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PREFACE

In 1998, the ABS published the Directory of Agricultural Statistics (7217.0) to draw together a number of references to data relating to the field of agriculture. In keeping with its mission 'to assist and encourage informed decision-making, research and discussion', the ABS has extended this current directory to encompass the broader concept of 'rural'. Entries in this directory are also accessible through the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au

Rural statistics relate to data describing or quantifying a physical, economic or social issue relating to rural Australia. In broad terms, 'rural' is taken to mean farmland (including horticultural land), and small communities consisting of less than 50,000 people predominantly servicing these farmlands, throughout Australia. *Rural topics* covered in this directory include rural output, economic, environmental or social conditions, use of resources and the state of supporting infrastructure. They must also have the potential to inform policy making, add to public discussion, and/or social practice.

Rural statistics also include statistics on a variety of other topics which allow comparison between rural and metropolitan situations. For example statistics on tourism, household expenditure, retail sales, income, housing, population, health and welfare all fall under the umbrella of rural statistics once a rural/non-rural perspective is available. Statistics relating to a rural topic, such as land degradation or farm output, are considered rural regardless of the geographic level of data available.

The ABS is not responsible for the accuracy of information supplied by non-ABS organisations and the inclusion of such information in the directory should not be taken as an endorsement by the ABS. The ABS has made every effort to contact all likely sources of rural statistics, but inevitably, some will have been missed. Please contact the ABS in Canberra on 02 6252 5830, facsimile 02 6252 8016 or email Jim.Williamson@abs.gov.au if you are aware of any omissions so that they may be included in future editions of the directory.

I would like to thank the many organisations that have contributed to this directory.

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Australian Statistician

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Directory is to provide researchers with a ready reference to sources of statistical information about rural Australia. The directory is arranged into 18 topics to reflect economic, social and environmental data sources that have the potential to inform policy making and add to public discussion. Each data source contains the following information:

- Name of collection (or forecast);
- Contact details, including web site where available;
- Purpose of collection;
- Description of collection;
- Data items;
- Geographic coverage;
- Frequency of data availability;
- Historical data; and
- Products and services.

The ABS has endeavoured to include data which are available to the public. Readers should refer to the contact details in each entry for more information regarding the availability and cost of data.

HOW TO USE AND UPDATE THIS DIRECTORY

To find your topic of interest in this directory, you can choose any of the methods below.

BROAD SUBJECT HEADING

All entries are categorised under broad subject headings which are listed on the Contents page. These broad subject headings are a useful first point of call if you are interested in a particular topic. However, where the content of a collection could be applicable to a number of headings, the collection has been included only under the heading considered to be the most applicable. A number of collections which contain data on a range of topics, have been included under the 'Agriculture General' heading, and you should always check entries in this category when looking at specific topics.

SUBJECT INDEX

Use the Subject Index near the back of the directory and turn to the page reference given in the index.

CONTRIBUTORS AND DATA SOURCES INDEX

If you know the name of an organisation which has agricultural or rural data, look in the Contributors and Data Sources Index, which is located after the Subject Index towards the back of the directory.

UPDATING

Users of this directory should advise the ABS of any collections not included in the directory and any changes to current entries. This will enable the ABS to update the directory with a view to producing updated references on the ABS web site at <http://www.abs.gov.au> and future printed editions. When providing information about new entries, please indicate the broad subject category to which the entry belongs. When updating existing entries, please refer to individual entries in the directory.

The information can be posted, faxed or emailed to:

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INTERNET

You can also access the directory on the ABS website:
<http://www.abs.gov.au>

DATA SOURCES

AGRICULTURE GENERAL

NAME OF COLLECTION

Agricultural Census/Agricultural Commodity Survey

Contact

Client Service Officer
Agriculture National Project Centre
Australian Bureau of Statistics
GPO Box 66A
Hobart TAS 7001

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Facsimile: 03 6222 5879
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Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

The Agricultural Census/Agricultural Commodity Survey is the major source of Australian agricultural commodity statistics. Details relating to area planted and production of a wide range of agricultural commodities is collected annually. These commodity data are used to derive the 'Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced (VACP)' series released annually by ABS and used in the compilation of Gross Farm Product.

Description

The Agricultural Census was conducted annually until 1996–97. Since 1996–97 an annual Agricultural Commodity Survey has been conducted. The 2000–2001 collection will be conducted as a census, as will every fifth year from there on. From 1999–2000 and onwards, the reference period is the year ended June. Previous years data relate to a reference year ended March. The Agricultural Commodity Survey (ACS) has a sample size of approximately 35,000 farm establishments with an Estimated Value of Agricultural Operations (EVAO) above \$5,000.

Data detail

Data items include:

- area of holding;
- number of livestock;
- area and production of crops;
- number of establishments;
- land use; and
- irrigation.

AGRICULTURE GENERAL

Geographic detail

Data from the agricultural census are available down to the Statistical Local Area level. Data from the Agricultural Commodity Survey are generally available down to Statistical Division level, and to the Statistical Local Area level for some items on request.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Annual agricultural censuses have been conducted by some States and Territories for 140 years to 1997, followed by annual surveys since then.

Products and services

Publications

- *Principal Agricultural Commodities, Australia, Preliminary* (Cat. no. 7111.0)
- *Agricultural Commodities, Australia* (Cat. no. 7121.0)
- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)

Other

- Special data services are available on request.
- Agstats 2000—a user friendly CD ROM product containing small area agricultural data for the years 1997 to 1999.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Agricultural and Grazing Industries Survey

Contact

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Data Management and Collection
Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics
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Canberra ACT 2601

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Internet: <http://www.abareconomics.com>

Purpose

To provide a unique research database which integrates detailed financial, physical and socioeconomic information for over 70% of Australian farms.

Description

The Australian Agricultural and Grazing Industries Survey covers five broadacre industries:

- wheat and other crops industry (ANZSIC Class 121)
- mixed livestock-crops industry (ANZSIC Class 122)
- sheep industry (ANZSIC Class 124)
- beef industry (ANZSIC Class 125)
- sheep-beef industry (ANZSIC Class 123)

The data are collected by both personal and telephone interview from approximately 1,400 to 1,700 farms.

Data detail

Data items include:

land — area operated, types of tenure, land values; sharefarming — on and off farm sharefarming by enterprises; labour; farm family; capital — capital inventory of plant, machines, buildings, etc.; estimated value of land and improvements, plant and equipment, livestock, stocks of wool and some crops; crops — areas planted, harvested, quantity produced/on hand/purchased/used or wasted/sold; fertiliser; irrigation — area irrigated; livestock — opening and closing numbers, matings, natural increase, purchases, sales etc.; sheep shorn, wool produced and on hand; for dairy farms, milk sales; receipts; costs; farm performance measures; and liquid assets.

AGRICULTURE GENERAL

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories. Data are collected at Statistical Local Area (SLA) level. Data can be made available down to SLA level, depending on the number of sample points in a particular SLA.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1977–78 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Farm Surveys Report* produced annually
- Other publications using Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics (ABARE) farm survey data

Other

- Data are available on request and can be delivered in a format specified by the client.
- ABARE has developed ag@caccess, a software package that provides performance benchmarks for farms in broadacre industries. Other packages similar to ag@caccess that have been developed by ABARE include grains@caccess, Dairyweb and basin@caccess. grains@caccess and ag@caccess. All these packages are on ABARE's web site at <http://www.abareconomics.com>.
- ABARE also produces a time series data package (ASPIRE).

NAME OF COLLECTION

Farm Use of Information Technology

Contact

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Purpose

To measure and monitor the take up of information technology by the agricultural sector.

Description

A mail out survey of 35,000 agricultural establishments.

Data detail

Data items include:

- details of computer and internet use; and
- use of other technologies (1997–98).

Geographic coverage

National, State and Statistical Division level. The data can also be classified using the Accessibility/ Remoteness Index of Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

1997–98 and 1998–99.

Products and services

Publications

- *Report on Use of Information Technology on Farms, Australia, 1997–98* (Cat. no. 8150.0.40.001)
- *Use of Information Technology on Farms, Australia, Preliminary, 1998–99* (Cat. no. 8134.0)
- *Use of Information Technology on Farms, Australia, 1998–99* (Cat. no. 8150.0)

NAME OF COLLECTION

Household Expenditure Survey

Contact

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Income, Expenditure and Housing Section
Australian Bureau of Statistics
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Belconnen ACT 2616

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Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

The Household Expenditure Survey (HES) collects information about household income and expenditure. Specifically the purpose of the survey is to:

- identify the net levels and patterns of expenditure of Australian private households on a comprehensive range of goods and services purchased for private use; and
- determine how these levels and patterns vary according to income levels and other characteristics of households, such as size and composition, location and principal sources of cash income.

Description

The HES collects detailed information about the expenditure, income and household characteristics of a sample of households resident in private dwellings throughout Australia. The 1998–99 survey comprised a sample of 6,893 households. Information on income, personal and household characteristics and irregular or infrequent expenditure are collected by personal interview. In addition, household members keep diaries in which they record all their expenditure during a two week period.

Data detail

Data items include:

Weekly household expenditure by all or a specific group of households (e.g. households in rural areas) on detailed items within the following broad categories:

- current housing costs (selected dwelling);
- domestic fuel and power;
- food and non-alcoholic beverages;
- alcoholic beverages;

Data detail *continued*

- tobacco products;
- clothing and footwear;
- household furnishings and equipment;
- household services and operation;
- medical care and health expenses;
- transport;
- recreation;
- personal care; and
- miscellaneous goods and services.

Geographic coverage

Data from the Household Expenditure Survey are available at the National, State and Capital city/other urban/rural level.

Frequency of data availability

The HES is conducted about every 5 years. The latest survey was conducted from July 1998 to June 1999.

Historical data

Data are available for 1974–75, 1975–76, 1984, 1988–89, 1993–94 and 1998–99.

Note: Data for 1974–75 were collected from households in capital cities only (excluding Darwin). Data for subsequent surveys were collected from households in capital city, other urban and rural areas. The first 2 surveys collected information on fewer goods and services than those from 1984 and subsequent surveys.

Products and services

Publications

- *Household Expenditure Survey, Australia: User Guide* (Cat. no. 6527.0)
- *Household Expenditure Survey, Australia: Summary of Results* (Cat. no. 6530.0)
- *Household Expenditure Survey, Australia: Detailed Expenditure Items* (Cat. no. 6535.0)

Other

Household Expenditure Survey, Australia: Confidentialised Unit Record File (CURF), on CD-Rom (Cat. no. 6544.0.30.001).

- Special data services are available upon request.

AGRICULTURE GENERAL

NAME OF COLLECTION

Mildura District Culture Survey

Contact

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Purpose

To provide culture, irrigation type and farm size data for the trust district.

Description

A census of 1600 district customers with irrigated agriculture activity. The data are collected by a water distribution contracts questionnaire, geographic systems data plus interviews where appropriate.

Data detail

Data items include:

- name and address;
- property reference;
- irrigable area;
- irrigated area;
- culture type;
- irrigation type;
- meter type; and
- drawing type.

Geographic coverage

Data are available at postcode and Local Government Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

1990, 1995 and 2000

Products and services

Publications

- *First Mildura Irrigation Trust Corporate Plan*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Outlook for Queensland Primary Industries

Contact

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Purpose

Publication released for industry use, and internally for program/policy planning.

Description

Estimates of gross value of commodity production.

Data detail

Data items include:

- fruit and vegetables;
- sugar cane, cotton and cereal grains;
- cattle and pig disposals;
- milk and wool;
- fisheries and forestry; and
- employment trends.

Geographic coverage

Queensland.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Compares a number of years.

Products and services

Publications

- Hard copy report available from author

NAME OF COLLECTION

Quarterly Survey of Rural Queensland

Contact

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Queensland Farmers' Federation
PO Box 3128
South Brisbane Qld 4101
Telephone: 07 3844 7261
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Purpose

To provide a quarterly snapshot of the status of the Queensland rural industry.

Description

A quarterly survey of 1200 QLD rural producers to examine recent and expected business performance.

Data detail

Data items include:

- business performance;
- income and investment;
- equity and debt; and
- employment and training.

Geographic coverage

Queensland and eight smaller regions within.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Data are available from December 1992 to September 1997.

Products and services

Publications

- *Quarterly Survey of Queensland Rural Industry*

Other

Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced

Contact

Client Service Officer
Agriculture National Project Centre
Australian Bureau of Statistics
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Hobart Tas 7001

Telephone: 03 6222 5939
Facsimile: 03 6222 5879
Email: g.cameron@abs.gov.au
Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

Data are widely used by the State and Federal Government departments in policy formulation and research. VACP estimates are also used by the ABS as input to the National Accounts.

Description

The statistics are derived by multiplying quantity data by price (or unit value) data.

Data detail

Items collected include:

- Cereals, pastures and grasses;
- Fruit, vegetables, and
- Livestock.

Geographic coverage

Data are available down to State/Territory level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1990 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)
- *Value of Principal Agricultural Commodities Produced, Australia, Preliminary* (Cat. no. 7501.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.
- Agstats 2000 — CD-ROM containing small area data.

DAIRYING

NAME OF COLLECTION

South Australian Dairy Industry Statistics

Contact

Chief Executive Officer
Dairy Authority of South Australia
33 Hutt Street
Adelaide SA 5000

Telephone: 08 8223 2277

Facsimile: 08 8232 2463

Purpose

To provide statistical information on the SA dairy industry for inclusion in the Dairy Authority of SA Annual Report.

Description

Monthly data come from a statistical return by licensed processors of dairy produce. Annual returns are by licensed vendors and dairy farmers in South Australia. The data are collected by mail questionnaire as an annual or monthly return to all licence holders as a condition of their licence. Data are collected from 714 farmers, 280 vendors and 35 processors.

Data detail

Data items include:

- licences current as at 30 June (year) (dairy farmers, processors and vendors);
- average total number of licensed dairy farmers during the year;
- average total number of milking cows (excluding heifers) during the year;
- average total number of heifers during the year;
- average total number of milking cows (excluding heifers) per farm;
- average number of heifers per farm;
- annual production of milk (litres, kilograms butterfat, kilograms protein);
- average annual production per farm (litres, kilograms butterfat, kilograms protein);
- average annual production per cow (litres, kilograms butterfat, kilograms protein);

Data detail *continued*

- average production of milk per day (litres, kilograms butterfat, kilograms protein);
- average production of milk per farm per day (litres);
- average production of milk per cow per day — 300 day lactation (litres);
- annual sales of market milk — litres (whole fat, reduced fat, low fat);
- annual sales of fresh flavoured milk (litres);
- average annual per capita sales of market milk — litres (whole fat, reduced fat, low fat);
- average annual per capita sales of fresh flavoured milk (litres);
- average sales of market milk per day — litres (whole fat, reduced fat, low fat);
- average sales of fresh flavoured milk per day (litres); and
- annual sales to production ratio.

Geographic coverage

South Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1993–94 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Annual Report of the Dairy Industry Authority of South Australia*

DAIRYING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Breeding Values and National Herd Recording Statistics

Contact

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Australian Dairy Herd Improvement Scheme
Level 6, 84 William Street
Melbourne Vic 3000

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Facsimile: 03 9642 8166
Email: rpoole@adhis.com.au
Internet: <http://www.adhis.com.au>

Purpose

To provide genetic evaluations for dairy cattle in Australia and national statistics for herd-recorded dairy cattle.

Description

Collation of dairy cattle herd data from 16 herd improvement centres across Australia. Actual production and pedigree data are supplied regularly by approximately 7,000 dairy farmers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- pedigree information for bulls; and
- genetic evaluations.

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories and Victorian regions.

Frequency of data availability

6 monthly.

Historical data

Data are available from 1981 for Australian breeding values.

Products and services

Publications

- *The ABV Book*
- *The Australian Dairy Herd Improvement Report*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Dairy Industry Survey

Contact

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Purpose

To provide a research database which integrates detailed financial, physical and socioeconomic information for Australian dairy farms.

Description

The Australian Dairy Industry Survey covers farms classified to ANZSIC Class 130, dairy cattle farming. The data are collected by both personal interviews and telephone interviews from approximately 300 to 350 farms.

Data detail

Data items include:

land — area operated, types of tenure, land values;
 sharefarming — on and off farm sharefarming by enterprises;
 labour; farm family; capital — capital inventory of plant, machines, buildings, etc.; estimated value of land and improvements, plant and equipment, livestock, stocks of wool and some crops; crops — areas planted, harvested, quantity produced/on hand/purchased/used or wasted/sold; fertiliser; irrigation — area irrigated; livestock — opening and closing numbers, matings, natural increase, purchases, sales etc.; sheep shorn, wool produced and on hand; for dairy farms, milk sales; receipts; costs; farm performance measures; and liquid assets.

Geographic detail

Australia, States and Territories. Data are collected at Statistical Local Area (SLA) level. Data can be made available down to SLA level, depending on the number of sample points in a particular SLA.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1977–78 to present.

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Products and services

Publications

- *Annual Australian Farm Surveys Report*
- *Australian dairy industry 2000: ABARE research report 2000.10*
- Other publications using Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics (ABARE) farm survey data

Other

- Data are available on request and can be delivered in a format specified by the client. ABARE produces a time series data package (ASPIRE).
- DairyWeb an interactive web site that allows a user to review dairy farm performance across Australian dairy farms using ABARE Farm Survey data. DairyWeb is on the Dairy Research and Development Corporation (DRDC) web site at <http://www.drdc.aust.com>.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Tasmanian Dairy Farm Survey

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Purpose

To identify areas for research and advisory programs for the
 DPIWE Dairy Program.

Description

Survey, to be compared with similar earlier surveys.
 Interviews with 70 dairy farmers, from population of 730.

Data detail

Data items include:

- calving and herd practices;
- irrigation and fertiliser issues; and
- fodder and agistment characteristics.

Geographic coverage

Tasmanian dairy regions.

Frequency of data availability

4 yearly (1997–98 most recent).

Historical data

From 1985–1998.

Products and services

Publications

- *Tasmanian Dairy Farm Survey Report — 1997–98*

LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Annual Lamb Survey

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Internet: <http://www.mla.com.au>

Purpose

To provide information on production trends in the lamb industry.

Description

The lamb survey is conducted once a year and looks at lamb production trends across five states.

Data detail

Data items include:

- lambs on hand at 30 June;
- number of ewes joined; and
- number of lambs marked and/or expected to be marked.

Geographic coverage

All States except QLD.

Frequency of data availability

Data are available in August each year.

Historical data

Data are available from 1992 for trend analysis.

Products and services

Publications

- *Australian Meat and Livestock Review*
- *Lamb Survey Report*
- *MLA Market Briefs*

Other

- Past reports are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Frozen Poultry and Game Birds (Annual)

Contact

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Purpose

The purpose of the survey is to measure total stocks of frozen poultry as at 30 June each year. The survey is conducted specifically for the Apparent Consumption of Foodstuffs series, and the results are incorporated in the estimation of food consumption series.

Description

The Stocks of Frozen Poultry and Game Birds collection form is sent to all establishments contributing to the quarterly Poultry and Game Birds collection. Respondents are asked to report all stocks of frozen poultry and game birds held in their store(s) at 30 June.

Data detail

Data items include:

for poultry:

- Number in stock; and
- Dressed weight (kg).

Geographic coverage

Data are available down to the State level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1998 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Apparent Consumption of Foodstuffs, Australia*
(Cat. no. 4306.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Live Animal Export Statistics

Contact

Scientific Officer
Live Animal Exports
Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service
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Email: jane.parlett@aqis.gov.au
Internet: <http://www.aqis.gov.au>

Purpose

Measure performance of Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) operations.

Description

Numbers of animals exported, by species, by country of destination.

Data are collected at AQIS State offices.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of live animals exported;
- number of export permits issued; and
- value of animal exports.

Geographic coverage

Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly, Quarterly, Annual (Financial year), Annual (Calendar year), Irregular and One-off.

Historical data

Data have evolved, however records of some description can be sourced since 1980s.

Products and services

Data are available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Livestock Market Reports/Livestock Prices

Contact

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 Internet: <http://www.nlrs.com.au>

Purpose

To provide the livestock industry with an independent and accurate livestock information service.

Description

Information is collected from 53 cattle saleyards and 21 sheep saleyards across Australia. Market reporters collect data directly from the saleyards. Market analysts collect slaughter statistics, Over the Hooks (OTH) data for cattle, lambs and pigs as well as skin and hide prices.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Auction sale results;
- Slaughter data;
- Physical market data; and
- Information on direct sales (OTH) of cattle, lambs and pigs.

Geographic coverage

Australia, State and regional towns.

Frequency of data availability

Daily and all other options.

Historical data

Data are available from 1987 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *OTH Reports for cattle, lambs and pigs*
- *Daily Market Reports*
- *Weekly cattle/Sheep Summaries*
- *Slaughter Statistics Reports*

LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

Products and services *continued*

- *Skin Reports*
- *Hide Reports*
- *Store Market Reports*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request and are available by Internet:
<http://www.meat.nsw.gov.au/nlrs/nlrs.htm>
www.nlrs.com.au, electronic email delivery, fax subscription and phone.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Livestock Slaughtered

Contact

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 Agriculture National Project Centre
 Australian Bureau of Statistics
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 Hobart TAS 7001

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 Facsimile: 03 6222 5879
 Email: g.cameron@abs.gov.au
 Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

Data are primarily used by ABARE, AFFA and other organisations to monitor meat production levels. The data are also used to derive the 'Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced' series produced annually by ABS and used in the compilation of Gross Farm Product.

Description

A monthly collection from abattoirs and other major slaughtering establishments.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Livestock slaughterings and meat produced.

Geographic coverage

Data are available down to State level.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly.

Historical data

Data were included in the first issue of *Livestock Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 7215.0) in March 1981.

Products and services

Publications

- *Livestock Products, Australia* (Cat. no 7215.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Livestock Slaughtered Coverage Collection (annual)

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Purpose

The purpose of this survey is to check details of the size of abattoirs not in scope of the monthly 'Livestock Slaughtered' survey, and provides information on the size of the operations of smaller abattoirs.

Description

This is a coverage collection of smaller abattoirs which service both the domestic and export markets.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Number slaughtered.

Geographic coverage

Data are available down to State level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data collected from 1980.

Products and services

Publications

- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)
- *Livestock Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 7215.0)
- *Livestock and Meat, Australia* (Cat. no. 7218.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Livestock Slaughter Statistics

Contact

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Purpose

To provide livestock slaughter data on a timely basis.

Description

A weekly census of 33 export and domestic abattoirs in Queensland. The data are collected by facsimile or telephone return from abattoirs and/or Australian Quarantine Inspection Service.

Data detail

Data items include:

- male cattle;
- female cattle;
- calves;
- sheep;
- lambs;
- goats;
- deer; and
- camels.

Geographic coverage

Queensland. Regional data are available on request.

Frequency of data availability

Weekly.

Historical data

Data are available from 1988 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- Weekly and monthly historical data are available from Queensland Livestock and Meat Authority

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Meat and Livestock Australia National Feedlot Survey

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Purpose

To collect and disseminate data on feedlot production.

