | 16 | *21 | *13 | *5 | *38 | 27 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 114.7 | 70.9 | 53.5 | 26.7 | 31.8 | 8.3 | *3.3 | 8.7 | 317.8 |
| Average number of persons in household | no. | 2.39 | 2.26 | 2.78 | 2.27 | 2.45 | 2.38 | 2.76 | 2.37 | 2.42 |
| Average number of employed persons in household | no. | 1.46 | 1.57 | 1.71 | 1.62 | 1.74 | 1.56 | 1.46 | 1.53 | 1.57 |
| Average number of bedrooms in dwelling | no. | 2.60 | 2.84 | 3.04 | 2.74 | 3.05 | 2.77 | 2.78 | 3.06 | 2.80 |
| Average age of reference person | years | 35 | 33 | 33 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 30 | 32 | 34 |
| Mean value of dwelling | \$'000 | 379 | 345 | 352 | 281 | 403 | 201 | 310 | 418 | 357 |
| Mean amount of mortgage outstanding(f) | \$'000 | 282 | 221 | 271 | 200 | 256 | 134 | 154 | 233 | 251 |
| Median amount of mortgage outstanding(f) | \$'000 | 285 | 217 | 282 | 207 | 258 | *135 | *152 | 251 | 251 |
| Mean equity in dwelling | \$'000 | 121 | 144 | 96 | 90 | 172 | *89 | *156 | 200 | 126 |
| Median equity in dwelling | \$'000 | 91 | 94 | 66 | 60 | *122 | *49 | *144 | *120 | 89 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 86 | 65 | 51 | 54 | 49 | 24 | 15 | 27 | 371 |

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(b) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(c) Includes state/territory government grant.

(d) Includes inheritance, sale of car/other possessions, state/territory government grant.

(e) Only includes households with a home deposit.

(f) Only includes households with a mortgage.

| | | ONE FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | NON-FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS | | |
|--|------|--|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| | | Couple family with dependent children | One parent family with dependent children | Couple only | Other one family households | Multiple family households | Lone person | Group households | All households |
| RENTER – STATE/TERRITORY HOUSING AUTHORITY | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of current lease or tenure | | | | | | | | | |
| Fixed period lease(a) | % | **12.4 | *11.1 | **8.1 | **3.1 | — | *12.3 | **32.4 | 10.7 |
| Indefinite tenure | % | 78.1 | 75.0 | 79.4 | 88.7 | 89.0 | 77.3 | *67.6 | 78.3 |
| No formal lease or tenure | % | **9.5 | *9.4 | **12.6 | **5.1 | — | *6.5 | — | 7.5 |
| Total(b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household rent last changed | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 3 months | % | *29.1 | 19.9 | *29.3 | *24.6 | — | 21.8 | **16.1 | 22.1 |
| 3 to 6 months | % | *27.9 | 23.8 | *27.7 | 29.5 | **17.1 | 19.7 | **45.7 | 22.8 |
| 7 to 12 months | % | **2.9 | *8.9 | *15.5 | **14.9 | **11.0 | 11.3 | **11.6 | 10.7 |
| More than 12 months | % | **7.5 | *10.5 | **2.2 | **5.8 | *70.0 | *3.8 | — | *7.7 |
| Period not known | % | *20.4 | *13.2 | **9.8 | **7.6 | — | 26.3 | **16.5 | 19.1 |
| Rent not changed | % | *12.2 | 21.7 | *15.4 | *16.5 | **1.9 | 15.4 | — | 16.1 |
| Total(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| All reasons for change in rent(d) | | | | | | | | | |
| CPI index change | % | *20.3 | 27.0 | 59.4 | *37.7 | **65.8 | 26.5 | **16.1 | 30.9 |
| Change in income | % | *29.7 | 27.5 | *12.5 | *34.5 | **25.2 | 24.9 | **22.3 | 25.7 |
| Reason not known | % | *22.3 | *19.3 | **9.8 | *11.1 | — | 30.9 | **51.5 | 23.4 |
| Rent not changed | % | *12.2 | 21.7 | *15.4 | *16.5 | **1.9 | 15.4 | — | 16.1 |
| Total(e)(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 29.6 | 78.9 | 29.5 | 31.7 | **11.7 | 181.2 | *2.3 | 365.1 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 44 | 119 | 41 | 48 | 7 | 243 | 6 | 508 |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| RENTER – PRIVATE LANDLORD | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of current lease or tenure | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 month | % | 17.9 | 22.2 | 20.3 | 15.2 | *18.3 | 15.9 | 15.7 | 17.7 |
| 12 month | % | 40.5 | 36.0 | 39.8 | 33.5 | *37.2 | 33.8 | 50.1 | 38.2 |
| Other fixed period | % | *4.4 | **3.2 | *3.9 | *6.3 | **4.9 | *2.1 | *4.4 | 3.7 |
| Month by month | % | 14.5 | 14.0 | 14.9 | 16.9 | **27.8 | 18.8 | 18.4 | 16.5 |
| Indefinite tenure | % | 5.9 | *9.2 | *6.2 | *9.7 | — | 10.2 | *2.4 | 7.5 |
| No formal lease or tenure | % | 14.8 | 14.7 | 13.5 | 17.9 | **9.6 | 17.4 | 8.0 | 14.9 |
| Total(b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household rent last changed | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 3 months | % | 10.1 | 10.1 | 12.9 | *9.5 | **4.9 | 9.6 | *8.4 | 10.1 |
| 3 to 6 months | % | 10.5 | 11.8 | 10.5 | 11.2 | **10.4 | 12.0 | 15.8 | 11.7 |
| 7 to 12 months | % | 13.3 | 7.0 | 10.2 | 12.4 | **4.7 | 9.9 | *5.3 | 10.1 |
| More than 12 months | % | *4.9 | *8.3 | *3.2 | *4.4 | **3.5 | 6.0 | *4.1 | 5.1 |
| Period not known | % | *1.5 | *3.1 | *1.9 | **2.2 | **12.6 | 4.9 | — | 2.8 |
| Rent not changed | % | 59.7 | 59.8 | 61.3 | 60.3 | 63.9 | 57.5 | 66.4 | 60.1 |
| Total(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| All reasons for change in rent(d) | | | | | | | | | |
| CPI index change | % | 10.4 | 10.5 | 12.9 | 17.5 | **12.5 | 15.3 | *9.2 | 12.9 |
| New lease | % | *7.8 | *7.9 | 9.1 | *5.5 | — | 6.4 | *10.3 | 7.6 |
| Reason not known | % | 12.2 | 15.2 | 11.0 | *7.2 | **16.1 | 11.9 | *6.4 | 11.2 |
| Rent not changed | % | 59.7 | 59.8 | 61.3 | 60.3 | 63.9 | 57.5 | 66.4 | 60.1 |
| Total(e)(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 414.3 | 210.1 | 344.4 | 187.3 | *27.2 | 555.0 | 191.1 | 1 929.5 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 431 | 271 | 374 | 175 | 20 | 652 | 190 | 2 113 |

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(a) 6 month lease, 12 month lease, month by month and other fixed period.

(b) Includes other length of lease, which accounts for about 2.1% of all renters.

(c) Includes not known whether rent changed, which accounts for about 0.3% of all renters.

(d) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(e) Includes other reason.

| | | ONE FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | NON-FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|--|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| | | Couple family with dependent children | One parent family with dependent children | Couple only | Other one family households | Multiple family households | Lone person | Group households | All households |
| ALL RENTER HOUSEHOLDS (a) | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of current lease or tenure | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 month | % | 15.9 | 15.9 | 18.1 | 12.7 | *12.5 | 11.5 | 15.5 | 14.4 |
| 12 month | % | 36.4 | 26.5 | 35.8 | 29.1 | *25.4 | 25.5 | 48.0 | 31.7 |
| Other fixed period | % | *4.6 | *3.6 | *4.2 | *5.5 | **3.3 | 2.7 | *4.5 | 3.8 |
| Month by month | % | 13.1 | 10.6 | 13.9 | 14.3 | **19.0 | 14.7 | 17.4 | 14.0 |
| Indefinite tenure | % | 13.6 | 28.2 | 13.3 | 21.3 | **26.1 | 27.7 | *3.3 | 20.0 |
| No formal lease or tenure | % | 14.3 | 13.5 | 13.5 | 16.3 | **8.8 | 15.2 | 7.9 | 13.9 |
| Total(b) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household rent last changed | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 3 months | % | 11.8 | 13.0 | 14.9 | 11.6 | **3.3 | 12.6 | *10.6 | 12.5 |
| 3 to 6 months | % | 11.4 | 15.2 | 11.7 | 13.5 | **12.1 | 13.6 | 15.9 | 13.2 |
| 7 to 12 months | % | 12.1 | 7.2 | 10.3 | 13.0 | **6.4 | 10.3 | *5.1 | 10.0 |
| More than 12 months | % | *4.9 | *8.6 | *3.0 | *4.6 | **23.0 | 5.5 | *3.9 | 5.4 |
| Period not known | % | *3.3 | *5.9 | *2.8 | *2.9 | **8.6 | 10.4 | **0.2 | 5.6 |
| Rent not changed | % | 56.5 | 49.5 | 57.2 | 54.2 | *46.6 | 47.1 | 64.1 | 52.9 |
| Total(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| All reasons for change in rent(d) | | | | | | | | | |
| CPI index change | % | 11.1 | 14.7 | 16.5 | 20.5 | **27.8 | 18.2 | *11.6 | 15.9 |
| Change in income | % | *3.2 | 8.1 | *1.5 | *5.0 | **7.4 | 5.9 | **0.5 | 4.4 |
| New lease | % | *7.0 | *5.5 | 8.1 | *4.6 | — | 4.6 | *9.8 | 6.1 |
| Other reason | % | 10.7 | *6.1 | 6.3 | 10.8 | **7.2 | 7.8 | *8.1 | 8.2 |
| Reason not known | % | 13.0 | 16.1 | 10.8 | 7.6 | **11.0 | 16.9 | *6.7 | 13.2 |
| Rent not changed | % | 56.5 | 49.5 | 57.2 | 54.2 | *46.6 | 47.1 | 64.1 | 52.9 |
| Total(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 465.8 | 299.1 | 389.4 | 224.1 | 39.8 | 779.5 | 202.1 | 2 399.9 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 513 | 402 | 439 | 233 | 28 | 955 | 202 | 2 772 |

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(b) Includes other length of lease, which accounts for about 2.1% of all renters.

(c) Includes not known whether rent changed, which accounts for about 0.3% of all renters.

