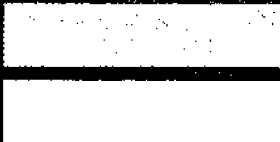


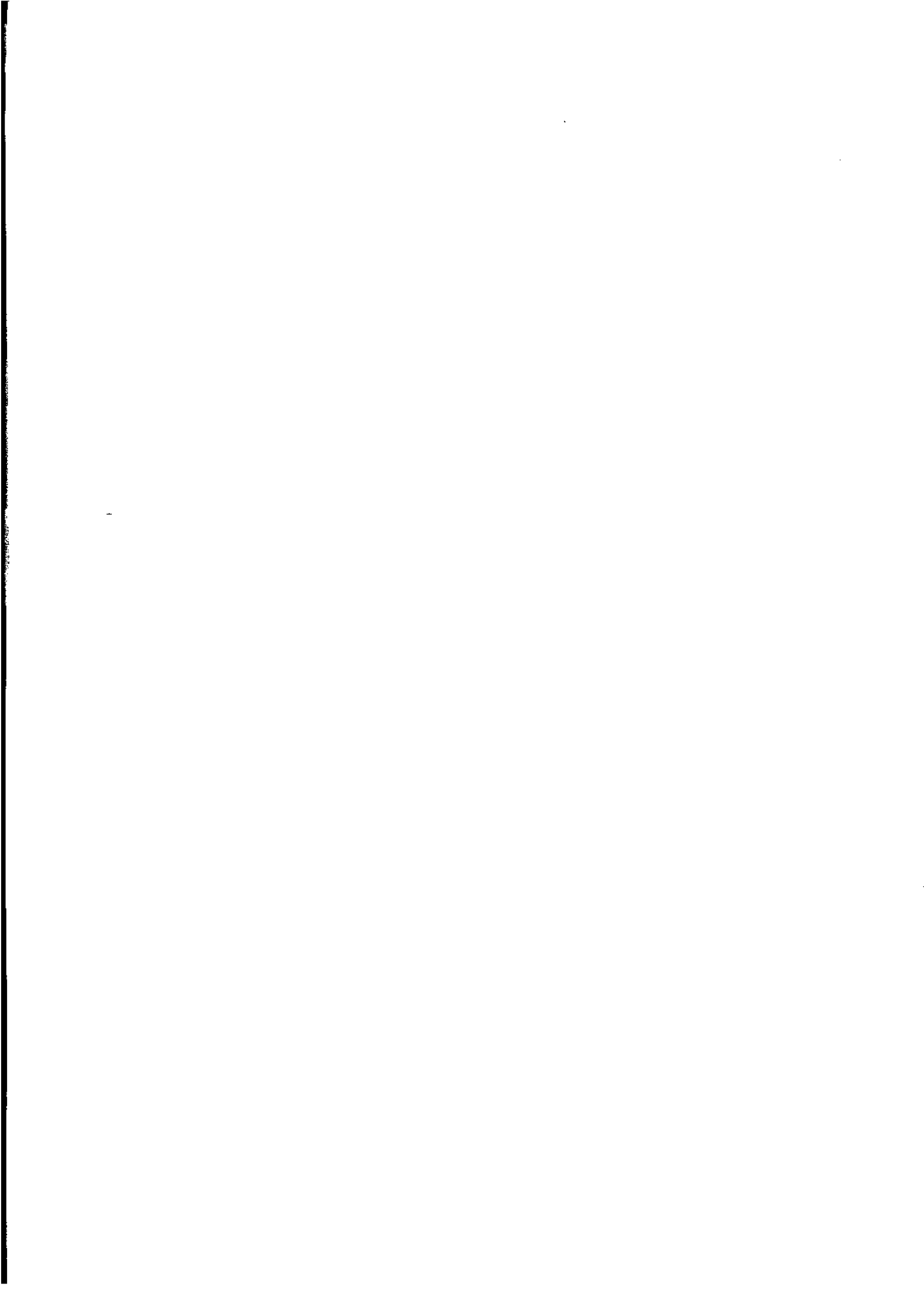


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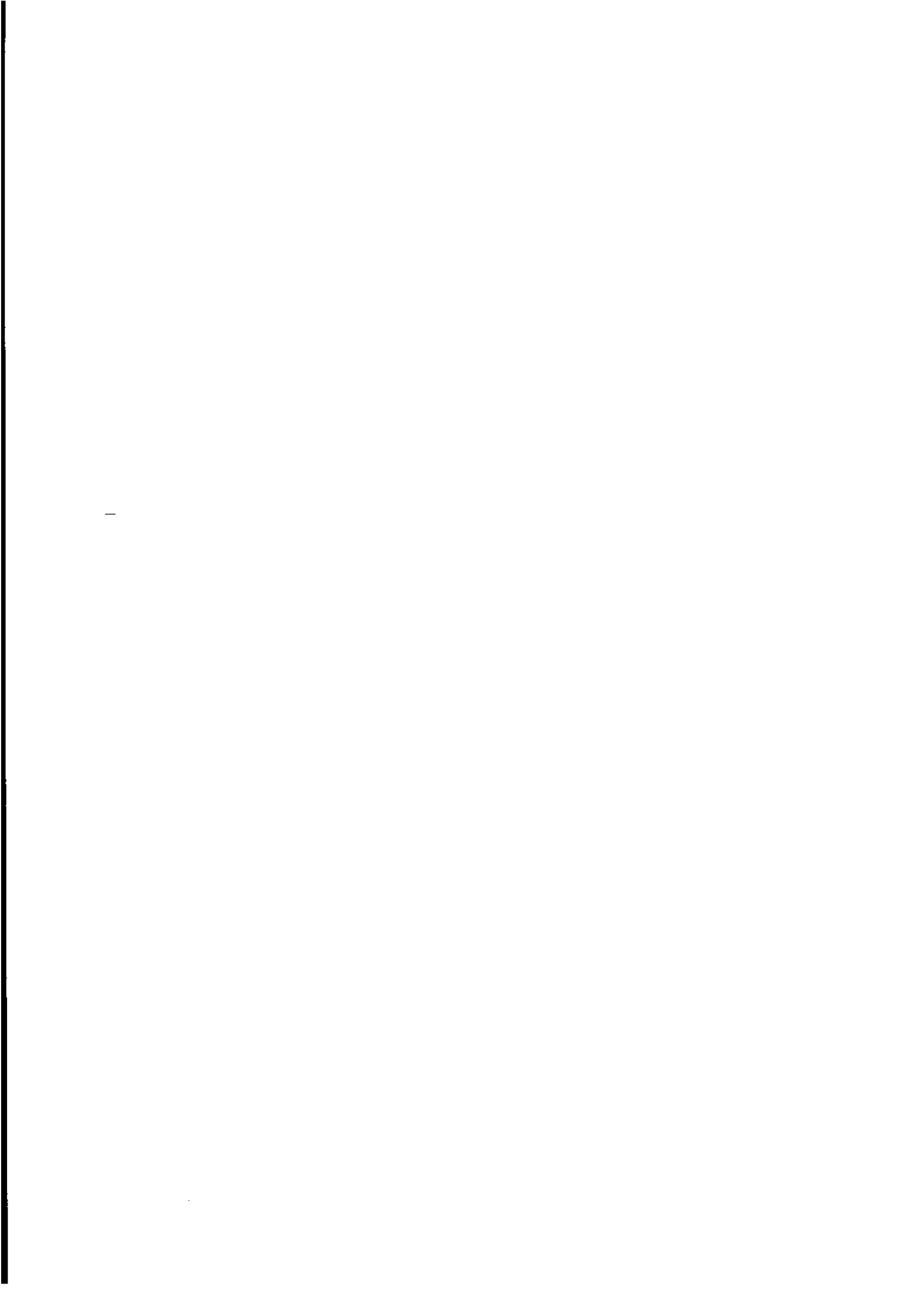
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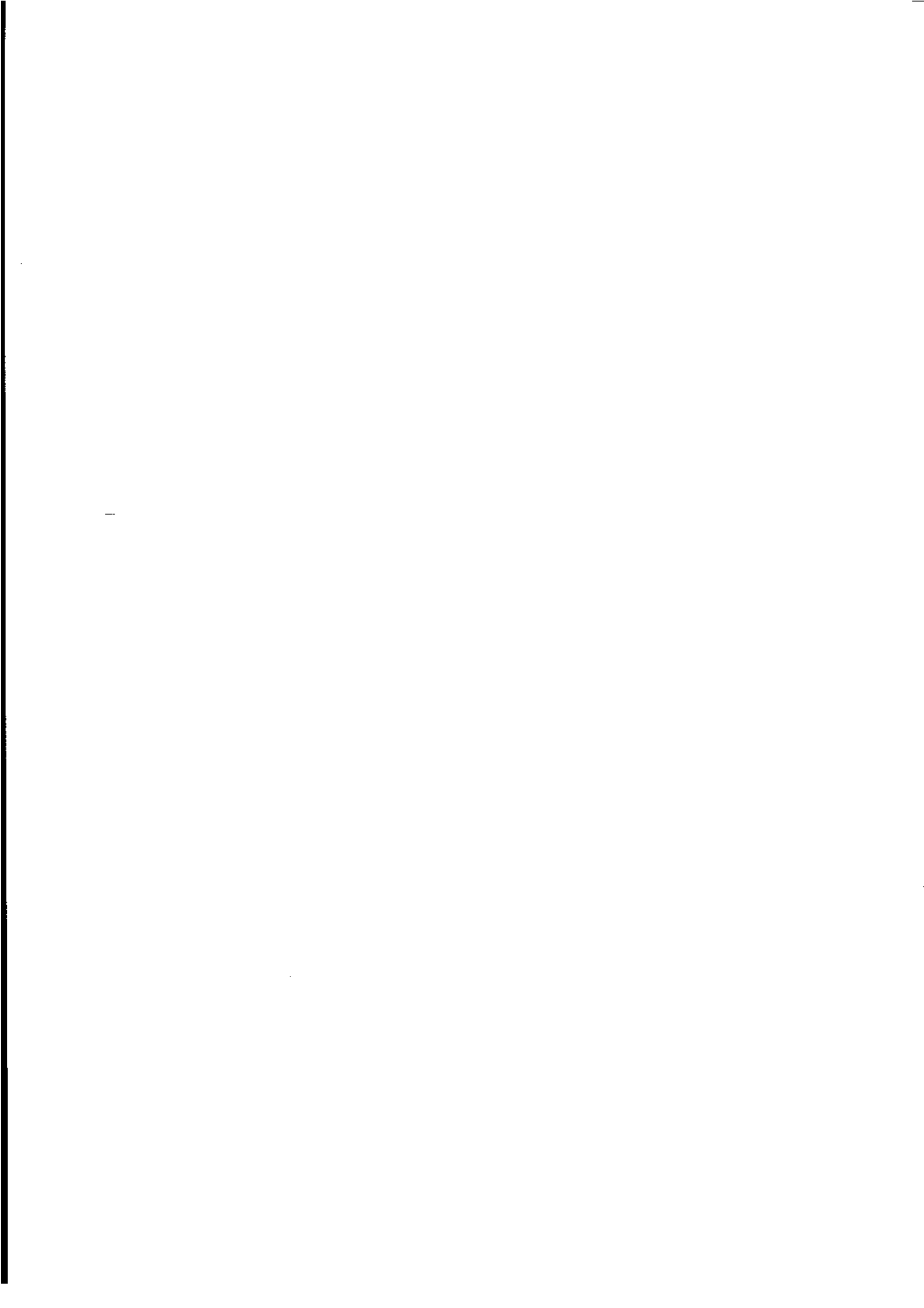
This publication contains estimates of the resident populations of Statistical Local Areas (SLAs) and Local Government Areas (LGAs), of Tasmania as at 30 June, for 1993 and 1994. Also included are estimated resident populations for the census years of 1986 and 1991.