Description

A quarterly survey of approximately 30% of Australian feedlots accredited under the National Feedlot Accreditation Scheme. The data are collected by mail questionnaire from approximately 220 feedlots.

Data detail

Data items include:

- feedlot capacity;
- numbers on feed;
- market destination;
- days on feed;
- feedlot owned or custom fed; and
- turn-off historical data.

Geographic coverage

Australia and States.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Data available from December 1995 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *ALFA/MLA National Feedlot Survey*

NAME OF COLLECTION

National Animal Health Information System (NAHIS)

Contact

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Purpose

The National Animal Health Information System provides information on Australia's animal health status to support trade in animal commodities.

Description

NAHIS collects summary information on animal health from State government laboratory accessions and disease control programs, national surveillance programs, and other sources.

Data detail

Data items include:

- the number of tests negative and positive;
- time period; and
- the number of herds negative and positive.

Geographic coverage

Generally available by State and by areas similar to Local Government Areas.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Available from 1995 onwards.

Products and services

Publications

- Animal Health Surveillance Quarterly

NAME OF COLLECTION

PigStats

Contact

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Purpose

A statistical compilation of herd size, number of producers and the physical and financial performance of pig farmers.

Description

An annual survey of pig producers. The data are collected by a combination of telephone interview and mail questionnaire plus personal follow up. The sample size is 3,600 producer interviews and 30 physical and financial data sets (30 farms represented).

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of farms;
- herd size;
- physical performance;
- financial performance; and
- slaughter data.

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1992 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *PigStats*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Poultry and Game Birds Slaughtered (Quarterly)

Contact

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Purpose

Data are primarily used by ABARE, AFFA and industry organisations to monitor meat production levels. The data are also used to derive the 'Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced (VACP)' series released annually by ABS and used in the compilation of Gross Farm Product.

Description

Poultry slaughterings statistics are compiled from returns supplied by commercial poultry establishments.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Number slaughtered and dressed weight (kg); and
- Average value per live bird slaughtered on own account.

Geographic coverage

Data are available for NSW, QLD, VIC, and SA.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Commenced 1998.

Products and services

Publications

- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)
- *Livestock Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 7215.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Pork Statistics

Contact

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Purpose

To provide statistical information on the pork industry in Western Australia.

Description

An annual survey is conducted by questionnaire. The data, collected on a quarterly basis, are published annually with the latest available being from 1998.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of producers;
- number of sows;
- carcass weights; and
- import/export figures.

Geographic coverage

Data available at the State level for Western Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Data available from 1992–1998.

Products and services

Publications

- *Pigstats*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Saleyard Statistics

Contact

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Purpose

To provide industry information

Description

Data are collected through mail-out, mail-back questionnaire and telephone interview of 44 saleyards.

Data detail

Data items include:

- stock throughput;
- market schedule;
- vendor yard dues;
- agent charges;
- truck wash facilities; and
- saleyard locations.

Geographic coverage

Data are available at State level

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1983 to 1999.

Products and services

Publications

- Data are available to LSAV members free of charge.
 Non-members \$15.00 (incl. postage)

NAME OF COLLECTION

Saleyard Throughput Statistics

Contact

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National Association Saleyard Service Organisations Inc
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Melbourne VIC 3000

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Email: lsav@bigpond.com

Purpose

To provide trends on use of saleyards throughput in Australia.

Description

A collection of saleyard throughput data from about 300 saleyards throughout Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania and South Australia.

Data detail

Data items include:

- cattle throughput; and
- sheep/lamb throughput.

Geographic coverage

Data are available by individual saleyard.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Past ten years.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Wool Receivals and Purchases

Contact

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 Agriculture National Project Centre
 Australian Bureau of Statistics
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 Hobart TAS 7001

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 Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

To provide wool sales, receivals, purchases, interstate movements and stocks data.

Description

A mail based, quarterly census of wool brokers and dealers. Data collected includes information on wool sales, receivals, purchases, interstate movements and stocks.

Data detail

The data items collected include:

- quantity (bales) and weight of wool purchased or received;
- quantity, weight and value of wool sold; and
- quantity and weight of stocks, of all taxable wool.

Geographic coverage

Data from this census are available down to the State level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

The data were first published in *Wool, Australia 1979–80* (Cat. no. 7212.0) but more recently in *Livestock Products, Australia* (7215.0).

Products and services

Publications

- *Livestock Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 7215.0)
- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Mushroom Industry Overview

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Purpose

The information provides an overview of the performance of the industry during the past year. Included is a comparison with historical performance and an assessment of future trends. The information will assist those who are seeking a broad outline of the industry through key performance indicators.

Description

The overview is the most comprehensive source of Australian mushroom statistics. The Association collects some data, while other information is collected via independent agencies contracted by the Association.

Data detail

Data items include:

Statistical overview:

- Australian domestic crop value;
- domestic production;
- import quantity and value;
- total market value;
- State production;
- per capita consumption;
- productivity;
- consumption comparison — Australia versus overseas; and
- fresh-processed split.

Data detail *continued*

Consumer trends:

- who buys mushrooms;
- how often do shoppers buy mushrooms;
- price;
- where do shoppers buy mushrooms;
- mushrooms on the shopping list;
- quality of mushrooms;
- consumer use of mushrooms in Australia; and
- specialty mushrooms.

Geographic coverage

Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Historical data available from 1990.

Products and services

All of the above information can be obtained by contacting the Australian Mushroom Growers Association.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Rice Production by Region

Contact

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The Rice Marketing Board for the State of NSW
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Leeton NSW 2705

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Internet: <http://www.rmbnsw.org>

Purpose

To provide annual rice production and yield data in New South Wales.

Description

Actual production data by variety are collected from each rice producing farm in New South Wales.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of rice producing farms;
- area harvested;
- yield per hectare;
- variety grown; and
- district and region.

Geographic coverage

Irrigation Area, Irrigation District, and New South Wales.

Frequency of data availability

Data are available annually following harvesting, usually in August.

Historical data

Data are available from 1929 onwards although for very early years there is only total production for NSW.

Products and services

Publications

- *Rice Marketing Board Annual Report*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Canegrowers Statistics Collection

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Purpose

To provide information on the sugar industry.

Description

An annual survey of sugar mills to obtain production information for the sugar industry. The data are collected by mail questionnaire from the sugar mill areas in Queensland, New South Wales and Western Australia.

Data detail

Data items include:

- sugarcane production and sugar content of cane;
- area harvested and average yields;
- assigned area (cane production area);
- number of growers;
- sugarcane and sugar prices;
- number of harvesters and harvest groups;
- harvesting season dates and length; and
- tonnes of cane stood over (grown but not harvested).

Geographic coverage

Queensland, New South Wales and Western Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Most information is annual. Cane production is also available on a weekly basis during the season.

Historical data

Data from 1980; some for earlier years.

Products and services

Publications

- *Annual Report*
- *Australian Sugar Industry Handbook*

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Hop Crop Statistics

Contact

Mr E. I. O'May
Honorary Secretary
Hop Growers' Association of Victoria
3 Disher Avenue
Myrtleford, VIC 3737
Telephone: 03 57521723

Purpose

To provide hop production data for the Association and other interested parties.

Description

Data are collected from 8 growers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Hop production.

Geographic coverage

Data are available at postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

1991 to present.

Products and services

Data may be available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Onion Stock Survey Report

Contact

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 Australian Onion Industry Association Inc.
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 Murray Bridge SA 5253
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Purpose

To provide onion stock figures available in Australia with crop and harvest reports.

Description

A survey of 21 respondents (representing approximately 800 onion growers) located in major onion-growing areas of each State. Data are collected by faxed questionnaire.

Data detail

Data items include:

- hectares planted;
- onion type;
- estimated tonnes stored; and
- estimated tonnes harvested.

Geographic coverage

Australian major onion-growing areas in each State.

Frequency of data availability

Figures released in February, June and November.

Historical data

Data are available from 1995 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Onions Australia* (annual magazine)
- *Onion Stock Survey Report*
- *AOIA Newsletter* (quarterly newsletter)

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Queensland Sugar Mill Production

Contact

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Purpose

To provide Queensland Sugar Production data.

Description

An annual collection of sugar production statistics from Queensland sugar mills.

The data are compiled from original sources (Queensland's sugar mills).

Data detail

Data items include:

- sugar cane crushed;
- raw sugar produced;
- Queensland prices and payments;
- cane adjustment; and
- sales by destination.

Geographic coverage

Data are collected at the State level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1987 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Queensland Sugar Corporation Annual Report*

BUSINESS, TOURISM AND TRADE

NAME OF COLLECTION

ABS Business Register Counts

Contact

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Purpose

The primary purpose of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Business Register is to provide a comprehensive source of business names and addresses from which businesses can be selected for inclusion in ABS economic censuses and sample surveys.

Besides business names and addresses, data recorded on the register for each business include items such as type of legal organisation, main economic activity, geographic location and employment size. These data items are aggregated and made available to ABS clients. Note that business names and addresses are not provided to ABS clients.

Description

The ABS Business Register includes those businesses that employ wage and salary earners and businesses with no employment but which are linked by common ownership or control to another business that does. Non-employing businesses classified to the Agriculture industry are included on the Business Register. Other non-employing businesses are not included on the Business Register.

The term 'business' is taken to mean a legal entity such as a registered company, partnership, trust, sole proprietor, religious organisation, government department, or any other legally recognised organisation which provides goods and services.

Description *continued*

Various sources are used to update information on the ABS Business Register. Most new employing businesses are identified and included on the register within one to six months of commencing. However, daily fluctuations in the size and number of businesses, and the problems inherent in detecting these fluctuations in a timely manner, make it difficult to keep the register completely up to date.

The ABS Business Register is produced as an administrative by-product.

Data detail

Data items include:

- counts of businesses;
- aggregate employment of business;
- industry type;
- size of business (employment range); and
- type of legal organisation.

Geographic coverage

The data can be obtained at the National, State, Local Government Area and Postcode level.

Customised regions based on any of the above geographic levels can be provided as a special data request.

Frequency of data availability

The data are updated irregularly, the last release being in September 1998.

Historical data

The ABS Business Register is a 'snapshot' of all in-scope businesses at a particular point in time. Currently, the snapshot is based on counts as at September 1998. Detailed comparisons should not be made with register data from other time periods. Use of register data for time series analyses may result in inaccurate and misleading conclusions being drawn due to changes in the classifications, definitions and register updating practices.

Products and services

- Available as a special data services request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Annual Manufacturing Collection

Contact

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 Manufacturing National Project Centre
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Purpose

The annual manufacturing collection provides information on the key measures of performance of the Australian Manufacturing industry.

Description

The Manufacturing Census is conducted every five years and provides small area data for manufacturing industries. The Manufacturing Survey, conducted in intercensal years, provides data on main summary variables down to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) Class level for Australia, States and Territories. Value of commodities sold is collected from a sample of establishments every year. Data are collected by mail questionnaire. Details of all data items collected are contained in the ABS publication *Information Paper: Availability of Statistics Relating to Manufacturing* (Cat. no. 8205.0).

Data detail

Data items include:

- employment;
- wages and salaries; and
- turnover.

Geographic coverage

In sample years, data are available for Australia, States and Territories only.

In a census year, data are available at the Statistical Local Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Manufacturing (or factory) censuses were first conducted in Australia in the 19th century. However, these censuses were not conducted on a uniform basis prior to 1906. Although substantially uniform statistics were collected from 1906 to 1967–68, it was only with the commencement of the ABSs integrated economic statistics system in 1968–69 that a truly uniform system was introduced. The manufacturing census was conducted annually from 1968–69 until 1991–1992 (except for 1970–71 and 1985–86). It was again conducted in 1993–1994 and 1996–1997. As from 1996–1997, the Manufacturing Census will be conducted every five years. In the other years from 1992–1993, the annual manufacturing collection is conducted as a sample survey.

Products and services

Publications

- *Manufacturing, Australia, 1997* (Cat. no. 8225.0)
- *Manufacturing Industry, Australia* (Cat. no. 8221.0)
- *Manufacturing Industry, Australia, Preliminary* (Cat. no. 8201.0)
- *Manufacturing Industry*, (State Publications) (Cat. nos. 8221.1–.6)
- *Manufacturing Commodities Produced, Australia* (Cat. no. 8365.0)

Other

- A customised data service is available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Automotive Industry Economic Survey

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Purpose

To assess business confidence and expectations of future conditions in the retail automotive industry.

Description

The VACC's Automotive Industry Economic Survey (AIES) is conducted quarterly to assess the confidence levels and expectations of nearly 400 small businesses in the retail automotive industry.

Data detail

Data items include:

- expectations of the Victorian and national economy;
- retail automotive expectations;
- average selling price;
- profitability;
- average wages and labour costs;
- employment levels; and
- capital expenditure.

Geographic coverage

Data are available at metropolitan and non-metropolitan level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

March 1998 to current is available electronically.

Products and services

Other

- VACC website: www.vacc.asn.au/corp/surveys.html

NAME OF COLLECTION

Commerce Statistics

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Purpose

To assist business investment and relocation.

Description

The information is compiled primarily from ABS data with some local collections.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Business costs;
- transport services;
- lifestyles;
- economic;
- workforce;
- credits; and
- contact.

Geographic coverage

Data are available at Statistical Division Level.

Frequency of data availability

Six monthly and annually.

Historical data

Data are available from the early 1990s.

Products and services

Publications

- *Corporate Cairns Statistics Commentary*

Other

- The above publication is available on the website.

NAME OF COLLECTION

International Merchandise Export Statistics

Contact

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 Client Services
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Purpose

The purpose of this collection is to provide monthly statistics of Australia's merchandise trade with its major trading partners and selected country groups.

Description

International merchandise export statistics are inputs to major economic statistics such as the Balance of Payments and the National Accounts. These statistics are among the most valuable decision-making tools available to businesses competing in the export field. They are used for:

- monitoring commodity price and volume changes;
- researching opportunities for developing new, or expanding existing markets;
- monitoring commodity export performance;
- analysing market share of trade in particular commodities;
- investigating transportation trends for Australia's exports;
- entering trade negotiations with overseas governments; or
- formulating trade and budgetary policies.

Data detail

Data items include:

- detailed commodity information;
- value of goods;
- quantity of goods;
- gross weight of goods;
- overseas countries and country groups, such as ASEAN, OECD, etc;
- overseas ports;

Data detail *continued*

- Australian States and ports; and
- mode of transport.

Geographic coverage

Covers exports out of Australia by:

- country of final destination and port of discharge;
- Australian State and port of loading; and
- Australian State of origin.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly — any aggregation of months can also be provided.

Historical data

Statistics from July 1981 are readily available in various formats.

Earlier statistics may be supplied from publications or microfiche.

Products and services

Publications

- *International Merchandise Trade, Australia* (Cat. no. 5422.0) — a quarterly publication available within 2 months of the end of the reference period
- Publications covering earlier periods are available for consultation in Australian Bureau of Statistics Libraries
- Time series data in publication format are available from 1974–75 onwards

Other

- Consultancy services operate in each Australian Bureau of Statistics State and Territory office, and through Central Office in Canberra. Consultants develop tailored information solutions in response to individual client needs. These may take the form of ad hoc statistics reports accompanied by supporting information to assist in interpreting the data, or regularly delivered reports provided on subscription basis and accompanied by explanatory notes and annotations. The statistics may be provided on a range of media and dispatched through a variety of delivery mechanisms. Floppy disks, magnetic cartridges and CD-ROMs are mailed to clients. Reports are also delivered as Internet email attachments. Hardcopy reports are also dispatched by mail or fax.

NAME OF COLLECTION

International Merchandise Import Statistics

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Purpose

The purpose of this collection is to provide monthly statistics of Australia's merchandise trade with its major trading partners and selected country groups.

Description

International Merchandise Imports Statistics are inputs to major economic statistics such as the Balance of Payments and the National Accounts. These statistics are amongst the most valuable decision-making tools available to businesses competing in the import field.

Data detail

Data items include:

The information available for imports and imports cleared for home consumption includes:

- detailed commodity information;
- value of goods;
- quantity of goods;
- gross weight of goods (from July 1992 data to the present, available for total imports only);
- overseas countries and country groups, such as ASEAN, OECD, etc;
- overseas ports;
- Australian States and ports;
- mode of transport;
- import duty rates and amount of duty paid; and
- nature of tariff.

Geographic coverage

Covers imports into Australia by:

- Country of origin and port of loading;
- Australian State and/or port of discharge for imports only; and
- Australian State of destination.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly — any aggregation of month can also be provided.

Historical data

Statistics from July 1981 are available in various formats.

Earlier statistics may be supplied from publications or microfiche.

Products and services

Publications

- *International Merchandise Imports, Australia* (Cat. no. 5439.0) — a monthly publication presenting total imports for the reference month only, together with commodity aggregates at the one-digit level of the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3)
- *International Merchandise Trade, Australia* (Cat. no. 5422.0) — a quarterly publication available within two months of the end of the reference period
- Publications covering earlier periods are available for use in Australian Bureau of Statistics libraries
- Time series data in publication format are available from 1974–75 onwards

Other

- Consultancy services operate in each Australian Bureau of Statistics State and Territory office, and through Central Office in Canberra.

NAME OF COLLECTION

International Visitor Survey

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Purpose

To enhance the development of tourism in Australia by measuring the travel behaviour and characteristics of overseas visitors.

Description

Information on characteristics of short-term international visitors aged 15 years and over is collected by face-to-face interviews. A sample of 20,000 departing international visitors is surveyed at departure lounges of international airports throughout the year.

Data detail

Data items include:

- cross-classified by country of residence and purpose of visit;
- age, sex, occupation and all reasons for visit;
- travel arrangements (inclusive or group tour);
- size and composition of group and reasons for visit;
- type of fare and pre-paid arrangements;
- type of information sources;
- time away from home and stop-overs;
- city of arrival and departure;
- duration of stay and region of stay;
- type of accommodation;
- activities undertaken;
- places of interest visited; and
- expenditure and income.

BUSINESS, TOURISM AND TRADE

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories and capital cities and some regions.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Irregular until 1986; a continuous time series is available from 1988.

Products and services

Publications

- *International Visitors in Australia*, Quarterly Reports
- *International Visitors in Australia*, Annual Reports (for each calendar year)

Other

- Detailed tabulations of survey output (quarterly and annual).
- CD-MOTA (Monitor of Tourism Activity) (data on compact disk with specialised cross-tabulation software).
- Special purpose tables or reports are available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

National Visitors Survey (NVS)

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 Canberra ACT 2601

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Purpose

To enhance the development of domestic tourism in Australia by measuring the travel behaviour and characteristics of domestic visitors.

Description

Sample Survey. An annual sample of 80,000 Australian residents aged 15 years and over is surveyed throughout the year and information is collected from them about recent travel through computer assisted telephone interviews.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of overnight, day and outbound visitors;
- number of visitor nights;
- expenditure by overnight, day and outbound visitors;
- origin of traveller;
- places visited and purpose of visit;
- accommodation and transport used;
- leisure activities participated in;
- travel party type and size;
- travel package expenditure, and itemised expenditure;
- port of departure and airline used (outbound only);
- age, sex and lifecycle information;
- country of birth and years in Australia;
- employment status and annual household income;
- impact of long term health conditions/impairments on ability to travel; and
- intentions to visit Sydney during the 2000 Olympic Games.

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories and Tourism regions.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Data available from 1998. Replaces Domestic Tourism Monitor (see directory entry for historical data from 1984–85 to March Quarter 1998). Data from the Domestic Tourism Monitor and some State Tourism Surveys which have now been replaced by the National Visitors Survey (NVS) are not directly comparable with NVS results.

Products and services

Publications

- *Travel by Australians: Results of the National Visitor Survey, Annual Reports for each calendar year*
- *Travel by Australians: Results of the National Visitor Survey, Quarterly Reports*

Other

- Detailed tabulations of survey output (quarterly and annual).
- Special purpose tables or reports available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Service Industries and Technology Statistics — Clubs, Pubs, Taverns and Bars

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Purpose

Measure the size and structure of the clubs, pubs, tavern and bar industries to enable comparisons between States and Territories with other industries.

Description

Mail out survey of employing businesses in the industry.
 Sample size of 3,618 businesses for 1997–1998.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Businesses with or without gambling facilities;
- No. of businesses; and
- Employment.

Geographic coverage

- National, State and Met/Ex-met

Frequency of data availability

Irregular (approximately 3 yearly).

Historical data

- 1994–1995 and 1997–98
- 1991–92 but only at the National level

Products and services

- Special data services are available upon request.
- Met/Ex-met data is a special data request subject to confidentiality restrictions.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Survey of Tourist Accommodation

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Purpose

To provide a measure of activity in short-term commercial accommodation in Australia.

Description

The sample included 4,000 hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms, 1,827 caravan parks with 40 or more powered sites, 643 letting entities that cover 28,250 holiday flats and units (these letting entities must have 15 or more units/houses to be in scope) 478 visitor hostels.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of establishments/letting entities;
- capacity (rooms/units/sites, bed spaces);
- occupancy (room/unit/site nights, guest nights, guest arrivals);
- occupancy rates (room/unit/site, bed spaces);
- average length of stay (days);
- takings from accommodation;
- employment (persons);
- seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for room nights and takings, hotels and motels/guest houses; and
- takings at constant prices for hotels, motels/guest houses.

Data are available by establishment type, star grading and geographic area.

Geographic coverage

Data from the Survey of Tourist Accommodation is available at the National, State, Local Government Area and Statistical Local Area (depending on confidentiality). Other Regions include tourism regions.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly, Quarterly, Annual (financial year) and Annual (calendar year).

Historical data

Under the new scope of the collection data are available from March quarter 1997. The collection has run since September quarter 1975 beginning with a collection of hotels, motels and guest houses only.

Products and services

Publications

- *Tourism Indicators, Australia* (Cat. no. 8634.0)
- *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Cat. no. 8635.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.
- Integrated Regional database (IRDB): All original data items down to releasable Statistical Local Area Level.
- AusStats: All original data items for each quarter, for each State, Territory and Australia.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Trade Statistics for Queensland Ports

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Purpose

To provide information and advice on the Queensland port system and port facilities.

Description

Detailed information on various import and export statistics for the whole of Queensland Ports. Commodity information to support the marketing business and strategic needs of the port users. Annual supply of data provided by each port authority. Data are supplied from 8 ports.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Total trade throughput for all Queensland ports;
- total imports for all Queensland ports;
- total exports for all Queensland ports; and
- total trade throughput for each.

Geographic coverage

State and Queensland Transport Regions.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1 July 1994 to 30 June 2000, however limited data can be sourced back to 1984–85 financial year.

Products and services

Publications

- *Trade Statistics for Queensland Ports*

Other

- Electronic delivery to government agencies via the Internet — <http://www.transport.qld.gov.au>

COMMERCIAL FISHING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Report to Farmers — Aquaculture Production Survey

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Purpose

Information collected from all licensed aquaculture producers in Queensland as part of their licence conditions.

Description

Annual survey of the Queensland aquaculture industry.