(d) Categories not mutually exclusive.

| | | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | NT(a) | ACT | Aust. |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| RENTER – STATE/TERRITORY HOUSING AUTHORITY | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of current lease or tenure | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fixed period lease(b) | % | *15.7 | **3.4 | **5.0 | *5.8 | **2.8 | *40.8 | 53.7 | **3.6 | 10.7 |
| Indefinite tenure | % | 72.8 | 88.1 | 81.9 | 80.5 | 86.5 | 52.6 | *37.2 | 86.8 | 78.3 |
| No formal lease or tenure | % | *5.2 | *6.2 | *13.1 | *12.1 | **6.1 | *5.1 | *7.1 | *6.7 | 7.5 |
| Total(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household rent last changed | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 3 months | % | *21.1 | 26.1 | *19.6 | 28.9 | *8.1 | 32.6 | *11.9 | *22.8 | 22.1 |
| 3 to 6 months | % | *22.0 | *24.1 | *13.0 | 33.1 | *24.1 | *20.3 | *18.9 | **19.1 | 22.8 |
| 7 to 12 months | % | *8.4 | *12.6 | *15.7 | **5.6 | *18.2 | *2.5 | *9.1 | *18.6 | 10.7 |
| More than 12 months | % | **8.7 | *10.3 | *9.6 | **1.6 | *5.6 | *2.9 | **12.6 | *8.6 | *7.7 |
| Period not known | % | 26.4 | *12.4 | *20.8 | 14.3 | *13.2 | *21.5 | **15.9 | *8.1 | 19.1 |
| Rent not changed | % | 12.7 | *13.0 | *19.4 | *15.8 | 29.4 | *20.2 | *23.3 | *13.2 | 16.1 |
| Total(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| All reasons for change in rent(e) | | | | | | | | | | |
| CPI index change | % | 34.9 | 37.7 | *17.3 | 35.7 | *22.2 | *22.2 | **15.4 | *21.5 | 30.9 |
| Change in income | % | 20.7 | 30.8 | 35.6 | 26.8 | *15.7 | *28.5 | *33.5 | *31.9 | 25.7 |
| Reason not known | % | 31.2 | *16.6 | 25.9 | 16.0 | *20.1 | *24.0 | *15.9 | *12.1 | 23.4 |
| Rent not changed | % | 12.7 | *13.0 | *19.4 | *15.8 | 29.4 | *20.2 | *23.3 | *13.2 | 16.1 |
| Total(f)(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 132.6 | 71.1 | 44.2 | 50.5 | 35.0 | 13.9 | *6.5 | 11.4 | 365.1 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 101 | 69 | 55 | 112 | 55 | 50 | 34 | 32 | 508 |

RENTER – PRIVATE LANDLORD

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Length of current lease or tenure | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 month | % | 17.3 | 5.7 | 31.8 | 11.3 | 22.2 | *12.4 | 16.2 | *6.6 | 17.7 |
| 12 month | % | 27.2 | 49.3 | 37.5 | 50.8 | 38.0 | 47.1 | 50.4 | 55.4 | 38.2 |
| Other fixed period | % | *3.9 | *4.5 | *2.4 | *4.4 | *3.6 | *3.6 | *6.1 | *1.1 | 3.7 |
| Month by month | % | 24.3 | 21.6 | 6.5 | *6.8 | 9.2 | *10.9 | *7.9 | *16.6 | 16.5 |
| Indefinite tenure | % | 9.1 | 5.6 | *4.7 | *8.5 | 10.9 | *12.1 | *9.9 | *8.8 | 7.5 |
| No formal lease or tenure | % | 16.6 | 11.6 | 15.9 | 16.3 | 14.8 | 14.0 | *5.8 | *8.7 | 14.9 |
| Total(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household rent last changed | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 3 months | % | 8.2 | 10.7 | 11.1 | 10.2 | 13.4 | *9.4 | *10.8 | *9.0 | 10.1 |
| 3 to 6 months | % | 11.5 | 9.5 | 13.0 | 8.9 | 15.6 | *14.0 | *14.6 | *11.4 | 11.7 |
| 7 to 12 months | % | 9.8 | 8.3 | 9.7 | 13.6 | 14.6 | *8.1 | *7.9 | *10.2 | 10.1 |
| More than 12 months | % | 6.6 | 4.3 | 3.9 | *5.6 | 4.9 | *6.3 | *4.0 | *1.4 | 5.1 |
| Period not known | % | *2.3 | *2.4 | *5.0 | *0.8 | *2.4 | *2.5 | — | *0.8 | 2.8 |
| Rent not changed | % | 61.6 | 64.9 | 57.4 | 60.7 | 49.2 | 59.7 | 62.1 | 67.1 | 60.1 |
| Total(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| All reasons for change in rent(e) | | | | | | | | | | |
| CPI index change | % | 15.4 | 12.0 | 7.3 | 16.7 | 15.5 | 19.1 | *11.3 | *12.6 | 12.9 |
| New lease | % | *5.2 | 6.2 | 11.9 | *6.2 | 11.0 | *5.2 | *5.8 | *2.7 | 7.6 |
| Reason not known | % | 10.4 | 10.6 | 13.9 | 10.8 | 11.6 | *7.5 | *11.8 | *0.8 | 11.2 |
| Rent not changed | % | 61.6 | 64.9 | 57.4 | 60.7 | 49.2 | 59.7 | 62.1 | 67.1 | 60.1 |
| Total(f)(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 652.1 | 447.2 | 437.5 | 127.2 | 192.2 | 34.8 | 15.5 | 23.0 | 1 929.5 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 482 | 401 | 419 | 244 | 287 | 114 | 87 | 79 | 2 113 |

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** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

(b) 6 month lease, 12 month lease, month by month and other fixed period.

(c) Includes other length of lease, which accounts for around 2.1% of all renters.

(d) Includes not known whether rent changed, which accounts for around 0.3% of all renters.

(e) Categories not mutually exclusive.

(f) Includes other reason.

| | | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas. | NT(a) | ACT | Aust. |
|--|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ALL RENTER HOUSHOLDS (b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Length of current lease or tenure | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 month | % | 13.8 | 4.7 | 27.7 | 8.6 | 17.8 | 11.3 | *9.9 | *4.0 | 14.4 |
| 12 month | % | 22.5 | 41.8 | 33.0 | 35.4 | 31.5 | 38.1 | 39.9 | 34.7 | 31.7 |
| Other fixed period | % | 4.4 | *3.9 | *2.9 | *3.7 | *3.6 | **3.4 | *11.3 | **1.3 | 3.8 |
| Month by month | % | 20.5 | 18.5 | 6.1 | *5.4 | 7.8 | *7.8 | *4.8 | *11.9 | 14.0 |
| Indefinite tenure | % | 21.6 | 18.2 | 12.2 | 30.1 | 23.2 | 26.4 | 22.1 | 37.7 | 20.0 |
| No formal lease or tenure | % | 14.8 | 10.9 | 16.2 | 14.9 | 14.1 | 11.3 | *8.9 | *7.8 | 13.9 |
| Total(c) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household rent last changed | | | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 3 months | % | 10.8 | 13.3 | 12.6 | 15.8 | 12.9 | 14.5 | *10.0 | 14.9 | 12.5 |
| 3 to 6 months | % | 13.0 | 11.4 | 12.6 | 16.1 | 16.1 | 17.5 | 14.5 | *14.3 | 13.2 |
| 7 to 12 months | % | 9.4 | 8.6 | 9.9 | 10.9 | 14.9 | *7.7 | *8.6 | *11.9 | 10.0 |
| More than 12 months | % | *6.7 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.7 | *5.3 | *5.7 | *4.1 | 5.4 |
| Period not known | % | 7.2 | 3.7 | 6.1 | 4.6 | *4.4 | *7.2 | *4.5 | *4.3 | 5.6 |
| Rent not changed | % | 52.8 | 57.9 | 54.1 | 47.3 | 46.1 | 47.4 | 54.1 | 47.7 | 52.9 |
| Total(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| All reasons for change in rent(e) | | | | | | | | | | |
| CPI index change | % | 18.4 | 15.3 | 9.5 | 22.8 | 16.7 | 20.6 | *10.9 | *15.7 | 15.9 |
| Change in income | % | 4.1 | 4.4 | *3.2 | 8.1 | *2.5 | *8.5 | *11.2 | *13.3 | 4.4 |
| New lease | % | *4.2 | 5.1 | 10.3 | *4.3 | 8.8 | *3.7 | *3.5 | **2.7 | 6.1 |
| Other reason | % | 6.9 | 7.5 | 9.5 | *5.6 | 12.5 | *8.5 | *7.2 | 13.8 | 8.2 |
| Reason not known | % | 14.6 | 11.1 | 14.5 | 12.0 | 13.1 | 11.8 | *11.7 | *5.5 | 13.2 |
| Rent not changed | % | 52.8 | 57.9 | 54.1 | 47.3 | 46.1 | 47.4 | 54.1 | 47.7 | 52.9 |
| Total(d) | % | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Estimated number of households | '000 | 813.4 | 541.8 | 505.3 | 183.9 | 238.8 | 53.7 | 25.3 | 37.7 | 2 399.9 |
| Number of households in sample | no. | 608 | 491 | 498 | 371 | 359 | 181 | 143 | 121 | 2 772 |

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** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

(a) Excludes households in collection districts defined as very remote, accounting for about 23% of the population in Northern Territory.

(b) Includes other landlord type, which accounts for about 4% of all renters.

(c) Includes other length of lease, which accounts for around 2.1% of all renters.

(d) Includes not known whether rent changed, which accounts for around 0.3% of all renters.

(e) Categories not mutually exclusive.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

- 1** This publication presents statistics compiled from the Survey of Income and Housing (SIH) on Australian housing mobility and dwelling conditions. This data was collected in the 2007–08 SIH, in addition to the comprehensive range of housing occupancy and costs information regularly collected in every SIH cycle and released in *Housing Occupancy and Costs, Australia* (cat. no. 4130.0).
- 2** The ABS household survey program provides for the inclusion of an expanded range of housing data in every third SIH cycle i.e. every six years, to provide periodic updates of the broader housing circumstances of Australians. The first collection of additional housing topics occurred in 2007–08.
- 3** The additional housing topics in the 2007–08 SIH were determined through consultation with major users of Australian housing statistics. Potential topics were prioritised and tested before the final selection of topics was made. A similar process is expected to be followed for the 2013–14 SIH, which will next include additional housing topics.
- 4** In 2007–08 the additional housing topics include housing mobility, dwelling condition, home purchase for first home buyers, loan financing for owners with a mortgage and rental arrangements. A comprehensive list of the additional data items is included in Appendix 1.
- 5** Collection of the additional housing data in the 2007–08 SIH enables comparisons of non-Indigenous results, with similar items collected in respect of Indigenous Australians in the 2008 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey (NATSISS).
- 6** The *Survey of Income and Housing, Australia: User Guide, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6553.0) is available to assist users evaluate and interpret results from this survey.
- 7** The SIH was conducted continuously from 1994–95 to 1997–98, and then in 1999–2000, 2000–01, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2005–06, and 2007–08. The 2007–08 SIH collected information from a sample of 9345 households over the period August 2007 to June 2008. Future cycles of the SIH will be conducted every two years.
- 8** Other collections conducted by the ABS which cover housing are:
 - Census of Population and Housing, 2006
 - General Social Survey, 2006
 - Australian Housing Survey, 1994 and 1999
- 9** Collections conducted by the ABS which cover housing for Indigenous Australians are:
 - Community Housing and Infrastructure Needs Survey, 1999, 2001 and 2006
 - National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey, 2002 and 2008
- 10** Care should be taken when comparing data from the different sources due to the different methodologies used in these collections.

CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS

Household

- 11** The concepts and definitions relating to the statistics in this publication are described in the following section. Other definitions are included in the Glossary.
- 12** The household is the basic unit of analysis in this publication. A household consists of one or more persons, at least one of whom is at least 15 years of age, usually resident in the same private dwelling. The persons in a household may or may not be related. They must live wholly within one dwelling.
- 13** The household is adopted as the basic unit of analysis because it is assumed that sharing of the use of goods and services occurs at this level. If smaller units, say persons, are adopted, then it is difficult to know how to attribute to individual household members the use of shared items such as food, accommodation and household goods. Intra-household transfers, however, are excluded. For example, if one member of the household were to pay board to another member of the same household then this is not

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Household continued

considered as an increase in the amount of income or housing costs of the household. If such transfers were to be included there would be double counting.

Income unit and person

14 Although the household has been adopted as the basic unit of analysis in this publication, person and income unit variables have been included where analysis is more appropriately conducted at these levels. These variables include income unit tenure type, perceptions of safety and access to transport (both person level).

15 An income unit is a single person or a group of related persons within a household, whose command over income is assumed to be shared. Income sharing is assumed to take place within married (registered or defacto) couples, and between parents and their dependent children.

16 Data for persons relate to people aged 15 years and over who usually reside in the household.

Housing mobility

17 Housing mobility refers to the movement of people due to a change in their place of usual residence. Such changes may result from changes in tenure arrangements, such as from rental to home-ownership, or moving from one geographic location to another for various housing, employment or lifestyle reasons.

18 The 2007–08 SIH collected information from all persons aged 15 years and over on the length of time in current dwelling, number of times moved, details of previous dwelling, and reasons for last move. The housing mobility tables presented in this publication focus on the experiences of the household reference person. Other persons present in the household may have had different housing mobility experiences to the reference person, e.g. due to changes in the composition of the household over time.

Condition of dwelling

19 The condition of a dwelling can have a significant influence on the health and wellbeing of its inhabitants. It is also significant in determining the value of the dwelling. In this publication the term is used to signify the extent to which the cladding, roofing and fittings of the house have been maintained in their original condition.

20 Repairs and maintenance refers to work undertaken with the purpose of either preventing deterioration or repairing some aspect of the dwelling back to its original condition. Examples include:

- replacing a fence with a similar type of fence
- repairing broken roof tiles
- reroofing a tile roof with new tiles
- repainting

21 Alterations and additions change or improve the original condition of the dwelling or its surrounding land. Examples include:

- changing the position of internal walls in a dwelling
- renovating a kitchen or bathroom
- installing built in robes
- adding an additional room
- installing a spa bath
- installing a swimming pool
- replacing a wooden fence with a metal one
- building a garage

Tenure type and landlord type

22 The concept of housing tenure is based on the type of legal right of the occupant/s to occupy the dwelling. Tenure is determined according to whether the unit (household, income unit, or person, where applicable) owns the dwelling outright, owns the dwelling but has a mortgage or loan secured against it, is paying rent to live in the dwelling or has some other arrangement to occupy the dwelling.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

Tenure type and landlord type continued

23 In this publication, tenure information is provided at the household and income unit levels. Person level tenure was also enumerated in the 2007–08 SIH and is available on the CURF. Tenure information at household, income unit and person levels enables users to analyse within household tenure arrangements, such as subletting and boarding. This detailed tenure data will also be available from future SIHs.

24 Owners are divided into two categories - owners with mortgages and owners without mortgages. A household's tenure type is owner with a mortgage if there is any outstanding mortgage or loan secured against the dwelling. This mortgage or loan may have been initially obtained primarily for either the purchase or the building of the dwelling, or for undertaking alterations or additions, or for some other purpose such as the purchase of a vehicle or an investment property. However, mortgage payments where the initial purpose of the loan was not primarily for housing are not treated as housing costs. A household's tenure type is owner without a mortgage if there are no loans or mortgages secured against the dwelling.

25 Renters are occupants who pay money as rent to another person or organisation, referred to as the landlord, in return for being allowed to occupy the dwelling. Renters can be further classified according to type of landlord. The landlord may be a relative or an unrelated person in another dwelling, or can be a real estate agency, a state or territory housing authority, a community organisation, a trust, or an employer.

Income

26 Household income consists of all current receipts, whether monetary or in kind, that are received by the household or by individual members of the household, and which are available for, or intended to support, current consumption.

27 Income includes receipts from:

- wages and salaries and other receipts from employment (whether from an employer or own incorporated enterprise), including income provided as part of salary sacrifice and/or salary package arrangements
- profit/loss from own unincorporated business (including partnerships)
- net investment income (interest, rent, dividends, royalties)
- government pensions and allowances
- private transfers (e.g. superannuation, workers' compensation, income from annuities, child support, and financial support received from family members not living in the same household).

28 Receipts of family tax benefit are treated as income, regardless of whether they are received fortnightly or as a lump sum. The aged persons' savings bonus and self-funded retirees' supplementary bonus, paid as part of the introduction of The New Tax System in 2000–01, are regarded as capital transfers as they were designed to help retired people maintain the value of their savings and investments following the introduction of the GST. However, the one-off payment to older Australians paid in 2000–01, 2005–06, and 2007–08, the one-off payment to families paid since 2003–04 and the one-off payments to carers paid since 2003–04 are included as income as they were primarily a supplement to existing income support payments. The maternity payment introduced in July 2004 is also included as income.

Weekly income

29 Income is collected using a number of different reporting periods, such as the whole financial year for own unincorporated business and investment income, and the usual payment for a period close to time of interview for wages and salaries, other sources of private income and government pensions and allowances. The income reported is divided by the number of weeks in the reporting period. Estimates of weekly income in this publication therefore do not refer to a given week within the reference year of the survey.

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Gross income

30 Gross income is the sum of the income from all sources before income tax and the Medicare levy have been deducted. Prior to 2005–06, family tax benefit paid through the tax system or as a lump sum was excluded from gross income for practical reasons. In 2005–06 and 2007–08 these payments have been included in gross income.

Disposable income

31 Disposable income better represents the economic resources available to meet the needs of households. It is derived by deducting estimates of personal income tax and the Medicare levy from gross income. The Medicare levy surcharge was calculated for the first time in 2007–08 and was also deducted from gross income when calculating disposable income.

32 Income tax and Medicare levy payments are estimated for all households using taxation criteria for 2007–08 and the income and other characteristics of household members reported in the survey.

33 Prior to 2005–06 the derivation of disposable income also included the addition of family tax benefit paid through the tax system or as a lump sum by Centrelink since for practical reasons it was not included in the gross income estimates.

Equivalised disposable income

34 Analyses by income quintile in this publication use equivalised disposable income rather than gross or disposable income since it enables comparison of the relative economic wellbeing of households of different size and composition. Equivalised disposable income is calculated by adjusting disposable income by the application of an equivalence scale. This adjustment reflects the requirement for a larger household to have a higher level of income to achieve the same standard of living as a smaller household. Where disposable income is negative, it is set to zero equivalised disposable income.

35 When household income is adjusted according to an equivalence scale, the equivalised income can be viewed as an indicator of the economic resources available to a standardised household. For a lone person household, it is equal to income received. For a household comprising more than one person, equivalised income is an indicator of the household income that would be required by a lone person household in order to enjoy the same level of economic wellbeing as the household in question.

36 For more information on the use of equivalence scales, readers are referred to Appendix 3 in *Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6523.0).

Lowest income decile

37 While equivalised income generally provides a useful indicator of economic wellbeing, there are some circumstances which present particular difficulties. Some households report extremely low and even negative income in the survey, which places them well below the safety net of income support provided by social security pensions and allowances. Households may under report their incomes in the survey at all income levels, including low income households. However, households can correctly report low levels of income if they incur losses in their unincorporated business or have negative returns from their other investments.

38 Studies of income and expenditure reported in HES surveys have shown that such households in the bottom income decile and with negative gross incomes tend to have expenditure levels that are comparable to those of households with higher income levels (and slightly above the average expenditures recorded for the fifth income decile). This suggests that these households have access to economic resources such as wealth, or that the instance of low or negative income is temporary, perhaps reflecting business or investment start up. Other households in the lowest income decile in past surveys had average incomes at about the level of the single pension rate, were predominantly single person households, and their principal source of income was largely government pensions and allowances. However, on average, these households also had expenditures

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

Lowest income decile continued

above the average of the households in the second income decile, which is not inconsistent with the use of assets to maintain a higher standard of living than implied by their incomes alone.

39 It can therefore be reasonably concluded that many of the households included in the lowest income decile are unlikely to be suffering extremely low levels of economic wellbeing. Income distribution analysis may lead to inappropriate conclusions if such households are used as the basis for assessing low levels of economic wellbeing. For this reason, tables showing statistics classified by income quintile include a supplementary category comprising the second and third income deciles, which can be used as an alternative to the lowest income quintile. (For an explanation of quintiles and deciles, see Appendix 1 of *Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6523.0)).

40 With the 2003–04 HES, analysis of households in the lowest income decile was improved through direct observation of the expenditure and net worth of these households. An examination of these low income households was presented in Appendix 4 of *Household Wealth and Wealth Distribution, 2003–04* (cat. no. 6554.0).

Income quintiles

41 In this publication, the income quintiles are calculated with respect to persons, including children. Such measures are sometimes known as person weighted estimates. Nevertheless, as most of the relevant characteristics of persons relate to their household circumstances, most of the tables in this publication primarily describe households.

SURVEY METHODOLOGY

Scope

42 The survey collects information by personal interview from usual residents of private dwellings in urban and rural areas of Australia (excluding very remote areas), covering about 97% of the people living in Australia. Private dwellings are houses, flats, home units, caravans, garages, tents and other structures that were used as places of residence at the time of interview. Long-stay caravan parks are also included. These are distinct from non-private dwellings which include hotels, boarding schools, boarding houses and institutions. Residents of non-private dwellings are excluded.

43 Usual residents excludes:

- households which contain members of non-Australian defence forces stationed in Australia, and
- households which contain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments.

Data collection

44 Information for each household was collected using:

- a household level computer assisted interview questionnaire which collected information on household characteristics
- an individual level computer assisted interview questionnaire which collected information on income and other personal characteristics from each usual resident aged 15 years and over. It also collected information on child care costs, child care usage and barriers to labour force participation due to child care related reasons.

45 Sample copies of the above documents are included in the *Survey of Income and Housing, User Guide, Australia, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6553.0).