The publication also presents an analysis over the last six years of the components of population change in Tasmania.

Information on the methodology used to estimate resident population in Tasmania (and in LGAs and SLAs) is contained in the Explanatory Notes at the back of this publication. The notes also contain an assessment of the quality of the estimates produced.

Earlier editions of this publication contained additional detailed tables for SLAs and LGAs in the form of estimated resident population by age and sex. As the preparation of this data often delayed release of the main SLA and LGA estimates, it will no longer be included as part of this and subsequent editions. It will, however, be available separately on request and users requiring this data are invited to contact the ABS.

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MAIN FEATURES

Population growth - fourth consecutive year of decline

The year to 30 June 1994 was the fourth consecutive year to record markedly declining population growth. Tasmania's population in that year increased by an estimated 1,007 persons which is significantly less than the 1,760 persons recorded in the previous year and remarkably less than the 6,930 persons recorded in 1989-90.

Tasmania's population growth rate for 1993-94 was 0.21 per cent, which was about one-fifth Australia's rate of 1.06 per cent for the same period. Australia's rate represented a small increase over the 0.96 per cent recorded for 1992-93, whereas Tasmania's rate represented a significant decrease from the 0.35 per cent for 1992-93.

Increasingly negative interstate migration a major factor

Tasmania's declining population growth results from an increasingly negative net interstate migration movement. In 1993-94 Tasmania recorded a net loss through interstate migration of 2,162 persons. This is a further extension of a downward trend commencing from a high point in 1989-90 when a net *gain* of 2,790 was recorded.

The 1993-94 net loss figure was created by an excess of departures of 11,652 over arrivals of 9,490. Notably, compared to 1992-93 there were 990 fewer departing the State, but this was offset by almost 1,600 fewer arriving in the State.

Minimal rise in overseas migration

The negative trend of net interstate migration was offset in only a very minor way by net overseas migration. The latter for 1993-94 was just 225, a very small increase over the 103 recorded in 1992-93. Tasmania's net overseas migration rate of 0.05 per cent for 1993-94 compared with Australia's figure of 0.28 per cent.

Natural increase - less births, more deaths

Tasmania's natural increase in 1993-94 was 2,944, a decrease of 171 on the previous year. This decrease resulted from 61 less births and 109 more deaths registered in 1993-94 than in 1992-93.

Tasmania's natural increase rate, whilst normally lower than Australia's, decreased yet further in comparison. In 1993-94 Tasmania's rate was 0.62 per cent, compared to 0.77 per cent for Australia. Tasmania's natural increase rate for 1993-94 is also significantly less than the 1992-93 figure of 0.66 per cent and further substantiates a downward trend from the recent high of 0.74 per cent in 1989-90.

Ageing of the population

The median age of Tasmanians in 1993-94 was 33.7 years, an increase on the 33.2 years for 1992-93. For males the median age was 33.0 years in 1993-94 (32.5 years in 1992-93) and for females 34.3 years compared to 33.9 years in the previous period.

Factors contributing to increased median ages include longer life expectancy, declining fertility (evident in smaller families and deferred first births) and changes in net migration age profiles.

With the trend towards increasing median ages the proportion of the State population in older age groups continues to rise. In 1985-86 persons aged 65 years and over accounted for 10.9 per cent of the population, compared to 12.4 per cent in 1993-94.

Conversely the proportion of persons in the younger age groups is declining. Children under 15 years accounted for 24.1 per cent of the State's population in 1985-86, but by June 1994 their proportion had fallen to 22.6 per cent. A similar decline was estimated for 20-29 year olds, from 16.4 per cent in 1985-86 to 14.4 per cent in 1993-94.

Regions

The Greater Hobart-Southern Region accounted for 48.2 per cent of Tasmania's estimated resident population at 30 June 1994; the Northern Region, 28.2 per cent; and the Mersey-Lyell Region, 23.7 per cent. Since 1991 Greater Hobart-Southern and Northern Regions have both increased their shares slightly at the expense of Mersey-Lyell Region. The latter has experienced a small decrease in population at an average annual rate of 0.07 per cent.

During 1991-94 the Greater Hobart-Southern Region showed a growth rate of 0.56 per cent and the Northern Region 0.52 per cent. The overall State growth for this period was 0.40 per cent.

Local Government Areas

In the period 1990-91 to 1993-94 Sorell recorded the largest growth rate with an average annual growth rate of 2.69 per cent. Other local government areas showing relatively rapid growth were Kingborough (1.99 per cent), West Tamar (1.90 per cent) and Meander Valley (1.49 per cent).

Significant decreases occurred in West Coast (-3.06 per cent), Flinders (-1.87 per cent) and Central Highlands (-0.85 per cent).

Statistical Local Areas

The growth areas referred to in the previous section are again highlighted in an analysis of these major statistical components of local government areas. Meander Valley Part A, (the *Part A* indicating that it is the predominantly urban component of the Meander Valley local government area), experienced an average annual growth rate of 4.18 per cent. Sorell Part A experienced 2.82 per cent, Kingborough Part A 2.06 per cent and West Tamar Part A 1.97 per cent.