Data detail

Data items include:

- quantity and value;
- numbers and sizes of enterprises; and
- physical sizes (area/no.).

Geographic coverage

Queensland.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1990–91 to 1998–99.

Products and services

Publications

- Hard copy report available from author, DPI Call Centre on telephone: 132523 or DPI FishWeb Site <http://www.dpi.qld.gov.au/fishweb/> DPI Information Series ISSN 1227-6273. The 1998/99 edition is QI 00042

COMMERCIAL FISHING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Aquaculture Production and Value

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Purpose

To monitor the production and value of aquaculture production in NSW.

Description

Aquaculture production by species is provided by each permit holder on an annual basis.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of leases and permits (active and non-active); and
- production by species.

Geographic coverage

New South Wales.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1990 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Status of Fisheries Resources — NSW Fisheries*

Other

- Status report on website — <http://www.fisheries.nsw.gov.au>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Commercial Catch and Effort Logbook Data

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Purpose

Management and Research.

Description

Aggregated annual data available from daily catch and effort logbook information, provided by skippers of fishing vessels. Data are collected from all fishing vessels in Commonwealth fisheries (approx 1,150 vessels).

Data are collected by personal interview.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Catch Details.

Geographic coverage

Commonwealth and State Fishery.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1991–2000.

Products and services

Publications

- *AFMA Annual Report*
- *ABARE 'Australian Fisheries Statistics 1999'*

COMMERCIAL FISHING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Surveys of Australian Commonwealth Fisheries

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Purpose

Survey data are used to assess the economic performance of Australian fisheries and to assess the performance of the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) in managing these fisheries.

Description

All ABARE fishery surveys are sample based and interviews are conducted face-to-face. ABARE interviews around 150 fishing boats annually. A total of eight Commonwealth fisheries are surveyed, with five fisheries surveyed one year and the other three the next.

Two years data are collected each time a fishery is surveyed.

Fisheries surveyed:

- eastern tuna and billfish;
- southern shark;
- southern squid jig;
- south-east non trawl;
- south-east trawl;
- northern prawn;
- Torres Strait prawn Census; and
- Bass Strait scallop.

Data detail

Data items include:

- boat — opening and closing market values;
- endorsements and quotas — by fishery, market values, and quantity for quotas;
- fish sales — quantity and value;

Data detail *continued*

- labour — owners, family and employed labour;
- boat capital — capital inventory of boat and shore based plant, machinery and structures;
- income — fish sales, quota/endorsement lease, charter fees and other income;
- costs — freight, marketing expenses, wages and share payments, fuel, repairs and maintenance;
- gear replacements, insurance and other costs incurred in the operation of the boat;
- boat debt — by loan purpose, loan type, lending source, loan term; and
- boat equity — boat equity and equity ratio at 30 June.

Geographic coverage

Data are collected at the fishery level. The geographical area for each fishery is within Commonwealth waters as defined by AFMA. Results can be made available by type of boat, fishing method or other categories if sample size permits.

Frequency of data availability

The *Australian Fisheries Survey Report* is published annually and reports 2 financial years data for fisheries that have been surveyed during the year of publication.

Historical data

ABARE has carried out surveys of Australian Commonwealth fisheries since the early 1980s.

Products and services

Publications

- *Australian Fisheries Survey Report* is published annually

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

FINANCE STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Agricultural Finance Survey

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Purpose

To enable the changing economic situation in the agricultural industries to be closely monitored.

Description

A survey of about 2,600 respondents which collects financial statistics for individual agricultural industries.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Turnover, Purchases and Value Added; and
- Operating Surplus, Indebtedness and Net Worth.

Geographic coverage

Data are available down to the State level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Annually from 1986–87.

Products and services

Publications

- *Agricultural Industries, Financial Statistics, Australia, Preliminary Estimates* (Cat no. 7506.0)
- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Agricultural Assistance Estimates

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Purpose

To assess the impact and implications of particular government policies or programs on the agricultural sector.

Description

This annual series estimates both nominal and effective rates of assistance to Australian agriculture, derived from major Commonwealth Government policies and programs.

Data detail

Data items include:

- average nominal and effective rates of assistance for selected agricultural commodities; and
- assistance to agriculture by form of assistance.

Geographic coverage

Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Estimates of nominal and effective rates of assistance to agriculture are available from 1970–71.

Products and services

Publications

- *Trade and Assistance Review (annual)*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Agricultural Levies

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Purpose

To provide levy collection amount by leviable industry to relevant authorised bodies.

Description

Data are collected from 9,300 levy payers, and includes 48,123 commercial in confidence levy returns.

Data detail

Data items include:

- value of production;
- tonnage leviable; and
- levy amount payable.

Geographic coverage

Data from the Agricultural Levies collection data base are available at the Industry level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1990.

Products and services

Publications

- *Annual Report* (Cat. no. 1001.0)

NAME OF COLLECTION

BankWest Benchmarks

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Purpose

To provide data on the financial and production performance of Western Australian farm businesses.

Description

An annual survey of primary producers in Western Australia. The data are collected by mail questionnaire and personal interview from approximately 500 primary producers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- gross farm income by source;
- costs (operating and overhead);
- crop production, livestock and wool; and
- assets and liabilities.

Geographic coverage

Western Australian cropping, mixed cropping and livestock regions.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available for 1997–98 and 1998–99

Products and services

Publications

- *BankWest Benchmarks*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Commercial Finance

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Purpose

To provide monthly statistics on the provision of commercial finance to public and private enterprises, and individuals. The statistics are used by governments and businesses as an indicator of economic activity.

Description

The Commercial Finance collection is a survey of significant lenders that provide commercial finance. It is a monthly survey based on a population of about 300 institutions, of which 71 were considered significant lenders in 1999–2000. An annual mail collection is conducted to maintain coverage of significant lenders and new lenders are included as their lending becomes significant.

Data detail

Data items include:

Fixed loans (\$'000 only). Construction finance for:

- erection of dwellings for rental/resale;
- non-residential buildings;
- non-building structures; and
- alterations and additions.

Purchase of real property for:

- dwellings for rental/resale by individuals and other;
- non-residential buildings;
- rural property;
- other land — residential block development/other; and
- wholesale finance.

Data detail *continued*

Purchase of plant and equipment for:

- motor vehicles;
- other transport equipment;
- other;
- factoring; and
- refinancing.

Commitments under revolving credit:

- New commitments by industry (i.e. total fixed loans and total revolving credit).

Geographic coverage

Data from the Commercial Finance Survey are available at the National and State level.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly.

Historical data

Monthly from January 1985 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Lending Finance, Australia* (Cat. no. 5671.0)

Other

- *AusStats — Commercial Finance* (Cat. no. 5643.0)

NAME OF COLLECTION

Cost of Doing Business Survey

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Purpose

To provide reasonably accurate data for the running of farm machinery dealerships.

Description

A survey of running costs of farm machinery dealerships in Western Australia. The data are collected by questionnaire from members (120) of the Association, who comprise 90% of all dealers in Western Australia

Data detail

Data items include:

- sales;
- margins;
- expenses;
- net profit;
- financial ratios;
- balance sheet data; and
- employee/personnel data.

Geographic coverage

Data available at State level for Western Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Historical data are available on request.

Products and services

Publications

- Survey results are available by contacting the Association

NAME OF COLLECTION

Estimated Rural Debt to Specified Lenders

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Purpose

To provide data relating to rural business debt.

Description

The collection is from a census of all financial intermediaries and other institutions with significant lending to rural business. These comprise banks, pastoral and other finance companies, insurance companies and government agencies.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Lending to rural business.

Geographic coverage

National.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

From 1965.

Products and services

Publications

- *RBA Bulletin Data*

Other

- RBA Bulletin data are available on the Internet at http://www.rba.gov.au/bulletin/bu_tables.html

FINANCE STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Financial Assistance Statistics

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Purpose

To provide data on applications for financial assistance (loans, grants etc.).

Description

Data are obtained from all applications for financial assistance.

Data detail

Data items include:

- type of assistance provided by schemes;
- number and amount of applications approved;
- number of applications received that were refused;
- financial information; and
- reporting generally or by industry type.

Geographic coverage

- Postcode;
- Rural Lands Protection Board's Districts; and
- State.

Frequency of data availability

Data are current and can be made available for specified periods on request.

Historical data

Data are available from 1990.

Products and services

Publications

- *New South Wales Rural Assistance Authority Annual Report*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Government Finance Statistics

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Purpose

To collect statistics that measure the financial transactions of governments, including government revenues and expenses for agricultural purposes, and reflect the impact of these transactions on other sectors of the economy.

Description

The data are obtained from Commonwealth, State and Local Government Departments and the reports of public authorities and trading corporations (e.g. ABC). It comes in the form of electronic transfers, hardcopy listing or through the use of tailored questionnaires.

The statistics show for the various components of the Australian public sector:

- a consolidated Operating Statement containing details of transactions in GFS revenues and expenses and the net acquisition of non-financial assets which focuses on the sustainability and economic impact of fiscal policy;
- a consolidated Statement of Stocks and Flows of the Commonwealth and State Government which can be used as indicators of their comparative standing; and
- the roles of the different levels of government in undertaking and financing their fiscal programs.

Data detail

Data items include:

The classification schemes used to classify the transactions of public sector accounts in Government Finance Statistics (GFS) are:

- the Economic Type Framework (ETF) for GFS which categorises stocks and flows. The ETF resembles a set of financial statements with sections for an Operating Statement, a Cash Flow Statement and a Balance Sheet plus various Reconciliation Statements;

Data detail *continued*

- the Government Purpose Classification (GPC)¹ which is used to group Operating Statement revenues and expenses and the net acquisition of non-financial assets with similar functions; and
- the Taxes Classification (TC)² which is used to group taxation revenue in the Operating Statement.

Each statistical unit included in the GFS is classified according to a number of unit classifications including: institutional sector; level of government; State of jurisdiction; and industrial sector.

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories, and Local Government Area.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

First issue of GFS was 1989–90 and first issue of Government Financial Estimates was 1974–75 but data are available on a cash basis from 1961–62 to 1997–98.

Products and services

Publications

- *Government Financial Estimates, Australia* (Cat. no. 5501.0)
- *Government Finance Statistics, Australia* (Cat. no. 5512.0)
- *Information Paper: Developments in Government Finance Statistics* (Cat. no. 5516.0)
- *Information Paper: Accruals-based GFS 2000* (Cat. no. 5517.0)
- *Taxation Revenue, Australia* (Cat. no. 5506.0)

Other

- Customised GFS data are available on request.

1 Group 301 = Agriculture

2 TC 433 = Agricultural produce export taxes

NAME OF COLLECTION

Lease Finance

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Purpose

To provide monthly statistics on the provision of lease finance to public and private enterprises.

Description

The Lease Finance collection is a survey of significant lenders (71) that provide finance lease or operating lease finance. It is a monthly survey based on a population of 74 institutions and their State branches which were considered significant lenders in 1999–2000. An annual mail collection is conducted to maintain coverage of significant lenders and new lenders are included as their lending becomes significant.

Data detail

Data items include:

Type of good:

- new and used cars, station wagons and small passenger vehicles;
- new and used light trucks;
- new and used heavy trucks;
- trailers;
- motor buses/coaches;
- other motor vehicles;
- other transport equipment;
- construction and earth moving equipment;
- manufacturing equipment;
- agricultural machinery and equipment;
- electronic data processing equipment;
- office machines;

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Data detail *continued*

- shop and office furniture, fittings and equipment; and
- other.

Other:

- undrawn lease commitments; and
- value of goods by industry.

Geographic coverage

Data from the Lease Finance Survey are available at the National and State level.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly.

Historical data

Monthly from January 1985 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Lending Finance, Australia* (Cat. no. 5671.0) — Lease Finance only

Other

- AusStats Lease Finance (Cat. no. 5644.0) — Lease Finance only.
- Operating Lease data are available on request and sourced from the ABSDB.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Local Government Accounting and General Information

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Purpose

To determine and allocate Federal Government general revenue to councils.

Description

Census of 78 Victorian Councils conducted via email.

Data detail

Data items include:

A range of income and expenditure items, public sector debt and roads and disability analysis information are collected.

Examples include:

- Gross rates;
- Waste management charges;
- Health, Welfare, Education and Housing;
- Commerce, Transport and Tourism;
- Heritage, Culture and Recreation; and
- Community, Public Safety, Law and Order.

Geographic coverage

Data from the census are available by local government area.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1994/95 financial year to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Victorian Grants Commission Annual Report*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Local Government Finance

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Purpose

To record financial data of all NSW local government councils.

Description

NSW local government financial data based on operating statements and statements of financial position.

Data detail

Data items include:

- operating revenues and expenses;
- current assets and liabilities;
- net current assets;
- non-current assets;
- non-current liabilities; and
- net assets and equity.

Geographic coverage

- Statistical Local Area, Local Government Area and State.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1994–1995 onwards.

Products and services

Publications

- *Local Government Finance New South Wales*
(Cat. no. 5502.1.40.001)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

State Asset Acquisition Program Budget 1999–2000

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Purpose

To record asset acquisitions by New South Wales Government agencies.

Description

A record of acquisitions by New South Wales Government agencies, which include the purchase and construction of buildings and equipment, and the purchase of land and fixed assets.

Data detail

Data items include:

- agency and location;
- start date and completion date;
- allocation 1999–2000 and estimated total; and
- major or minor works.

Geographic coverage

Suburb/City, Department of State and Regional Development Region.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1983–1984

Products and services

Publications

- *NSW Budget Papers*

Other

- <http://www.treasury.nsw.gov.au>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Regional Price Index

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Purpose

Monitor regional prices.

Description

Prices are collected once a year for a common basket of goods, from 21 regional towns, representing Western Australia's nine non-metropolitan regions and Perth metro area, and contrasted in an index with Perth as the base.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Approximately 500 commodity items, covering eight categories of goods used in the CPI.

Geographic coverage

Data available at State level and Development Commission Regions and also 21 Towns within Western Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1998 to 1999.

Price also collected in 2000 and a report released in 2001.

Products and services

Publications

- *Regional Price Index Report 1998*
- *Regional Price Index Report 1999*

Other

- HTML and PDF versions are available at www.regional.wa.gov.au

NAME OF COLLECTION

Reports on Farm Management Deposits

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Purpose

To monitor the uptake of Farm Management Deposits (FMDs) by primary producers and provide data on agricultural risk management practices.

Description

Reports (in a format agreed by AFFA) received electronically from Authorised Deposit taking Institutions (ADIs).

All ADIs with FMD accounts (currently 24). (This number is subject to change depending on whether or not the institution has FMD accounts during the reporting period).

Data detail

Data items include:

- Number of FMD holders against value of FMD holdings.

Geographic coverage

Data from the Farm Management Deposit Scheme are available at the State/Territory level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly reports disaggregated by month.

Historical data

1999 onwards (scheme began April 1999).

Products and services

Other

- Special data services may be available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Rural Debt in Queensland Survey

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Purpose

To identify the extent, nature and size of gross rural debt in Queensland and to provide information on debt equity levels and other relevant factors and issues.

Description

A census of financial institutions in Queensland involved in key lending to the Rural industry.

Interviews with industry organisations and their considered comments are also published.

Data detail

Data items include:

- total debt by Region;
- total debt by industry/commodity;
- total debt by debt category; and
- total debt by region by lender.

Geographic coverage

Queensland and ABARE regions within Queensland. ABARE regions are groupings of local government areas.

Frequency of data availability

Annual, up to 1999. Year 2000 will not be done.

Historical data

From 1994 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Rural Debt in Queensland* — editions 1994 to current year. This is also available on CD Rom.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Survey of International Investment

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Purpose

To collect information from enterprises on the foreign financial assets and liabilities of Australian residents.

Description

A quarterly survey which collects information about investment activity into and out of Australia from approximately 1,050 enterprises.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Limited data on transactions and levels by industry.

Geographic coverage

Available at the National level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly and Annual (Financial year).

Historical data

1988–1989 to 1998–1999.

Products and services

Publications

Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia (Cat. no. 5302.0)

Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia (Cat. no. 5363.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Taxation Statistics

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Purpose

To provide aggregate income tax data.

Description

A profile of the income and taxation status of Australian individuals, companies, funds, partnerships and trusts, using information from income tax return forms.

Data detail

Data items include:

- income; and
- deductions and rebates.

Geographic coverage

National level and limited data by Postcode.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data in one form or another available for the last 40 years.

Products and services

Publications

- *Taxation Statistics 1997–98* (includes CD-ROM), latest available

Other

- Certain data services are available subject to confidentiality and privacy considerations. These are charged for and are subject to GST.

HORTICULTURAL AND FRUIT GROWING STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Apples and Pears

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Purpose

To provide varietal data as a basis for policy development by State and Federal governments and industry associations.

Description

This collection has been conducted as a supplementary collection to the Agricultural Commodity collections, with the questionnaire being sent to all respondents reporting apple and/or pear trees. The collection asks for varietal information on apple and pear trees numbers and production for the season.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Varietal data including commodity totals and counts.

Geographical coverage

Data are available down to the Statistical Local Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Varietal data are recent, more general data to the 1960s.

Products and services

Publications

- *Agricultural Commodities, Australia* (Cat. no. 7121.0)
- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Fresh Market Place and Measurement Tracking

Contact

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Purpose

To analyse consumers attitude towards Australian and imported fruit and vegetables and assess the correct market positioning for Australian fruit and vegetables.

Description

Qualitative focus groups which examined consumers purchasing habits in relation to fresh fruit and vegetables, and their attitude toward Australian products versus imports. This was followed by a quantitative telephone survey of 913 people, which tested the findings of the focus groups.

Data detail

Data items include:

- purchasing triggers for fresh fruit and vegetables;
- attitudes towards purchasing Australian fruit and vegetables over imports given a variety of quality and price scenarios;
- marketing positioning for Australian fruit and vegetables;
- attitudes towards fruit and vegetables with stickers; and
- unaided recall of fresh fruit and vegetables.

Geographic coverage

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth and Hobart.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular. These were one off research programs.

Historical data

No historical data are available.

Products and services

Australia Fresh Market place and Measurement Tracking.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Horticulture

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Description

A survey of 300 farms.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Crops by type;
- water (irrigation) sources; and
- export potential.

Geographic coverage

Data are available down to Local Government area.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Current only.

Products and services

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Citrus Planting Statistics

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Purpose

To provide information on the number of commercial citrus trees in Australia, including the identification of trends in new plantings.

Description

An annual collection of citrus tree numbers and new plantings from every grower in the Riverland, Sunraysia and Riverina. Data are collected by mail and some telephone follow up from a total of 2,300 growers. Queensland planting statistics are obtained every three years by mail questionnaire and personal contact with approximately 200 growers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of citrus trees by bearing/non-bearing age; and
- number of trees by variety.

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories by region. Major citrus growing areas; Riverland, Sunraysia, Riverina and Queensland.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1996.

Products and services

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Citrus Seasonal Area Production and Forecasts

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Purpose

To provide information on the volume of the Australian citrus crop and forecasts for the upcoming season.

Description

An annual collection of the volume (in tonnes) of the Australian citrus crop. Estimates are calculated using a combination of field count and size measurement, and input from regional crop estimation committees. The method of collection varies depending on the State and region, causing sample sizes to differ.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Citrus production by variety — including historical production and forecasts.

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories by region.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1985–86 to present.

Products and services

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Sydney Market Reporting Service

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Purpose

To record and publish information on the trading of fresh produce and flowers at Sydney Markets, Sydney in order to provide both price movements on a daily basis and historical trends.

Description

Prices and receivals data are collected by Sydney Market Reporting Service interviewers during daily face-to-face interviews with sellers and buyers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- fruit, vegetables, cut flowers, Asian and exotic produce by species and variety;
- main price range;
- most sales and the "best" sales; and
- volume of produce received by tonnes.

Geographic coverage

New South Wales and all other States as well as some imported lines.

Frequency of data availability

Data are available daily by subscription and published annually (financial year).

Historical data

Data available from 1992 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Fruit, Vegetables, Cut Flowers, Asian and Exotics, Prices and Receivals, Sydney Markets, Sydney*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Fleurieu Region Olive Industry Survey 1999

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Purpose

To establish the state of the industry in the Fleurieu Region and to enable priorities of assistance to be determined.

Description

A survey conducted in 1999 by a mail-out questionnaire. Data requested included actual figures as at 30 June 1998 and projected estimates for 1999 and 2000.

Data detail

Data items include:

- size of olive orchards;
- number of olive trees planted;
- variety of cultivars purchased or planted;
- quantity of olive harvest;
- harvesting methods; and
- contractors required to establish or maintain an olive grove.

Geographic coverage

60 growers in the Fleurieu Region, South Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Actual 1998 data with projections available for 1999 and 2000.

Products and services

Publications

- *Regional Olive Industry Survey 1999, Summary of Results*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Fruit and Vegetable Price Index

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Purpose

To provide price and availability information on horticulture produce to growers, merchants, providers, retailers and the hotel and restaurant trade.

Description

The data are collected by personal interview from a broad cross section of growers, merchants, providers and retailers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Price data for fruit and vegetable commodities.

Geographic coverage

South Australia, covering all fruit and vegetable produce sent to the Adelaide Produce Markets Ltd with Australia wide coverage in conjunction with Ausmarket Consultants Brisbane, Queensland.

Frequency of data availability

Daily.

Historical data

Some information are available from 1980 (hardcopy records only). Computer records are available from November 1992.

Products and services

- Daily price information is available by fax, dial 1902 262 580.
- Price reports are available tailored to suit customer needs and can be sent by post, fax or e-mail to anywhere in Australia. Currently there are 15 variations of the report.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Horticultural Statistics

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Purpose

To provide horticultural information on production, value, volume, exports, main markets and key competitors.

Description

A comprehensive overview of trends in the horticulture industry. Information is collected from various sources, including annual telephone interviews with approximately 100 industry associations.

Data detail

Data items include:

- horticultural production by region;
- production (tonnes);
- main markets (exports); and
- main international competitors.

Geographic coverage

Australia. Data are also sourced from international organisations to obtain imports and exports of fruits and vegetables from various countries throughout the world.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1990.

Products and services

Publications

- *Horticultural Statistics Handbook*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Macadamia Nut Growers Survey

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Purpose

To provide industry information for research and development.

Description

Data are collected annually from all growers by mail questionnaire.

Data detail

Data items include:

- area of orchards;
- number of trees;
- yield; and
- varieties.

Geographic coverage

Data are available at the State level and by postcode depending on confidentiality constraints.

Frequency of data availability

Data are collected on an irregular basis.

Historical data

Data are available from 1990 onwards.

Products and services

- Data are available upon request from the Society.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Mango Production Statistics

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Purpose

Archival statistical reference (historically).

Description

Mango Production statistics collected through a sample of 40–50 farms.

Data detail

Data items include:

- fresh and processing; and
- domestic & export.

Geographic coverage

DPI Growing Regions.

Frequency of data availability

Annual, on a financial year basis.

Historical data

1991 to 2000.

Products and services

Publications

- Mango page in the AHC Statistical handbook

Other

- Articles in the Mango Care newsletter (DPI).

