



2002
SOUTH AUSTRALIA
AT A
GLANCE



South Australia has an area of 984,377 square kilometres (12.8% of the total Australian land mass), and is the driest of the Australian States and Territories. Water supplies are supplemented with water piped from the River Murray, the only major river in the State.

The population at 30 June 2001 was 1,502,397, less than 8% of the total Australian population. Most South Australians (73%) live in Adelaide, the capital city. South Australians have the highest median age at death of all States and Territories.

The Gross State Product of South Australia is \$41.6b per annum, which is 6.5% of Australia's Gross Domestic Product. The principal items produced are agricultural/horticultural products (including wine), and machinery. The State has 43% of Australia's vineyard area, and 33% of the barley area. Mineral resources and aquaculture are also significant elements of the economy.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA AS A PROPORTION OF AUSTRALIA

	%
Area	12.8
Population	7.7
Persons aged 65 years and over	9.1
Unemployment—trend	7.5
Labour force—trend	7.4
Industrial disputes, days lost	1.2
Manufacturing	
Persons employed	9.9
Sales and service income	9.0
Merchandise imports	4.5
Merchandise exports	6.9
New motor vehicles registered	6.3
Total new dwellings commenced	5.7
Wheat, area for grain	15.2
Barley, area for grain	32.6
Vineyards	42.8
Wool receivals (taxable)	14.3
Gross value of agricultural commodities	9.9
Retail turnover	7.4

POPULATION

		30 June 2000	30 June 2001
Estimated resident population			
Males	no.	740 567	743 153
Females	no.	756 827	759 244
Persons	no.	1 497 394	1 502 397
Census of population		1991	1996
Distribution (proportion of population)			
Adelaide Statistical Division	%	73.1	73.2
Other statistical divisions	%	26.9	26.8
Age groups (proportion of population)			
Under 15 years	%	21.2	20.7
15–64 years	%	66.1	65.5
65 years and over	%	12.7	13.9
Private dwellings			
Occupied	no.	515 720	555 834
Unoccupied	no.	53 534	61 373

DEMOGRAPHY

Vital statistics		1999	2000
Rate per 1,000 population			
Births	no.	12.0	11.9
Deaths	no.	7.6	7.9
Marriages	no.	5.5	5.5
Divorces	no.	2.9	2.7
Rate per 1,000 live births			
Infant deaths	no.	4.3	4.6
Causes of death per 10,000 population			
Ischaemic heart disease	no.	16.7	17.0
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	no.	20.6	21.3
Cerebrovascular disease (incl. stroke)	no.	7.5	7.5
Expectation of life			
Males	years	76.4	76.6
Females	years	82.1	82.3
Health(a)		1999-00	2000-01
Hospitals (excl. Cwlth and Public Psychiatric)			
Public	no.	80	80
Private (incl. day surgery facilities)	no.	49	52
Beds available (excl. day surgery facilities)	no.	6 507	6 675
Admissions	no.	499 223	520 200
Mean length of stay (days)	no.	3.8	3.8
Same day admissions	no.	232 324	251 357

(a) Source: Department of Human Services.

SOCIAL

Welfare services at 30 June(a)		2000	2001
Age pensions	no.	164 307	169 463
Disability support pensions	no.	58 425	59 942
Parenting payment (single)	no.	32 483	34 312
Newstart and Mature Age allowances	no.	56 454	53 963
Law and order(b)		1999-00	2000-01
Police	no.	3 696	3 808
Prisoners at 30 June	no.	1 299	1 389
Defendants initiated in Supreme and Intermediate Courts	no.	1 023	n.y.a.
Education		2000	2001
Schools	no.	820	811
Teachers (full-time equivalent)	no.	16 877	16 948
Pupils (full-time)	no.	249 359	249 496
Students enrolled			
Universities(c)	no.	49 027	p50 869
Publicly-funded vocational education and training programs(d)	no.	146 200	n.y.a.
		1999-00	2000-01
Household expenditure on education services	\$m	642	691

(a) Source: Department of Family and Community Services.

(b) Source: South Australia Police.

(c) Source: Commonwealth Department of Education, Science and Training.

(d) Source: National Centre for Vocational and Educational Research.