Table 1. Estimated Resident Population in Statistical Local Areas at 30 June

STATISTICAL DIVISION					Growth	Growth	Proportion
Subdivision and	1986	1991	1993r	1994p	rate (a)	rate (a)	of State
Statistical Local Area					(1986 to 91)	(1991 to 94)	1994
	no.	no.	no.	no.	%	%	%
GREATER HOBART STATISTICAL DIVISION	182 071	190 950	193 209	194 167	0.96	0.56	41.11
Brighton	11 106	12 066	12 315	12 425	1.67	0.98	2.63
Clarence	48 118	49 447	49 690	49 840	0.55	0.26	10.55
Glenorchy	41 895	43 611	43 911	43 986	0.81	0.29	9.31
Hobart - Inner	596	397	354	349	-7.80	-4.20	0.07
Hobart - Remainder	47 143	47 284	47 280	47 280	0.06	0.00	10.01
Kingborough - Part A	19 612	23 182	24 216	24 644	3.40	2.06	5.22
New Norfolk - Part A	7 595	7 306	7 330	7 320	-0.77	0.06	1.55
Sorell - Part A	6 006	7 657	8 113	8 323	4.98	2.82	1.76
SOUTHERN STATISTICAL DIVISION	29 826	32 805	33 182	33 337	1.92	0.52	7.06
Central Highlands	3 073	2 969	2 939	2 894	-0.69	-0.85	0.61
Glamorgan/Spring Bay	3 733	3 962	4 001	4 006	1.20	0.37	0.85
Huon Valley	11 196	12 534	12 851	12 961	2.45	0.86	2.74
Kingborough - Part B	1 951	2 259	2 305	2 350	2.97	1.33	0.50
New Norfolk - Part B	2 661	3 007	2 980	2 990	2.47	-0.19	0.63
Sorell - Part B	744	861	881	896	2.96	1.34	0.19
Southern Midlands	4 829	5 157	5 226	5 236	1.32	0.51	1.11
Tasman	1 639	1 956	1 999	2 004	3.60	0.81	0.42
NORTHERN STATISTICAL DIVISION	123 856	131 080	132 597	133 127	1.14	0.52	28.18
Greater Launceston Statistical District	91 061	96 134	97 443	97 918	1.09	0.61	20.73
George Town - Part A	6 362	6 231	6 180	6 140	-0.42	-0.49	1.30
Launceston - Inner	599	336	314	313	-10.92	-2.34	0.07
Launceston - Part B	61 422	62 549	62 676	62 727	0.36	0.09	13.28
Meander Valley - Part A	2 529	4 513	4 953	5 103	12.28	4.18	1.08
Northern Midlands - Part A	5 533	6 139	6 255	6 285	2.10	0.79	1.33
West Tamar - Part A	14 616	16 366	17 065	17 350	2.29	1.97	3.67
Central North Statistical Subdivision	19 510	20 580	20 705	20 775	1.07	0.31	4.40
George Town - Part B	756	934	971	971	4.32	1.30	0.21
Launceston - Part C	2 327	2 752	2 782	2 792	3.41	0.48	0.59
Meander Valley - Part B	9 599	10 138	10 163	10 213	1.10	0.25	2.16
Northern Midlands - Part B	5 261	4 868	4 837	4 832	-1.54	-0.25	1.02
West Tamar - Part B	1 567	1 888	1 952	1 967	3.80	1.38	0.42
North Eastern Statistical Subdivision	13 285	14 366	14 449	14 434	1.58	0.16	3.06
Break O'Day	5 019	5 764	5 809	5 824	2.81	0.35	1.23
Dorset	7 216	7 637	7 688	7 698	1.14	0.27	1.63
Flinders	1 050	965	952	912	-1.67	-1.87	0.19
MERSEY-LYELL STATISTICAL DIVISION	110 720	111 967	112 361	111 726	0.22	-0.07	23.65
Burnie-Devonport Statistical District	76 603	78 707	79 015	79 035	0.54	0.14	16.73
Burnie - Part A	18 918	18 875	18 798	18 753	-0.05	-0.22	3.97
Central Coast - Part A	17 257	17 706	17 740	17 755	0.52	0.09	3.76
Devonport	24 717	25 337	25 445	25 465	0.50	0.17	5.39
Latrobe - Part A	5 059	5 617	5 768	5 783	2.11	0.98	1.22
Waratah/Wynyard - Part A	10 652	11 172	11 264	11 279	0.96	0.32	2.39
North Western Rural Statistical Subdivision	24 562	25 596	25 864	25 709	0.83	0.15	5.44
Burnie - Part B	2 132	2 196	2 212	2 217	0.59	0.32	0.47
Central Coast - Part B	2 903	3 300	3 345	3 350	2.60	0.50	0.71
Circular Head	8 043	8 530	8 594	8 594	1.18	0.25	1.82
Kentish	4 709	5 176	5 265	5 295	1.91	0.76	1.12
King Island	2 054	1 917	1 894	1 894	-1.37	-0.40	0.40
Latrobe - Part B	1 168	1 310	1 347	1 352	2.32	1.06	0.29
Waratah/Wynyard - Part B	3 553	3 167	3 207	3 007	-2.27	-1.71	0.64
Western Subdivision	9 555	7 664	7 482	6 982	-4.31	-3.06	1.48
West Coast	9 555	7 664	7 482	6 982	-4.31	-3.06	1.48
TASMANIA	446 473	466 802	471 350	472 357	0.89	0.40	100.00

(a) Average annual rate of increase or decrease (-) in population.

Table 2. Estimated Resident Population in Legal Local Government Areas at 30 June

