NEW SOUTH WALES RELATIVE TO AUSTRALIA


POPULATION

|  |  | 1996 | 1997 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | 1998 |  |  |
| Estimated resident population, 30 June |  |  |  |  |
| Males | '000 | 3081.0 | 3115.3 | 3150.5 |
| Females | 000 | 3123.7 | 3159.1 | 3191.1 |
| Total | 000 | 6204.7 | 6274.4 | 6341.6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Age groups (proportion of population) |  |  |  |  |
| $0-4$ years | $\%$ | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.9 |
| $5-14$ years | $\%$ | 14.1 | 14.0 | 13.9 |
| $15-19$ years | $\%$ | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.9 |
| $20-64$ years | $\%$ | 59.4 | 59.5 | 59.6 |
| 65 years or more | $\%$ | 12.6 | 12.7 | 12.7 |


| VITAL STATISTICS |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Births | no. | 86595 | 87156 | 85499 |
| Rate(a) |  | 14.0 | 13.9 | 13.5 |
| Deaths | no. | 45141 | 45641 | 44741 |
| Rate(a) |  | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.1 |
| Marriages |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Rate(a) | no. | 35716 | 36679 | 39136 |
| Divorces |  | 5.8 | 5.8 | 6.2 |
| $\quad$ Rate(a) | no. | 15984 | 14655 | 14987 |
| (a) |  | 2.6 | 2.3 | 2.4 |

(a) Per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June.

| HEALTH |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Total hospital beds, 30 June |  |  |  |  |
| Public | no. | 21243 | 20256 | 19698 |
| Private | no. | 33090 | 33234 | 33267 |
| Medical Practitioners |  |  |  |  |
| Registered medical practitioners, 30 June | no. | 22231 | 22863 | 23395 |
| Major causes of death |  |  |  |  |
| Heart disease | no. | 13642 | 13331 | 12671 |
| Malignant neoplasms (cancer) | no. | 11924 | 11822 | 12010 |

BUILDING

|  | 1996-97 |  | 1997-98 | 1998-99 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New residential buildings approved | '000 | 45.9 | 50.7 | 50.2 |
| New residential buildings commenced | '000 | 42.1 | 46.6 | 48.4 |
| New residential buildings completed | '000 | 40.2 | 41.3 | 46.3 |
| Houses | \% | 58.3 | 61.5 | 56.9 |
| Other residential buildings | \% | 41.7 | 38.5 | 43.1 |
| Value of all building completed | \$m | 9402.7 | 10768.2 | 12442.8 |
| New residential buildings | \$m | 4525.8 | 4902.1 | 6078.8 |
| Alterations and additions to residential buildings | \$m | 1077.2 | 1207.6 | 1307.0 |
| Total lending commitments to individuals for housing | \$m | 19979 | 21923 | 24925 |


| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| Schools(a) | no. | 3068 | 3075 | 3086 |
| $\quad$ Government | no. | 2186 | 2187 | 2182 |
| $\quad$ Non-government | no. | 882 | 888 | 904 |
| Teachers (full-time equivalent) | 000 | 69.8 | 70.7 | 71.8 |
| School students(a) (full-time) | 000 | 1074.2 | 1081.6 | 1089.6 |
| $\quad$ Primary | $\%$ | 57.2 | 57.2 | 57.2 |
| Secondary | $\%$ | 42.8 | 42.8 | 42.8 |
| $\quad$ Government | $\%$ | 71.0 | 70.6 | 70.0 |
| $\quad$ Non-government | $\%$ | 29.0 | 29.4 | 30.0 |
| Higher education students, |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ at 31 March | no. | 204524 | 210618 | 216997 |
| TAFE, enrolments(b) | no. | 424450 | 427517 | n.y.a. |

(a) Figures at August.
(b) Includes vocational and non-vocational enrolments in TAFE colleges.

| LABOUR |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| Labour force status (August survey) |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian population aged 15 and over | '000 | 4942.9 | 5002.6 | 5084.4 |
| Not in the labour force | '000 | 1964.5 | 1967.2 | 1982.8 |
| Total labour force | '000 | 2978.4 | 3035.4 | 3101.6 |
| Employed persons | '000 | 2750.5 | 2814.1 | 2899.6 |
| Unemployed persons | '000 | 228.0 | 221.3 | 202 |
| Unemployment rate | \% | 7.7 | 7.3 | 6.5 |
| Males | \% | 7.9 | 7.9 | 6.5 |
| Females | \% | 7.3 | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Participation rate | \% | 60.3 | 60.7 | 61 |
| Males | \% | 70.2 | 70.5 | 71.1 |
| Females | \% | 50.7 | 51.2 | 51.2 |
| Average Weekly Earnings, NSW (May survey) |  |  |  |  |
| All males total earnings | \$ | 708.5 | 734.3 | 768.2 |
| Full-time adult male total eamings | \$ | 824.4 | 854.5 | 839.3 |
| All females total earnings | \$ | 481.8 | 488.0 | 512.0 |
| Full-time adult female total earmings | \$ | 659.0 | 681.8 | 706.1 |
| All employees total earnings | \$ | 599.6 | 613.0 | 641.4 |
| Full-time adults total earnings | \$ | 762.0 | 788.8 | 789.0 |