Sample design

46 The sample was designed to produce reliable estimates for broad aggregates for households resident in private dwellings aggregated for Australia, for each state and for the capital cities in each state and territory. More detailed estimates should be used with caution, especially for Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory (see Appendix 2).

47 For the 2007–08 SIH, dwellings were selected through a stratified, multi-stage cluster design. Selections were distributed across an eleven month enumeration period. The SIH is normally conducted over a 12 month enumeration period so that the survey results would be representative of income patterns across the year. In 2007–08 the

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

Sample design continued

estimates were adjusted during weighting so that the shorter enumeration period in the first quarter was compensated in the final estimates. In the final quarter of enumeration, 10% of the selected dwellings were deselected from the sample. This reduced the overall number of dwellings selected to participate in the survey. This outcome may increase the standard error in the final quarter estimates and hence the standard error in the annualised estimates. The relative change in sample size across the enumeration quarters may also introduce some bias to the annualised estimates but this is expected to be much less than the standard error.

Non-responding households

48 Of the selected dwellings there were 11,126 in scope of the survey. Of these, 1,781 did not respond at all to the questionnaire, or did not respond adequately. Such households included:

- households affected by death or illness of a household member
- households in which the significant person(s) in the household did not respond because they had language problems or refused to participate
- households in which the significant person(s) did not respond to key questions.

Partial response and imputation

49 Some other households did not supply all the required information but supplied sufficient information to be retained in the sample. Such partial response occurs when:

- income or other data in a questionnaire are missing from one or more non-significant person's records because they are unable or unwilling to provide the data
- all key questions are answered by the significant person(s) but other data are missing.

50 In these cases, the data provided are retained and the missing data are imputed by replacing each missing value with a value reported by another person (referred to as the donor).

51 Donor records are selected by finding fully responding persons with matching information on various characteristics (such as state, sex, age, labour force status and income) as the person with missing information. As far as possible, the imputed information is an appropriate proxy for the information that is missing. Depending on which values are to be imputed, donors are randomly chosen from the pool of individual records with complete information for the block of questions where the missing information occurs.

52 In the 2007–08 SIH, responses were imputed when not every person aged 15 or over residing in the household responded, but the significant persons provided answers to all key questions.

Final sample

53 The final sample on which estimates were based is composed of persons for which all necessary information is available. The information may have been wholly provided at the interview (fully-responding) or may have been completed through imputation for partially responding households. Of the selected dwellings, there were 11,126 in the scope of the survey, of which 9,345 (84.0%) were included as part of the final estimates. The final sample consists of those 9,345 households, comprising 18,326 persons aged 15 years old and over. The final sample includes 2,026 households which had at least one imputed value in income or child care expenses. For 52.4% of these households only a single value was missing, and most of these were for income from interest and investments or information relating to household loans.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

Final sample continued

SIH FINAL SAMPLE: NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS, 2007–08

| | CAPITAL CITY | | BALANCE OF STATE | | TOTAL | |
|------|--------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Households | Persons(a) | Households | Persons(a) | Households | Persons(a) |
| | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| NSW | 1 193 | 2 423 | 765 | 1 433 | 1 958 | 3 856 |
| Vic | 1 309 | 2 633 | 482 | 936 | 1 791 | 3 569 |
| Qld | 749 | 1 559 | 828 | 1 588 | 1 577 | 3 147 |
| SA | 1 063 | 2 016 | 292 | 544 | 1 355 | 2 560 |
| WA | 965 | 1 896 | 269 | 513 | 1 234 | 2 409 |
| Tas | 283 | 538 | 387 | 712 | 670 | 1 250 |
| NT | 268 | 538 | 64 | 128 | 332 | 666 |
| ACT | 428 | 869 | — | — | 428 | 869 |
| Aust | 6 258 | 12 472 | 3 087 | 5 854 | 9 345 | 18 326 |

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Number of persons aged 15 years and over.

Weighting

54 Weighting is the process of adjusting results from a sample survey to infer results for the total in scope population whether that be persons or households. To do this, a 'weight' is allocated to each sample unit e.g. a person or a household. The weight is a value which indicates how many population units are represented by the sample unit. The first step in calculating weights for each unit is to assign an initial weight, which is the inverse of the probability of being selected in the survey. For example, if the probability of a household being selected in the survey was 1 in 600, then the household would have an initial weight of 600 (that is, it represents 600 households).

55 An adjustment is then made to the initial weights to account for changes in the sample across the four quarters of survey enumeration; the sum of the weights after this initial adjustment of households in each quarter is equal.

56 The initial weights are then calibrated to align with independent estimates of the population of interest, referred to as 'benchmarks'. Weights calibrated against population benchmarks ensure that the survey estimates conform to the independently estimated distribution of the population rather than to the distribution within the sample itself.

57 In the 2007–08 SIH, all persons in each household were assigned a weight. This differs from the 2005–06 SIH where children aged 0–14 years were not given separate weights, but household counts of the number of children were benchmarked to population totals.

58 The SIH survey was benchmarked to the in scope estimated resident population (ERP) and the estimated number of households in the population. The 2007–08 cycle has used population and household benchmarks based on the 2006 Census instead of the 2001 Population Census estimates used for the 2003–04 and 2005–06 SIH. The differences in the estimated population that occur due to this change are outlined in the following table.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

Weighting *continued*

| | 2001 Census | 2006 Census |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Population benchmark | | |
| Australian Population Benchmark(a) | 21 074 415 | 21 178 235 |
| Persons in Non Private Dwellings Excluded | 392 257 | 371 636 |
| Persons in Very Remote Excluded | 173 102 | 163 470 |
| Total Population Exclusions | 565 359 | 535 106 |
| Final Population Benchmark | 20 509 056 | 20 643 129 |
| Household benchmark | | |
| Australian Household Benchmark(a) | 8 247 769 | 8 136 593 |
| Households in Very Remote Excluded | 61 690 | 61 348 |
| Final Household Benchmark | 8 186 079 | 8 075 244 |

(a) at 31 December 2007

59 The benchmarks used in the calibration of the final weights for the 2007–08 SIH were:

- number of persons -
 - by state or territory by age by sex
 - five year age groups up to 80+ years for the states
 - five year age groups up to 75+ years for the ACT
 - five year age groups up to 60+ years for the NT
 - by state or the ACT by labour force status ('Employed', 'Unemployed' and 'Not in the labour force')
 - by state by capital city/balance of state.
- numbers of households -
 - by household composition (number of adults (1, 2 or 3+) and whether or not the household contains children).

60 More detailed age groupings have been used where possible in 2007–08 SIH. Previously in the 2003–04 SIH, ten year age groups up to 65 years and over were used. In SIH 2005–06 five year age groups were used up to 75 years and over, except for NT where the age groups were 15–24, 25–44, 45 and over. The 2007–08 age groups have been refined further where possible, five year age groups up to 80 years or older in all states. The two territories have used five year age groups age up to 75 or older for the ACT and 60 or older for the NT. The expanded detail for age groups in SIH 2007–08 aims to improve estimates across those ages. The impact of this change on all other estimates not involving age is expected to be minimal.

61 The person and household benchmarks were based on preliminary estimates of numbers of persons and households in Australia in 2007–08 based on the 2006 Population Census. The benchmarks used include households and persons residing in occupied private dwellings only and therefore do not, and are not intended to, match estimates of the total Australian resident population published by the ABS.

62 Numbers of households are calibrated to benchmarks for total Australia with respect to household composition (based on the number of adults (1, 2 or 3) and whether or not the household contains children).

Estimation

63 Estimates produced from the survey are usually in the form of averages (e.g. average weekly income of couple households with dependent children), or counts (e.g. total number of households that own their dwelling or total number of persons living in households that own their own dwelling). For counts of households, the estimate was obtained by summing the weights for the responding households in the required group (e.g. those owning their own dwelling). For counts of persons, the household weights were multiplied by the number of persons in the household before summing. The SIH collects data on the number of people, including children, in each household but separate records with income and other detailed data were only collected for people 15

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

Estimation continued

years and older. Therefore, counts of persons cannot be obtained by summing the weights of all persons.

64 Average income values are obtained in two different ways, depending on whether mean gross household income or mean equivalised disposable household income is being derived. Estimates of mean gross household income are calculated on a household weighted basis. They are obtained by multiplying the gross income of each household by the weight of the household, summing across all households and then dividing by the estimated number of households. For example, the mean gross household income of couple households with dependent children is the weighted sum of the gross income of each such household divided by the estimated number of those households.

65 Estimates of mean equivalised disposable household income are calculated on a person weighted basis. They are obtained by multiplying the equivalised disposable income of each household by the number of people in the household (including children) and by the weight of the household, summing across all households and then dividing by the estimated number of people in the population group. Appendix 2 in *Survey of Income and Housing, Australia: User Guide, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6553.0) illustrates the differences between mean gross household income calculated on a household weighted basis and mean equivalised disposable household income calculated on a person weighted basis.

RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

Non-sampling error

66 The estimates provided in this publication are subject to two types of error, non-sampling and sampling error.

67 Non-sampling error can occur in any collection, whether the estimates are derived from a sample or from a complete collection such as a census. Sources of non-sampling error include non-response, errors in reporting by respondents or recording of answers by interviewers and errors in coding and processing the data.

68 Non-sampling errors are difficult to quantify in any collection. However, every effort is made to reduce non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design and testing of the questionnaire, training of interviewers and data entry staff and extensive editing and quality control procedures at all stages of data processing.

69 One of the main sources of non-sampling error is non-response by persons selected in the survey. Non-response occurs when people cannot or will not cooperate or cannot be contacted. Non-response can affect the reliability of results and can introduce a bias. The magnitude of any bias depends upon the level of non-response and the extent of the difference between the characteristics of those people who responded to the survey and those who did not.

70 The following methods were adopted to reduce the level and impact of non-response:

- face-to-face interviews with respondents
- the use of interviewers who could speak languages other than English, where necessary
- follow-up of respondents if there was initially no response
- imputation of missing values
- ensuring that the weighted data is representative of the population (in terms of demographic characteristics) by aligning the estimates with population benchmarks.

Sampling error

71 The estimates are based on a sample of possible observations and are subject to sampling variability. The estimates may therefore differ from the figures that would have been produced if information had been collected for all households. A measure of the sampling error for a given estimate is provided by the standard error, which may be expressed as a percentage of the estimate (relative standard error). Further information on sampling error is given in Appendix 2.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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73 The ABS offers specialist consultancy services to assist clients with more complex statistical information needs. Clients may wish to have the unit record data analysed according to their own needs, or require tailored tables incorporating data items and populations as requested by them. Tables and other analytical outputs can be made available electronically or in printed form. However, as the level of detail or disaggregation increases with detailed requests, the number of contributors to data cells decreases. This may result in some requested information not being able to be released due to confidentiality or sampling variability constraints. All specialist consultancy services attract a service charge, and clients will be provided with a quote before information is supplied. For further information, contact ABS information consultants on 1300 135 070 from 9:00am to 4:30pm AEST Monday to Friday (International callers +61 2 9268 4909).