NAME OF COLLECTION

Throughput Statistics: Bananas

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Purpose

To ascertain the number of cartons that pass through central markets.

Description

Sample size covers all central markets around Australia.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Number of cartons.

Geographic coverage

Data from central markets around Australia by originating state.

Frequency of data availability

Annual and weekly.

Historical data

Annual data from the 1980s.

Products and services

Publications

- *Australian Bananas* (annual)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market Prices and Throughputs

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Purpose

To collate price information and distribute reports to the Fruit & Vegetable industry.

Description

Historic and current market prices for Fruit & Vegetables in all Australian terminal markets, and throughput where available.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Approximately 200 individual crops;
- approximately 3,000 individual product descriptions; and
- five markets.

Geographic coverage

Data are collected at State level only. This survey covers 100% of the Brisbane Market, less in smaller markets and a sample in Sydney & Melbourne.

Frequency of data availability

Data are available on a daily, weekly, monthly or annual basis. There are series for each crop and each market.

Historical data

Brisbane, Melbourne and Adelaide data are available from 1992 to current.
 Sydney from 1995 to current and Perth from 1999 to current.

Products and services

- On request, data are available as above.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian National Accounts

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Purpose

To provide information about the state and structure of the Australian economy.

Description

The National Accounts are compiled from a wide range of statistical sources including the Australian Bureau of Statistics Agricultural Census, Agricultural Finance Survey, and the Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics forecasts.

Compilation methods are provided in Australian National Accounts:

Concepts, Sources and Methods (Cat. no. 5216.0).

Data detail

Data items include:

- gross value of farm production by commodity;
- subsidies not included in gross value of production;
- indirect taxes less subsidies;
- gross farm product at market prices;
- farm income; and
- realised farm income.

Geographic coverage

Australia, States and Territories (although the Australian Capital Territory is combined with New South Wales).

Frequency of data availability

Annual for State and Territory.

Quarterly for Australia.

Historical data

Annual data available from 1959–60.

Quarterly data available from 1959.

Some annual data are also available from 1948–49.

Products and services

Publications

- *Australian National Accounts: National Income, Expenditure and Product* (Cat. no. 5204.0) — annual
- *Australian National Accounts: National Income, Expenditure and Product* (Cat. no. 5206.0) — quarterly
- *Australian National Accounts: State Accounts* (Cat. no. 5220.0)

Other

- AusStats.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian National Accounts: Input-Output Tables

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Purpose

Input-Output tables are an integral component of the Australian National Accounts. They serve two main purposes. Firstly, they provide a detailed disaggregation of production on an annual basis, which is used as the benchmark for the annual National Income, Expenditure and Product accounts. Secondly, they provide a detailed and comprehensive picture of the Australian economy which facilitates analysis of the impacts of policy or other change on the level of economic activity.

Description

Input-Output tables provide a comprehensive view of the economic activity of Australia. In particular they show in some detail the components of gross domestic product for a given period. They also show the links between the various industries within the Australian economy.

The Input-Output tables record the disposition of the output of each industry and they also record the inputs required by each industry to achieve the level of output observed. Disposition of output refers to how the output of a particular industry is disposed of, i.e. as intermediate input into other industries production processes or as a final use through household consumption, capital formation, change in inventories or exports.

A total of 107 industries are shown in the Input-Output tables, many of which are from the agriculture sector.

Statistics on the value of Australian production, imports and exports for approximately 1,000 separate commodities are also available.

Data detail

Data items include:

- output, by industry;
- Australian production, imports and total supply, by commodity group;
- compensation of employees, by industry;
- gross operating surplus, by industry; and
- components of final demand by commodity group.

Geographic coverage

Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual — Year ended 30 June.

Historical data

Data are available for various years from 1968–69. Details are available upon request.

Products and services

Publications

- *Australian National Accounts: Input-Output Tables* (Cat. no. 5209.0)
- *Australian National Accounts: Input-Output Tables* (Product Details) (Cat. no. 5215.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Average Retail Prices of Selected Items

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Purpose

Provides an indication of average retail prices for selected items which are included in the Consumer Price Index.

Description

A sample survey collected by either face to face interview, telephone, mail or from administrative by-product.

Prices are collected for specified grades, qualities, brands, etc. charged by a number of selected retailers in each capital city.

Data detail

Data items include:

- selected household supplies, petrol and beer.

Geographic coverage

All capital cities.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Available in hardcopy publications from March quarter 1962, with electronic data available from March quarter 1991.

Products and services

Publications

- *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities* (Cat. no. 6403.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Balance of Payments

Contact

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Purpose

To provide a systematic record of Australia's transactions with the rest of the world, including international transactions in goods and services.

Description

The collection provides estimates of Australia's balance of payments, including significant detail for its constituent transactions. The ABS conducts a number of surveys of businesses, individuals and organisations with international transactions and uses a variety of administrative by-product records in the compilation of the balance of payments.

Data detail

Data items include:

- balance of payments summary;
- current account (original, seasonally adjusted and trend estimates);
- capital account;
- financial account; and
- exchange rates.

Data are available on current account credits (exports) for rural goods including:

- meat and meat preparations;
- cereal grains and cereal preparations;
- sugar, sugar preparations and honey;
- wool and sheepskins; and
- other rural.

Data are also available for transactions by country.

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Geographic coverage

Australia

Frequency of data availability

The balance of payments is available monthly, quarterly and annually.

Historical data

Data are available from September quarter 1959.

Products and services

Publications

- *International Trade in Goods and Services, Australia* (Cat. no. 5368.0)
- *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia* (Cat. no. 5302.0)
- *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia* (Cat. no. 5363.0)
- *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (Cat. no. 5331.0)
- *Balance of Payments, Australia: Summary Concepts, Sources and Methods* (Cat. no. 5351.0)
- *Information Paper: Quality of Balance of Payments, Australia* (Cat. no. 5342.0)
- *A Guide to Australian Balance of Payments Statistics* (Cat. no. 5362.0)

Other

- *AusStats* Canberra 02 6252 6017.
- Dial-a-statistic 1900 986 400.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Economic Activity Survey

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Client Services Manager
 Economic Activity Survey
 Australian Bureau of Statistics
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Purpose

To summarise the structure, activity and performance of businesses and industries in the Australian economy with data presented in both standard accounting and economic formats. The survey aims to provide 'economic indicator' statistics to monitor the economy in regard to the business cycle.

Description

The EAS surveyed 10,200 management units in 1998–99 covering all industries at the Australian New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) division level. Of these 10,200 management units, 20% are completely enumerated every year, whilst the remainder are randomly sampled on a rotating basis. Data for Agriculture industries cover ANZSIC 01–04. Data relating to ANZSIC 01 is sourced from the Agricultural Finance Survey (AFS), an interviewer based survey.

Data relating to other industries are collected by mail.

Data detail

Data items include:

- operating business;
- number of persons employed;
- sales of goods and services;
- trading profit;
- earnings before interest and taxation;
- operating profit before tax;
- assets;
- liabilities;
- net worth;
- capital expenditure;

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Data detail *continued*

- gross operating surplus;
- industry value added;
- business averages; and
- industry ratios.

Geographic coverage

Australia

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

Available from 1990–91 onwards.

Products and services

Publications

- *Business Operations and Industry Performance*, Australia — Preliminary (Cat. no. 8142.0)
- *Business Operations and Industry Performance*, Australia — Final (Cat. no. 8140.0)

Other

- *Summary of Industry Performance* (Cat. no. 8140.0.40.002). These are one-page summaries of each industry's structure, income statement, balance sheet, economic values, business averages and performance ratios. This product is available electronically only.
- Industry concentration statistics — these tables show the proportions of sales, persons employed and industry gross product that are concentrated among the 20 largest enterprise groups operating in each industry. This product is available electronically only.
- Management unit (MU) counts — apart from straight MU counts by employment size, counts can also be produced using other variables such as turnover or revenue.
- Other products can be tailored to satisfy the specific needs of clients, however, the availability of data are subject to quality and confidentiality checks. Data can be made available in hard copy, floppy disc, CD ROM and via E-mail in spreadsheets.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Motor Vehicle Census

Contact

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Purpose

Used as a frame for the Survey of Motor Vehicle Use (SMVU) and Freight Movements Survey (FMS) and as a measure of the stock of vehicles.

Description

The scope of the Motor Vehicle census (MVC) is all vehicles registered by State, Territory or government motor vehicle registries for unrestricted use on public roads except for recreational trail bikes and sand dune buggies intended for off-road use in most States and Territories; certain vehicles which use public roads but are exempt from normal registration requirements; and vehicles registered by the defence forces.

Data detail

Data items include:

- vehicle type;
- fuel type;
- make/model;
- year of manufacture; and
- gross vehicle/combination mass.

Geographic coverage

State of registration, Postcode of the registered owner.

Frequency of data availability

Annual from 1995.

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Historical data

Motor Vehicle Census data are available for the following years:

1947–48, 1955, 1962, 1971, 1976, 1979, 1982, 1985, 1988, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998.

Products and services

Publications

- *Motor Vehicle Census, Australia* (Cat. no. 9303.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

New Motor Vehicle Registrations

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Purpose

Used as a proxy for the sale of new vehicles and therefore as an economic indicator.

Description

The scope of the collection is all new vehicles registered by State, Territory or government motor vehicle registries for unrestricted use on public roads except for recreational trail bikes and sand dune buggies intended for off-road use in most States and Territories; certain vehicles which use public roads but are exempt from normal registration requirements; and vehicles registered by the defence forces.

Data detail

Data items include:

- vehicle type;
- fuel type;
- make/model; and
- gross vehicle/combination mass.

Seasonally adjusted and trend estimated data available.

Geographic coverage

State of registration, Postcode of the registered owner.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly.

Historical data

New Motor Vehicle Registrations data are available from 1948.

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Products and services

Publications

- *New Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia, Preliminary*
(Cat. no. 9301.0) — (1953)
- *Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia*
(Cat. no. 9303.0) — (1951–1994)
- *Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia*
(Cat. no. 9303.0.40.003) — (1994)
- *New Motor Vehicle Registrations*
(Cat. no. 9304.0) — (annual 1948–1992/93)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

NSW New Vehicle Registrations and Vehicle Transfers

Contact

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 Registration
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Purpose

To record details of new motor vehicle registrations and of motor vehicle transfers.

Description

Transfers and new motor vehicle registrations.

Data detail

Data items include:

- vehicle type, make and model;
- compliance plate year; and
- seller and buyer type.

Geographic coverage

- State and Postcode

Frequency of data availability

Monthly

Historical data

Data available from 1995

Products and services

Publications

- *New South Wales Vehicle Registration Statistics Quarterly Report*

Other

- A customised data service is available on request.
<http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au>

TRANSPORT

NAME OF COLLECTION

NSW Vehicle Fleet Snapshot

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Purpose

To record details of motor vehicle registrations at a particular date

Description

Current registrations of vehicles as at the snapshot date

Data detail

Data items include:

- vehicle type, make and model;
- compliance plate year; and
- tare weight.

Geographic coverage

- State and Postcode

Frequency of data availability

Half yearly at 30 June and 31 December.

Historical data

Data available from December 1994.

Products and services

Publications

- *New South Wales Vehicle and Driver Statistics Report*

Other

- A customised data service is available on request.
<http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Rail passenger and freight data

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 Australian Railway Association
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Purpose

To analyse transport trends, the importance of rail, market share.

Description

The Australian Railway Association collects non-urban rail passenger and freight statistics. Data is collected as an administrative by-product.

Data detail

Data items include:

- passengers carried;
- tonnes hauled;
- tonnage by commodity; and
- net tonne kilometres.

Geographic coverage

National and State level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial Year).

Historical data

From 1990.

Products and services

Publications

- *Australian Railway Association Year Book*
- *Rail FACTS sheets*

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Regional Airlines Operational Statistics

Contact

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Purpose

Analysis of flight data.

Description

Data are collected on a monthly basis from thirteen regional airlines by mail questionnaire supplied to the airlines by the Regional Airlines Association.

Data detail

Data items include:

- passenger numbers;
- sectors flown; and
- hours flown.

Geographic coverage

Australia

Frequency of data availability

Monthly

Historical data

Data available from July 1999 to present.

Products and services

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Survey of Motor Vehicle Use

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Purpose

To measure the usage patterns of vehicles.

Description

The scope of the survey is all vehicles that were registered with a motor vehicle authority for road use at some stage during the 12 months of the survey period, except caravans, trailers, tractors, plant and equipment, vehicles belonging to the defence services and vehicles with diplomatic or consular plates. Where they were registered as such, vintage and veteran cars were also excluded from the survey. The population was identified using information obtained from the State and Territory motor vehicle registration authorities.

Data detail

Data items include:

- vehicle type;
- distance travelled;
- fuel consumed;
- business/private use;
- tonnes carried;
- tonne-kilometres; and
- driver characteristics.

Geographic coverage

- State of registration/operation; and
- area of operation i.e. Capital city, Other Urban Areas, Rest of State.

Capital city areas are based on capital city Statistical Divisions as defined in the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). Other urban areas are based on the

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Geographic coverage *continued*

Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) as being either Statistical Districts with a population greater than 40,000 or clusters of collection districts and other urban areas with a population greater than 40,000, based on the Population Census.

Frequency of data availability

Annual from 1998.

Historical data

Survey of Motor Vehicle Use data are available for the following years:

1963, 1976, 1979, 1982, 1985, 1988, 1991, 1995.

Products and services

Publications

- *Survey of Motor Vehicle Use, Australia* (Cat. no. 9208.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

VITICULTURE

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Regional Winegrape Crush Survey

Contact

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 Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation
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 Kent Town Business Centre
 Kent Town SA 5071
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 Internet: www.awbc.com.au

Purpose

To collect winegrape crush and price data from all major Australian winemaking regions.

Description

Data collected from wineries are compiled from regionally based winegrape price and crush surveys.

Data detail

Data items include:

- data by variety, by region;
- grapes crushed
- estimated crush in next 5 years
- highest and lowest farmgate price; and
- total purchase value.

Geographic coverage

- National, State and winegrape growing regions.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (vintage year).

Historical data

From 1999.

Products and services

Publications

- *National Winegrape Crush and Price Report*
- Regional Reports

VITICULTURE

NAME OF COLLECTION

Wine Export Approval Report

Contact

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Purpose

To provide disaggregated data on Australian wine export approvals that will assist planners make assessments of Australia's wine export performance.

Description

A monthly collection of approximately 530 exporters of Australian wine.

Data detail

Data items include:

- destination country;
- destination region;
- wine styles;
- container size (bottle, flagon, cask, bulk); and
- current month, moving annual total, calendar year to date, financial year to date.

Geographic coverage

Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly.

Historical data

Volume data available from 1990–91 to present. Value data available from 1991–92 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *Wine Export Approval Report*. This report is available by telephone on 08 8364 2828 or facsimile 08 8364 5151

Other

- Internet home page: www.awbc.com.au

NAME OF COLLECTION

National Wine Grape Utilisation — Western Australia

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Purpose

To provide information on current production trends in the Western Australian wine industry.

Description

A complete collection of all wine producers in Western Australia. The data are collected by mail questionnaire for approximately 300 wine producers. Respondents are also followed up by telephone.

Data detail

Data items include:

- tonnes and value of grapes processed;
- variety; and
- future outlook.

Geographic coverage

Data available at the regional and State level for Western Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available for 1999 and 2000.

Products and services

Publications

- Survey results are available by contacting Wine Industry Association of Western Australia (Inc.) phone 08 9385 1699 (Cost \$50)

VITICULTURE

NAME OF COLLECTION

South Australian Winegrape Utilisation and Pricing Survey

Contact

Executive Officer
Phylloxera and Grape Industry Board of South Australia
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Adelaide SA 5001

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Facsimile: 08 8463 3330
Email: admin@phylloxera.org.au
Internet: www.phylloxera.org.au

Purpose

To provide processing data on each winegrape vintage in South Australia.

Description

An annual census of all wineries in South Australia that crush fruit to make wine.

Data detail

Data items include:

- purchase of fruit (winegrapes);
- utilisation of fruit (winegrapes) from own vineyards;
- price paid for fruit (winegrapes); and
- freight costs.

Geographic coverage

South Australian vineyards and recognised winegrape growing regions within South Australia (using grape industry designations where available).

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1993 to present.

Products and services

Publications

- *The South Australian Winegrape Utilisation and Pricing Survey*

Other

- Special data services are available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Viticulture

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 Australian Bureau of Statistics
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 Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

To collect data on the main grape varieties grown in Australia.

Description

A census of all establishments known to grow grapes.

Data detail

Data items include:

- area planted and production;
- intended plantings in the coming season; and
- areas lost (either grubbed or grafted onto).

Geographic coverage

Statistical Local Area.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Available from the mid 1970s.

Products and services

Publications

- *Australian Wine and Grape Industry* (Cat. no. 1329.0)
- *Agricultural Commodities, Australia* (Cat. no. 7121.0)
- *Agriculture, Australia* (Cat. no. 7113.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request

VITICULTURE

NAME OF COLLECTION

Wine Grape Vintage Survey

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Winemaker's Federation of Australia
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Purpose

To provide national winegrape intake data by variety for each vintage.

Description

An annual survey of wineries to collect national winegrape intake data. The data are collected by mail questionnaire and represent approximately 85% of the annual crush. A pro rata is applied to ensure the data represents approximately 100% of the annual crush.

Data detail

Data items include:

- winegrape intake, current year (vintage by variety); and
- winegrape intake, previous year (vintage by variety).

Geographic coverage

Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available from 1994.

Products and services

Publications

- *Winemaker's Federation of Australia Vintage Report*

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

AFFA Pest and Disease Interception Database

Contact

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 Plant Biosecurity
 Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry — Australia
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 Email: john.caling@affa.gov.au
 Internet: <http://www.affa.gov.au>

Purpose

To provide an historical record of pests intercepted on specific commodities from specific countries.

Description

Survey of all intercepted pests detected on goods at the Australian quarantine barrier.

Data detail

Data items include:

- all commodities imported into Australia;
- all passenger personal effects imported into Australia;
- date of Interception;
- country of origin;
- commodity;
- method of import; and
- pest order, family and genus/species.

Geographic coverage

All ports of entry for commodities and passengers.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Data collection and pest identification since 1987.

Products and services

- Electronic reports in MS Excel available on request.

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

**Land and Water Management Plan (LWMP)
Implementation**

Contact

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Purpose

To provide Land Management Data.

Description

Face to face survey of 320 based on random selection of landholdings within LWMP area of NSW Murray Valley.

Data detail

Data items include:

- landuse;
- irrigation layouts;
- adoption of specific best practices, including farm planning, farm irrigation development, groundwater pumping, tree planting; and
- level of investment in best practices.

Geographic coverage

Murray Land and Water Management Plan area of NSW Central Murray Valley.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data for 1996–1997 to 1999–2000.

Products and services

Annual report.

NAME OF COLLECTION

**National Land and Water Resources Audit (NLWRA) —
Australian Natural Resources Atlas**

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Canberra ACT 2601

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Facsimile: Canberra 02 6257 9518
Email: info@nlwra.gov.au
Internet: <http://www.nlwra.gov.au>

Purpose

To provide a national assessment of land, water and vegetation resources.

Description

The Australian Natural Resources Atlas presents National, State and regional summaries about land, water and vegetation resources. Information is presented about water availability, dryland salinity, vegetation, agricultural productivity, and ecosystem health in the intensive and extensive landuse areas of Australia. Collection method varies with the type of data collected.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Water resources — availability of water; water use and allocation; potential for development; management of water resources; surface water quality; river condition; sediment delivery and nutrient transfer in water bodies;
- Dryland salinity — current extent; risk of dryland salinity in 2020 and 2050; impacts on agriculture, water resources, infrastructure and conservation assets;
- Vegetation — extent of vegetation; change over the past 250 years;
- Rural land use (1:1 million scale);
- Agricultural productivity — agricultural productivity trends — diversification and intensity; agricultural industry economic and practice profiles; nutrient balance at farm gate; soil properties including permeability; available water retention capacity; pH (soil acidity, buffering capacity, exchangeable Al); soil nutrient status; % clay; soil texture (including coarse fragments); bulk density; soil erodibility; solum depth, thickness of A- and B-horizons (estimated rooting depth);

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Data detail *continued*

- Catchment and landscape health — a range of integrated measures of catchment and landscape function and quality; and
- Estuaries and their condition.

Geographic coverage

National coverage. Data available for:

- State;
- Statistical Local Areas;
- Drainage basins; and
- Biogeographic regions.

Frequency of data availability

1996 to 2000.

Historical data

Depending on the data item.

Products and services

Publications

Information products are published on the internet site below:

- <http://www.nlwra.gov.au/atlas>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Spatial Data Directory

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 Internet: <http://www.environment.gov.au/net/asdd/>

Purpose

To improve access to Australian spatial data for industry, government, education and the general community through effective documentation, advertising and distribution.

Description

The Australian Spatial Data Directory (ASDD) is a directory of spatial datasets held by Federal, State and Territory government agencies. Limited private sector datasets are also listed. Overall there are over 40,000 metadata entries in the database. Some of these metadata entries refer to a series or collection of data. Many of the datasets are maps (e.g. topographic, vegetation, soils). The data held are spatial in that they can be related to a position on the earth's surface. The database holds spatial data produced by agencies such as the Bureau of Rural Sciences, Environment Australia, ABARE, CSIRO and the Murray Darling Basin Commission.

Data detail

The type of data listed is diverse, but can be searched by geographic area, title, abstract, custodian, ANZLIC keyword or full text. Data held by agencies dealing with natural resource management, environment, biodiversity, geology, and agriculture are listed in the directory, as well as the framework spatial data sets necessary to support the mapping of these data.

Geographic details

The geographical regions covered by the datasets vary. The ASDD provides sophisticated geographical searching tools to limit the area searched by geographical area.

More specifically the data covers National and State levels as well as user defined rectangular geographic areas, Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia and Catchment areas.

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Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Various.

Products and services

Publications

- Documentation on the ASDD is available from ANZLIC or is online at <http://www.environment.gov.au/net/asdd/asdd.pdf>

Other

- The individual data availability can be determined by contacting the custodian listed in the metadata record.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Market Information Service — List of National Association for Sustainable Agriculture, Australia — Certified Licensees.

Contact

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 National Association for Sustainable Agriculture, Australia
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 Stirling SA 5152
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 Facsimile: 08 8370 8381
 Email: enquiries@nasaa.com.au
 Internet: www.nasaa.com.au

Purpose

To provide a list of producers, processors, wholesalers, input manufacturers, packers/handlers of certified organic produce.

Description

The data are collected by mail questionnaire from approximately 500 farms. All certified members have agreed to have their details reproduced for the general public.

Data detail

Data items include:

Name, location, produce certified, area of land certified.