ROAD TRAFFIC

|  |  | 1996-97 | 1997-98 | 1998-99 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Road transport |  |  |  |  |
| New motor vehicles registered | '000 | 235.4 | 267.2 | 282.0 |
| Passenger vehicles | '000 | 196.5 | 223.4 | 232.9 |
| Motor cycles | '000 | 6.8 | 8.1 | 8.6 |
| Motor vehicles on the register at 31 October | '000 | 3530.1 | 3682.6 | n.y.a. |
| Passenger vehicles | '000 | 2843.9 | 2960.6 | n.y.a. |
| Motor cycles | '000 | 80.6 | 88.5 | n.y.a. |
| Licences |  |  |  |  |
| Drivers' and riders' licences at 30 June | '000 | 4319.6 | 4404.5 | 4466.8 |

AGRICULTURE

|  |  | $1996-97$ | $1997-98$ | 1998 -99 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Area of establishments <br> at 31 March | '000 ha | 60901 | 60333 | n.y.a. |
| Number of establishments <br> at 31 March | no. | 42758 | 42496 | n.y.a. |
| Growing wheat | no. | 12048 | 11048 | n.y.a. |
| With sheep and lambs | no. | 19592 | 19200 | n.y.a. |
| With milk cattle | no. | 2313 | 2568 | n.y.a. |
| With meat cattle | no. | 28492 | 26836 | n.y.a. |

Production

| Wheat for grain year ended 31 March | '000 tonnes | 8363 | 5906 | 6 396p |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wool receivals, brokers and dealers | '000 tonnes | 196 | 183 | 182 |
| Whole milk | million L | 1192 | 1242 | 1285 |
| Beef and veal | '000 tonnes | 488 | 495 | 458 |
| Mutton and lamb | '000 tonnes | 176 | 189 | 194 |
| Livestock at 31 March |  |  |  |  |
| Milk cattle | '000 | 393 | 429 | 435p |
| Meat cattle | '000 | 6118 | 5922 | 5 616p |
| Sheep and lambs | '000 | 42388 | 40820 | 40 613p |
| Pigs | '000 | 729 | 849 | $763 p$ |

MINING AND ENERGY

|  |  | $1996-97$ | $1997-98$ | 1998 -99 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | persons | 2133 | 1610 | n.y.a. |
| Metal ore mining, employment | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 828.5 | 748 | n.y.a. |
| Metal ore mining, turnover | persons | 13832 | 12119 | n.y.a. |
| Coal, employment | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 4844.3 | 5227.2 | n.y.a. |
| Coal, turnover | 000 tonnes | 123678 | 134009 | 131367 |
| Black coal production | million kWh | 62788 | 61804 | 63743 |
| Electricity generated <br> Gas (available for issue <br> through mains) | PJ | 109 | 112 | 111 |

MANUFACTURING

|  |  | $1995-96$ | $1996-97$ | $1997-98$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Employment, 30 June(a) | 000 | 309.9 | 306.0 | 303.6 |
| Wages and salaries(b) | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 10579 | 11243 | 11358 |
| Turnover | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 67142 | 68049 | 68273 |

(a) Includes working proprietors
(b) Excludes the drawings of working proprietors.

OUTPUT OF SELECTED PRODUCTS

|  |  | $1996-97$ | $1997-98$ | $1998-99$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Whole milk | million L | 1192 | 1242 | 1285 |
| Butter | tonnes | 4802 | 5396 | 4095 |
| Cheese | tonnes | 21490 | 23615 | 25353 |
| Chicken meat | tonnes | 200277 | 211603 | 223222 |
| Beef and veal | tonnes | 487675 | 494622 | 453456 |
| Clay bricks | million | 630 | 591 | 627 |
| Ready mixed concrete | $000 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$ | 5306 | 6018 | 6656 |