UNIT RECORD FILE

74 A basic confidentialised unit record file (CURF) from the 2007–08 SIH is available on CD-ROM. A more detailed SIH CURF is also available through the ABS Remote Access Data Laboratory. All clients wishing to access the 2007–08 SIH basic and expanded CURF should refer to the ABS Website <<http://www.abs.gov.au>> (see Services, CURF Microdata) and read the CURF Microdata Entry Page, and other linked information, before downloading the appropriate Guide, Application and Undertaking forms and applying for access.

Australian universities

75 University clients should refer to the ABS web site <www.abs.gov.au> (see Services, Services for Universities). The SIH 2007–08 basic and expanded CURF can be accessed by universities participating in the ABS/Universities Australia CURF Agreement for research and teaching purposes.

Other clients

76 Other prospective clients should contact the Microdata Access Strategies Section of the ABS at <microdata.access@abs.gov.au> or on (02) 6252 7714.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

77 Users may wish to refer to the following ABS products which are produced from the SIH.

- *Housing Occupancy and Costs, Australia, 2007–08* (cat. no. 4130.0)
- *Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6523.0)
- *Survey of Income and Housing, User Guide, Australia, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6553.0)
- *Survey of Income and Housing - Confidentialised Unit Record File, Technical Manual, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6541.0)
- *Household Wealth and Wealth Distribution, Australia* (cat. no. 6554.0) – only available for 2003–04 and 2005–06, when wealth data was collected in the SIH.
- *Experimental Estimates of Imputed Rent, Australia, 2003–04 and 2005–06* (cat. no. 6525.0) – the 2007–08 imputed rent estimates are available in the 2007–08 SIH CURFs and are summarised in Appendix 5 of *Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6523.0)

78 Other ABS products which relate to housing statistics include the following:

- *Measuring Wellbeing: Frameworks for Australian Social Statistics, 2001* (cat. no. 4160.0)
- *Australian Social Trends* (cat. no. 4102.0)
- *Measures of Australia's Progress* (cat. no. 1370.0)
- *Statistician's Report on the 2006 Census* (cat. no. 2070.0)
- *Housing Finance, Australia* (cat. no. 5609.0)

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RELATED PUBLICATIONS

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- *House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities* (cat. no. 6416.0)
- *Building Approvals, Australia* (cat. no. 8731.0)
- *Dwelling Unit Commencements, Australia, Preliminary* (cat. no. 8750.0)
- *Building Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8752.0)
- *Australian Housing Survey - Housing Characteristics, Costs and Conditions 1999*
(cat. no. 4182.0)

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST

INTRODUCTION

The data summarised in the tables of this publication represent only a small portion of the additional housing data included in the 2007–08 SIH. This appendix provides a list of the output data items available from the expanded range of housing topics. For details of all data items available from the SIH, see Appendix 7 of *Survey of Income and Housing, Australia: User Guide, 2007–08* (cat. no. 6553.0).

The ABS offers specialist consultancy services to assist clients with more complex statistical information needs. Customised tables can be produced on request, however, some individual categories may not be able to be released for confidentiality or data quality reasons. Enquiries about ABS data available on request can be emailed to living.conditions@abs.gov.au.

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A1 HOUSEHOLD LEVEL

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|--|-------------------|
| Need for repair to dwelling | All households |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. No need | |
| 2. Desirable but low need | |
| 3. Moderate need | |
| 4. Essential need | |
| 5. Essential and urgent need | |
| Types of major structural problems | All households |
| 01. Rising damp | |
| 02. Major cracks in walls/floors | |
| 03. Sinking / moving foundations | |
| 04. Sagging floors | |
| 05. Walls / windows out of plumb | |
| 06. Wood rot / termite damage | |
| 07. Major electrical problems | |
| 08. Major plumbing problems | |
| 09. Major roof defect | |
| 10. Other structural problems | |
| 11. Don't know | |
| 12. No structural problems | |
| 99. Not applicable | |
| Types of repairs or maintenance made to the dwelling in the last 12 months | All households |
| 1. Painting | |
| 2. Roof repair / maintenance | |
| 3. Tile repair / maintenance | |
| 4. Electrical work | |
| 5. Plumbing | |
| 6. Other types of repairs / maintenance | |
| 7. Don't know | |
| 9. Not applicable | |
| Sources of water for dwelling | All households |
| 01. Mains / town water | |
| 02. Rainwater tank | |
| 03. Purchased bottled drinking water | |
| 04. Bore / well | |
| 05. Spring | |
| 06. River / creek / dam | |
| 07. Water delivered in a tanker | |
| 08. Rainwater collected using a bucket, bin etc | |
| 09. Grey water | |
| 10. Other | |
| Sources of energy used in dwelling | All households |
| 1. Electricity | |
| 2. Mains gas | |
| 3. LPG / bottled gas | |
| 4. Wood | |
| 5. Solar | |
| 6. Oil | |
| 7. Other | |
| Connected to accredited green power electricity | All households |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Connected to green power electricity | |
| 2. Not connected to green power electricity | |
| 3. Don't know | |
| Smoke alarm fitted | All households |
| 1. Smoke alarm fitted | |
| 2. Smoke alarm not fitted | |
| 3. Don't know | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A1 HOUSEHOLD LEVEL *continued*

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|--|---|
| Source of power for smoke alarm | All households |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Mains | |
| 2. Battery | |
| 3. Both | |
| 4. Don't know | |
| Frequency that smoke alarm is checked | All households |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Weekly | |
| 2. Fortnightly | |
| 3. Monthly | |
| 4. Twice a year | |
| 5. Once a year | |
| 6. Less than once a year | |
| 7. Never | |
| 8. Other | |
| 9. Don't know | |
| Purchase price of dwelling (\$) | Owners who purchased in the last 3 years |
| Continuous | |
| Purchase price of dwelling (minus deductions) (\$) | Owners who purchased in the last 3 years |
| Continuous | |
| Whether received monetary assistance to purchase dwelling | First home buyers who purchased in the last 3 years |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Received monetary assistance | |
| 2. Did not receive monetary assistance | |
| Sources of monetary assistance | First home buyers who purchased in the last 3 years |
| 01. First home owners grant | |
| 02. State / Territory Government grant | |
| 03. State / Territory Government concessions or exemptions | |
| 04. Contribution from employer | |
| 05. Gifts - family/friends | |
| 06. Sale of former home | |
| 07. Sale of car / other possessions | |
| 08. Inheritance | |
| 09. Other monetary assistance | |
| 10. Not a first home buyer | |
| 11. Did not receive monetary assistance | |
| Whether had a deposit to purchase dwelling | First home buyers who purchased in the last 3 years |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Had a deposit for dwelling | |
| 2. Did not have deposit for dwelling | |
| Size of home deposit (\$) | First home buyers who purchased in the last 3 years |
| Continuous | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A1 HOUSEHOLD LEVEL *continued*

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|---|---|
| Source(s) of home deposit | First home buyers who purchased in the last 3 years |
| 01. First Home Owners Grant | |
| 02. State Government Grant | |
| 03. Contribution from employer | |
| 04. Savings | |
| 05. Gift - family/friends | |
| 06. Loan - family/friends | |
| 07. Loan - other informal source | |
| 08. Loan - formal source eg bank | |
| 09. Sale of former home | |
| 10. Sale of car / other possessions | |
| 11. Inheritance | |
| 12. Other | |
| 13. Not a first home buyer | |
| 14. Did not have deposit for dwelling | |
| Whether have refinanced loan for property in the last 2 years | All owners with a mortgage |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Have refinanced in the last 2 years | |
| 2. Have not refinanced in the last 2 years | |
| Reason(s) for refinancing | All owners with a mortgage |
| 01. Better interest rate | |
| 02. Better loan conditions | |
| 03. Extension | |
| 04. Renovation (eg, kitchen, bathroom) | |
| 05. Consolidating debt | |
| 06. Business related | |
| 07. Other purchase | |
| 08. Other reason | |
| 09. Did not refinance in the last 2 years | |
| 10. Not an owner with a mortgage | |
| Number of years remaining on loan contract | All owners with a mortgage |
| Continuous | |
| Length of lease | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. 12 month lease | |
| 2. 6 month lease | |
| 3. Other fixed period lease | |
| 4. Month by month basis | |
| 5. Indefinite tenure (other than lease) | |
| 6. No formal lease or tenure | |
| 7. Other | |
| Period left on current lease or tenure for the dwelling flag | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Period left on lease or tenure for dwelling known | |
| 2. Period left on lease or tenure for dwelling not known | |
| Period left on current lease or tenure for the dwelling (months) | All renters |
| Continuous | |
| Whether paid bond for dwelling | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Paid bond for dwelling | |
| 2. Did not pay bond for dwelling | |
| 3. Don't know | |
| Amount of bond paid (\$) | All renters |
| Continuous | |
| Whether weekly household rent has changed since first occupied the dwelling | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Weekly household rent has changed since first occupied the dwelling | |
| 2. Weekly household rent has not changed since first occupied the dwelling | |
| 3. Don't know | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A1 HOUSEHOLD LEVEL *continued*

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|--|-------------------|
| Period since household rent last changed | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Less than 3 months ago | |
| 2. 3–6 months ago | |
| 3. 7–12 months ago | |
| 4. More than 12 months ago | |
| 5. Not known | |
| 6. Rent not changed | |
| Reasons for change to rent for household since first occupied the dwelling | All renters |
| 01. CPI index change | |
| 02. Change in income | |
| 03. New lease | |
| 04. Very low vacancy rates / tight rental market | |
| 05. Dwelling refurbished / upgraded | |
| 06. Landlord keen to retain tenant | |
| 07. Other | |
| 08. Not known | |
| 09. Rent not changed | |
| 99. Not applicable | |
| Services received by the tenant as part of household rental, rent free or life tenure agreement | All renters |
| 01. Cleaning | |
| 02. Laundry services | |
| 03. Availability of pool | |
| 04. Availability of gym | |
| 05. Lawn mowing / gardening | |
| 06. Secure parking | |
| 07. Building security | |
| 08. Other | |
| 09. Nothing provided | |
| 99. Not applicable | |
| Non-monetary services provided by the tenant as part of household rental, rent free or life tenure agreement | All renters |
| 01. House cleaning (professional cleaning) | |
| 02. Lawn mowing / gardening | |
| 03. Babysitting / child minding | |
| 04. Companion etc | |
| 05. Renovations | |
| 06. Repairs and maintenance | |
| 07. Look after house / land for absent owner | |
| 08. Other | |
| 09. Nothing provided | |
| 99. Not applicable | |
| Whether tenant's rent is reduced or accommodation is rent free due to services provided by the tenant | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Rent is reduced, or accommodation provided rent free, because of services provided by the tenant | |
| 2. Rent is not reduced, and accommodation not provided rent free, because of services provided by the tenant | |
| 3. Don't know | |
| 4. Nothing provided | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A2 LOANS LEVEL