<i>REGION and Legal Local Government Area</i>	<i>1986</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>1993</i>	<i>1994p</i>	<i>Growth rate (a) (1986-91)</i>	<i>Growth rate (a) (1991-94)</i>	<i>Proportion of State 1994</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>%</i>
GREATER HOBART-SOUTHERN REGION	211 897	223 755	226 392	227 504	1.09	0.56	48.16
Brighton	11 106	12 066	12 315	12 425	1.67	0.98	2.63
Central Highlands	3 073	2 969	2 939	2 894	-0.69	-0.85	0.61
Clarence	48 118	49 447	49 690	49 840	0.55	0.26	10.55
Glamorgan/Spring Bay	3 733	3 962	4 001	4 006	1.20	0.37	0.85
Glenorchy	41 895	43 611	43 911	43 986	0.81	0.29	9.31
Hobart	47 739	47 681	47 634	47 629	-0.02	-0.04	10.08
Huon Valley	11 196	12 634	12 851	12 961	2.45	0.86	2.74
Kingborough	21 563	25 441	26 521	26 994	3.36	1.99	5.71
New Norfolk	10 256	10 313	10 310	10 310	0.11	-0.01	2.18
Sorell	6 750	8 518	8 994	9 219	4.76	2.69	1.95
Southern Midlands	4 829	5 157	5 226	5 236	1.32	0.51	1.11
Tasman	1 639	1 956	1 999	2 004	3.60	0.81	0.42
NORTHERN STATISTICAL REGION	123 856	131 080	132 597	133 127	1.14	0.52	28.18
Break O'Day	5 019	5 764	5 809	5 824	2.81	0.35	1.23
Dorset	7 216	7 637	7 688	7 698	1.14	0.27	1.63
Flinders	1 050	965	952	912	-1.67	-1.87	0.19
George Town	7 118	7 165	7 151	7 111	0.13	-0.25	1.51
Launceston	64 348	65 637	65 772	65 832	0.40	0.10	13.94
Meander Valley	12 128	14 651	15 116	15 316	3.85	1.49	3.24
Northern Midlands	10 794	11 007	11 092	11 117	0.39	0.33	2.35
West Tamar	16 183	18 254	19 017	19 317	2.44	1.90	4.09
MERSEY-LYELL REGION	110 720	111 967	112 361	111 726	0.22	-0.07	23.65
Burnie	21 050	21 071	21 010	20 970	0.02	-0.16	4.44
Central Coast	20 160	21 006	21 085	21 105	0.83	0.16	4.47
Circular Head	8 043	8 530	8 594	8 594	1.18	0.25	1.82
Devonport	24 717	25 337	25 445	25 465	0.50	0.17	5.39
Kentish	4 709	5 1762	5 265	5 295	1.91	0.76	1.12
King Island	2 054	1 917	1 894	1 894	-1.37	-0.40	0.40
Latrobe	6 227	6 927	7 115	7 135	2.15	0.99	1.51
Waratah/Wynyard	14 205	14 339	14 471	14 286	0.19	-0.12	3.02
West Coast	9 555	7 664	7 482	6 982	-4.31	-3.06	1.48
TASMANIA	446 473	466 802	471 350	472 357	0.89	0.40	100.00

(a) Average annual rate of increase or decrease (-) in population.

Table 3. Estimated Resident Population and Mean Resident Population, Tasmania

	Estimated Resident Population			Mean Resident Population (a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Year ended 30 June -						
1989	225 708	229 550	455 258	224 589	228 354	452 943
1990	229 256	232 932	462 188	227 395	231 094	458 489
1991	231 466	235 336	466 802	230 439	234 177	464 616
1992	232 839	236 846	469 685	232 225	236 175	468 401
1993	233 745	237 608	471 350	233 428	237 251	470 678
1994 <i>p</i>	234 228	238 129	472 357	234 048	237 900	471 948
Year ended 31 December -						
1988	224 486	228 295	452 781	223 781	227 453	451 234
1989	227 368	231 042	458 410	225 817	229 579	455 396
1990	230 360	234 160	464 520	229 049	232 740	461 789
1991	232 203	236 201	468 404	231 445	235 277	466 721
1992	233 475	237 319	470 794	232 864	236 777	469 641
1993 <i>p</i>	234 062	237 951	472 013	233 832	237 657	471 489
Quarter ended -						
1992 -	Sept.	233 132	236 932	470 064	..	..
	Dec.	233 475	237 319	470 794	..	..
1993 -	Mar.	233 768	237 547	471 315	..	..
	June	233 743	237 607	471 350	..	..
	Sept. <i>p</i>	233 971	237 804	471 775	..	..
	Dec. <i>p</i>	234 062	237 951	472 013	..	..
1994 -	Mar. <i>p</i>	234 150	237 987	472 137	..	..
	June <i>p</i>	234 228	238 129	472 357	..	..

(a) Mean population is calculated according to the formula : mean population = $\frac{a + 4b + 2c + 4d + e}{12}$

where 'a' is the population at the end of the quarter immediately preceding the twelve-month period and 'b', 'c', 'd' and 'e' are the populations at the end of each of the four succeeding quarters.

Mean populations are used in the calculation of crude rates.

Table 4. Resident Population Growth, Year Ended 30 June, Tasmania

	Estimated resident population	Population growth	Growth rate Tasmania	Growth rate Australia
	no.	no.	%	%
1989	455 258	4 110	0.91	1.71
1990	462 188	6 930	1.52	1.49
1991	466 802	4 614	1.00	1.28
1992	469 685	2 883	0.62	1.19
1993	471 350	1 665	0.35	0.96
1994 <i>p</i>	472 357	1 007	0.21	1.06

Table 5. Components of Resident Population Change, Year Ended 30 June, Tasmania

Natural Increase

	<i>Live births</i>	<i>Deaths</i>	<i>Natural increase</i>	<i>Annual rate Tasmania</i>	<i>Annual rate Australia</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>%</i>
1989	6 840	3 649	3 191	0.71	0.79
1990	6 942	3 590	3 352	0.74	0.79
1991	6 972	3 712	3 260	0.71	0.83
1992	6 878	3 688	3 190	0.68	0.79
1993	6 790	3 675	3 115	0.66	0.78
1994 <i>p</i>	6 728	3 784	2 944	0.62	0.77

Table 6. Components of Resident Population Change, Year Ended 30 June, Tasmania

Migration

	<i>Arrivals</i>	<i>Departures</i>	<i>Net(a)</i>	<i>Annual rate Tasmania</i>	<i>Annual rate Australia</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>%</i>
Overseas Migration					
1989	1 998	1 406	756	0.17	0.95
1990	2 055	1 483	760	0.17	0.74
1991	2 028	1 559	408	0.09	0.51
1992	1 851	1 649	36	0.01	0.40
1993	1 979	1 582	103	0.02	0.17
1994 <i>p</i>	1 943	1 553	225	0.05	0.28
Interstate Migration					
1989	11 846	11 643	203	0.04	..
1990	13 259	10 469	2 790	0.61	..
1991	11 696	10 880	816	0.18	..
1992	10 590	10 933	-343	-0.07	..
1993	11 089	12 642	-1 553	-0.33	..
1994 <i>p</i>	9 490	11 652	-2 162	-0.46	..
Net Migration					
1989	13 844	13 049	959	0.21	0.95
1990	15 314	11 952	3 550	0.78	0.74
1991	13 724	12 439	1 224	0.26	0.51
1992	12 441	12 582	-307	-0.07	0.40
1993	13 068	14 224	-1 450	-0.31	0.17
1994 <i>p</i>	11 433	13 205	-1 937	-0.41	0.28

(a) Estimates of net overseas migration (long-term arrivals less departures) include an adjustment for 'category jumping'. A more detailed description may be found in the ABS Technical Paper, *Estimates of Residents Temporarily Overseas, Visitors in Australia and Category Jumping*, 3104.0 March 1983.

