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South Australia

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| Area | : 984,377 square kilometres |
| Coastline | : 3,700 kilometres |
| Capital city | : Adelaide (population 1.1 million) |
| Temperature | : Mean summer 22.3°C; mean winter 11.8°C |
| Emblems | |
| Floral | : Sturt's Desert Pea |
| Faunal | : Hairy-Nosed or Plains Wombat |
| Gemstone | : Opal |
| State colours | : Red, Blue and Gold |

| South Australia compared with Australia | Per cent |
|---|----------|
| Area | 12.81 |
| Population | 8.28 |
| Age pensioners | 9.93 |
| Unemployment | 9.91 |
| Labour force | 8.36 |
| Industrial disputes, days lost | 2.28 |
| Manufacturing | |
| Number of establishments | 7.62 |
| Persons employed | 9.53 |
| Overseas imports | 5.15 |
| Overseas exports | 6.19 |
| Motor vehicles on register | 8.67 |
| Total new dwellings commenced | 7.20 |
| Wheat, area for grain | 17.38 |
| Barley, area for grain | 35.26 |
| Vineyards | 41.27 |
| Wool clip | 14.06 |
| Gross value of agricultural commodities | 10.11 |
| Retail turnover | 7.55 |

| Estimated resident population | 1993p |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| At 30 June: Males | 725,600 |
| Females | 736,100 |
| Persons | 1,461,700 |

| Census of population | 1986 | 1991 |
|---|---------------|---------|
| Distribution (proportion of population) | | |
| Adelaide Statistical Division | per cent 72.6 | 73.1 |
| Other statistical divisions | per cent 27.1 | 26.9 |
| Age groups (proportion of population) | | |
| Under 15 | per cent 22.0 | 21.2 |
| 15-64 | per cent 66.4 | 66.1 |
| 65 and over | per cent 11.6 | 12.7 |
| Private dwellings | | |
| Occupied | No. 475,987 | 515,720 |
| Unoccupied | No. 48,546 | 53,531 |

| Vital statistics | 1991 | 1992 |
|---|-------------|-------|
| Rate per 1,000 population | | |
| Births | No. 13.6 | 13.3 |
| Deaths | No. 7.7 | 7.5 |
| Marriages | No. 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Divorces | No. 2.9 | 2.8 |
| Rate per 1,000 live births | | |
| Infant deaths | No. 5.5 | 6.1 |
| Principal causes of death per 10,000 population | | |
| Ischaemic heart disease | No. 21.01 | 19.87 |
| Malignant neoplasms | No. 20.02 | 18.97 |
| Cerebrovascular disease | No. 8.17 | 7.41 |
| Expectation of life (Australian) | | |
| Males | years 74.65 | 75.05 |
| Females | years 80.40 | 80.92 |

| Health | 1990-91 | 1991-92 |
|--|-------------|---------|
| Hospitals (excl. Cwlth and Public Psychiatric) | | |
| Public | No. 81 | 81 |
| Private | No. 38 | 38 |
| Beds available | No. 7,666 | 7,545 |
| Separations | No. 381,648 | 386,403 |
| Mean length of stay (days) | No. 5.16 | 5.22 |
| Same day separations | No. 102,402 | 107,247 |
| Nursing homes | No. 161 | 162 |
| Beds | No. 6,920 | 7,130 |

| Welfare services | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Pensioners at 30 June | | |
| Age | No. 141,609 | 150,583 |
| Disability support | No. 36,011 | 38,592 |
| Widow | No. 5,706 | 5,189 |
| Sole parent | No. 25,815 | 26,011 |
| Job search and Newstart allowances | No. 69,034 | 78,468 |
| Repatriation benefits at 30 June | | |
| Disability pensions | No. 30,403 | 29,856 |
| Service pensions | No. 37,953 | 36,988 |

| Crime | 1991-92 | 1992-93p |
|--------------------|-----------|----------|
| Police | No. 3,774 | 3,783 |
| Prisoners received | No. 5,612 | 5,685 |

| Education | 1992 | 1993p |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Schools | No. 866 | 861 |
| Teachers | No. 16,865 | 16,854 |
| Pupils | No. 248,802 | 247,227 |
| 1991 | | |
| 1992 | | |
| Students enrolled | | |
| Universities | No. 43,291 | 44,285 |
| Technical and Further Education | No. 89,794 | 87,775 |