Geographic details

Australia, Indonesia, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Papua New Guinea.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

No historical data are available.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Market Information Service*
- *NASAA Standards for Organic Agricultural Production*
- *NASAA Standards for Processing and Preparation of Certified Food and Fibre*

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Consolidated List of Environment Protection Licences

Contact

POEO Service Centre
Information Services and Systems Unit
Environment Protection Authority
Level 17,
59–61 Goulburn Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Telephone: 133372
Facsimile: 02 9995 5921
Email: POEOHelp@epa.nsw.gov.au
Internet: <http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au>

Purpose

To provide a listing of environment protection licences in NSW.

Description

Details of environment protection licences under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.

Data detail

Data items include:
Details of licensee, address and licensed activity type.

Geographic details

Local Government Area
Suburb

Frequency of data availability

Monthly from the public register website and upon request to the POEO Service Centre on 133 372 or POEOHelp@epa.nsw.gov.au

Historical data

Commencement of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*.

Products and services available

Special data services are available upon request. Please note that a hard copy of the list is \$50. An electronic copy is free of charge.

NAME OF COLLECTION

The Victorian Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) — Various Collections

Contact

Specific contact details are available through:

Internet: <http://www.nre.vic.gov.au>

Data detail

Data items include:

- coasts and marine;
- community involvement;
- conservation and environment;
- farming and agriculture;
- fire and other emergencies;
- fishing and aquaculture;
- forestry;
- property, titles and map information;
- land and water management;
- minerals and petroleum;
- parks and reserves;
- plants and animals;
- recreations and tourism;
- science and research; and
- trade and investment.

Geographic details

Various levels of data.

Historical data

Data are likely to have different historical time periods.

Products and services available

Publications

- *statistical review* (annual)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

**Environment Protection Expenditure Survey —
Agriculture**

Contact

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Purpose

The Environmental Protection Expenditure Survey of the agriculture industry provides analysts and decision makers in government and private organisations with information to assess the extent of expenditure by this industry on environmental protection, and to compare these data directly with other industry sectors including mining, manufacturing and service industries.

Description

Data on environmental protection expenditures are collected through the Australian Bureau of Statistics Agricultural Finance Survey on an irregular basis. Accordingly, some data are collected in face-to-face interviews, while other establishments complete a mailed survey form. Data are collected from a sample survey of 2,500 farm businesses.

Data detail

Data items include:

- expenditures and subsidies received related to fencing to protect land from livestock;
- expenditures and subsidies received related to controlling weeds in areas of degraded land or native vegetation;
- expenditures and subsidies received related to control of non-native feral animals;
- expenditures and subsidies received related to earthworks undertaken for sustainable land management purposes, e.g. ripping rabbit burrows, riplines for trees;
- expenditures and subsidies received related to converting from an open to a reticulated irrigation system;
- expenditures and income received related to managing liquid wastes & wastewater;

Data detail *continued*

- expenditures and income received related to managing non-hazardous solid wastes;
- expenditures received related to managing hazardous wastes;
- expenditures related to managing air emissions & odours;
- expenditures and subsidies received related to protecting cultural heritage;
- expenditures on environmental taxes, levies, fines & licences paid to government authorities; and
- expenditures on self-education costs for environment & sustainable land management courses.

Geographic details

Australia, States and Territories.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Data are available for each financial year from 1991–92 to 1996–97. Data for the 1999–2000 financial year will be available in 2001.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Environment Protection Expenditure, Australia*
(Cat. no. 4603.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Environmental Issues Survey.

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Purpose

To collect attitudinal and behavioural data from households and individuals relating to the environment.

Description

The survey collects data from approximately 4,000 households using telephone and face to face personal interviewing.

Data detail

Data items include:

- State & Territory;
- metropolitan/non metropolitan Geographic Area;
- age, sex;
- household type;
- perceived change in the quality of Australia's environment in the last 10 years; and
- environmental problem of concern.

Geographic details

Available at the State, National and Metro/non Metro geographic area.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

For May 1992, June 1994, April 1996, March 1998 & 1999.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Environmental Issues — People's Views & Practices*
(Cat. no. 4602.0)

Other

- Special data service available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Forests Products Tasmania

Contact

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Purpose

To measure harvest from native and plantation forest, and product output, and to enable an assessment of the health of the forestry sector.

Description

This collection is a quarterly measure of log inputs to sawmills and wood chip mills and output (sawn timber and woodchips). Native forest and plantation forest input are collected. Softwood and hardwood species are collected as separate data items.

Data detail

Data items include:

- land ownership, and area;
- hardwood and softwood logs delivered;
- woodchips produced (tonnes): and
- timber production (cubic metres).

Geographic details

Tasmania.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Data are available from the 1970s.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Tasmanian Statistical Indicators* (Cat. no. 1303.6)
- *Australian Forest Products Statistics* (ABARE)

Other

- Special data services on request, and
- Website publications: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Grower Registration Survey

Contact

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Purpose

To provide grower property and planting statistics in the Murray Valley citrus growing regions.

Description

Collects data via a mail out questionnaire from 660 registered citrus growers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- contact details;
- organic registration;
- total hectares by variety;
- tree numbers by age group;
- tree removals;
- new varieties planted;
- tree varieties; and
- crop type.

Geographic details

Data are available at postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

From 1992 to 2000

Products and services available

- printed, email, floppy disk

NAME OF COLLECTION

Meteorological (climate and weather) information.

Contact

For historical meteorological data, either the Regional Office of the Bureau of Meteorology in your State, or

Data Services Section
National Climate Centre
Bureau of Meteorology
PO Box 1289K
Melbourne VIC 3001
AUSTRALIA

Telephone: (03) 9669 4082
Facsimile: (03) 9669 4515
e-mail: webclim@bom.gov.au

Purpose

To meet community needs for a reliable description of Australia's weather and climate.

Description

Meteorological information available from the Bureau includes Australian climate data, analyses of climate averages, extremes and variability, records of past and present meteorological conditions and forecasts and warnings of expected future conditions.

Description continued

Meteorological observations are collected through a combination of direct measurement and remote sensing technology by a range of land, air and sea based systems across Australia and its territories. These data are processed to produce a range of products, analyses and forecasts.

Data detail

Data items include:

- meteorological observations for Australia and its territories;
- solar radiation data; and
- satellite archive.

Climate maps, charts and outlooks:

A range of climate summaries, maps and reports are produced from meteorological observations.

The Seasonal Climate Outlook provides a prediction of expected rainfall and temperature.

Weather reports, forecasts and warnings:

Reports of current and recent weather, expected weather for up to seven days ahead and warnings of severe weather conditions in a range of formats including descriptive worded reports, quantitative numerical information and graphical maps, charts and images.

Geographic details

Available across all Australian States and Territories.

Frequency of data availability

Data are updated and available on a continuous basis.

Historical data

The historical extent of meteorological data available from the National Climate Record varies considerably for different periods, data types and locations. One means of gaining an idea of data availability is to consult the Bureau web site:

Observing stations —

<http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/how/sitedat.shtml>

Mean Sea Level Pressure (MSLP) analysis charts —

<http://www.bom.gov.au/nmoc/MSL/index.shtml>

Satellite images — <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/satellite/>

Products and services available

National Climate Record:

- Selected data can be extracted from the historical database upon request.

Climate maps, charts and outlooks:

- On the Internet at <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/> and via poll fax (poll 1800 630 100 for a Directory of Services);
- Published summaries and other data by subscription.

Weather reports, forecasts and warnings:

- Through the mass media and the Internet (<http://www.bom.gov.au/> and ftp address <ftp://ftp2.bom.gov.au/anon/gen/index.html>);

Other

- Telephone dial 1800 687 999 for a Directory of Services.

NAME OF COLLECTION

National Greenhouse Gas Inventory

Contact

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 Australian Greenhouse Office
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 Canberra ACT 2601
 Telephone: 02 6274 1371
 Facsimile: 02 6274 1439
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 Internet: <http://www.greenhouse.gov.au>

Purpose

To provide estimates of Australia's greenhouse gas emissions.

Description

Emissions are estimated using data such as animal numbers, area and production of crops from ABS and other sources and the Australian Methodology for the Estimation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks Workbooks 1 to 8.

Data detail

Data items include:

Greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture including enteric fermentation and manure management;

- dairy cattle;
- non-dairy cattle;
- sheep;
- pigs;
- poultry;
- buffalo;
- goats;
- horses;
- camels and llamas;
- mules;
- deer;
- ostriches/emus;
- rice cultivation;
- agricultural soils (associated with disturbance, application of nitrogen fertiliser and manure);
- prescribed burning of savannas;

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Data detail *continued*

- field burning of agricultural residues;
- forestry activities;
- land clearing; and
- emissions from other sectors (e.g. transport, industrial processes) are also reported.

Geographic details

Data from the agricultural census are available at the National level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1990 to 1998.

Products and services available

Publications

- *National Greenhouse Gas Inventory*
- *National Greenhouse Gas Inventory Land Use Change and Forestry Sector*
- *National Greenhouse Gas Inventory Analysis of Trends and Greenhouse Indicators*

All three publications are available from the AGO website.

NAME OF COLLECTION

New South Wales Waste Information Database

Contact

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Purpose

To provide information on waste activities in NSW.

Description

Information on waste quantities from licensed waste facilities at the aggregated level (Council depots, private depots and Transfer Stations) and on recycling data collected from the Council Rebate Recycling Scheme.

Data detail

Data items include:

- waste management;
- utilities; and
- solid waste.

Geographic details

Local Government Area
 State

Frequency of data availability

Irregular

Historical data

1 June 1994 — 30 June 1995

Products and services available

- Special data services are available upon request.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

**Northern Australia Quarantine Strategy (NAQS)
Surveillance Database**

Contact

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Purpose

To provide an early warning system for the entry of pests and diseases into Australia, by providing a repository for monitoring and surveillance of weed, invertebrate and disease pests from northern Australia.

Description

Data repository of regular surveillance and monitoring programs conducted by the Commonwealth in northern Australia. Approximately 151 surveys plus monitoring data over a 10 year period.

Data detail

Data items include:

Items surveyed include, insects, weeds and plant diseases, with the following data items collected;

- host;
- habitat;
- site;
- survey location;
- latitude & longitude;
- organism;
- prevalence;
- damage;
- symptoms;
- flower damage;
- fruit damage;
- seed damage;
- leaf damage;

Data detail *continued*

- stem damage;
- root damage; and
- collection method.

Geographic details

Data from the NAQS surveys and monitoring activities covers an area between Broome W.A. and Cairns Qld and approximately 20km inland and are available down to a designated local area level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

NAQS data collected since 1990.

Products and services available

- Electronic data delivery in MS Excel format is available upon request.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Rural Lands Protection Boards' Association Stock Figures

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Purpose

To collect rates and relevant data to facilitate functions of the Rural Lands Protection Board to protect the NSW community from the dangers of exotic and endemic animal disease and to control pest animals.

Description

The Rural Lands Protection Boards' Association maintains a database containing details of 120,000 rural landholders, the disease and pest animal histories of each property, numbers of stock and land use data and details of tail tags and brands/earmarks. Data are collected from 48 individual Rural Lands Protection Boards.

Collects data from approximately 150,000 agricultural establishments.

Data detail

Data items include:

- board area (Ha);
- rated area (Ha);
- number of ratepayers; and
- numbers of livestock.

Geographic details

Rural Lands Protection Board Districts.

Frequency of data availability

Stock numbers and land use data are updated annually.

Historical data

Data are available from 1995 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Rural Lands Protection Boards' Association Annual Report*

NAME OF COLLECTION

State Forests Facts and Figures

Contact

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 Public Affairs Branch
 State Forests of NSW
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 Pennant Hills NSW 2120
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 Internet: <http://www.forest.nsw.gov.au>

Purpose

To provide information about activities of State Forests of NSW.

Description

Data are generated within State Forests of NSW operational division as part of commercial forest management, timber harvesting and plantation establishment activities.

Data detail

Data items include:

- area of forests and timber yield;
- pine plantation, age, class, distribution;
- fire management;
- forests as carbon sinks;
- eucalypt plantation resource; and
- employment.

Geographic details

State

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

Data are available from 1993.

Products and services available

Publications

- *State Forests Facts and Figures*
- *State Forests of NSW Social and Environmental Values Report*

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Socioeconomic data for Structural Adjustment and the Implementation of Catchment Management plans in the Murray-Darling Basin.

Contact

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Murray-Darling Basin Commission
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Purpose

To explore the current process of structural adjustment and assess the effectiveness of catchment policies and programs.

Description

A collection of socioeconomic data, organised by Statistical Local Area, generated by analysis of various ABS and ABARE data, for the Murray-Darling Basin. Not a survey.

Data detail

Data items include:

- ratio of farm families/establishments 1996;
- median value of agricultural operation 1996;
- median farm family income 1986–1996;
- mean annual entry to farming 1991–1996;
- annual decline farm numbers 1986–1996; and
- median age of farmers 1986 and 1996.

Geographic details

Statistical Local Area.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

From 1986–1996.

Products and services available

- Data available as geo-referenced ARC/INFO GRID data for the Murray-Darling Basin — contact MDBC.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Water Account for Australia.

Contact

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 Belconnen ACT 2616.
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 Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

To bring together regional and state data on the economy wide impact of water resource management and use.

Description

The Water Account identifies suppliers and uses of water in Australia by industry sector.

It measures water usage by linking together administrative by-product data from water suppliers (urban and rural) and data on self-extractors of water (usually based on State Government licensing information).

Data detail

Data items include:

- distribution of supply to users (volume and type of use);
- average annual domestic usage; and
- treated and untreated effluent discharges (volume and location).

Geographic details

Data are available at the State and Territory and National level.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Available for the financial years 1993–94 to 1996–97.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Water Account for Australia 1993–94 to 1996–97*
(Cat. no. 4610.0)

Other

- Special data services are available on request.

ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

NAME OF COLLECTION

Water Usage and Crop Statistics Data

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Purpose

To obtain an estimate of water usage extracted from both groundwater bores and from surface water licences.

Description

Data are collected in a variety of ways: as administrative by-product; mail questionnaire; personal interview; and from water meters. There are approximately 18,000 surface water licenses and 40,000 groundwater licences.

Data detail

Data items include:

- estimated and measured water usage; and
- area irrigated, type of crop and irrigation method.

Geographic details

Data are available at the State level

Frequency of data availability

Annual and monthly

Historical data

Paper records from 1970 to 1988 (not available in all areas).
Electronic records are available from 1989 to date.

Products and services available

Publications

- Special data services are available upon request

NAME OF COLLECTION

Water Utilities — Non Major Urban Report

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Purpose

To report on the performance of small urban water utilities around Australia.

Description

The annual non major urban water utilities report records the performance and attributes of smaller water utilities across a wide range of physical, business and environmental parameters. Data are collected by a mailed questionnaire to 67 organisations.

Data detail

Data items include:

- population served;
- properties served;
- water supplied;
- wastewater collected;
- water quality compliance; and
- sources of water.

Geographic details

Local Government Area
 Water Utility Region.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data are available for 1997–98 and 1998–99

Products and services available

Publications

- *NMU Performance Monitoring Report 1998/99 AWA*

CRIME AND JUSTICE

NAME OF COLLECTION

Children's Court Information

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Purpose

To record details of court appearances by juveniles.

Description

These data relate to court appearances by juveniles aged 0–17 years at the time of committing their original offence.

Data detail

Data items include:

- age and sex;
- indigenous status;
- fine;
- outcomes; and
- bail.

Geographic details

State, SLA and LGA.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1977 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

- *New South Wales Department of Juvenile Justice Annual Children's Court Statistics*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Crime and Traffic Statistics

Contact

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 Statistical Services Branch
 Victorian Police Force
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Purpose

To set goals, measure trends and make predictions.

Description

These data relate to crime and traffic statistics in Victoria.
 Data are obtained from records and forms completed by the
 attending Victorian Police member.

Data detail

Data items include:

- crime and traffic statistics in Victoria.

Geographic coverage

Postcode
 Local Government Area
 State

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

Data available from 1993 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

- Victoria Police Crime Statistics (published annually)

NAME OF COLLECTION

NSW Computerised Operational Policing System Database (COPS)

Contact

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NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research
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Sydney NSW 2001
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Internet: www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/bocsar

Purpose

To record crimes reported to or uncovered by police.

Description

The database is compiled by operational Police in NSW who enter details of all crimes that are either reported to them or which they uncovered during the course of their duty.

Data detail

Data items include:

- offence type;
- weapon information;
- age/gender of victim and person of interest; and
- details of items stolen.

Geographic details

State, SLA and LGA

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

Data available from 1995 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

- *New South Wales Recorded Crime Statistics*

Other

- New South Wales Recorded Crime Supplementary tables: offence type by LGA. Disk only, Microsoft Excel format.

NAME OF COLLECTION

NSW Higher Courts Database

Contact

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 NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research
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 Sydney NSW 2001
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 Internet: www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/boscar

Purpose

To maintain a record of all charges that appear before the District and Supreme Courts of NSW.

Description

High Court administrative data.

Data detail

A wide range of items are collected, and these include:

- offence type and plea;
- age/gender of offender and prior convictions; and
- penalty for proven charge.

Geographic coverage

State, SLA and LGA.

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

Data available from 1989 to present.

Products and services available

Publications

- *New South Wales Criminal Court Statistics*

Other

- New South Wales Higher Court Appendix tables: Charge Act and Section by outcome and penalty.

NAME OF COLLECTION

NSW Local Courts Database

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Purpose

To maintain a record of all charges that appear before the Local Courts of NSW.

Description

These data are a census of all charges that appear before the Local Courts in NSW.

Data detail

Data items include:

- offence type, plea and outcome;
- age/gender of offender and indigenous status; and
- penalty for proven charge.

Geographic details

State, SLA and LGA.

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

Data are available from 1990 to present.

Products and services available

Publications

- *New South Wales Criminal Court Statistics*

Other

- New South Wales Local Court Appendix tables: Charge Act and Section by outcome and penalty.

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

NAME OF COLLECTION

Client and Service Data Collection

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Purpose

Input into the Annual Report for the Disability Services Commission. Supply information for accountability, budget statements, parliamentary questions and planning purposes.

Description

Census of service users in Western Australia to gather information on socio-demographic, disability and services data. The scope of the census is 17,000 services, 750 service outlets and 100 organisations.

Data detail

Data items include:

- age, sex and indigenous status;
- disability type and support/assistance required; and
- allowance/main income and living arrangements.

Geographic details

Data available at Postcode level for Western Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual

Historical data

Data available from 1997 to 1999.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Disability Services Commission Annual Report 1998/99.*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request

NAME OF COLLECTION

Census of Child Care Services

Contact

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Canberra Mail Centre ACT 2610

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Internet: <http://www.facs.gov.au>

Purpose

Provide data on services, families, children and staff for measuring policy initiatives and formulating new policy.

Description

The census of Child Care Services has a sample size of 10,000, using mail-out-mail-back questionnaires as its main method of collection.

Data detail

Data items include:

Service Level;

- hours of operation;
- number of weeks of operation;
- fees charged;
- number of places offered;
- vacancies;
- inclusions such as nappies, meals etc.; and
- special needs subsidies.

Child Level;

- age;
- school attendance;
- disabilities;
- ATSI etc.;
- childcare assistance amount;
- fee paid;
- hours attended;

Data detail *continued*

- hours paid for; and
- parent employment category.

Staff level;

- age group;
- background — ATSI etc.;
- number of hours worked;
- part time/full time status;
- qualifications;
- in service training; and
- main task.

Geographic details

Data from the Census of Child Care Services are available at the National, State, Local Government Area, Postcode and Statistical Local Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Biannually.

Historical data

1986–1999.

Products and services available

Publications

- Further information can be found at the Department of Family and Community Services Internet site <http://www.facs.gov.au>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Census of Population and Housing

Contact

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Australian Bureau of Statistics
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Internet: <http://www.abs.gov.au>

Purpose

To measure the number and key characteristics of all people in Australia, and their dwellings on census night.

Description

A census of all persons and dwellings. Questionnaires are dropped off at dwellings and picked up by an ABS representative.

The size of the collection was 17,892,423 persons in 1996.

Data detail

Data items include:

Birthplace;

- Birthplace of individual; and
- Birthplace of parents.

Caravans;

- Dwelling type and location; and
- Dwelling structure.

Dwelling;

- Dwelling type and location; and
- Number of bedrooms in private dwelling.

Family;

- Count of dependent children and students temporarily absent;
- Count of non-dependent children temporarily absent; and
- Family type and number.

Household;

- Dwelling type; and

Data detail *continued*

- Household income.

Journey to work;

- Work destination zone and method of travel to work.

Number of motor vehicles

Postal area of usual address on census night

Statistical Local Area (SLA)

Geographic details

Data from the Census of Population and Housing are available at the State, National, Postcode, and Local Government Area level; and other region — Full ASGC plus Commonwealth Electoral Divisions, State Electoral Divisions, Suburbs, ATSiC regions, Indigenous Locations and Indigenous Areas.

Frequency of data availability

Regularly, every 5 years.

Historical data

1788 (muster — limited information) to 1996

Products and services available

Publications

A list of products and services is available from the website.

- Australian Demographic Statistics — 1996 Census Edition, December Quarter 1996 (Cat. no. 3101.0)
- *Regional Population Growth — 1996 Census Edition, June 1991 and June 1996* (Cat. no. 3218.0)
- *Selected Social and Housing Characteristics for Statistical Local Areas* (Cat. no. 2015.0–2015.8)
- *Community Profile Series* (Cat. no. 2020.0–2020.8)
- *Population Distribution, Indigenous Australians* (Cat. no. 4705.0)

Other

- CDATA96 — CD-ROM (Cat. nos. 2019.0.30.001 (Aust); 2019.1.30.001 (NSW); 2019.2.30.001 (Vic); 2019.3.30.001 (Qld); 2019.4.30.001 (SA); 2019.5.30.001 (WA); 2019.6.30.001 (Tas); 2019.7.30.001 (NT); 2019.8.30.001 (ACT)).
- Census KeyData — CD-ROM (Cat. no. 2023.0.30.001).
- *1996 Census Statistical Local Area Maps* (Cat. no. 2920.0).

NAME OF COLLECTION

Centrelink Administrative Collection

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Purpose

The purpose of the collection is to maintain a single repository of statistical data on a payment or service with regards to rural and other services. These data satisfy requests to the Centrelink Rural and Housing Team and the Knowledge Team from community groups, welfare agencies, government departments and private organisations.

Description

Administrative data collected by Centrelink covers the following categories of people: retirees, people with disabilities, carers, unemployed people, youth and students, parents and families, primary producers and others.

Data detail

Data items include:

There are many thousands of data items in Centrelink's administrative collection. Some of the data items are:

- sex;
- date of birth;
- country of birth;
- indigenous identifier;
- postcode;
- marital status; and
- payment type etc.

Geographic details

Available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Ongoing.

Historical data

Varies according to source.

Products and services available

Publications

The following statistical publications are available from the Department of Family and Community Services: Switch 02 6244 7788 or website <http://www.facs.gov.au>

- *Department Of Family and Community Services: Income Support for Customers: A Statistical Overview*
- *Department of Family and Community Services: Labour Market and Related Payments.*
- *Customer Numbers by Family and Community Services Payments and Postcodes*

Other

Other Client Departments are:

- Department of Transport and Regional Services
- Department of Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business

Products and services available *continued*

- Department of Veteran's Affairs
- Department of Health and Aged Care
- Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs
- Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Children's Services Information System

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Purpose

To collect data on all children's services.