Table 7. Estimated Resident Population by Age Groups, Tasmania, at 30 June

Age group (years)	Number				Per cent of total population			
	1986	1991	1993	1994p	1986	1991	1993	1994p
Males								
0-4	18 167	18 252	17 830	17 537	4.07	3.91	3.78	3.71
5-9	17 519	18 762	18 423	18 314	3.92	4.02	3.91	3.88
10-14	19 074	18 154	18 537	18 535	4.27	3.89	3.93	3.92
15-19	19 471	18 621	17 807	17 616	4.36	3.99	3.78	3.73
20-24	18 116	17 599	18 273	18 066	4.06	3.77	3.88	3.82
25-29	18 652	17 496	16 556	16 333	4.18	3.75	3.51	3.46
30-34	17 379	18 771	18 715	18 476	3.89	4.02	3.97	3.91
35-39	17 006	17 603	17 842	18 115	3.81	3.77	3.79	3.84
40-44	13 599	17 324	17 281	17 283	3.05	3.71	3.67	3.66
45-49	11 634	13 578	15 508	15 970	2.61	2.91	3.29	3.38
50-54	10 030	11 597	12 164	12 515	2.25	2.48	2.58	2.65
55-59	10 533	9 831	10 203	10 505	2.36	2.11	2.16	2.22
60-64	9 834	10 026	9 613	9 484	2.20	2.15	2.04	2.01
65-69	7 604	8 933	9 161	9 130	1.70	1.91	1.94	1.93
70-74	6 204	6 503	6 960	7 301	1.39	1.39	1.48	1.55
75-79	3 901	4 690	4 794	4 721	0.87	1.00	1.02	1.00
80-84	1 940	2 449	2 663	2 819	0.43	0.52	0.56	0.60
85 and over	996	1 277	1 413	1 508	0.22	0.27	0.30	0.32
Total	221 659	231 466	233 743	234 228	49.65	49.59	49.59	49.59
Median age (years)	30.0	31.8	32.6	33.0	..	..	..	..
Females								
0-4	17 547	17 365	17 052	16 812	3.93	3.72	3.62	3.56
5-9	16 812	18 066	17 870	17 644	3.77	3.87	3.79	3.74
10-14	18 366	17 327	17 632	17 758	4.11	3.71	3.74	3.76
15-19	18 952	17 807	16 833	16 720	4.24	3.81	3.57	3.54
20-24	18 088	17 312	17 526	17 126	4.05	3.71	3.72	3.63
25-29	18 546	17 815	16 803	16 384	4.15	3.82	3.56	3.47
30-34	17 225	19 313	19 479	19 209	3.86	4.14	4.13	4.07
35-39	16 726	17 699	18 124	18 369	3.75	3.79	3.85	3.89
40-44	13 131	16 777	16 984	17 158	2.94	3.59	3.60	3.63
45-49	11 209	13 222	15 022	15 675	2.51	2.83	3.19	3.32
50-54	9 848	11 250	11 651	12 000	2.21	2.41	2.47	2.54
55-59	10 131	9 846	10 206	10 397	2.27	2.11	2.17	2.20
60-64	10 346	10 025	9 766	9 692	2.32	2.15	2.07	2.05
65-69	8 780	9 866	9 755	9 631	1.97	2.11	2.07	2.04
70-74	7 666	8 118	8 619	8 955	1.72	1.74	1.83	1.90
75-79	5 539	6 516	6 736	6 716	1.24	1.40	1.43	1.42
80-84	3 303	4 113	4 393	4 532	0.74	0.88	0.93	0.96
85 and over	2 599	2 899	3 156	3 351	0.58	0.62	0.67	0.71
Total	224 814	235 336	237 607	238 129	50.35	50.41	50.41	50.41
Median age (years)	31.1	33.0	33.9	34.3	..	..	..	..
Persons								
0-4	35 714	35 617	34 882	34 349	8.00	7.63	7.40	7.27
5-9	34 331	36 828	36 293	35 958	7.69	7.89	7.70	7.61
10-14	37 440	35 481	36 169	36 293	8.39	7.60	7.67	7.68
15-19	38 423	36 428	34 640	34 336	8.61	7.80	7.35	7.27
20-24	36 204	34 911	35 799	35 192	8.11	7.48	7.59	7.45
25-29	37 198	35 311	33 359	32 717	8.33	7.56	7.08	6.93
30-34	34 604	38 084	38 194	37 685	7.75	8.16	8.10	7.98
35-39	33 732	35 302	35 966	36 484	7.56	7.56	7.63	7.72
40-44	26 730	34 101	34 265	34 441	5.99	7.31	7.27	7.29
45-49	22 843	26 800	30 530	31 645	5.12	5.74	6.48	6.70
50-54	19 878	22 847	23 815	24 515	4.45	4.89	5.05	5.19
55-59	20 664	19 677	20 409	20 902	4.63	4.22	4.33	4.43
60-64	20 180	20 051	19 379	19 176	4.52	4.30	4.11	4.06
65-69	16 384	18 799	18 916	18 761	3.67	4.03	4.01	3.97
70-74	13 870	14 621	15 579	16 256	3.11	3.13	3.31	3.44
75-79	9 440	11 206	11 530	11 437	2.11	2.40	2.45	2.42
80-84	5 243	6 562	7 056	7 351	1.17	1.41	1.50	1.56
85 and over	3 595	4 176	4 569	4 859	0.81	0.89	0.97	1.03
Total	446 473	466 802	471 350	472 357	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Median age (years)	30.5	32.4	33.2	33.7	..	..	..	..