LABOUR

Labour force (February—trend)		2001	2002
Employed persons	'000	673.8	686.2
Unemployed persons	'000	51.7	52.3
Unemployment rate	%	7.1	7.1
Vacancies (November)		2000	2001
Job vacancies	'000	5.4	6.3
Job vacancy rate	%	1.0	1.1
Average weekly earnings (November)		2000	2001
All males	\$	748.30	772.10
All females	\$	488.30	506.00
All employees	\$	618.50	641.40
Industrial disputes		1999–00	2000–01
Number of disputes	no.	36	33
Working days lost	'000	23.0	4.3

AGRICULTURE

		1998–99	1999–00
Gross value of			
Wheat for grain	\$m	641.0	534.7
Wool	\$m	232.0	204.1
Grapes	\$m	540.2	471.8
Livestock slaughtered etc.	\$m	430.6	504.3
Total agriculture	\$m	3 243.6	2 999.7
Wheat produced for grain	'000 t	3 310	2 586
Barley produced for grain	'000 t	2 051	1 409
Wool (taxable) receivals	'000 t	89	92
Area of			
Establishments	'000 ha	59 385	59 901
Cereal crops	'000 ha	2 948	2 853
Vineyards	'000 ha	52.6	59.8
Livestock at 30 June		1999	2000
Cattle	'000	1 183	1 184
Sheep and lambs	'000	13 065	13 759
Pigs	'000	406	438

STATE FORESTS

		1999–00	2000–01
Area of plantations (at 30 June)	ha	80 606	81 262

SECONDARY PRODUCTION

		1999–00	2000–01
Meat produced			
Beef and veal	t	78 472	82 839
Mutton and lamb	t	85 638	97 997
Pigmeat	t	31 927	36 679
Wine produced	'000 L	400 777	552 081

CONSTRUCTION

		1999–00	2000–01
Commenced			
New houses	no.	7 857	5 391
Other dwellings	no.	1 554	1 166
Residential building	\$m	1 243.6	940.5
Non-residential building	\$m	576.8	729.6
Engineering construction	\$m	1 348.2	1 239.1

MINING

Mining establishments(a)		1998–99	1999–00
Establishments	no.	14	17
Persons employed (at 30 June)	no.	1 750	1 564
Wages and salaries	\$m	114	111
Value added	\$m	793	948
Value of mineral production(b)		1999–00	2000–01
Copper	\$m	497.0	702.9
Uranium oxide	\$m	172.1	227.7
Opal (estimate)	\$m	38.1	38.3
Natural gas	\$m	387.2	426.6
Crude oil	\$m	126.0	169.6
LPG	\$m	135.1	159.7
Other condensates	\$m	100.6	129.2
Construction materials	\$m	77.4	77.7
Industrial materials	\$m	51.1	48.6
Total mineral value	\$m	1 714.6	2 152.3

(a) Comprised of Coal mining, Oil and gas extraction, and Metal ore mining. Excludes Services to mining and Other mining.

(b) Source: Department of Primary Industries and Resources SA.

MANUFACTURING

		1999–00	2000–01p
Persons employed	'000	84.0	97.9
Wages and salaries(a)	\$m	3 084.8	3 768
Sales and service income	\$m	n.a.	22 736

(a) Includes provision for employee entitlements.

RETAIL TRADE

		1999–00	2000–01
Retail turnover	\$m	10 785	11 436
Food retailing	\$m	4 601	4 750
Department stores	\$m	1 130	1 120
Hospitality and services	\$m	1 838	2 079

PRICES, Adelaide

		1999–00	2000–01
Consumer Price Index(a)			
All groups		126.3	133.5
House price index(a)			
Established house		123.2	131.1
Project home		127.2	141.9
Average retail prices (cents)		Dec 2000	Dec 2001
Milk, carton, supermarket sales	1 L	133	149
Margarine, polyunsaturated	500 g	164	178
Bread, white, sliced, supermarket	650 g	220	241
Eggs, 55 g	dozen	233	317
Coffee, instant	150 g	550	581

(a) Base year: 1989–90 = 100.0.

MERCHANDISE TRADE

		1999–00	2000–01
Imports from			
European Union	\$m	887	826
Japan	\$m	831	1 020
United States of America	\$m	573	675
Total imports	\$m	4 319	5 045
Exports to			
Japan	\$m	787	963
New Zealand	\$m	446	481
United States of America	\$m	955	1 355
Total exports	\$m	6 188	8 287
Principal export groups			
Metals and metal manufactures	\$m	806	1 020
Wool, sheepskins	\$m	180	236
Road vehicles, parts etc.	\$m	884	1 399
Meat and meat preparations	\$m	160	263
Wine	\$m	899	1 082

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION(a)

		June qtr 2000	June qtr 2001
Hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments			
Number at 30 June		233	234
Guest rooms at 30 June	no.	10 457	10 596
Guest arrivals	'000	446.0	432.3
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	49 254	52 096

(a) Establishments containing 15 or more beds.