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|--|-------------------|
| Loan number | All loans |
| Continuous | |
| Amount borrowed for loan (\$) | All loans |
| Continuous | |
| Amount of principal outstanding on loan (\$) | All loans |
| Continuous | |
| Current annual interest rate for loan (%) | All loans |
| Continuous | |
| Main purpose of loan | All loans |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. To buy or build this property | |
| 2. To buy or build other property | |
| 3. For alterations and additions to this property | |
| 4. For alterations and additions to other property | |
| 5. To buy motor vehicle | |
| 6. For a holiday | |
| 7. For another purpose | |
| Type of security for loan | All loans |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Mortgage on dwelling | |
| 2. Other security | |
| 3. No security | |
| Weekly repayment of amount for loan (\$) | All loans |
| Continuous | |
| Weekly repayment amount for loan with refunds deducted (\$) | All loans |
| Continuous | |
| Month repayments commenced for loan | All loans |
| 00. Not applicable | |
| 01. January | |
| 02. February | |
| 03. March | |
| 04. April | |
| 05. May | |
| 06. June | |
| 07. July | |
| 08. August | |
| 09. September | |
| 10. October | |
| 11. November | |
| 12. December | |
| 13. Not known month repayments commenced | |
| 14. Loan has no repayments | |
| 15. Repayments have not yet commenced | |
| 16. Year only reported | |
| 17. Loan not for housing purposes or secured against the dwelling | |
| Year repayments commenced for loan | All loans |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1965–2008 | |
| Whether paid above minimum repayments on loan | All loans |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Paid above minimum repayments on loan | |
| 2. Did not pay above minimum repayments on loan | |
| Weekly amount of minimum loan repayment (\$) | All loans |
| Continuous | |
| Loan sequencing populations | All loans |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Loan has a redraw facility and has regular income automatically deposited into the loan account | |
| 2. Loan has a redraw facility and does not have regular income automatically deposited into the loan account | |
| 3. Does not have a redraw facility | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A3 PERSON LEVEL

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|---|-------------------|
| Number of years lived in current dwelling | All persons |
| Continuous | |
| Aged 15–24, living with parents and not moved out in last 5 years | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Aged 15–24, living with parents and not moved out in the last 5 years | |
| 2. Aged 15–24, living with parents and had moved out in the last 5 years | |
| Number of times moved in last 5 years | All persons |
| Continuous | |
| 99. Don't know | |
| Number of years lived in previous dwelling | All recent movers |
| Continuous | |
| Geographical area of previous dwelling | All recent movers |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. In same suburb/locality/town as current dwelling | |
| 2. In same State/Territory as current dwelling - capital city | |
| 3. In same State/Territory as current dwelling - other than capital city | |
| 4. In different State/Territory to current dwelling - capital city | |
| 5. In different State/Territory to current dwelling - other than capital city | |
| 6. Overseas | |
| State or Territory of previous dwelling | All recent movers |
| 00. Not applicable | |
| 01. New South Wales | |
| 02. Victoria | |
| 03. Queensland | |
| 04. South Australia | |
| 05. Western Australia | |
| 06. Tasmania | |
| 07. Northern Territory | |
| 08. Australian Capital Territory | |
| 09. Other (Jervis Bay, Christmas Island, Cocos Island) | |
| 10. Overseas | |
| Tenure type of previous dwelling | All recent movers |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Owner without a mortgage | |
| 2. Owner with a mortgage | |
| 3. Life tenure scheme | |
| 4. Participant of rent/buy (or shared equity) scheme | |
| 5. Renter | |
| 6. Rent-free | |
| 7. Other | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A3 PERSON LEVEL *continued*

Data item label and categories

Population

All reasons for last move

All recent movers

Housing reasons

10. Wanted bigger/better home

11. Wanted smaller home/downsize

12. Reduce rent/mortgage

13. Notice given by landlord

14. Allocated housing (e.g. public housing)

15. Purchased own dwelling

16. Renovations/Rebuilding

17. Other housing reasons

Employment reasons

18. Closer to work

19. Lost job

20. Got job

21. Improve employment prospects

22. Job transfer

23. Other employment reasons

Accessibility reasons

24. To be near medical services

25. To be near education facilities

26. Other accessibility reasons

Family reasons

27. Moved with family

28. Be close to family/friends

29. Family conflict

30. Be independent

31. Get married/live with partner

32. Breakdown of marriage/relationship

33. Other family reasons

Lifestyle/Other reasons

34. Lifestyle change

35. Neighbourhood reasons

36. Health reasons

37. Other

38. Don't know

99. Not applicable

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A3 PERSON LEVEL *continued*

Data item label and categories

Population

Main reason for last move

All recent movers

- 00. Not applicable
- Housing reasons
 - 10. Wanted bigger/better home
 - 11. Wanted smaller home/downsize
 - 12. Reduce rent/mortgage
 - 13. Notice given by landlord
 - 14. Allocated housing (e.g. public housing)
 - 15. Purchased own dwelling
 - 16. Renovations/Rebuilding
 - 17. Other housing reasons
- Employment reasons
 - 18. Closer to work
 - 19. Lost job
 - 20. Got job
 - 21. Improve employment prospects
 - 22. Job transfer
 - 23. Other employment reasons
- Accessibility reasons
 - 24. To be near medical services
 - 25. To be near education facilities
 - 26. Other accessibility reasons
- Family reasons
 - 27. Moved with family
 - 28. Be close to family/friends
 - 29. Family conflict
 - 30. Be independent
 - 31. Get married/live with partner
 - 32. Breakdown of marriage/relationship
 - 33. Other family reasons
- Lifestyle/Other reasons
 - 34. Lifestyle change
 - 35. Neighbourhood reasons
 - 36. Health reasons
 - 37. Other
 - 38. Don't know

Structure of previous dwelling

All recent movers

- 00. Not applicable
- Separate house
 - 01. Without attached flat
 - 02. With attached flat
 - 03. With attached shop
- Semi-detached
 - 04. One story
 - 05. Two or more stories
- 06. Attached to a shop, office etc
- Flat
 - 07. In a 1 or 2 story block
 - 08. In a 3 story block
 - 09. In a 4 or more story block
- 10. Attached to a house
- 11. Attached to a shop, office etc
- Other private dwelling
 - 12. Caravan
 - 13. Makeshift dwelling
 - 14. Private dwelling nec
 - 15. Special dwelling

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A3 PERSON LEVEL *continued*

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|---|-------------------|
| Previous landlord type or provider of rent free dwelling | All recent movers |
| 00. Not applicable | |
| 01. Real estate agent | |
| 02. State or Territory housing authority | |
| 03. Person living in the same household - Parent/other relative | |
| 04. Person living in the same household - Other unrelated person | |
| 05. Person not living in the same household - Parent/other relative | |
| 06. Person not living in the same household - Other unrelated person | |
| 07. Owner/manager of caravan park | |
| 08. Employer - Defence housing authority | |
| 09. Employer - Government | |
| 10. Employer - Other employer | |
| 11. Housing co-operative/community/church group | |
| 12. Other | |
| Satisfaction with location of current dwelling | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Very satisfied | |
| 2. Satisfied | |
| 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | |
| 4. Dissatisfied | |
| 5. Very dissatisfied | |
| Reason for dissatisfaction with current location of dwelling | All persons |
| 01. Natural surroundings | |
| 02. Distance from shops | |
| 03. Distance from public transport | |
| 04. Distance from work/employment opportunities | |
| 05. Distance from schools | |
| 06. Distance from child care | |
| 07. Distance from hospital /medical care | |
| 08. Distance from parks, public gardens and other recreational activities | |
| 09. Distance from entertainment | |
| 10. Security/feeling safe | |
| 11. Noise level | |
| 12. Traffic level | |
| 13. Other | |
| 99. Not applicable | |
| Satisfaction with block | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Very satisfied | |
| 2. Satisfied | |
| 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | |
| 4. Dissatisfied | |
| 5. Very dissatisfied | |
| Reasons for dissatisfaction with block | All persons |
| 1. Too big | |
| 2. Too small | |
| 3. Too steep | |
| 4. Lack of privacy | |
| 5. Garden maintenance too high | |
| 6. Other | |
| 9. Not applicable | |
| Satisfaction with current dwelling | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Very satisfied | |
| 2. Satisfied | |
| 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | |
| 4. Dissatisfied | |
| 5. Very dissatisfied | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A3 PERSON LEVEL *continued*

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|---|-------------------|
| Reasons for dissatisfaction with current dwelling | All persons |
| 01. Too big | |
| 02. Too small | |
| 03. Too cold | |
| 04. Too hot | |
| 05. Poor condition of dwelling | |
| 06. Structurally unsound | |
| 07. Needs to be more secure | |
| 08. Maintenance too high | |
| 09. Rates too expensive | |
| 10. Mortgage too expensive | |
| 11. Rent too expensive | |
| 12. Other | |
| 99. Not applicable | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone during day | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Very safe | |
| 2. Safe | |
| 3. Neither safe nor unsafe | |
| 4. Unsafe | |
| 5. Very unsafe | |
| 6. Never home alone during the day | |
| Feelings of safety at home alone after dark | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Very safe | |
| 2. Safe | |
| 3. Neither safe nor unsafe | |
| 4. Unsafe | |
| 5. Very unsafe | |
| 6. Never home alone after dark | |
| Ability to ask for small favours | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Could ask for small favours | |
| Perceived level of difficulty with transport | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Can easily get to the places needed | |
| 2. Sometimes have difficulty getting to the places needed | |
| 3. Often have difficulty getting to the places needed | |
| 4. Can't get to the places needed | |
| 5. Never go out/housebound | |
| Likelihood of moving in next 12 months | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Likely to move in next 12 months | |
| 2. Unlikely to move in next 12 months | |
| 3. Don't know | |
| Desire to move in next 12 months | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Want to move in next 12 months | |
| 2. Don't want to move in next 12 months | |
| 3. Don't know | |
| Barriers to moving | All persons |
| 1. Cant afford to buy a new dwelling | |
| 2. Cant afford the costs associated with moving | |
| 3. Too much effort to move | |
| 4. For frailty, disability or ill health reasons | |
| 5. Other | |
| 9. Not applicable | |

APPENDIX 1 DATA ITEM LIST *continued*

A3 PERSON LEVEL *continued*

| <i>Data item label and categories</i> | <i>Population</i> |
|---|-------------------|
| Main barrier to moving | All persons |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Cant afford to buy a new dwelling | |
| 2. Cant afford the costs associated with moving | |
| 3. Too much effort to move | |
| 4. For frailty, disability or ill health reasons | |
| 5. Other | |
| Whether have been refused rental accommodation in last 5 years | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Has been refused rental accommodation in the last 5 years | |
| 2. Has not been refused rental accommodation in the last 5 years | |
| Reasons for refusal of rental accommodation | All renters |
| 01. Age | |
| 02. Would not allow pets | |
| 03. Family type - sole parent | |
| 04. Family type - not married | |
| 05. Family type - because of children | |
| 06. No references / inadequate references | |
| 07. Would not allow groups | |
| 08. Unemployed | |
| 09. Family too large | |
| 10. Students | |
| 11. Ethnicity / race | |
| 12. Unable to pay bond / rent in advance | |
| 13. Disabled | |
| 14. Other | |
| 15. Don't know | |
| 99. Not applicable | |
| Whether felt discriminated against in seeking rental accommodation in last 5 years | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Felt discriminated against in seeking rental accommodation in last 5 years | |
| 2. Did not feel discriminated against in seeking rental accommodation in last 5 years | |
| Number of years that respondent has rented (in all rentals) - recent continuous | All renters |
| Continuous | |
| If number of years continually renting is known | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Number of years has been continually renting known | |
| 2. Number of years has been continually renting not known | |
| Whether on public housing waiting list | All renters |
| 0. Not applicable | |
| 1. Currently on a public housing waiting list | |
| 2. Not currently on a public housing waiting list | |
| 3. Don't know | |

APPENDIX 2 SAMPLING VARIABILITY

INTRODUCTION

The estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from the occupants of a sample of dwellings. Therefore, the estimates are subject to sampling variability and may differ from the figures that would have been produced if information had been collected for all dwellings.