| Labour force (August) | | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|----------|---------|---------|
| Employed persons | '000 | 634.8 | 641.7 |
| Unemployed persons | '000 | 84.3 | 71.3 |
| Unemployment rate | per cent | 11.7 | 10.0 |
| Vacancies (August) | | | |
| Job vacancies | '000 | 1.9 | 1.6 |
| Job vacancy rate | per cent | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Average weekly earnings (August) | | | |
| All males | \$ | 567.70 | 599.70 |
| All females | \$ | 386.30 | 394.20 |
| All employees | \$ | 477.30 | 503.10 |
| Industrial disputes | | | |
| | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
| Number of disputes | No. | 52 | 41 |
| Working days lost | '000 | 22.5 | 23.2 |

| Building | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|---------------------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| Approvals | | | |
| New houses | No. | 8,931 | 10,087 |
| New other residential buildings | No. | 2,327 | 2,225 |
| Total building | \$m | 1,506.0 | 1,391.9 |
| Completions | | | |
| New houses | No. | 8,432 | 8,708 |
| New other residential buildings | No. | 2,670 | 1,938 |
| Total building | \$m | 1,680.9 | 1,355.3 |

| Agriculture | | 1991-92 | 1992-93p |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------|----------|
| Gross value of | | | |
| Wheat for grain | \$m | 430.4 | 428.1 |
| Wool | \$m | 324.0 | 319.1 |
| Livestock slaughtered etc. | \$m | 334.8 | 388.6 |
| Total agriculture | \$m | 2,178.7 | 2,220.4 |
| Area of | | | |
| | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
| Establishments | '000 ha | 56,859 | 56,554 |
| Cereals for grain | '000 ha | 2,468 | 2,623 |
| Vegetables | '000 ha | 10.7 | 10.6 |
| Orchards | '000 ha | 16.6 | 17.6 |
| Vineyards | '000 ha | 25.8 | 26.1 |
| Wheat produced for grain | '000 tonnes | 2,141 | 2,121 |
| Barley produced for grain | '000 tonnes | 1,882 | 1,855 |
| Wool produced to 30 June | '000 tonnes | 111 | 115 |
| Livestock at 31 March | | | |
| | | 1992 | 1993 |
| Cattle | '000 | 1,017 | 1,104 |
| Sheep and lambs | '000 | 16,072 | 15,702 |
| Pigs | '000 | 420 | 435 |

| State forests | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|---|----------------|---------|----------|
| Area of plantations (at 30 June) | hectares | 75,368 | 76,243 |
| Log production | m ³ | 800,683 | 866,052 |
| Fisheries | | | |
| | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
| Value of production | \$'000 | 133,859 | 171,980 |
| Live weight | tonnes | 21,673 | 20,736 |
| Mining establishments | | | |
| (excl. construction material etc., mining) | | 1991-92 | 1992-93p |
| Establishments | No. | 16 | 16 |
| Persons employed | No. | 2,269 | 2,143 |
| Wages and salaries | \$m | 95 | 98 |
| Value added | \$m | 852 | 842 |
| Mineral production | | | |
| | | 1990-91 | 1991-92 |
| Copper | \$m | 153.9 | 186.3 |
| Uranium oxide | \$m | 84.1 | 62.9 |
| Opal | \$m | 42.4 | 38.8 |
| Condensates | \$m | 127.5 | 155.4 |
| Crude oil | \$m | 277.0 | 225.9 |

| Production | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|----------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Meat produced | | | |
| Beef and veal | tonnes | 91,100 | 96,658 |
| Mutton and lamb | tonnes | 102,519 | 105,023 |
| Pigmeat | tonnes | 34,538 | 38,153 |
| Chicken | tonnes | 36,978 | 38,619 |
| Wine produced | '000L | 234,061 | 205,833 |
| Manufacturing | | | |
| | | 1989-90 | 1990-91 |
| Establishments | No. | 3,239 | 3,184 |
| Persons employed | '000 | 98.6 | 94.3 |
| Wages and salaries | \$m | 2,464 | 2,552 |
| Turnover | \$m | 15,331 | 16,036 |

| Tourist accommodation | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Motels and licensed hotels | | | |
| Establishments at 30 June | No. | 371 | 360 |
| Guest rooms at 30 June | No. | 10,745 | 10,632 |
| Takings from accommodation | \$'000 | 130,577 | 129,883 |
| Caravan parks | | | |
| Establishments at 30 June | No. | 210 | 211 |
| Sites at 30 June | No. | 24,552 | 24,434 |
| Takings from accommodation | \$'000 | 24,469 | 25,683 |
| Holiday flats, units, houses | | | |
| Letting entities at 30 June | No. | 85 | 86 |
| Flats, units etc. at 30 June | No. | 1,302 | 1,338 |
| Takings from accommodation | \$'000 | 10,492 | 10,740 |
| Visitor hostels | | | |
| Establishments at 30 June | No. | 34 | 40 |
| Bed spaces | No. | 1,571 | 1,955 |