Description

Collects administrative data on all children's services as well as survey data on important characteristics of funded services.

Data detail

Data items include:

- children using funded/provided child care by age;
- children attending pre-school services;
- total children using child care by type;
- number of child care services by service type;
- places available by services type;
- staff in funded/provided child care;
- average fees /contributions charged for children's services by type; and
- qualifications and experience by primary contact staff.

Geographic details

- State, SLA, LGA and Community Service Areas.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (financial year)

Historical data

From 1996–97

Products and services available

A customised data service is available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Client Information System

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Purpose

To record clients in the child protection and substitute care programs.

Description

Records of the Department's clients in two programs; Protection of children, and Substitute care of children.

Data detail

Data items include:

- sex and date of birth;
- culture grouped;
- language spoken;
- reported issue;
- alleged abuser;
- referral police/court;
- assessment decision and medical action;
- indigenous status;
- religion;
- disability; and
- country of birth.

Geographic details

State, SLA, LGA and Community Service Areas and Centres.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly and annual (financial year)

Historical data

Data are available from 1986–87

Products and services available

- Aggregate information are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Country Matters — Social Atlas of Rural and Regional Australia

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Purpose

To provide detailed social, economic and demographic information on rural and regional communities across Australia.

Description

Data are based mainly on the ABS 1996 Population Census data, ABARE Farms Survey data, and ATO and Family and Community Services administrative records.

Data detail

Data items include:

- population and labour force;
- income; and
- education, health and housing.

Geographic details

Statistical Local Area (Census data)
Statistical Division (ABARE Farm Survey data)
Statistical Subdivisions (state health data)

Frequency of data availability

First edition. Another planned for after the 2001 Census.

Historical data

Data are available 1991–1996

Products and services available

Publications

Country Matters — A social Atlas of Rural and Regional Australia — Bureau of Rural Sciences, AFFA, 1999,
2nd edition 2000, Canberra 116pp

NAME OF COLLECTION

Estimated Resident Population

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Purpose

To provide estimates of the resident population in Australia.

Description

Population estimates are derived from the Census of Population and Housing, held every five years, with demographic methods employed to provide more frequent and up-to-date estimates.

Data detail

Data items include:

- estimated resident population;
- births;
- deaths; and
- migration.

Geographic details

Data from the Estimated Resident Population collection are available at the National, State, Local Government Area, Postcode and Statistical Local Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial year) for Statistical Local Areas, Local Government Areas and Postal Areas.

Historical data

Some from 1986. More information regarding availability available on request.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Regional Population Growth, Australia* (Cat. no. 3218.0)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Australia: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.0)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, New South Wales: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.1)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Victoria: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.2)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Queensland: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.3)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, South Australia: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.4)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Western Australia: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.5)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Tasmania: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.6)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Northern Territory: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.7)
- *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, Australian Capital Territory: Data on Floppy Disk* (Cat. no. 3227.8)
- *Population by Age and Sex, New South Wales* (Cat. no. 3235.1)
- *Population by Age and Sex, Victoria* (Cat. no. 3235.2)
- *Population by Age and Sex, Queensland* (Cat. no. 3235.3)
- *Population by Age and Sex, South Australia* (Cat. no. 3235.4)
- *Population by Age and Sex, Western Australia* (Cat. no. 3235.5)
- *Population by Age and Sex, Tasmania* (Cat. no. 3235.6)
- *Population by Age and Sex, Northern Territory* (Cat. no. 3235.7)
- *Population by Age and Sex, Australian Capital Territory* (Cat. no. 3235.8)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Living in the Regions

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Purpose

To determine the key factors which influence individuals and families on where they will or will not live in Western Australia and at likely movement in the future.

Description

First stage was an extensive series of discussions with focus groups established to gather profile information on attitudes in the regions and the propensity for movement. Second stage involved extensive telephone interviews with 1,500 people aged 18 years and over across Western Australia.

Data detail

Data items include:

- where people live;
- why people move; and
- attitudes to living in the regions.

Geographic details

State level and the nine development commission regions.

Frequency of data availability

One off.

Historical data

Survey conducted October/November 1997.

Products and services available

Publications

- *State report* (all nine development commission regions)
- *Seven regional reports*

Other

- Data available of all eight reports on the website.

NAME OF COLLECTION

**Population Projections Australia 1999–2101
(Cat. no. 3222.0)**

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Purpose

To provide population projections, by age and sex, for the States and Territories and for selected small geographic regions of Australia.

Description

Population projections are produced using the cohort-component method. This involves applying assumed fertility and mortality rates and migration levels to the base population to produce a projected population, which in turn becomes the base for projecting the next year, and so on. All projections are by sex and age (either single years of age 0 to 85+, or five-year age groups 0–4 to 85+) and are on geographic boundaries current at the 1996 Census (ASGC 1996).

Data detail

Data items include:

- projected resident population;
- geographic area;
- projected year (as at 30 June);
- sex; and
- age (single years 0 to 85+ or five-year age groups 0–4 to 85+).

Geographic details

Data from the Population Projections collection are available at the National, State, Local Government Area, Postcode (CD-Derived Postcode or 'Postal Area'), Statistical Local Area as well as Census Collection Districts.

Frequency of data availability

Population projections are produced approximately every two and a half years, once after the latest Population Census is finalised, and then once more half way through the intercensal period.

Historical data

Each new series of population projections takes precedence over any previous series. The current set of State/Territory population projections *Population Projections Australia, 1999 to 2101* (Cat. no. 3222.0) was published 17 August 2000. The next series is expected to be published following the 2001 Census.

The current set of small area population projections became available in January 1999. The next set is expected to become available in early 2001.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Population Projections Australia, 1999 to 2101* (Cat. no. 3222.0)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Population projections

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Purpose

To provide population projections for a 30-year period.

Description

Population projections for a 30 year period covering total population, age and sex distribution and households.

Data detail

Data items include

- total population;
- age for single years;
- sex for single years; and
- age and sex for Statistical Divisions and total NSW.

Geographic details

Total population for all geographic levels.
Age and sex distribution for Statistical Divisions and total NSW.
Households for Sydney and balance of NSW.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular

Historical data

Currently available: projections for 1996 to 2026

Products and services available

Publications

- *Population Projections for Non-metropolitan Local Government Areas, 1994*
- *Household Projections, 1994*

Products and services available *continued*

- *Population Projections for Sydney region Local Government Areas, 1995*
- *Population Projections for New South Wales (preliminary), 1999*

Other

1999 Revision will be available on floppy disk.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Register of the National Estate

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Purpose

List natural, historic and indigenous places of heritage significance in Australia.

Description

A database containing over 12,600 places in Australia nominated for inclusion in the register by individuals, voluntary groups or professional heritage workers.

Data detail

Data items include:

- name of place and description;
- status and class;
- address, state, LGA, geocoordinates and map references; and
- statement of significance.

Geographic details

Postcode, Local Government Area and State.

Frequency of data availability

Publicly accessible database updated monthly.

Historical data

From 1975.

Products and services available

Publications

- New places Gazetted six monthly
- Annual statistics available in *AHC Annual Report*

Other

- Database available on the Internet.

NAME OF COLLECTION

**Service Industries and Technology Statistics —
Community Services**

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Purpose

Measure the size and structure of the community services industry and determine the significance and role of government. Identify the source and application of funds and obtain information on services offered.

Description

Survey of 4,162 businesses and other public and private organisations involved in the provision of community services such as child care services.

Data detail

Data items include:

- for profit/not for profit organisations;
- activity type;
- number of businesses and business size; and
- employment and volunteers.

Geographic details

National, State and Met/Ex-met

Frequency of data availability

Irregular (approximately 3 yearly)

Historical data

1995–96 was the first time these data were collected.

Data for 1999–2000 are expected at the end of July 2001.

Products and services available

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Regional Statistical Profiles

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Purpose

To provide a range of statistical tables, survey and map of
local government areas in Tasmania.

Description

Use of available statistical sources i.e. Census data, Centrelink
data and Department of Employment, Workplace Relations &
Small Business (DEWRSB) Small Area Labour Market data, also
results of local council surveys, and maps. Every council in
29 Local Government Areas (LGA) was surveyed.

Data detail

Data items include:

A wide range of items are presented at the local government
area from Census, Centrelink, DEWRSB and local council
surveys including;

- major employers by LGA;
- population by LGA;
- population by age;
- ethnic profile;
- employment status;
- labour force status;
- unemployment rate estimates (small area labour market
data);
- employment by industry;
- employment by occupation;
- income support data — Newstart benefit numbers;
- qualifications by gender;
- weekly individual incomes; and

Data detail *continued*

- tenure & landlord type.

Geographic details

Data are available at the State, Statistical Division and Local Government Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Varies: Census data from 1986–1996, Centrelink and SALM data to 1998 and survey of local councils conducted early in 1998.

Products and services available

Further information is available at the following website.

- <http://www.dewrsb.gov.au/employment/publications/labourEconomicsOffice/tas/default.asp>

NAME OF COLLECTION

The Longitudinal Data Set

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Purpose

To make information on FaCS programs available for research and statistical purposes.

Description

The Longitudinal Data Set (LDS) contains longitudinal data on de-identified (name and address suppressed) income support customers of the Department. Approximately nine million people are included in the LDS.

Data detail

Data items include:

- record type;
- date of birth;
- country of birth;
- Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander indicator;
- home ownership code;
- rent type;
- rent amount;
- postcode;
- marital status;
- education level;
- payment type;
- remote area allowance amount;
- earned income amount;
- duration on unemployment;
- duration on current payment; and
- duration on income security.

Geographic details

Data from the LDS are available at the National — Country of birth and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Approximately five million records on current Centrelink customers are extracted from Centrelink systems every fortnight.

Historical data

Data currently available from January 1995 to March 2000.

Products and services available

Publications

- A number of internal and external research projects using data from the LDS have been completed. Some internally produced papers have been presented at conferences and other research reports have been published by the Department of Family and Community Services in its journal *Australian Social Policy*

Other

- A more manageable one percent numeric sample of records has been extracted from the full LDS and can be made available to internal and external researchers.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Association for Research in Education — Database of Research Findings

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Purpose

Dissemination of research findings of members and research papers from educational conferences.

Description

AARE collect conference papers via the web. There are several thousand full text papers on research in education including rural education. AARE Members' demographic database contains details about 1000 qualified researchers (Australian and International).

Data detail

Data items include:
An on-line collection of papers, in a readily accessible, keyword searchable, database of research in education. Research papers use varying samples.

Geographic details

Research papers are available at State and National levels.

Frequency of data availability

Ongoing

Historical data

10 years of full text papers

Products and services available

Publications

- Abstract books for each year
- CD of entire collection to December 1999

Other

- Special data services are available upon request. AARE Office will facilitate contact with members.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian VET (Vocational Education & Training) Statistics

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Purpose

To provide statistical information on vocational training.

Description

Statistical information of publicly funded VET sector activity for Australia and each State and Territory from full data submissions by all training providers that receive public funding for the delivery of VET training.

Data detail

Data items include:

- client demographics;
- course details; and
- module details.

Geographic details

Postcode, City, Metro, Rural, Remote, Overseas, State and Territory.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Full details 1994–1999. Limited details 1976–1993.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Australian Vocational Education and training Statistics — In Detail*
- *Australian Vocational Education and training Statistics — At a Glance*
- *Australian Vocational Education and training Statistics — An Overview*

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Census of Non-Government Schools

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Purpose

This collection provides information on Non-Government Schools, the number of students and teaching and non-teaching staff in Australia. The census provides the enrolment numbers on which per capita funding is based.

Description

It is an annual mailout and internet based collection, which is mirrored by State education authorities via their annual government school census collections. The data are also sourced from administrative by-products.

Data detail

Data items include:

- school characteristics and membership;
- student information by age;
- grade and other characteristics; and
- staff information.

Geographic details

National, State, SLA, Postcode and all statistical areas above SLA, school administrative regions (diocese, system).

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Calendar year) — August each year.

Historical data

Data are available from 1985 onwards.

Products and services available

Electronic delivery, CD-ROM, floppy disk and special data services are available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Direct Entry Level Training Administration

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Purpose

Administration of the new apprentice system.

Description

Details all training contracts (40,000).

Data detail

Data items include:

- employer details;
- trainee/apprentice details; and
- training provider details.

Geographic details

Postcode.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

1985 till present.

Products and services available

Publications

- Not applicable

Other

- restricted-access datasets.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Enrolment Census of Government Schools

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Purpose

To provide enrolment statistics.

Description

Provides a census of numbers of students in government schools by level of education and SLA.

Data detail

Data items include:

- school, location;
- educational sector;
- year level, sex; and
- attendance.

Geographic details

State and Statistical Local Area coverage.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

1984–1999

Products and services available

Publications

- *Schools Australia* (Cat. no. 4221.0)

NAME OF COLLECTION

Higher Education Statistics Collection

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Purpose

The collection and dissemination of statistics relating to the provision of higher education in Australia.

Description

A census of all higher education institutions in Australia which receive Australian Government funding (44 institutions). Provision of data is a condition of funding.

Data detail

Data items include:

Students

- date of birth;
- gender;
- indigenous status;
- location of residence;
- disabilities;
- nationality;
- country of birth;
- previous education experience;
- attendance details;
- basis of admission;
- student load; and
- course specialisation.

Staff

- age;
- gender;

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Staff *continued*

- indigenous status;
- qualifications;
- length of contract; and
- type of work (research, teaching, other).

Finance

- revenue by source;
- expenditure by type of activity; and
- expenditure by purpose.

Research

- expenditure.

Geographic details

Data are available at the National, State, Postcode, Rural and Isolated level.

Frequency of data availability

Most data are available on a calendar year basis, whilst Research Expenditure data are available on a biennial basis.

Historical data

Data available from 1989 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Students; Selected Higher Education Statistics*
- *Students (Preliminary); Selected Higher Education Statistics*
- *Staff; Selected Higher Education Statistics*
- *Finance; Selected Higher Education Statistics*
- *Research Expenditure; Selected Higher Education Statistics*

Other

- Aggregate datasets for the most recent year are available from the DETYA website. Other tailor-made datasets can be produced to meet user requirements.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Mid Year Census

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Purpose

To collect information on pre-school, primary and secondary education including part time education, distance education and indigenous status.

Description

Information on primary, secondary, part-time and distance education, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander enrolment by sex, grade and age; and preschool enrolments by sex and age.

Data detail

Data items include:

- school;
- age;
- grade/support type;
- indigenous status; and
- number of students.

Geographic details

State, SLA, LGA and District.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (calendar year).

Historical data

Primary, secondary and preschool enrolments from 1988.

Products and services available

Publications

- *In Brief*
- *Statistical Bulletin*

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Non-Government Schools Financial Questionnaire

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Purpose

The information is required to monitor income and expenditure of schools and school systems and to assist in determining the future levels of funding. It is also used to meet national and international statistical reporting requirements. With the introduction of the SES funding model for non-government schools the role of this collection may change.

Description

The financial questionnaire is an annual mail out collection (census) of financial information from all non-government schools receiving commonwealth general recurrent grants (2546 schools and 27 system offices in 1999). The census is of funded, non-special schools only and makes use of administrative by-product data.

Data detail

Data items include:
School and System level financial data comprising Recurrent and Capital, Income and Expenditure items.

Geographic details

Data from the Census of Non-Government Schools are available at the National, State, Local Government Area, Postcode and all statistical areas above SLA, school administrative regions (diocese, system).

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Calendar year).

Historical data

Data are available from 1985 onwards.

Products and services available

Electronic delivery, CD-ROM, floppy disk and special data services are available on request. School level information is not available to the general public. A charge for data may be applied.

NAME OF COLLECTION

School Census

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Purpose

To determine the number of students enrolled in Victorian schools along with various school and demographic information.

Description

Twice a year, at the end of February and the start of August, the Department of Education, Employment and Training collects information on students enrolled in Victorian schools. Extensive information on government school enrolments and limited information non-government schools is available.

Data detail

Data items include:

- No. of schools;
- No. of schools by size;
- No. of students;
- School type;
- Year level;
- Gender;
- Age (August only);
- Indigenous (August only, Government schools only);
- Apparent retention rates (only published for 9 Education regions covering the State of Victoria, not published at LGA or lower levels);
- Class sizes (February only, Government schools only); and
- Main language spoken at home (August only, Government schools only).

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Geographic details

Data from the census are available at State and Local Government area and by Education Regions. Basic enrolment information is available for individual government schools.

Frequency of data availability

Annual collections at two points of time.

Historical data

Data generally available from 1990 onwards. Some earlier historical information is also available.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Summary Statistics Victorian Schools, February*
- *Summary Statistics Victorian Schools, Mid Year Census*

Other

Special data services are available subject to resources.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Student Age/Grade Census

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Purpose

Internal policy planning, fulfilling extended reporting requirements

Data detail

Data items include:

- Enrolment Number;
- Age;
- Grade;
- Gender; and
- Indigenous/non Indigenous.

Geographic details

All Northern Territory Schools (currently 187)

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Calendar Year).

Historical data

1978 to 1999.

Products and services available

NT Statistics Overview (available at
<http://www.ntde.nt.gov.au/stats>)

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Student Census

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Purpose

To provide education statistics data for Western Australia.

Description

Census conducted to collect data from approximately over 1,000 schools in Western Australia on a biannual basis, from government and non-government schools, metro and country areas of Western Australia.

Data detail

Data items include:

- student numbers (full-time);
- disabilities;
- education level;
- number of schools, metro/country; and
- type of school.

Geographic details

Data are available at the education district level.

Frequency of data availability

Biannual.

Historical data

Data available from 1982 to 2000.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Summary of Statistics for Western Australian Schools*

Other

Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

**Survey of Research and Experimental Development —
Higher Education Organisations**

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Purpose

To enable the nature and distribution of research and development activity by higher education organisations in Australia to be monitored and analysed by government, business, academics and international organisations.

Description

A collection of research and development activity by universities, most reporting their data electronically.

Data detail

Data items include:

- type of research and development expenditure;
- source of funds for research and development;
- type of activity and socioeconomic objective; and
- human resources devoted to research and development.

Geographic details

Available at the National, States and Territories level.

Frequency of data availability

Every two years.

Historical data

1978, 1981, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Research and Experimental Development, All Sector Summary, Australia* (Cat. no. 8112.0)
- *Research and Experimental Development, Higher Education Organisations, Australia* (Cat. no. 8111.0)

Other

- More detailed data available on request.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Term 1 Census

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Purpose

Collection of specific information about students, and courses in the first three years of high school.

Description

Information on students of non-english background; source of year 7 intake; enrolments in courses in years 7, 8 and 9; and languages other than English for primary students.

Data detail

Data items include:

- school;
- grade/support type;
- language background; and
- course information.

Geographic details

State, SLA, LGA and District.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (calendar year).

Historical data

- Non-English speaking background from 1988;
- source of year 7 intake from 1992;
- primary language other than English from 1994.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Students of non-English Speaking Background*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Transition from Education to Work, Australia

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Purpose

To produce educational indicators, describing the scope of educational activity and the interactions between education and work for the labour force and general population.

Description

A supplementary household survey run in conjunction with the Monthly Population Survey (MPS) in May of each year with approximately 48,000 respondents per survey.

Data detail

Data items include:

- state of usual residence, sex, age, country of birth, year of arrival, labour force status;
- whether attended an educational institution in previous year;
- whether attending an educational institution in survey month;
- highest level of educational attainment; and
- apprenticeship status.

Geographic details

Available at the National, State and the metropolitan/non-metropolitan and labour force region.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Calendar year).

Historical data

Some levels of data are in publications going back to 1963, accessible data is kept on-line for data from 1984 to date.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Transition from Education to Work, Australia* (Cat. no. 6227.0).

Other

- Ad hoc requests are provided.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

**VCE Performance — English, Math Methods, Further Mathematics,
Year 11–12 Apparent Retention
Year 12 Completion**

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Purpose

To benchmark school performance for government schools.

Description

VCE data is obtained from the Board of Studies from the annual VCE results. All students in VCE are included.

For government school students, apparent retention rates are taken from the school census data.

Data detail

Data items include:

VCE results for students in government schools in:

- English;
- Maths Methods; and
- Further Mathematics.

Geographic details

Data is available at State and DEET Regions.

Frequency of data availability

Annual.

Historical data

Data available from 1997 onwards.

Products and services available

Documents are available on website under 'Benchmarks'.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

**Ageing and Disability Services — Commonwealth State
Disability Agreement Minimum Data Set**

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Purpose

To record details of recipients of services by providers who receive CSDA funding.

Description

A snapshot day census of all people who have received a service provided by a CSDA funded service outlet and outlet details.

Data detail

Data items include:

- country and date of birth;
- indigenous status;
- disabilities and support needs; and
- income.

Geographic details

State, Postcode, Local Government Area, Ageing and Disability Department Region and Department of Community Services Area.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (calendar year)

Historical data

Data are available from 1995 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

- Various publications

HEALTH

NAME OF COLLECTION

Ambulance Caseload Statistics

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Purpose

To record activity for planning and performance.

Description

Ambulance emergency cases, by location. About 30,000 cases per annum.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Ambulance case detail;
- name, location; and
- medical details.

Geographic details

Tasmanian case locations in detail.

Frequency of data availability

Ongoing.

Historical data

From 2000.

Products and services available

Limited access to datasets.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare: Health Data Holdings

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Purpose

To provide data from which rates and patterns of death, disease and illness in Australia can be obtained, along with additional data relating to the supply inputs to the major health occupations, resources, expenditure and services in all public acute, non acute and psychiatric hospitals in Australia.

Also to provide summary information on the provision of services to admitted patients in Australian Hospitals, establish an ongoing data base of GP — patient encounter information and information on births in Australia providing demographic and pregnancy characteristics of mothers and the characteristics and outcomes of their babies.

Description

These data holdings consist of data from various collections based on a number of administrative by product data holdings and other sources.

Data detail

Data items include:

There are a large number of data items available from the above collections, and these include:

- demography;
- cause of death;
- topography of cancer;
- characteristics of the hospital and measures of activity;
- nature of the hospital;
- the demographic characteristics of the patient;
- administrative information such as whether the patient was a public or private patient;
- the length of stay in hospital;
- diagnoses of the patient;

Data detail *continued*

- surgical or other procedures they underwent;
- reason for encounter;
- medications;
- risk factors; and
- mothers and babies details, details of the birth and birth outcomes.

Geographic details

The Geographic classification used by the Institute is the Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area (RRMA) classification.

Generally however, data are available by SLA, State and at a National level.

Frequency of data availability

The frequency of data availability differs with each collection.