One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error (SE), which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that the sample estimate will differ by less than one SE from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included, and about 19 chances in 20 that the difference will be less than two SEs. Another measure of the likely difference is the relative standard error (RSE), which is obtained by expressing the SE as a percentage of the estimate.

For estimates of population sizes, the size of the SE generally increases with the level of the estimate, so that the larger the estimate the larger the SE. However, the larger the sampling estimate the smaller the SE in percentage terms (RSE). Thus, larger sample estimates will be relatively more reliable than smaller estimates.

In the tables in this publication, only estimates with RSEs of 25% or less are considered reliable for most purposes. Estimates with RSEs greater than 25% but less than or equal to 50% are annotated by an asterisk to indicate they are subject to high SEs and should be used with caution. Estimates with RSEs of greater than 50%, annotated by a double asterisk, are considered too unreliable for general use and should only be used to aggregate with other estimates to provide derived estimates with RSEs of 25% or less.

RSEs for all tables are provided in the datacube associated with this publication. The RSEs have been derived using the group jackknife method.

COMPARATIVE ESTIMATES

Proportions and percentages

Proportions and percentages, which are formed from the ratio of two estimates, are also subject to sampling errors. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and the denominator. For proportions where the denominator is an estimate of the number of households in a grouping and the numerator is the number of households in a sub-group of the denominator group, the formula for the RSE is given by:

$$RSE\%(\frac{x}{y}) = \sqrt{[RSE\%(x)]^2 + [RSE\%(y)]^2}$$

Differences between estimates

The difference between survey estimates is also subject to sampling variability. An approximate SE of the difference between two estimates (x-y) may be calculated by the formula:

$$SE(x-y) = \sqrt{[SE(x)]^2 + [SE(y)]^2}$$

This approximation can generally be used whenever the estimates come from different samples, such as two estimates from different years or two estimates for two non-intersecting subpopulations in the one year. If the estimates come from two populations, one of which is a subpopulation of the other, the standard error is likely to be lower than that derived from this approximation, but there is no straightforward way of estimating how much lower.

SIGNIFICANCE TESTING

Statistical significance testing can be undertaken to determine whether it is likely that there is a difference between two estimates from different samples. The standard error for the difference between two estimates can be calculated using the formula in the paragraph above. This standard error is used to calculate the following test statistic:

$$\frac{|x-y|}{SE(x-y)}$$

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APPENDIX 2 SAMPLING VARIABILITY *continued*

SIGNIFICANCE TESTING
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If the value of this test statistic is greater than 1.96 then there are 19 chances in 20 that there is a real difference in the two populations with respect to that characteristic. Otherwise, it cannot be stated with confidence that there is a real difference between the populations.

GLOSSARY

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| Alterations and additions | Alterations and additions refer to any work which significantly changes or adds to the original condition of the dwelling or its surrounding land. Some examples of alterations and additions include changing the position of internal walls within a dwelling, renovating a kitchen or a bathroom, installing built in robes, adding an additional room, installing a spa bath, installing a swimming pool, replacing a wooden fence with a metal one and building a garage. |
| Balance of State | The part of each Australian state or territory not defined as a capital city. Balance of state estimates for Northern Territory are regarded as too unreliable to publish separately since they exclude collection districts defined as very remote, which account for about 23% of the NT population. |
| Boarder | A person living in a household who is supplied with meals and lodging in return for some kind of payment. |
| Bottled gas | Gas provided in a large bottle or canister located near the house. A gas retailer may remove empty canisters and replace them with new ones. |
| Capital city | Refers to Australia's six state capital city Statistical Divisions, the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) and the Darwin Statistical Division as defined in the <i>Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)</i> (cat. no. 1216.0). All of the ACT is defined as capital city for this publication. |
| Collection district | The Census Collection District (CD) is the smallest geographic area defined in the <i>Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)</i> (cat. no. 1216.0). |
| Consumer Price Index (CPI) | A general measure of price inflation for the household sector in Australia. Specifically, it provides a measure of changes, over time, in the cost of a constant basket of goods and services acquired by the capital city households in Australia. |
| Couple | See One family households. |
| Couple family with dependent children | See One family households. |
| Deciles | Groupings that result from ranking all households or people in the population in ascending order according to some characteristic, such as their household income, and then dividing the population into 10 equal groups, each comprising 10% of the estimated population. |
| Dependent children | All persons aged under 15 years; and persons aged 15–24 years who are full-time students, have a parent in the household and do not have a partner or child of their own in the household. |
| Disposable income | Gross income less income tax, the Medicare levy and the Medicare levy surcharge i.e. remaining income after taxes are deducted, which is available to support consumption and/or saving. Income tax, Medicare levy and the Medicare levy surcharge are imputed based on each person's income and other characteristics as reported in the survey. Disposable income is sometimes referred to as net income. |
| Dissatisfied households | A household in which the reference person reported being dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with their current dwelling, block of land or location. |
| Dwelling | Defined as a suite of rooms contained within a building which are self-contained and intended for long-term residential use. To be self-contained the suite of rooms must possess cooking and bathing facilities as building fixtures. See also Dwelling structure. |
| Dwelling structure | The dwelling structure type is determined by the structure of the building that contains the dwelling. Households belong to one of four dwelling categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ separate house ■ semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse ■ flat, unit, or apartment and |

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| Dwelling structure <i>continued</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ other dwelling, including caravan or cabin in a caravan park, houseboat in a marina, caravan not in a caravan park, houseboat not in a marina and house or flat attached to a shop. |
| Equity in the dwelling | A household's equity in the dwelling is the difference between the value of the dwelling and the total amount outstanding on mortgages taken out on the dwelling for any purpose, or unsecured loans taken out for housing purposes. |
| Equivalised disposable household income | Disposable household income adjusted using an equivalence scale. For a lone person household it is equal to disposable household income. For a household comprising more than one person, it is an indicator of the disposable household income that would need to be received by a lone person household to enjoy the same level of economic wellbeing as the household in question. For further information see Appendix 3 in <i>Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia, 2007–08</i> (cat. no. 6523.0). |
| Family | Two or more people, one of whom is at least 15 years of age, who are related by blood, marriage (registered or de facto), adoption, step or fostering, and who usually live in the same household. A separate family is formed for each married couple, or for each set of parent-child relationships where only one parent is present. |
| Family composition of household | Classifies households into three broad groupings based on the number of families present (one family, multiple family and non-family). One family households are further disaggregated according to the type of family (such as couple family or one parent family) and according to whether or not dependent children are present. Non-family households are disaggregated into lone person households and group households. |
| Feelings of safety | How safe a person feels in various circumstances (i.e. when home alone during the day, when home alone after dark) was reported on a five point scale, from very safe to very unsafe. If the respondent indicated that they were never home alone during the day or after dark this was separately recorded. |
| First home buyer | A household that bought its dwelling in the three years prior to being interviewed, in which neither the reference person nor his/her co-resident partner had owned or been purchasing a home previously. |
| First Home Owners Grant | The First Home Owners Grant is a scheme established by the Australian Government to provide financial assistance to eligible first home buyers. Its value has varied over time as government policy has changed. |
| Flat, unit or apartment | Includes all self-contained dwellings in blocks of flats, units or apartments. These dwellings do not have their own private grounds and usually share a common entrance foyer or stairwell. This category includes houses converted into flats and flats attached to houses such as granny flats. A house with a granny flat attached is regarded as a separate house. |
| Government pensions and allowances | <p>Income support payments from government to persons under social security and related government programs. Included are pensions and allowances received by aged, disabled, unemployed and sick persons, families and children, veterans or their survivors, and study allowances for students. All overseas pensions and benefits are included here, although some may not be paid by overseas governments.</p> <p>The one-off payments to carers and to older Australians paid in 2006–07 and 2007–08 are included. Family Tax Benefit, Baby Bonus (formerly known as Maternity Payment) and Child Disability Assistance Payment paid to recipients of Carer Allowance are also included in government pensions and allowances.</p> |
| Green Power | Green Power is a government accreditation scheme promoting the use of renewable energy. Green Power energy is available from most electricity retailers, who purchase an agreed amount or percentage of energy for participating customers from accredited sources. |

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| Grey water | The waste water from showers, baths, spas, hand basins, laundry tubs, washing machines, dishwashers and kitchen sinks. It doesn't include water from toilets. |
| Gross income | Income from all sources, whether monetary or in kind, before income tax and the Medicare levy are deducted. |
| Group household | See Non-family households. |
| Household | A person living alone or a group of related or unrelated people who usually live in the same private dwelling. |
| Housing mobility | Housing mobility refers to the movement of people due to a change in their place of usual residence. |
| Income | <p>Income consists of all current receipts, whether monetary or in kind, that are received by the household or by individual members of the household, and which are available for, or intended to support, current consumption.</p> <p>Income includes receipts from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ wages and salaries and other receipts from employment (whether from an employer or own incorporated enterprise), including income provided as part of salary sacrificed and/or salary package arrangements ■ profit/loss from own unincorporated business (including partnerships) ■ net investment income (interest, rent, dividends, royalties) ■ government pensions and allowances ■ private transfers (e.g. superannuation, workers' compensation, income from annuities, child support, and financial support received from family members not living in the same household). <p>Gross income is the sum of the income from all these sources before income tax, the Medicare levy and the Medicare levy surcharge are deducted. Other measures of income are Disposable income and Equivalised disposable income.</p> <p>Note that child support and other transfers from other households are not deducted from the incomes of the households making the transfers.</p> |
| Income unit | An income unit is a single person or a group of related persons within a household, whose command over income is assumed to be shared. Income sharing is assumed to take place within married (registered or de facto) couples, and between parents and dependent children. |
| Incorporated business | An incorporated business is a company that has a registered business name with the <i>Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC)</i> and a legal status which is separate to that of the individual owners of the business. |
| Landlord type | <p>For renters, the type of entity to whom rent is paid or with whom the tenure contract or arrangement is made. Renters are classified to one of the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ state/territory housing authority—where the unit (i.e. household, income unit or person, where applicable) pays rent to a state or territory housing authority or trust ■ private landlords—where the unit pays rent to a real estate agent, a parent or other relative not in the same household, or another person not in the same household ■ person in the same household—where the unit pays rent to a person who resides in the same household ■ other—where the unit pays rent to the owner/manager of a caravan park, an employer (including a government authority), a housing cooperative, a community or church group, or any other body not included elsewhere. |
| Lease | A recognised form of written legal contract specifying that the tenant has the right to occupy the house. |
| Life tenure | A lease arrangement in which the tenant has the right to occupy the dwelling for an indefinite or unspecified period. |
| Lone person household | See Non-family households. |