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Methodology

1. Australia's population statistics (since 1971) are compiled according to the place of usual residence of the population. An explanation of the conceptual basis is given in the ABS Information Paper *Population Estimates: An Outline of the New Conceptual Basis of ABS Population Estimates* (Catalogue No. 3216.0) issued on 29 March 1982.
2. The estimated resident population of any area at a Census date is derived by adjusting the Census Count Place of Enumeration data to exclude visitors who normally reside outside the area, to include residents who were temporarily absent in other areas or overseas, and to apply a factor for census under-enumeration.
3. Due to the 1991 Census being held on 6 August further adjustments have been made for births, deaths and net migration for the period 30 June to 6 August 1991 to arrive at an estimated resident population at 30 June 1991.
4. Post-censal estimates at the National and State and Territory levels are made quarterly and are obtained by adding components of natural increase (on a usual residence basis) and net migration gain to the population at the beginning of each period.
5. At the National level, estimates of overseas migration are based on net permanent and long-term overseas movements as recorded on passenger cards completed by incoming and outgoing travellers for the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs.
6. At the State and Territory level, information about internal migration is available from population censuses and from a sample survey of internal movements (conducted at more or less annual intervals to 1987 and resumed in 1991). These sources however, do not provide the up-to-date quarterly estimates of interstate migration required for regular population estimates. The only suitable sources for this purpose are administrative records. Prior to June 1986, quarterly estimates of internal migration were derived from records of interstate changes of addresses advised to the Department of Social Security in connection with family allowance payments. Since June 1986 the estimates have been derived from changes of addresses advised to the Health Insurance Commission in the process of administering Medicare.
7. Post-censal Statistical Local Area (SLA) estimates are made annually and are produced with the assistance of local government authorities and other bodies who provide information on significant local factors which may have caused population changes in the relevant period.
8. After each census, final estimates for the preceding intercensal period are provided by incorporating an additional adjustment (intercensal discrepancy) to ensure that the total intercensal increase agrees with the difference between the estimated resident populations at the two respective census dates. This publication contains these estimates based on the result of the 1991 Census.
9. Estimates of the age and sex of SLA populations in this bulletin are based on the 1991 Census results.

Data Quality

10. The quality of estimates contained within this publication is dependant on the quality of population census results (including under-enumeration adjustments) and on the various components and indicators of population change.
11. Intercensal discrepancy measures the difference between population estimates updated from a past population census and the estimates based on the subsequent population census. For Tasmania, between the 1986 and 1991 Censuses, the intercensal discrepancy was measured at 6,300 persons, or 1.4 per cent of the estimated population.

12. Analysis of intercensal discrepancy between 1986 and 1991 reveals that for eleven local government areas containing more than 10,000 persons, discrepancy was less than two per cent of the final estimated population. For smaller local government areas, estimates for nine out of every ten were within five per cent of the final estimated population.

Statistical Geography

13. The statistical geography used in this publication is based on the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 4. Users should refer to the *ASGC Manual* (Catalogue No. 1216.0) or *Index of Tasmanian Towns, Localities and Standard Area Codes, Tasmania* (Catalogue No. 1101.6) for further information.

14. Population estimates for statistical local areas and local government areas in this publication are based on the boundaries in existence at 30 June 1993.

Reliability

15. As the census data used to derive post-censal statistical local area and local government area estimates is based on boundaries in existence prior to 1993, some estimates may suffer due to poor match-up between old and new local government area boundaries.

16. Estimates of the age and sex of the population in each SLA and of overseas and interstate migration are shown in units without being rounded. However, accuracy down to the unit is not claimed and should not be assumed.

Related Publications

17. Users may wish to refer to the following publications:

Characteristics of Population and Dwellings in Local Government Areas, Tasmania
(2401.6)

Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly (3101.0)

Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex: States and Territories of Australia
(3201.0)