Historical data

The data from each of these collections dates back to different time periods, beginning in January 1964 until the present, and full details for each of the datasets are available from the data custodian.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Breast Cancer in Australian Women 1982–1996*
- *Breast Cancer Survival in Australian Women 1982–1994*
- *Australian Hospital Statistics 1998–99*
- *Medical Labour Force 1998*
- *Nursing Labour Force 1998*
- *Pharmacy Labour Force 1998*
- *Australian Hospital Statistics 1997–98*
- *General Practice Activity in Australia 1998–99*
- *Measures of Health and Health Care Delivery in General Practice in Australia*
- *Australia's mothers and babies 1991 to 1997. Perinatal Statistics series nos. 1–3, 5–7, 9*
- *Indigenous mothers and their babies, Australia, 1991–1993 and Indigenous mothers and their babies, Australia, 1994–1996. Perinatal Statistics series nos. 4 and 8*

Other

- Large number of health related databases are available to researchers after AIHW ethics committee approval. Periodical analysis of these data can be found on the AIHW website.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health

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Purpose

To examine the relationship between biological, psychological, social and lifestyle factors and women's physical health, emotional well-being, and their use of and satisfaction with health care.

Description

The study is a longitudinal survey of 42,000 women from urban, rural and remote areas of Australia.
 Women from rural and remote areas were selected in twice the proportion of the Australian population.

Data detail

Data items include:

- general health and well-being;
- illness conditions, stress, smoking and alcohol use;
- reproductive health, contraceptive use; and
- violence against women.

Geographic details

Available at the National, State and Postcode levels.

Frequency of data availability

Rolling triennial basis over 20 years.

Historical data

Ongoing over 20 years from 1996.

Products and services available

Publications

- Numerous — see the Women's Health Australia website at University of Newcastle <http://www.fec.newcastle.edu.au/wha/>

Other

- Customised data services are available from: Women's Health Australia, by emailing: whlra@cc.newcastle.edu.au

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Dairy, Seafood and Meat Industry Participant Registrations

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Purpose

To monitor food safety.

Description

This collection records details of industry participant registrations by type (production, processing or distribution), industry and area in NSW.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of registrants;
- location;
- activity; and
- industry.

Geographic details

Data are available at the State level and some regional areas down to postcode where confidentiality requirements permit.

Frequency of data availability

Current data are available at any time but published annually.

Historical data

Data are available from 1980.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Safe Food Production, NSW Annual Report*

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Farm Injury

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Purpose

To examine the types of farm injuries.

Description

All farm injuries that presented to emergency departments in the Barwon health area in NSW during 1990–1992.

Data detail

Data items include:

- hospital;
- time;
- context of farm injury and type of injury; and
- outcome.

Geographic details

Data are available down to the postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

A one-off census collection.

Historical data

Data relates to the three years 1990–1992.

Products and services available

Publications

- Please contact the Australian Centre for Agricultural Health and Safety for a list of publications.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Farm Safety Survey 2000

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Purpose

To define work-related farm injury rate and risk factors and evaluate the current status of workplace health and safety standards on Queensland farms.

Description

A census of all producers with an EVAO > \$22,500 in 10 regions comprising 23 Statistical Local Areas and 11 industry sectors classified by ANZSIC. Data were collected by mailed questionnaire from a sample of 5,098 farms.

Data detail

Data items include:

- injury rate per 100 farms and per 100,000 worked hours;
- comparison of injury rate 1993, 1995, 1998;
- nature of injury; body part affected;
- total weekly hours worked;
- tractor age, hours of use, number/farm;
- incidence of rollover protraction (ROPS) on tractors;
- comparison of ROPS fitment 1993 vs 1998;
- percent tractor use/farm with ROPS;
- age distribution of family members who drive tractors;
- other tractor safety features;
- percentage of farms with children under 15 years of age and their exposure to farm safety education;
- percentage of farms with staff attending training; and
- farm safety behaviour indices.

Geographic details

Local Government Area.

Frequency of data availability

Approximately every 3 years.

Historical data

Comparative data for injury rate and ROPS available for 1993, 1995 and 1998.

Products and services available

Publications

- Hard copy report available from author
- Report is available on the internet

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Field Day Hearing Screening

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Purpose

To examine the extent of noise induced hearing loss in farmers.

Description

This collection of farmer hearing screenings at field days allows for a snapshot of farmer's hearing and where their noise exposure is coming from and what protective equipment they are using. The collection is a sample of farmers who volunteer for a hearing screening.

Data detail

Data items include:

- location;
- postcode of farmer;
- year of birth and gender;
- farm type;
- years in industry; and
- hearing history and results.

Geographic details

Data are available down to the postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular

Historical data

Data are available from 1995 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

- A list is available on request

NAME OF COLLECTION

FIRS (Fire and Incident Reporting System)

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Purpose

To provide a record of incidents attended by brigades.

Description

A data base of all incidents as reported by fire brigades on a mandatory basis.

Data detail

Data items include:

- date and time;
- address; geocode;
- nature of emergency and cause;
- situation on arrival and action taken; and
- extent of damage/loss and death/injury.

Geographic details

Australia, State, Local Government Area, and Postcode levels.

Frequency of data availability

Financial years.

Historical data

Data are available from 1991

Products and services available

Publications

- Selection of data published in Annual Report
- Summary of performance indicators published in Productivity Commission's Report on Government Services

Other

- Special data service available on request.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Fracture Registry

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Purpose

To document all symptomatic fractures in southern Tasmania.

Description

Collection contains all data regarding age, sex, location, type and site of fracture.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Age, sex; and
- Type of fracture and date of x-ray.

Geographic details

Postcode (southern Tasmania only).

Frequency of data availability

1997-99 (continuous).

Historical data

July 1997 to June 1999.

Products and services available

Publications

- Research papers published in journals.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Health Survey (National)

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Purpose

The aim of the survey is to obtain national benchmark information on a range of health issues and to enable trends in health to be monitored over time.

Description

The National Health Survey (NHS) is a household-based survey of health characteristics. It is a multi-stage area based sample of private and special dwellings. The sample size varies from survey to survey; 1995 was 21,800 private and special dwellings.

The survey uses face-to-face interviews. Adults are asked to respond on behalf of each child in the dwelling. Children aged 15–17 may be personally interviewed with parental consent.

Note: A new series of 3 yearly National Health Surveys will commence in 2001. The content of surveys in the new series will be broadly similar to previous surveys to provide continuity over time, but other characteristics of the survey, including sampling arrangements, will differ. Results of the 2001 survey are expected to be available from October 2002.

Data detail

Data items include:

The content of the surveys in the NHS series differs between surveys, around a common data set. The 1995 survey covered 5 main areas:

- indicators of health status (self-assessed health status, recent and long-term conditions, SF36);
- health-related actions taken (visits to hospitals and day clinics, consultations with doctors, dentists and other health professionals, other consultations, use of medications (including vitamins, minerals, natural and herbal remedies), days away from work and other days of reduced activity);

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Data detail *continued*

- health risk factors (smoking, alcohol consumption, exercise, body mass, sun protection, breastfeeding);
- supplementary women's health items (breast and cervical cancer screening practices, contraception, breastfeeding); and
- demographic and socioeconomic characteristics (standard range of items, plus Indigenous status, private health insurance and housing).

Geographic details

Data from the NHS are available at the National and State level. Broad level estimates can be produced for a number of sub-State areas including Statistical Divisions, aggregated groups from the Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area Classification, and Health Regions, as defined by State Health Authorities.

Frequency of data availability

5 yearly.

Historical data

1977–78, 1983, 1989–90 and 1995.

Products and services available

Publications

- *1995 National Health Survey: First Results* (Cat. no. 4392.0)
- *National Health Survey: Users' Guide* (Cat. no. 4363.0)
- *National Health Survey: Summary of Results* (Cat. no. 4364.0)
- *National Health Survey: Summary Results, Australian States and Territories* (Cat. no. 4368.0)
- *Information Paper: National Health Survey, Sample File on Magnetic Media* (Cat. no. 4324.0)
- *National Health Survey: SF36 Population Norms, Australia* (Cat. no. 4399.0)

Other

- *National Health Survey, Sample File, Australia* (Cat. no. 4324.0.55.001).
- *National Health Survey: Indigenous Persons Output Development File* (Cat. no. 4324.0.30.001).

NAME OF COLLECTION

Health workforce data

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Purpose

To describe the distribution of health care professionals across Australia by statistical division and adjusted for estimated community need.

Description

Data from records where employment recorded as Health Professional.

Data detail

Data Items include:

- employment classification; and
- place of residence.

Geographic details

Statistical division

Frequency of data availability

One-off in 1996.

Products and services available

Publications

- Various journal publications (Australian Journal of Rural Health, Australian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health)

Other

- Fact sheets.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Home and Community Care (HACC) Service Provision and User Characteristics Survey

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Purpose

To record details of HACC service provision and characteristics of service consumers.

Description

A twice yearly (May and November) survey of all service providers and a random sample of 10% of all service users during a four week period, which has been conducted as a supplement to the service provision collection in May 1989, 1993 and 1998.

Data detail

Data items include

- number of clients provided with service;
- number of hours of service; and
- type of service.

Data items that are collected in the user characteristics survey include:

- service commencement date;
- sex;
- date of birth;
- living arrangement;
- carer; and
- pension/benefit.

Geographic details

Postcode
 Local Government Area
 Ageing and Disability Department Region
 Department of Community Services Area (now known as ADD
 Local Planning Areas)
 State

Frequency of data availability

Twice yearly data are available relating to service provision
 and user characteristics data have been collected in 1989,
 1993 and 1998.

Historical data

Data are available from 1989 onwards.

Products and services available

Publications

Various publications relating to issues about ageing and
 people with disabilities.

Note: From 1 January 2001, both data collections will be
 superseded by the HACC Minimum Data Set.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Inpatient Morbidity Database

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Purpose

Administrative purposes.

Description

Separation based morbidity data collection.

Data detail

Data items include:

A wide range of items are collected, and these include:

- separation date, principal diagnosis, additional diagnoses, age, sex, procedures;
- suburb, wards, ward dates, payment class, admission date, source of referral, discharge status, insurance status, care type; and
- occupation, country of birth, marital status, indigenous status, date of birth, admission type, DVA number, transfer, admission criteria, patient identifier.

Geographic details

Tasmania, by hospital, by personal address.

Frequency of data availability

Intermittent.

Historical data

1990 — current.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Inpatients Statistics Collection (ISC)

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Purpose

To record data in respect of inpatient separations from all hospitals, day procedure centres and public nursing homes in NSW.

Description

A repository of demographic and episode related data in respect of every patient who is separated from any public or private hospital (including psychiatric), public and private day procedure centres and public nursing homes in NSW.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Patient records;
- date of birth;
- country of birth;
- language usually spoken at home; and
- indigenous origin.

Administrative admission items:

- source of referral;
- facility transferred from; and
- admission status.

Separation items:

- separation date and time;
- payment status on separation;
- hours in intensive care unit; and
- facility transferred to.

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Items for neonates only:

- neonate admission weight; and
- unqualified baby bed days.

Items for patients with time in designated psychiatric units only:

- first admission to designated psychiatric unit;
- last year admitted to designated psychiatric unit; and
- days accommodation in designated psychiatric unit.

Clinic items:

- principal diagnosis;
- length of stay diagnosis;
- principal procedure; and
- palliative care status.

Geographic details

State, SLA and LGA

Frequency of data availability

Annual (financial year)

Historical data

Data available from 1981

Products and services available

Publications

- *NSW Public Hospitals Comparison Data Book; 1997/98*
- *NSW Health Services Comparison Data Book; 1998/99*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Insulin-treated Diabetes (Tasmanian registry)

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Purpose

To provide an insight into causes of diabetes, and its effects on people.

Description

The voluntary registry contains demographic and clinical data on over 2,600 Tasmanians (80% complete) with insulin-treated diabetes.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Age, sex, height, weight;
- history and complications;
- demography; and
- diabetes management.

Geographic details

Data are collected by postcode.

Frequency of data availability

Ongoing.

Historical data

This has been collected from 1984 to present.

Products and services available

Publications

- Research papers in journals.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

**Medicare Direct Billing by State, Broad Type of Service;
and Rural and Remote Area**

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Purpose

This report is produced at the request of the CPI Section of the ABS. Contact person is Ms Dana Olejniczak.

Description

This report is regularly produced, on a quarterly basis. It is run against national medicare data held by the HIC and the sample size is all Medicare information held.

Data detail

Data items include:

- time period;
- state and postcode;
- broad type of service provided and bill type; and
- rural and remote area (RARA) code — derived.

Geographic details

Data are available at the State level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Information available from Quarter 1, 1998.

Products and services available

Publications

Quarterly reports on hard copy and floppy disk

Other

Lower level geographical data available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

National Drug Strategy Household Survey

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Purpose

To provide benchmark data for monitoring and evaluating the National Drug Strategy. The survey measures drug using patterns, attitudes and behaviours of Australians.

Description

Sample survey of persons aged 14 and over in households with the sample size being 10,030. Data were collected from personal interviews, and self-completion booklets for the more sensitive issues.

Data detail

Data items include:

A wide range of data items are collected including recent and lifetime use of:

- alcohol;
- tobacco;
- illicit drugs; and
- attitudes to drug use.

Geographic details

Data from the National Drug Strategy Household Survey are available at the National and State level including Capital city, Urban and Rural areas.

Frequency of data availability

Every 2–3 years.

Historical data

1985, 1988, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1998.

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Products and services available

Publications

- *1998 National Drug Strategy Household Survey: First Results Report* (Publication No. SP54026), This and other publications from previous surveys are available at <http://www.pubhlth/data/index.htm>

Other

- A standard set of tables is available at <http://aihw.gov.au/publications>
- A public-use CURF is available to researchers through the Social Sciences Data Archives at the ANU (ssda@anu.edu.com.au).
- Customised data requests may also be available subject to an AIHW Health Ethics Committee application.

NAME OF COLLECTION

National Farm Injury Data Centre.

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Purpose

To collate all farm injuries and deaths in Australia.

Description

The collection is made up of various data sources from around Australia that contain information on farm injury.

Data detail

Data items vary, depending on the data source.

Geographic details

Data are available down to the postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Data are available from 1989 to the present.

Products and services available

Publications

- Please contact the Australian Centre for Agricultural Health and Safety for a list of publications.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System

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Purpose

To coordinate the national surveillance of more than forty communicable diseases or disease groups endorsed by the Communicable Diseases Network Australia, New Zealand and the National Public Health Partnership.

Description

A fortnightly collection of disease notifications made to the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care by each State or Territory health authority. Notification sources include treating clinicians, diagnostic laboratories and hospitals.

Data detail

Data items include:

Data provided for each notification from 1991–2000 include:

- disease code and date of onset;
- sex and age; and
- aboriginality;

The following fields have been agreed as the core NNDSS dataset from 1 January 2001.

- State;
- Notification ID;
- Disease Code;
- Organism Code;
- Organism Name;
- Serogroup / Subtype;
- Confirmation Status;
- Laboratory Diagnosis Method;

Data detail *continued*

- Vaccination Status;
- Doses of Vaccine;
- Vaccination Validation;
- Resident Postcode;
- Resident Location;
- True Onset Date;
- Specimen Date;
- Notification Date;
- Report Date;
- Date of Birth;
- Age;
- Sex;
- Indigenous Status;
- Died;
- Outbreak Reference; and
- Case Found By.

Geographic details

Data available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Fortnightly.

Historical data

Current system established in 1990. (Extensive historical time series available prior to 1990 but with reduced data content.)

Products and services available

Publications

Communicable Diseases Intelligence (CDI)

Other

The *Communicable Diseases Intelligence* (CDI) is available at <http://www/pubhlth/cdi/cdihtml.htm>

HEALTH

NAME OF COLLECTION

Private Hospital List

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Purpose

To provide information on the availability of private hospital services.

Description

Private hospital details are provided to the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care by State and Territory health authorities (administrative by-product) on an on-going basis. All private hospitals are covered.

Data detail

Data items include:

- hospital name;
- provider number;
- address;
- services;
- date opened; and
- proprietor.

Geographic details

Data from the Private Hospital List are available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Irregular.

Historical data

Current only.

Products and services available

- Special data services are available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Service Industries and Technology Statistics — Private Medical Practice Industry

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Purpose

To measure the size and structure of Private medical practice businesses.

Description

Survey of 7,191 medical practice businesses including both General Practice and Specialist Medical services.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Number of businesses by type;
- Employment and employment characteristics;
- Selected income; and
- Key characteristics of medical practices and pathology services.

Geographic details

Data available at National, State and Met/Ex-met levels

Frequency of data availability

Irregular

Historical data

1994–1995 is the only year data are available.

Products and services available

- Special data services are available upon request.
- Met/Ex-met data is a special data request subject to confidentiality restrictions.

HEALTH

NAME OF COLLECTION

Public and Environmental Health Data

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Purpose

Surveillance and monitoring of key public and environmental health issues, including compliance with legislation.

Description

A range of data sets including information on injury surveillance, communicable disease and notifiable disease data. Also there are collections on environmental health issues such as water quality, contaminants and food sampling.

Data detail

Data items include:

- health records;
- measures of water quality; and
- tobacco licensing.

Geographic details

Postcode, region and LGA.

Frequency of data availability

Mostly annual.

Historical data

Various.

Products and services available

- Website:
<http://www.dchs.tas.gov.au/services/publichealth/index.html>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Queensland Fatal and Serious Work-related Farm Injury Collection

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Purpose

To record information on risk factors and at risk groups
 disposed to fatal and serious farm injury.

Description

The collection records injury related to the farm workplace.
 Sources of information are Coroner's records, internal
 investigations, media reports.

Data detail

Data items include:

- workplace and incident location;
- incident date;
- name and worker status;
- date of birth and sex; and
- context of injury.

Geographic details

Data are available at postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly.

Historical data

Data are available from 1984.

Products and services available

Publications

- Report is available on the internet
- Work-related deaths on Queensland farms from 1990–1998

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Road Crash and Road Injury in Rural and Remote Areas of South Australia

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Purpose

To describe the features of road crashes and patterns of injury in rural and remote South Australia.

Description

A compilation of relevant mortality, hospital separations, traffic accident and population data (ABS) for South Australia.

Data detail

Data items include:

- deaths;
- hospital admissions, length of stay;
- age and sex;
- road user type; and
- injury type and severity.

Geographic details

Data are available at SLA level.

Frequency of data availability

One-off.

Historical data

Mortality 1982–1997
Hospital separations 1993/94–1996/97
Road crash 1993/94–1996/97

Products and services available

Publications

- Report

NAME OF COLLECTION

Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) — Rural and Remote Health Information

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Purpose

Provides information on veterans and health providers in rural areas to assist DVA in providing services to the veteran community.

Description

The collection lists the DVA rural and remote population who receive health care through the department.

Data detail

Data items include:

Veteran population statistics by:

- state/postcode/town; and
- age/sex.

Health provider statistics by:

- numbers of providers by postcode and type of service.

Geographic details

Data are available down to the Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Publications available since March 1997.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Department of Veterans' Affairs — Rural and Remote population statistics*

Other

- Publication available on hardcopy or in electronic form.

HEALTH

NAME OF COLLECTION

Commonwealth/State Disability Agreement Minimum Data set (CSDA MDS)

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Purpose

To gather and publish national data on services provided under the CSDA and their recipients.

Description

All agencies delivering CSDA services complete a questionnaire on one day of the year describing the agency and profiling the clients receiving services on that day.

Data detail

Data items include:

On agencies:

- State and postcode; and
- CSDA funding.

On service recipients:

- age and sex; and
- disability.

Geographic details

Data are available down to the agency Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial year).

Historical data

The data are available annually since 1995.

Products and services available

Publications

- Published annual reports and data briefings

Other

- Special tables on request (generally on a user pays service).

NAME OF COLLECTION

South Australian Country Health Survey

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Purpose

To describe the health service use and health status of South Australian country residents.

Description

A self reporting telephone survey of 3,165 respondents in 1996.

Data detail

Data items include:

- demographics details;
- health service use in past 12 months;
- health status;
- prevention of health problems;
- access to and satisfaction with health services;
- priority given to health services; and
- risk factors.

Geographic details

State Health Region

Frequency of data availability

Irregular

Historical data

N/A.

Products and services available

Publications

- Report from Centre for Population Studies in Epidemiology.

HEALTH

NAME OF COLLECTION

System for Hearing Impaired Voucher Application

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Purpose

To administer and monitor access by pensioners and eligible veterans, amongst others, to the subsidised hearing services program run by the Commonwealth Government which issues vouchers to eligible clients, who can choose from a range of accredited hearing service providers, including Australian Hearing Services, the Commonwealth Government provider.

Description

Information collected from client application forms, claims forms from the Health Insurance Commission, and from biannual surveys/data collections. All voucher applications are included.

Data detail

Data items include:

- client address;
- service provider address;
- types of payments;
- accounts; and
- item numbers.

Geographic details

Data from the System for Hearing Impaired Voucher Application collection are available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

- weekly (clients);
- daily (payments) and
- biannual and ongoing (service providers).

Historical data

From 1997.

Products and services available

- Further information is available from the following internet site: <http://www/hear/news1.htm>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Temporary Resident Doctors Database

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Purpose

To administer applications for temporary residence for
 overseas doctors.

Description

Data are obtained as administrative by-product and all
 applications for temporary residence are included.

Data detail

Data items include:

- practice location;
- age;
- sex;
- citizenship; and
- qualifications.

Geographic details

Data from the Temporary Resident Doctors Database is
 available at the National and State levels including Rural,
 Remote and Metropolitan Areas (RRMA) Classification levels.

Frequency of data availability

Daily.

Historical data

Current only.

Products and services available

- Special data services are available upon request.

HEALTH

NAME OF COLLECTION

Traffic Accident Database System

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Purpose

To record details of casualty and towaway accident data.

Description

Collection of casualty accident and towaway accident data.

Data detail

Data items include:

- day, date and time;
- town and street name;
- weather;
- speed limit;
- number killed;
- number injured; and
- state of registration.

Geographic details

Data available by Local Government Area and State region.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly and annual (calendar year).

Historical data

Data available from 1976.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Road Traffic Accidents in NSW*

Other

- Special data services available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Victorian Admitted Episode Database (VAED)

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Purpose

DHS collects morbidity data on all admitted patients from Victorian public and private acute hospitals. VAED data are used for health services planning, policy formulation, casemix funding and epidemiological research.

Description

VAED comprises a minimum data set containing demographic, administrative and clinical data. VAED data is available in standard datasets of summarised information (see example). Requests for customised datasets will also be considered. The collection is a census of admissions to Victorian public and private hospitals.

Data detail

Data items include:

VAED Standard Data Sets include:

- Patients episode level data: Count of patient days, Sameday flag, Grouped admission age (5 year age groups), sex, birth indicator, principle external cause of injury, region of residence, Country of birth, diagnoses information;
- Aggregated data file containing: Count of separations, Count of patient days, Count of weighted separations, Sameday flag, Hospital group, Area of usual residence (SLA), region of hospital, patient type, specialty group, Hospital identification code, Grouped admission age (5 year age groups), sex, Country of birth, diagnoses information;

Example of data available

DS 3 — Patient episode level data file with each record containing:

- Count of Patient days;
- Sameday flag;
- Grouped admission age (5 year age groups);

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Example of data available *continued*

- Sex;
- Region of residence;
- Principal diagnosis: ICD-9-CM & 10-AM; and
- Principle Procedure: ICD-9-CM & 10-AM.