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| Lower income households | For the purpose of this publication, lower income households are defined as those containing the 30% of people with equivalised disposable household income between the 10th and 40th percentiles. |
| Mains gas | Gas connected to the household by underground pipes and provided on a continuous basis by an energy company. |
| Major structural problems | Major problems with the physical structure of the dwelling, such as the walls, floors, foundations, frame, roof, etc. |
| Mean | The sum of values divided by the number of values. |
| Median | The middle value of a set of values that has been sorted into numerical order. |
| Medicare levy | Medicare is Australia's universal health care system. The Medicare levy is a specific tax, based on individual income, intended to assist in the funding of this system. |
| Mortgage | A mortgage is a loan taken out using the usual residence as security. An owner with a mortgage must still owe money from such a loan. |
| Multiple family household | A household containing two or more families. Unrelated individuals may also be present. |
| Negative income | Income may be negative when a loss accrues to a household as owners or partners in an unincorporated businesses, rental properties, or other investment income. Losses occur when operating expenses and depreciation are greater than gross receipts. |
| Non-dependent children | Persons aged 15 years and over who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ do not have a spouse or offspring of their own in the household ■ have a parent in the household ■ are not full-time students aged 15–24 years. |
| Non-family households | Households that consist of unrelated persons only. Non-family households are classified to one of the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Group household—a household consisting of two or more unrelated persons where all persons are aged 15 years and over. There are no reported couple relationships, parent-child relationships or other blood relationships in these households. ■ Lone person household—a household consisting of a person living alone. |
| One family households | One family households are classified to one of the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Couple only—two persons in a registered or de facto marriage, who usually live in the same household ■ Couple family with dependent children—a household consisting of a couple with at least one dependent child. The household may also include non-dependent children, other relatives and unrelated individuals ■ One parent family with dependent children—a household comprising a lone parent with at least one dependent child. The household may also include non-dependent children, other relatives and unrelated individuals ■ Other one family households—a household comprising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ one couple with their non-dependent children only ■ one couple, with or without non-dependent children, plus other relatives ■ one couple, with or without non-dependent children or other relatives, plus unrelated individuals ■ a lone parent with his/her non-dependent children, with or without other relatives and unrelated individuals ■ two or more related individuals where the relationship is not a couple relationship or a parent-child relationship (e.g. two brothers). |
| One parent family with dependent children | See One family households. |
| Other dwelling | Includes caravans, houseboats, or houses or flats attached to a shop or other commercial premise. |

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| Other income | Income other than wages and salaries, own business or partnership income and government pensions and allowances. This includes income received as a result of ownership of financial assets (interest, dividends), and of non-financial assets (rent, royalties), and other regular receipts from sources such as superannuation, child support, workers' compensation and scholarships. Income from rent is net of operating expenses and depreciation and is negative if these are greater than gross receipts. |
| Other landlord type | Where the unit (i.e. household, income unit or person, where applicable) pays rent to the owner/manager of a caravan park, an employer (including a government authority), a housing cooperative, a community or church group, or any other body not included elsewhere. |
| Other one family household | See One family households. |
| Other source of deposit | Other sources of deposit include state/territory government grants, contributions from employers, loans from informal sources that are not family or friends, other loans, sale of car or other assets, and inheritance. |
| Other source of monetary assistance | Other sources of monetary assistance include state/territory government grants, contributions from employers, sale of car or other assets, and inheritance. |
| Other tenure type | A unit (i.e. household, income unit or person, where applicable) which is not an owner (with or without a mortgage), or a renter. Includes rent free, life tenure, rent/buy and shared equity schemes. |
| Own unincorporated business income | The profit/loss that accrues to persons as owners of, or partners in, unincorporated businesses. Profit/loss consists of the value of gross output of the business after the deduction of operating expenses (including depreciation). Losses occur when operating expenses are greater than gross receipts and are treated as negative income. |
| Owner (of dwelling) | A household in which at least one member owns the dwelling in which the household members usually reside. Owners are divided into two classifications - owners without a mortgage and owners with a mortgage. If there is any outstanding mortgage or loan secured against the dwelling the household is an owner with a mortgage. If there is no mortgage or loan secured against the dwelling the household is an owner without a mortgage. |
| Perceived difficulty with getting to places needed | <p>The person's assessment of how difficult it is for them to travel to places they may need to go to in normal circumstances. Four options were provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ can easily get to the places needed ■ sometimes have difficulty getting to the places needed ■ often have difficulty getting to the places needed ■ can't get to the places needed. <p>If they indicated that they never go out or are housebound this response was separately recorded. Difficulties which may have been taken into account are traffic problems, parking and distances, as well as those difficulties not directly related to transport such as poor health or lack of finances.</p> |
| Previous dwelling | The dwelling that a person inhabited immediately prior to the dwelling that they currently inhabit. |
| Principal source of income | That source from which the most positive income is received. If total income is nil or negative the principal source is undefined. As there are several possible sources, the principal source may account for less than 50% of total income. |
| Private renter | A unit (i.e. household, income unit or person, where applicable) paying rent to a landlord who is a real estate agent, a parent or other relative not in the same household or another person not in the same household. |
| Public renter | A unit (i.e. household, income unit or person, where applicable) paying rent to a state or territory housing authority/trust. |

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| Quintiles | Groupings that result from ranking all households or people in the population in ascending order according to some characteristic, such as their household income, and then dividing the population into five equal groups, each comprising 20% of the estimated population. In this publication the quintiles are formed by ranking people by their equivalised disposable household income. |
| Rainwater collected in other container | The use of bins, wine barrels, buckets etc. to collect rainwater, by either leaving the container out in the rain, or by placing container under the down pipes of the house. |
| Recent movers | Households in which the reference person changed their place of residence in the five years prior to being interviewed. |
| Reference person | <p>The reference person for each household is chosen by applying, to all household members aged 15 years and over, the selection criteria below, in the order listed, until a single appropriate reference person is identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the person with the highest tenure when ranked as follows: owner without a mortgage, owner with a mortgage, renter, other tenure ■ one of the partners in a registered or de facto marriage, with dependent children ■ one of the partners in a registered or de facto marriage, without dependent children ■ a lone parent with dependent children ■ the person with the highest income ■ the eldest person. |
| Refinancing | The replacement of an existing loan contract with a new agreement bearing different terms, often with a different lender. If some of the details of the loan are varied without resulting in a new loan contract, this is not a refinanced loan. |
| Relative standard error (RSE) | The standard error expressed as a percentage of the estimate for which it was calculated. It is a measure which is independent of both the size of the sample and the unit of measurement, and as a result can be used to compare the reliability of different estimates. The smaller an estimate's RSE, the more likely it is that the estimate is a good proxy for that which would have been obtained if the whole population had been surveyed. For further information see Appendix 2. |
| Rent free | Rent free is a tenure arrangement where the unit (i.e. household, income unit or person) exchanges no money for lodging and is not an owner of the dwelling. |
| Renter | A unit (person, income unit or household) that pays rent to reside in the dwelling. See further classification by Landlord type. |
| Repairs and maintenance | Repairs and maintenance refers to any work undertaken with the purpose of either preventing deterioration or repairing some aspect of the dwelling back to its original condition. Examples include replacing a fence with a similar type of fence, repairing broken roof tiles and repainting internal walls. |
| Selected dwelling | The private dwelling selected in the sample for the survey. See the Explanatory Notes for details of types of dwellings and how they are selected for this survey. |
| Semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse | A dwelling with its own private grounds and no dwelling above or below. A key feature of this dwelling is that it is either attached in some structural way to one or more other dwellings or is separated from neighbouring dwellings by less than one-half metre. Examples include semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses or villa units. Multi-storey townhouses or units are separately identified from those which are single storey. |
| Separate house | A dwelling which is self-contained and separated from other houses (or other buildings or structures) by a space to allow access on all sides (at least one-half metre). This category also includes houses that have an attached flat (e.g. a granny flat). The attached flat will be included in the flat, unit or apartment category. |

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| Standard error | A measure of the likely difference between estimates obtained in a sample survey and estimates which would have been obtained if the whole population had been surveyed. The magnitude of the standard error associated with any survey is a function of sample design, sample size and population variability. For further information see Appendix 2. |
| State / territory government concessions and exemptions | Any exemption or concession for first home buyers on stamp (transfer) duty and/or mortgage duty payable to a state or territory government. All jurisdictions offered exemptions and/or concessions on stamp duty and/or mortgage duty to first home buyers in the survey period, normally subject to property value and income thresholds. |
| State / territory government grants | Any monetary grant paid to eligible first home buyers that is in addition to the First Home Owner Grant and introduced by a state or territory government. Some jurisdictions offered grants to first home buyers in the survey period. |
| Statistical division | The largest spatial unit within each state/territory in the main structure of the <i>Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)</i> (cat. no. 1216.0). |
| Tenure type | The nature of a unit's (i.e. household's, income unit's or person's, where applicable) legal right to occupy the dwelling in which they usually reside. Tenure is determined according to whether the unit owns the dwelling outright, owns the dwelling but has a mortgage or loan secured against it, is paying rent to live in the dwelling or has some other arrangement to occupy the dwelling. |
| Unincorporated business | A business in which the owner(s) and the business are the same legal entity, so that, for example, the owner(s) are personally liable for any business debts that are incurred. |
| Value of dwelling | The estimated value of the dwelling and its land, as estimated and reported by the respondent. The data are only collected for owners. |
| Wages and salaries | An employee's total remuneration, whether monetary or in kind, received as a return to labour from an employer or from a person's own incorporated business. It comprises wages and salaries, bonuses, amounts salary sacrificed, non-cash benefits such as the use of motor vehicles and subsidised housing, and termination payments. |

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