| Retail trade | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|---------------------------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| Retail turnover | \$m | 7,359 | 7,281 |
| Grocers, confectioners, tobacconists | \$m | 2,301 | 2,330 |
| Department and general stores | \$m | 1,078 | 1,092 |
| Hotels, liquor stores, licensed clubs | \$m | 779 | 739 |

| Prices | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|
| Consumer Price Index | | | |
| Adelaide | | | |
| All groups | 1989-90 = 100.0 | 108.9 | 111.2 |

| | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| House price index | | | |
| Established house | 1989-90 = 100.0 | 106.5 | 110.1 |
| Project home | 1989-90 = 100.0 | 105.4 | 105.4 |

| | | | |
|--|-----------------|-------|-------|
| Wholesale price index of building materials | | | |
| All groups, Adelaide | | | |
| House building | 1985-86 = 100.0 | 135.5 | 137.8 |
| Other than house | 1979-80 = 100.0 | 250.0 | 249.2 |

| Average retail prices (cents) | | Sept. 1992 | Sept. 1993 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Milk, carton, supermarket sales | 1 litre | 86 | 91 |
| Margarine, polyunsaturated | 500g | 136 | 133 |
| Bread, white, sliced, supermarket | 680g | 129 | 117 |
| Eggs, 55g | doz. | 190 | 182 |
| Tea | 250g | 158 | 158 |

| Foreign trade | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|----------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| Imports from | | | |
| Indonesia | \$m | 189 | 286 |
| Japan | \$m | 562 | 820 |
| USA | \$m | 370 | 450 |
| Total imports | \$m | 2,376 | 3,068 |

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Exports to | | | |
| Japan | \$m | 542 | 589 |
| New Zealand | \$m | 201 | 256 |
| USA | \$m | 280 | 326 |
| Total exports | \$m | 3,431 | 3,760 |

| | | | |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Principal exports | | | |
| Wheat | \$m | 346 | 325 |
| Wool, sheepskins | \$m | 351 | 319 |
| Barley | \$m | 169 | 195 |
| Meat and meat preparations | \$m | 270 | 282 |
| Wine | \$m | 166 | 192 |

COMMUNICATIONS

| Communication (a) | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|--------------------------|------|---------|---------|
| Post Offices, Agencies | No. | 498 | 480 |
| Postal articles handled | '000 | 305,641 | 304,471 |

(a) Includes Northern Territory.

| Transport | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|-------------------------------|------|---------|---------|
| New motor vehicles registered | No. | 39,059 | 39,940 |
| Motor vehicles on register | '000 | 890 | 905 |
| Adelaide Airport passengers | '000 | 2,806 | n.y.a. |

| State Government | | 1990-91 | 1991-92 |
|----------------------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| Outlays | | | |
| Final consumption expenditure | \$m | 6,172 | 8,134 |
| Interest payments | \$m | 3,167 | 3,367 |
| Expenditure on new fixed assets | \$m | 930 | 1,161 |
| Revenue and grants | | | |
| Taxes, fees and fines | \$m | 997 | 905 |
| Interest received | \$m | 5,155 | 5,324 |
| Commonwealth grants | \$m | 1,472 | 1,596 |
| Net financing requirements (NFR) | \$m | 218 | 294 |
| | \$m | 2,673 | 2,827 |
| | \$m | 976 | 2,738 |

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|
| Gross State Product (GSP) | | | |
| GSP at market prices | \$m | 28,981 | 29,543 |
| Per head of mean population | \$ | 20,138 | 20,316 |
| Percentage of Australian total | per cent | 7.6 | 7.6 |

| National accounts | | 1990-91 | 1991-92 |
|---------------------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| Household income | \$m | 24,097 | 24,945 |
| Household disposable income | \$m | 19,503 | 20,658 |
| Private consumption expenditure | \$m | 17,549 | 18,325 |

| Banking | | 1992 | 1993 |
|---------------------------------|-----|--------|--------|
| Depositors' balances at 30 June | \$m | 13,050 | 13,988 |

| Secured housing finance | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|--------------------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| Loans approved by | | | |
| Banks | \$m | 1,570.7 | 2,085.9 |
| Building societies | \$m | 336.8 | 384.8 |
| Other | \$m | 265.1 | 204.6 |
| Total dwellings | No. | 31,765 | 36,960 |

| Other | | 1991-92 | 1992-93 |
|---------------------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| Commercial finance commitments | \$m | 6,651.6 | 5,122.4 |
| Personal finance commitments | \$m | 1,445.4 | 1,656.8 |
| Private new capital expenditure | \$m | 1,625 | 1,581 |

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