DS 8 — Aggregated data file containing:

- Count of separations;
- Count of patient days;
- Sameday flag;
- Region of hospital;
- Region of usual residence;
- Australian National Diagnosis Related Group (AN-DRG v3.1);
- Australian Refined Diagnosis Related Group (AR-DRG v4.1); and
- AN-DRG v3.1 (with Victorian Modifications).

Geographic details

Data sets are available at State, Postcode and Statistical Local Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial Year)

Historical data

From 1992/1993 to 1998/1999

Products and services available

Publications

- Public Hospital Data Sets DS 1 – DS 14 (see example below)
- Private Hospital Data Sets DS 1 – DS 8
- Data sets can be sent electronically or on CD-ROM/floppy disk

Other

- Requests for customised data sets on an other than annual basis will be considered.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Victorian Hospital Comparative Data 1996/1997

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Purpose

To provide comparative public hospital information on efficiency, workforce and hospital activity.

Description

Data are derived from a number of Acute Health databases based on a census of public and private hospitals and presents efficiency tables by program and hospital group, workforce details by program and hospital group and bed occupancy tables.

Data detail

Data items include:

- admitted patient expenditure (acute and sub-acute services);
- separations;
- patient days; and
- occasions of service.

Geographic details

Patient figures are provided by Hospital and DHS Region.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial Year).

Historical data

1996–1997 is the first available on the internet; for the 9 financial years prior, data was produced as a book. Early books in the series are no longer available for distribution. 1997–1998 information is intended to be put on internet in Year 2000.

Products and services available

Publications

1995–1996 data available on floppy disk. Later data available on internet.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Victorian Hospital Services Report

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Purpose

To assist consumers to understand the healthcare system, to assist providers of health services in planning.

Description

Data are derived from a number of Acute Health databases.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Victorians with private health insurance hospital cover;
- patients treated in Victorian public hospitals;
- average number of intensive care beds available; and
- waiting list information.

Geographic details

Each hospital has a unique postcode and SLA.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

The Hospital Services Report was introduced in 1995 and is available on the internet for November 1996 on.

Products and services available

Publications

- <http://www.dhs.vic.gov/Ahs/hsr/1299/index.htm>

NAME OF COLLECTION

**Victorian Injury Surveillance and Applied Research (VISS)
— Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset (VEMD)**

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Purpose

To provide a minimum dataset of injury related emergency department presentations.

Description

An ongoing surveillance database of injury presentations to 26 Victorian public hospital emergency departments.

Data detail

Data items include:

- patient biographic data;
- patient management data; and
- nature of main injury.

Geographic details

Data are available to postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

January 1996 to June 2000

Products and services available

Publications

Hazard — Quarterly journal of the VISS.

Other

Information request service.

HEALTH

NAME OF COLLECTION

**Work Related Traumatic Fatalities in Australia,
1989–1992. Dr Tim Driscoll**

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Purpose

To determine the number, rate and circumstances of
work-related traumatic deaths in Australia.

Description

The data are collected as administrative by product from
coronial records over a four year period, 1989–1992.

Data detail

Data items include:

- location;
- industry and occupation; and
- pathophysiological cause of death.

Geographic details

Data are available down to the postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

A one-off collection.

Historical data

Data relates to the four years 1989–1992 only.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Work-related traumatic fatalities in Australia, 1989 to 1992*
- Other publications are available by State and Occupation

Other

- Reports on specific topics available upon request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Workcover Corporation Statistical Review

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Purpose

To provide statistical information on the number and cost of injury claims.

Description

Administrative by-product data on injury and fatality claims.

Data detail

Data items include:

- general claim statistics;
- number and cost of claims;
- occupation statistics;
- fatality statistics; and
- mental disorders.

Geographic details

South Australia.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (financial year).

Historical data

1991–92 to 1998–99.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Workcover Corporation Statistical Review*
- *Workcover Corporation Annual Report*

Other

- Internet

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Allocation Waiting List

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Purpose

To record details of eligible applicants on the Department's Allocation Waiting List

Description

Contains socioeconomic details of eligible applicants and household tenants including rehousing applicants at 30 June

Data detail

Data items include:

- indigenous origin;
- age and sex;
- applicant type (crisis rehousing etc.);
- bedrooms required;
- disability;
- income; and
- language.

Geographic details

Data are available at postcode and LGA levels.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (financial year)

Historical data

Data available from 1996

Products and services available

Special data service available on request

Name of Collection	ATSIC Regional Information System
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Purpose	To provide accurate and relevant information to Regional Managers & Regional Councils, ATSIC Management, policy and planning staff, other agencies and researchers.
Description	The ATSIC Regional Information System comprises data on Indigenous people and comparable data on non-indigenous people from ABS (1996 Population Census) and other Commonwealth and State/Territory government sources.
Data detail	<p>Data items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ population profiles; ▪ education and training; ▪ employment and income; ▪ law and justice; and ▪ health and housing.
Geographic detail	Data are available at State, ATSIC Regions, Indigenous Areas & LGA.
Frequency of data availability	Departmental data such as education, health, law & justice and housing are available on an annual basis. The most recent data related to ABS Population Census is for 1996.
Historical data	Data are available from 1996.
Products and services available	Data are available by contacting ATSIC.

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Building Activity Survey

Contact

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Purpose

To monitor building activity in the residential and non-residential building sectors.

Description

Quarterly mail questionnaires are collected from builders and other individuals and organisations engaged in building activity. Data are collected for:

- New residential buildings;
- Alterations and additions to residential buildings with an approval value of \$10,000 or more; and
- All non-residential building jobs with an approval value of \$50,000 or more.

The survey consists of two components:

- a sample survey of private sector jobs involving new house construction or alterations and additions with an approval value of \$10,000 or more to houses; and
- a complete enumeration of jobs involving construction of new residential buildings other than private houses, all alterations and additions to residential buildings (other than private sector houses) with an approval value of \$10,000 or more, and all non-residential building jobs with an approval value of \$50,000 or more.

Data detail

Data items include:

Building activity by stage of construction (commenced, under construction, completed), value of work done during period and value of work yet to be done by:

- new residential building (number of dwelling units and value);
- value of non-residential building by class of building (e.g. hotels, offices, etc.);

Example of data available *continued*

- value of alterations and additions to residential buildings;
- by private/public sector;
- value of building activity as seasonally adjusted; and
- trend series and at chain volume measures.

Geographic details

Australia, States and Territories. Small area data are available for non-residential building.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

From March quarter 1948.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Building Activity Australia* (Cat. no. 8752.0)
- *Building Activity New South Wales* (Cat. no. 8752.1)
- *Building Activity Victoria* (Cat. no. 8752.2)
- *Building Activity Queensland* (Cat. no. 8752.3)
- *Building Activity South Australia* (Cat. no. 8752.4)
- *Building Activity Western Australia* (Cat. no. 8752.5)
- *Building Activity Tasmania* (Cat. no. 8752.6)
- *Building Activity Northern Territory* (Cat. no. 8752.7)
- *Building Activity Australian Capital Territory* (Cat. no. 8752.8)

Other

- Special data services are available on request.

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Building Approvals

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Purpose

To provide information on the number of dwelling units and value of residential buildings approved and the value and class of non-residential buildings approved.

Description

Data are collected for approvals of:

- new residential buildings;
- alterations and additions to residential buildings valued at \$10,000 or more; and
- all non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more.

Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:

- building work approved by local government authorities and licensed private building surveyors;
- contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, State, Local Government and semi-government authorities; and
- major building activity in areas not subject to normal administrative approval, such as, building on remote mine sites.

Data detail

Data items include:

- number of dwelling units and value of residential buildings approved;
- number of building jobs and value of non-residential buildings approved (e.g. hotels, offices, etc.) split by ownership (private/public sector) and value size groups;
- Seasonally adjusted, trend estimates and chain volume measures for the number of dwelling units and value of building approved; and
- Floor area data are available for residential and non-residential building approvals.

Geographic details

Australia, States and Territories and small area data.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly, usually released within six weeks of the reference month.

Historical data

Data are available from 1960.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Building Activity Australia* (Cat. no. 8731.0)
- *Building Activity New South Wales* (Cat. no. 8731.1)
- *Building Activity Victoria* (Cat. no. 8731.2)
- *Building Activity Queensland* (Cat. no. 8731.3)
- *Building Activity South Australia* (Cat. no. 8731.4)
- *Building Activity Western Australia* (Cat. no. 8731.5)
- *Building Activity Tasmania* (Cat. no. 8731.6)
- *Building Activity Northern Territory* (Cat. no. 8731.7)

Other

- Special data services are available upon request.

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

CSHA Aboriginal Rental Housing Program data collection 1999–2000

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Purpose

To provide nationally comparable data on the aboriginal rental housing sector.

Description

Administrative data from all State and Territory Housing Authorities on all households assisted for the financial year.

Data detail

Data items include:

Information on:

- households;
- dwellings;
- affordability; and
- match of dwelling to household size

Geographic detail

Data are available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial year).

Historical data

1999–2000 only. Aggregated data available for 1995–96, 1996–97, 1997–98, 1998–99.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Aboriginal Rental Housing Program Data Manual
1999–2000*

Other

- Data stored at the AIHW.

NAME OF COLLECTION

CSHA Public Housing data collection 1999–2000

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Purpose

To provide nationally comparable data on the public rental housing sector.

Description

Administrative data from all State and Territory Housing authorities on all households assisted for the financial year.

Data detail

Data items include:

- households;
- dwellings; and
- affordability

Geographic details

Data available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial year).

Historical data

1999–2000 only. Aggregated data are available for 1995–96, 1996–97, 1997–98, 1998–99, but not by postcode.

Products and services available

Publications

- Public rental housing data manual 1999–2000
- Report on Government Services 2001

Other

- Data stored at the AIHW.

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Community Housing and Infrastructure Needs Survey

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Purpose

The information from the Community Housing and Infrastructure Needs Survey (CHINS) is intended to assist in the evaluation of policies and programs designed to improve housing and infrastructure services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in discrete communities and other community managed housing.

Description

Although called a survey, the CHINS was a complete enumeration (census) of all Indigenous housing organisations and discrete Indigenous communities. This included organisations and communities located in urban and sparsely settled areas in all States and Territories.

The CHINS collected information from Indigenous housing organisations, including the number and condition of their housing stock, the number of bedrooms, amount of rent collected and expenditure on repairs and maintenances; and discrete communities, including housing and related infrastructure, such as water and power supply, sewerage systems, drainage and roads. Access to health, education and other services was also included.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Community items:
 - community population and facilities;
 - water source, restrictions and water testing;
 - power source and interruptions;
 - sewerage system, overflows;
 - waste disposal;
 - drainage;
 - road and air access, telephone access;

Data detail *continued*

- access to education and health services; and
- community housing.
- Housing items:
 - source of funds;
 - rent levels; and
 - maintenance expenditure.
- Housing stock details include:
 - number of locations;
 - dwelling structure;
 - number of bedrooms;
 - dwelling condition; and
 - unoccupied dwellings.

Geographic detail

Data from the CHINS are available at the National, State and ATSIC region (99) and ABS derived ATSIC region (96).

Frequency of data availability

1999 and 2001.

Historical data

1999.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Housing and Infrastructure in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities, Australia 1999* (Cat. no. 4710.0)

Other

- CHINS data dictionary.
- ATSIC regional profiles.
- unit record file for communities.
- unit record file for housing organisations.
- technical paper for the unit record file.
- community profiles.
- housing organisation profiles.
- customised tables (on request).

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Community Housing Mapping Project

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Purpose

To provide information on community housing organisations, dwellings and tenants including those funded from non-Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement sources.

The objectives of the data collection were to:

- identify and list all potential agencies that may hold stock that was within the scope of the mapping project;
- specify a list of data items to collect a range of relevant information;
- design a questionnaire and data collection methodology to cover all agencies;
- design and construct a data base for processing and output; and
- produce a range of data to address the information areas of the mapping project.

Description

Total population of community housing organisations (where known) obtained from questionnaire data and administrative data from community organisations and State Housing authorities. The sample size of the collection consists of 944 organisations, 30,792 dwellings and 34,213 tenancies.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Organisation characteristics including:
 - distribution across Australia;
 - size;
 - management arrangements;
 - target groups;

Data detail *continued*

- stock; and
- funding and support.
- Dwelling characteristics including:
 - distribution across Australia;
 - occupancy;
 - special needs (modifications);
 - funding sources; and
 - title arrangements.
- Tenant characteristics including:
 - gender;
 - age;
 - household composition;
 - indigenous status;
 - people with a disability;
 - non English speaking background;
 - affordability;
 - income source;
 - household income;
 - rent charges; and
 - appropriateness of housing.

Geographic details

Data from the Community Housing Mapping Project are available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

One-off.

Historical data

As at 30 June 1998.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Community Housing Mapping Project Data Report*. AIHW June 1999. Available from the National Community Housing Forum
- *Community Housing Mapping Project Report on Findings*. National Community Housing Forum 1999

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION:

Community Housing Needs

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Purpose

Determine housing needs on Aboriginal Communities throughout the NT

Description

Collection of population and housing details of all Aboriginal Communities in the NT.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Location of Community;
- Service Provided (Infrastructure);
- Population;
- Number of Houses;
- Number of Lots (Major Community);
- House Details (construction, size, bedrooms etc.);
- Condition of houses; and
- General Community Information (Community profile).

Geographic detail

State — ATSIC Regions & Wards

Frequency of data availability

Annual — Is ongoing throughout the year

Historical data

Data has been collected since 1994

Products and services available

Publications

Sections of the collection will be available by website in 12 months time.

NAME OF COLLECTION

National Housing Survey

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Purpose

To assess satisfaction with housing assistance provided under the Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement (CSHA).

The level of customer satisfaction with housing assistance provided is one of 11 key performance indicators for the CSHA. This indicator will be reported for both public and community housing.

Description

Administrative data from all State and Territory Housing authorities on all households assisted for the financial year.

Data detail

Data items include:

- satisfaction with housing services;
- location of stock; and
- condition of stock and amenities and the importance of the location and amenity aspects of housing to tenants.

Geographic details

Data from the National Housing Survey are available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial year).

Historical data

1999–2000.

Products and services available

Publications

- *National Housing Survey report for Public Housing*
- *National Housing Survey report for Community Housing*

Other

- Data will be stored at the AIHW for use through the National Housing Data Agreement Management Group.

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Private Residential Rent Collection (from Rental Bond Lodgement, Department of Fair Trading)

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Purpose

To record details of rental bonds and weekly rents.

Description

Information about rental bonds lodged during the quarter and total bonds held. Also provides weekly rents by dwelling type, bedroom numbers and location.

Data detail

Data items include:

- weekly rent;
- dwelling type;
- number of bedrooms; and
- lodgement dates.

Geographic details

Data are available at postcode and LGA levels.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly

Historical data

Data available from 1984.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Rent and Sales Data*

Other

- From September quarter 1998 available at the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning website:
<http://www.duap.nsw.gov.au>

NAME OF COLLECTION

Sales Data (Valuer-General)

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Purpose

To record details of properties transferred.

Description

Contains sales prices, type of title, contract date and transfer date for properties transferred during the month.

Data detail

Data items include:

- sales price;
- type of title (strata/non-strata);
- contract date; and
- transfer date.

Geographic details

Data are available at postcode and LGA levels.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly

Historical data

Data available from 1984.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Rent and Sales Report, June Quarter 1997–March Quarter 1998*

Other

- From June quarter 1998, available at the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning website:
<http://www.duap.nsw.gov.au>

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) National Data Collection

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Purpose

To provide detailed information about the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP), including measuring its service provision and program level objectives.

Description

The SAAP National Data Collection is a census of about 1200 agencies providing data about the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP). SAAP provides transitional supported accommodation and related support services in order to help people who are homeless achieve the maximum possible degree of self-reliance and independence. The data include descriptions of the clients of SAAP, their occasions of support and some outcomes information. They also include information on casual clients (who are supported for less than an hour), requests that could not be met and SAAP funding. Thematic collections are conducted occasionally.

Data detail

Data items include:

- gender;
- year of birth;
- person(s) receiving assistance;
- indigenous status;
- country of birth;
- primary income source;
- type of housing/accommodation before and after homelessness;
- labour force status before and after homelessness;
- living situation;

Data detail *continued*

- duration of current homelessness;
- location before current homelessness;
- student status;
- region;
- statistical local area;
- local government area;
- total SAAP recurrent commitments (agency level);
- total other SAAP recurrent commitments (State/Territory level);
- gender of casual clients; and
- age of casual clients.

Geographic details

Data from the SAAP National Data Collection are available at the National, State and SAAP region level.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (Financial year).

Historical data

1996–97 to 1998–99.

Products and services available

Publications

- *SAAP National Data Collection, Australia, Annual report (HOU–38)* latest
- *SAAP National Data Collection, NSW, Annual report (HOU–24)* latest

Other

- Special data services are available upon request (Non stake-holders charged).
- Confidentialised unit record files (Non stake-holders charged).
- Publication of tables on the internet.

HOUSING

NAME OF COLLECTION

Tasmanian Housing Information System

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Purpose

To record and manage social housing products such as Public Rental Housing, Aboriginal Rental Housing and Community Housing.

Description

Properties, applications, tenant accounts and maintenance data.

Data detail

Data items include:

- asset details, maintenance history; and
- client history, level of need.

Geographic details

Data available by postcode, LGA and address.

Frequency of data availability

Mostly annual.

Historical data

1995 till present.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Annual Report, DHHS*
- *National Report on Government Services.*

NAME OF COLLECTION

Tenants Register

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Purpose

To record details of public tenants and household members.

Description

Provides demographic and economic details of all public housing tenants and household members at 30 June.

Data detail

Data items include:

- balance owing at 30 June;
- date first tenanted;
- rebate status;
- dwelling type;
- age and sex;
- house assessment (rent % of income);
- income; and
- rent paid

Geographic details

Postcode, LGA and Housing region.

Frequency of data availability

Annual (financial year)

Historical data

Data available from 1996.

Products and services available

Special data service available on request.

LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

NAME OF COLLECTION

Australian Regional Labour Markets

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http://www.dewrsb.gov.au/employment/publications/ARLM/arlm_mar00.pdf

Purpose

To provide quarterly averaged labour market statistics on unemployment, employment, the unemployment rate and the participation rate.

Description

Averages of data collected in the ABS labour force survey.

Data detail

Data items include:

- employment, level and annual change, by region;
- unemployment, level and annual change, by region;
- unemployment rate, level and annual change, by region; and
- participation rate, level and annual change, by region.

Geographic details

Data are available at the State and National level, as well as labour force dissemination region.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Due to boundary changes, comparable data back to December quarter 1997 only..

Products and services available

Publications

- *Australian Regional Labour Markets*

Other

- Quarterly labour market data available on request.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Centrelink Administrative Collection

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Purpose

The purpose of the data collection is to maintain a single repository whereby requests from community groups, welfare agencies, government departments and private organisations can be made to the Centrelink Rural and Housing Team and the Knowledge Team for ad hoc type statistical data on a payment or service with regards to rural and other services.

Description

Administrative data collected by Centrelink covers the following categories of people: retirees, people with disabilities, carers, unemployed people, youth and students, parents and families, primary producers and others.

Data detail

Data items include:

There are many thousands of data items in Centrelink's administrative collection. These include:

- sex;
- date of birth;
- country of birth;
- indigenous identifier;
- postcode;
- marital status; and
- payment type etc.

Geographic details

Available at the National, State and Postcode level.

Frequency of data availability

Ongoing.

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Historical data

Varies according to source.

Products and services available

Publications

The following statistical publications are available from the Department of Family and Community Services: Switch 02 6244 7788 or website <http://www.facs.gov.au>

- *Department Of Family and Community Services: Income Support for Customers: A Statistical Overview*
- *Department of Family and Community Services: Labour Market and Related Payments*
- *Customer Numbers by Family and Community Services Payments and Postcodes*

Other

Other Client Departments are:

- Department of Transport and Regional Services;
- Department of Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business;
- Department of Veteran's Affairs;
- Department of Health and Aged Care;
- Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs; and
- Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

NAME OF COLLECTION

Small Area Labour Markets

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Internet:
<http://www.dewrsb.gov.au/employment/publications/smallAreaLabourMarkets/default.asp>

Purpose

To provide unemployment estimates and summary labour
market variables.

Description

A census of Centrelink recipients and information from 1996
Census of Population and Housing and ABS Labour Force Survey
data.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Centrelink beneficiaries age, gender and postcode;
- ABS unemployment data by age, gender and dissemination
region;
- ABS labour force levels by dissemination region; and
- 1996 Census labour force levels by dissemination region.

Geographic details

Data are available down to the Statistical Local Area level.

Frequency of data availability

Quarterly.

Historical data

Annual data at the LGA level since 1984.

Quarterly data at the SLA level since June 1991.

Products and services available

Publications

- *Small Area Labour Markets, Australia*
- *Small Area Labour Markets, Australia on disk*

Other

- Special data services available upon request.

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NAME OF COLLECTION

Integrated Regional Database (IRDB)

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Purpose

The IRDB provides a platform through which users can analyse and report data from a number of ABS and other regional data collections at the small area level.

Description

Integrated Regional database (IRDB) is a user friendly CD-ROM product which contains a large volume of data from many different ABS collections plus data from other government agencies. The product also includes digital boundaries and base map data, with software to produce tables, maps and graphs. IRDB 2000 will allow you to export the data for use in other applications, and to import other data from a variety of formats into the system. The product is available at National and State/Territory levels.

Data detail

Data items include:

- Agricultural Finance Survey — (ABS);
- Agricultural Census — Selected data items — (ABS);
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Data detail *continued*

- Labour Market Estimates — (DEWRSB);
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- Population data — (ABS and others);
- Retail Census — (ABS);
- Survey of Tourist Accommodation — (ABS); and
- Taxation Statistics — (Australian Taxation Office);

Geographic detail

Data are available at the Postcode, Statistical Local Area, Local Government Area, Statistical Division and State level and other regions, depending on source.

Frequency of data availability

Monthly to five yearly, depending on source.

Historical data

1986 to 1999 depending on source.

Products and services available

Publications

- *IRDB ABS* (Cat. no. 1353.0)

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ABARE	Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ABSDB	Australian Bureau of Statistics Database
ACS	Agricultural Commodity Survey
AEC	Australian Electoral Commission
AFFA	Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry — Australia
AFS	Agricultural Finance Survey
AHC	Australian Horticultural Corporation
ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification
ASIC	Australian Standard Industrial Classification
ATO	Australian Taxation Office
AusStats	On-line Time Series Data Service
DHS	Department of Human Services
EA	Environment Australia
EAS	Economic Activity Survey
GFS	Government Finance Statistics
LGA	Local Government Area
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
PC	Productivity Commission
SD	Statistical Division
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification
SLA	Statistical Local Area

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