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**SOUTH AUSTRALIA**  
*at a glance 1995*



# South Australia

<b>Area</b>	: 984,377 square kilometres
<b>Coastline</b>	: 3,700 kilometres
<b>Capital city</b>	: Adelaide (population 1.1 million)
<b>Temperature</b>	: Mean summer 22.3°C; mean winter 11.8°C
<b>Emblems</b>	
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	8.24
Age pensioners	9.81
Unemployment	8.96
Labour force	8.09
Industrial disputes, days lost	3.13
Manufacturing	
Number of establishments	7.39
Persons employed	9.52
Overseas imports	4.35
Overseas exports	5.99
Motor vehicles on register	8.60
Total new dwellings commenced	6.45
Wheat, area for grain	17.38
Barley, area for grain	35.26
Vineyards	41.27
Wool clip	14.06
Gross value of agricultural commodities	9.19
Retail turnover	7.52

## POPULATION

Estimated resident population	1994p
At 30 June: Males	729,700
Females	740,100
Persons	1,469,800

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	53,534

## DEMOGRAPHY

Vital statistics	1992	1993
Rate per 1,000 population		
Births	No. 13.3	13.7
Deaths	No. 7.5	7.9
Marriages	No. 6.5	6.2
Divorces	No. 2.8	2.8
Rate per 1,000 live births		
Infant deaths	No. 6.1	5.2
Principal causes of death per 10,000 population		
Ischaemic heart disease	No. 19.87	19.95
Malignant neoplasms	No. 18.97	20.28
Cerebrovascular disease	No. 7.41	8.60
Expectation of life (Australian)		
Males	years 75.05	74.99
Females	years 80.92	80.53

Health	1991-92	1992-93
Hospitals (excl. Cwltth and Public Psychiatric)		
Public	No. 81	81
Private	No. 38	39
Beds available	No. 7,545	7,372
Separations	No. 386,403	396,370
Mean length of stay (days)	No. 5.2	5.1
Same day separations	No. 107,247	116,865
Nursing homes	No. 162	162
Beds	No. 7,130	7,130

## SOCIAL

Welfare services	1992-93	1993-94
Pensioners at 30 June		
Age	No. 150,583	156,223
Disability support	No. 38,592	40,702
Widow	No. 5,189	4,581
Sole parent	No. 26,011	27,111
Job Search and Newstart allowances	No. 79,802	77,806
Repatriation benefits at 30 June		
Disability pensions	No. 29,856	29,342
Service pensions	No. 36,988	35,660

Law and order	1992-93	1993-94
Police	No. 3,783	3,813
Prisoners received	No. 5,685	6,637

Education	1993	1994p
Schools	No. 861	863
Teachers	No. 16,884	16,722
Pupils	No. 247,227	246,011

Students enrolled	1992	1993
Universities	No. 44,285	44,471
Technical and Further Education	No. 87,775	83,628

## LABOUR

Labour force (August)	1993	1994
Employed persons	'000 636.2	646.7
Unemployed persons	'000 75.6	76.0
Unemployment rate	per cent 10.0	10.2

Vacancies (August)	1993	1994
Job vacancies	'000 1.6	4.5
Job vacancy rate	per cent 0.4	0.9

Average weekly earnings (August)	1993	1994
All males	\$ 599.70	591.40
All females	\$ 394.20	410.80
All employees	\$ 503.10	507.40

Industrial disputes	1992-93	1993-94
Number of disputes	No. 41	32
Working days lost	'000 23.2	16.6

## CONSTRUCTION

Building	1992-93	1993-94
Approvals		
New houses	No. 10,087	9,901
New other residential buildings	No. 2,225	1,858
Total building	\$m 1,391.9	1,336.3
Completions		
New houses	No. 8,708	9,903
New other residential buildings	No. 1,938	1,974
Total building	\$m 1,355.3	1,517.5

## PRIMARY PRODUCTION

Agriculture	1992-93	1993-94p
Gross value of		
Wheat for grain	\$m 436.3	360.5
Wool	\$m 319.9	259.5
Livestock slaughtered etc.	\$m 388.8	396.3
Total agriculture	\$m 2,218.6	2,085.8

Area of	1992-93	1993-94
Establishments	'000 ha 56,554	57,267
Cereals for grain	'000 ha 2,622	2,479
Vegetables	'000 ha 10.6	11.7
Orchards	'000 ha 17.6	20.5
Vineyards	'000 ha 26.1	27.5

Wheat produced for grain	'000 tonnes 2,421	2,121
Barley produced for grain	'000 tonnes 1,855	2,242
Wool produced to 30 June	'000 tonnes 115	112

Livestock at 31 March	1993	1994
Cattle	'000 1,104	1,202
Sheep and lambs	'000 15,702	14,679
Pigs	'000 435	440