TRANSPORT

		1999–00	2000–01
New motor vehicles registered	no.	45 284	50 379
Metropolitan passenger journeys— bus, tram and train(a)	million	41.1	42.6

(a) Source: Passenger Transport Board.

INTERNET ACTIVITY

		Sept qtr 2000	Sept qtr 2001
Internet service providers	no.	78	68
Subscribers	'000	246	280
Data downloaded by subscribers	million Mbs	59	101

PRIVATE FINANCE

Secured housing finance		1999–00	2000–01
Loans approved for			
Construction of dwellings	\$m	612	482
Purchase of newly erected dwellings	\$m	119	121
Purchase of established dwellings	\$m	3 646	4 063
Total dwellings	no.	44 281	46 804
Other			
Commercial finance commitments	\$m	7 191	6 774
Personal finance commitments	\$m	3 207	3 374
Private new capital expenditure	\$m	2 451	2 649

PUBLIC FINANCE

State Consolidated Public Sector		1999–00	2000–01
Operating statement			
Revenues	\$m	10 482	10 142
Expenses	\$m	10 642	10 268
Net operating result	\$m	-160	-126
Gross fixed capital formation	\$m	-2 275	-545
Net debt	\$m	2 440	951
Unfunded superannuation and employee liabilities	\$m	4 526	4 273
Net worth	\$m	12 500	14 837

STATE ACCOUNTS

		1999–00	2000–01
State Final Demand(a)	\$m	44 009	46 257
Final consumption expenditure	\$m	35 434	37 893
Gross fixed capital formation	\$m	8 575	8 364
Gross State Product(a)	\$m	41 340	41 617
Per head of mean population	\$	27 639	27 743
Percentage of Australian total	%	6.6	6.5
Annual growth rate	%	0.7	1.0
Gross household disposable income (per head of mean population)	\$	19 951	20 879

(a) Chain volume measures, reference year 1999–2000.

SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED

Annual periods shown as, for example, 2001 refer to the year ended 31 December 2001; those shown as, for example, 2000–01 refer to the year ended June 2001. Values are shown in Australian dollars (\$). Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between the sums of the component items and totals.

g	— gram	t	— tonne
ha	— hectare	\$b	— billion dollars (thousand million)
L	— litre	\$m	— million dollars
n.a.	— not available	\$'000	— thousand dollars
n.y.a.	— not yet available	'000	— thousand
p	— preliminary data		

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

ABS publications draw extensively on information provided freely by individuals, businesses, governments and other organisations. Their continued cooperation is very much appreciated; without it the wide range of statistics published by the ABS would not be available for general use by the community. Information received by the ABS is treated in strict confidence as required by the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*.

Photograph: The Althorpes, Yorke Peninsula, South Australia
(courtesy of South Australian Tourism Commission)

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

- INTERNET** www.abs.gov.au the ABS web site is the best place to start for access to summary data from our latest publications, information about the ABS, advice about upcoming releases, our catalogue, and Australia Now — a statistical profile.
- LIBRARY** A range of ABS publications is available from public and tertiary libraries Australia-wide. Contact your nearest library to determine whether it has the ABS statistics you require, or visit our web site for a list of libraries.
- CPI INFOLINE** For current and historical Consumer Price Index data, call 1902 981 074 (call cost 77c per minute).
- DIAL-A-STATISTIC** For the latest figures for National Accounts, Balance of Payments, Labour Force, Average Weekly Earnings, Estimated Resident Population and the Consumer Price Index call 1900 986 400 (call cost 77c per minute).

INFORMATION SERVICE

Data which have been published and can be provided within five minutes are free of charge. Our information consultants can also help you to access the full range of ABS information — ABS user-pays services can be tailored to your needs, time frame and budget. Publications may be purchased. Specialists are on hand to help you with analytical or methodological advice.

- PHONE** **1300 135 070**
- EMAIL** **client.services@abs.gov.au**
- FAX** 1300 135 211
- POST** Client Services, ABS, GPO Box 796, Sydney 1041
- AusInfo** ABS products can also be purchased through TeleInfo 132 447

WHY NOT SUBSCRIBE?

ABS subscription services provide regular, convenient and prompt deliveries of ABS publications and products as they are released. Email delivery of monthly and quarterly publications is available.

- PHONE** 1300 366 323
- EMAIL** subscriptions@abs.gov.au
- FAX** 03 9615 7848
- POST** Subscription Services, ABS, GPO Box 2796Y, Melbourne 3001

Produced by the Australian Bureau of Statistics

© Commonwealth of Australia 2002

Recommended retail price: \$1.25



2130640001025

ISSN 0814-0871