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PRICE INDEXES

|  |  | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consumer Price Index, Sydney, June, change from previous year |  |  |  |  |
| All groups | \% | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.3 |
| Food | \% | 3.2 | 1.8 | 4.0 |
| Clothing | \% | -0.1 | -0.7 | -0.1 |
| Housing | \% | -7.5 | -0.5 | 3.0 |
| Household equipment and operation | \% | 1.3 | -0.4 | -0.4 |
| Transportation | \% | 0.3 | -0.4 | 0.1 |
| Tobacco and alcohol | \% | 0.6 | 2.9 | 2.0 |
| Health and personal care | \% | 7.0 | 3.6 | -5.7 |
| Recreation and education | \% | 1.3 | 4.3 | 1.5 |
| Retail Prices, selected items, Sydney, June |  |  |  |  |
| Milk, carton, supermarket sales, 1 litre | cents | 115 | 116 | 122 |
| Bread, white loaf, sliced, supermarket, 650 g | cents | n.a. | n.a. | 211 |
| Rump steak, 1kg | cents | 1205 | 1203 | 1249 |
| Potatoes, 1 kg | cents | 121 | 103 | 130 |
| Eggs, 55g, 1 doz, 700g | cents | 277 | 283 | 280 |
| Margarine, poly-unsaturated, 500g | cents | 169 | 164 | 176 |
| Petrol, super grade, 1 litre | cents | 75.9 | 73.5 | 72.6 |
| Beer, full strength, unchilled $24 \times 375 \mathrm{ml}$ bottles | cents | 2673 | 2671 | 2666 |
| Price index of building materials, Sydney, June |  |  |  |  |
| All groups, change from previous year |  |  |  |  |
| Used in house building | \% | 0.9 | 2.9 | 0.9 |
| Used in building other than house building | \% | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 |

PUBLIC FINANCE

|  |  | 995-96 | 1996-97 | 1997-98 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State Government |  |  |  |  |
| Consolidated Public Sector |  |  |  |  |
| Current outlays | \$m | 20607 | 22006 | 23070 |
| Capital outlays | \$m | 4133 | 3602 | 4355 |
| Total outlays | \$m | 24741 | 25608 | 27424 |
| Revenue |  |  |  |  |
| Grants received | \$m | 9261 | 9366 | 9475 |
| Taxes | \$m | 10744 | 11798 | 12907 |
| Other revenue | \$m | 3065 | 4380 | 3995 |
| Total | \$m | 23070 | 25544 | 26378 |
| Financing transactions | \$m | 1672 | 63 | 1046 |
| Local Government |  |  |  |  |
| Current outlays | \$m | 1964 | 2042 | 2107 |
| Capital outlays | \$m | 8907 | 802 | 895 |
| Total outlays | \$m | 10871 | 2844 | 3002 |
| Revenue |  |  |  |  |
| Grants received | \$m | 8678 | 642 | 635 |
| Taxes | \$m | 1952 | 2087 | 2152 |
| Other revenue | \$m | 520 | 521 | 537 |
| Total | \$m | 11149 | 3250 | 3324 |
| Financing transactions | \$m | -278 | -406 | -322 |


| RETAIL TRADE |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover of retail establishments | $1996-97$ | $1997-98$ | $1998-99$ |  |
| Food retailing | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 17133.1 | 18001.3 | 18207.5 |
| Department stores | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 3969.2 | 4100.9 | 4290.1 |
| Clothing and soft good retailing | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 3314.7 | 3232.7 | 3448.3 |
| Household good retailing | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 5216.4 | 4894.3 | 4656.4 |
| Recreational good retailing | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 2338.3 | 2372.1 | 2366.5 |
| Other retailing | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 4385.5 | 4630.3 | 4775.9 |
| Hospitality and services | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 8483.2 | 8659.6 | 9781.1 |

## TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

|  |  | 1996-97 | 1997-98(a) | 1998-99(a) |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Hotels and motels, etc. with <br> facilites, 30 June | no. | 1740 | 1265 | 1287 |
| Takings from accommodation <br> Number of guest rooms, <br> 30 June | $\$ \mathrm{~m}$ | 1291 | 1326 | 1395 |
|  | no. | 57877 | 56425 | 59344 |

(a) From the March quarter 1998, the scope of the Tourist Accommodation Survey includes hotels, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or units.

HOUSEHOLD FINAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE

|  |  | 1996-97 | 1997-98 | 1998-99 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total expenditure | \$m | 111944 | 117994 | 125134 |
| Food | \$m | 12770 | 13372 | 13940 |
| Alcoholic beverages and tobacco | \$m | 3461 | 3532 | 3633 |
| Clothing and footwear | \$m | 4391 | 4370 | 4595 |
| Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels | \$m | 25832 | 27255 | 28900 |
| Furnishings and other household equipment | \$m | 6302 | 6263 | 6304 |
| Health | \$m | 3927 | 3922 | 4346 |
| Transport | \$m | 14047 | 14945 | 15444 |
| Communications | \$m | 2330 | 2535 | 2713 |
| Recreation and culture | \$m | 12705 | 13646 | 14059 |
| Education services | \$m | 2171 | 2419 | 2618 |
| Hotels, cafes and restaurants | \$m | 8658 | 9107 | 9771 |
| All other expenditure | \$m | 15349 | 16627 | 18811 |

SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED

| ha | - hectare | kWh | - kilowatt hour |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| L | - litre | $\mathrm{m}^{3}$ | - cubic metre |
| n.a. | - not available | n.y.a. | - not yet available |
| no. | - number | p | - preliminary |
| PJ | - peta joule | $\%$ | - per cent |
| '000 | - thousand | $\$$ | - dollars |