## PRIMARY PRODUCTION — continued

State forests	1992-93	1993-94
Area of plantations (at 30 June)	hectares 76,243	76,749
Log production	m 867,039	1,032,419
Fisheries	1992-93	1993-94
Value of production	\$'000 171,980	186,642
Live weight	tonnes 20,891	23,956
Mining establishments	1992-93	1993-94p
(excl. construction material etc., mining)		
Establishments	No. 16	18
Persons employed	No. 2,237	2,171
Wages and salaries	\$m 105	109
Value added	\$m 888	845
Mineral production	1991-92	1992-93
Copper	\$m 186.3	208.2
Uranium oxide	\$m 62.9	37.0
Opal	\$m 38.8	39.2
Condensates	\$m 155.4	135.1
Crude oil	\$m 225.9	175.7

## SECONDARY PRODUCTION

Production	1992-93	1993-94
Meat produced		
Beef and veal	tonnes 96,658	94,697
Mutton and lamb	tonnes 105,023	116,553
Pigmeat	tonnes 38,153	38,529
Chicken	tonnes 38,619	40,671
Wine produced	'000L 205,833	297,991
Manufacturing	1991-92	1992-93p
Establishments	No. 3,161	2,792
Persons employed	'000 86.6	83.0
Wages and salaries	\$m 2,479	2,430
Turnover	\$m 15,501	15,326

Tourist accommodation	1992-93	1993-94
Motels and licensed hotels		
Establishments at 30 June	No. 360	345
Guest rooms at 30 June	No. 10,632	10,597
Takings from accommodation	\$'000 129,882	138,782
Caravan parks		
Establishments at 30 June	No. 211	211
Sites at 30 June	No. 24,434	24,136
Takings from accommodation	\$'000 25,683	26,855
Holiday flats, units, houses		
Letting entities at 30 June	No. 86	89
Flats, units etc. at 30 June	No. 1,338	1,338
Takings from accommodation	\$'000 10,740	11,700
Visitor hostels		
Establishments at 30 June	No. 40	46
Bed spaces	No. 1,955	2,118

Retail trade	1992-93	1993-94
Retail turnover	\$m 7,281	7,715
Grocers, confectioners, tobacconists	\$m 2,330	2,538
Department and general stores	\$m 1,092	1,098
Hotels, liquor stores, licensed clubs	\$m 739	872

Prices	1992-93	1993-94
Consumer Price Index		
Adelaide		
All groups	1989-90 = 100.0	111.2 113.4

House price index		
Established house	1989-90 = 100.0	110.1 109.1
Project home	1989-90 = 100.0	105.4 111.4

Wholesale price index of building materials		
All groups, Adelaide		
House building	1985-86 = 100.0	137.8 151.8
Other than house	1989-90 = 100.0	105.1 107.9

Average retail prices (cents)	Sept. 1993	Sept. 1994
Milk, carton, supermarket sales	1 litre 91	101
Margarine, polyunsaturated	500g 133	140
Bread, white, sliced, supermarket	680g 117	125
Eggs, 55g	doz. 182	163
Tea	250g 158	159

Foreign trade	1992-93	1993-94
Imports from		
Indonesia	\$m 286	114
Japan	\$m 820	838
USA	\$m 450	358
Total imports	\$m 3,068	2,803

Exports to		
Japan	\$m 650	625
New Zealand	\$m 288	312
USA	\$m 353	394
Total exports	\$m 3,761	3,888

Principal exports		
Cereals	\$m 573	437
Wool, sheepskins	\$m 319	291
Fish	\$m 155	187
Meat and meat preparations	\$m 282	325
Wine	\$m 192	238

## COMMUNICATION

Communication (a)	1992-93	1993-94
Post Offices, Agencies	No. 480	426
Postal articles handled	'000 304,471	308,808

(a) Includes Northern Territory.

## TRANSPORT

Transport	1992-93	1993-94
New motor vehicles registered	No. 39,940	39,985
Motor vehicles on register	'000 905	920
Adelaide Airport passengers	'000 2,809	n.y.a.

## PUBLIC FINANCE

State Government	1991-92	1992-93
Outlays	\$m 8,132	7,035
Final consumption expenditure	\$m 3,368	3,467
Interest payments	\$m 1,161	1,197
Expenditure on new fixed assets	\$m 905	975
Revenue and grants	\$m 5,320	6,136
Taxes, fees and fines	\$m 1,596	1,754
Interest received	\$m 294	381
Commonwealth grants	\$m 2,828	3,284
Net financing requirements (NFR)	\$m 2,738	739

Gross State Product (GSP)		
GSP at market prices	\$m 29,898	31,846
Per head of mean population	\$ 20,474	21,713
Percentage of Australian total	per cent 7.4	7.5

National accounts	1991-92	1992-93
Household income	\$m 24,483	25,068
Household disposable income	\$m 20,331	20,939
Private consumption expenditure	\$m 18,925	19,402

## FINANCE

Banking	1993	1994
Depositors' balances at 30 June	\$m 13,988	15,046

Secured housing finance	1992-93	1993-94
Loans approved by		
Banks	\$m 2,086	3,042
Other	\$m 586	568
Total dwellings	No. 36,960	45,725

Other	1992-93	1993-94
Lease finance commitments	\$m 249.5	250.6
Commercial finance commitments	\$m 5,122.4	5,467.2
Personal finance commitments	\$m 1,656.8	1,794.8
Private new capital expenditure	\$m 1,522	1,491

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