18. All current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0) which is available from any ABS office.

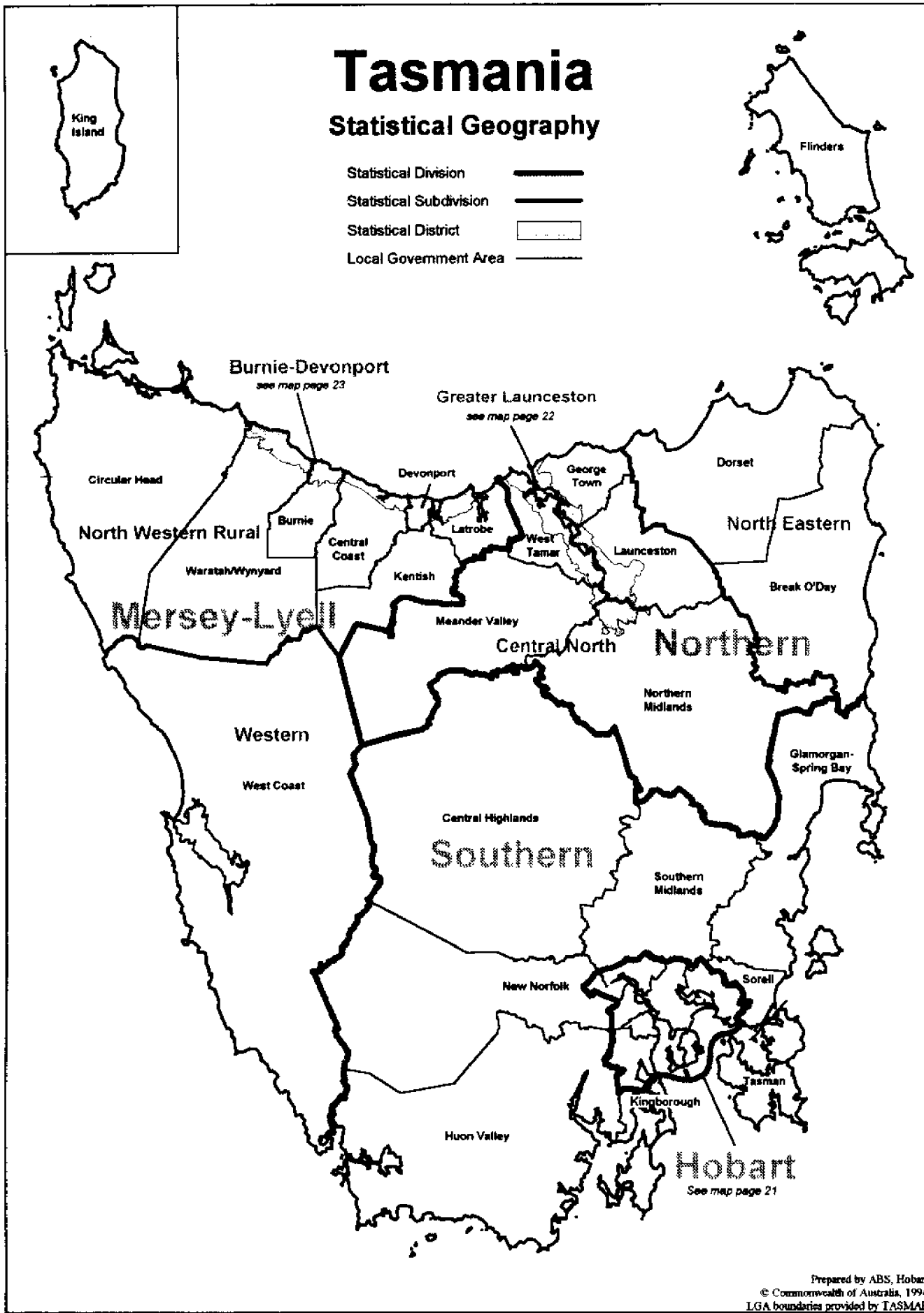
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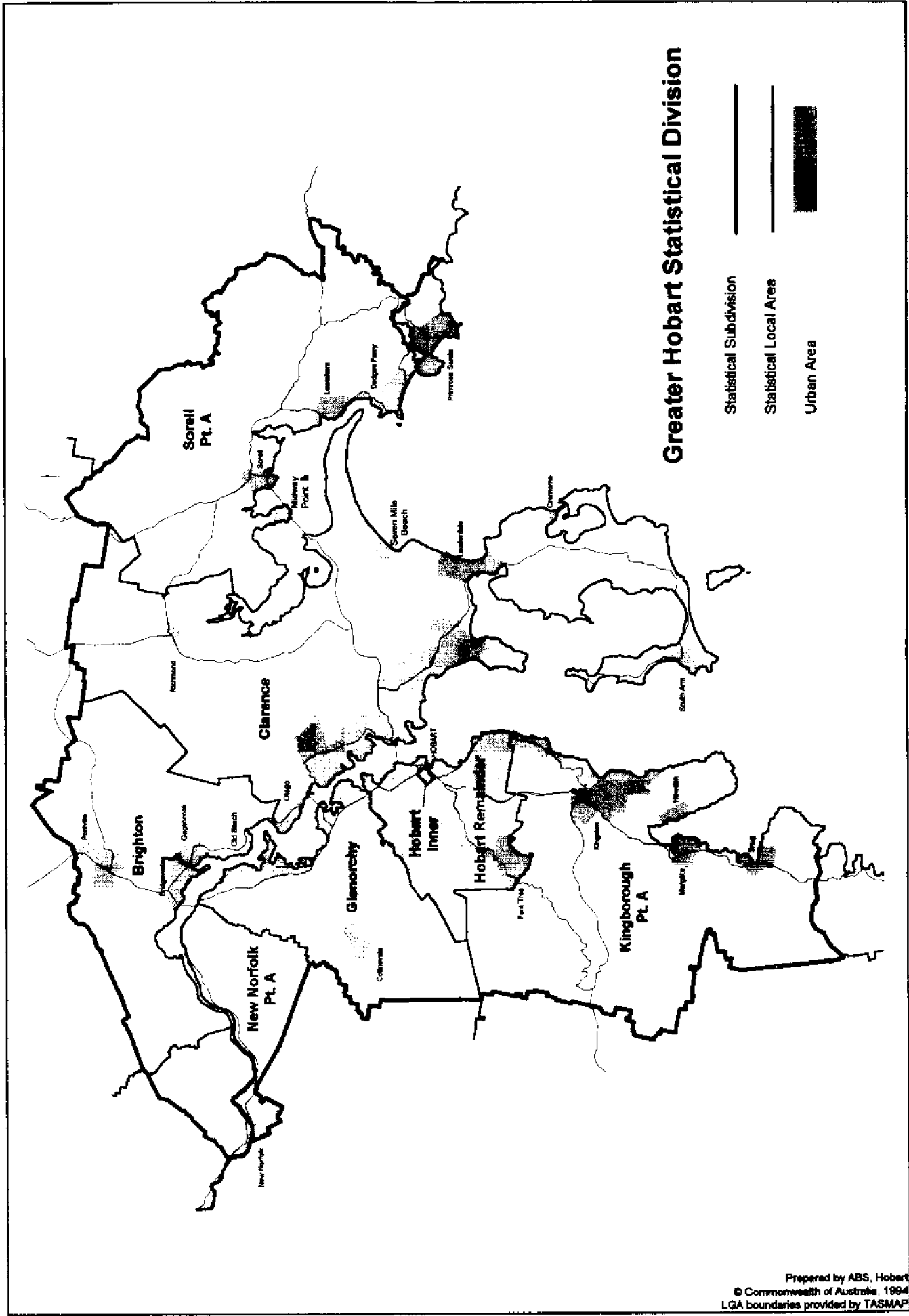
19. As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant unpublished data available. Inquiries should be made to the contact in the Inquiries box at the front of this publication.

Symbols and other usages

20. The following symbols, where used, mean:

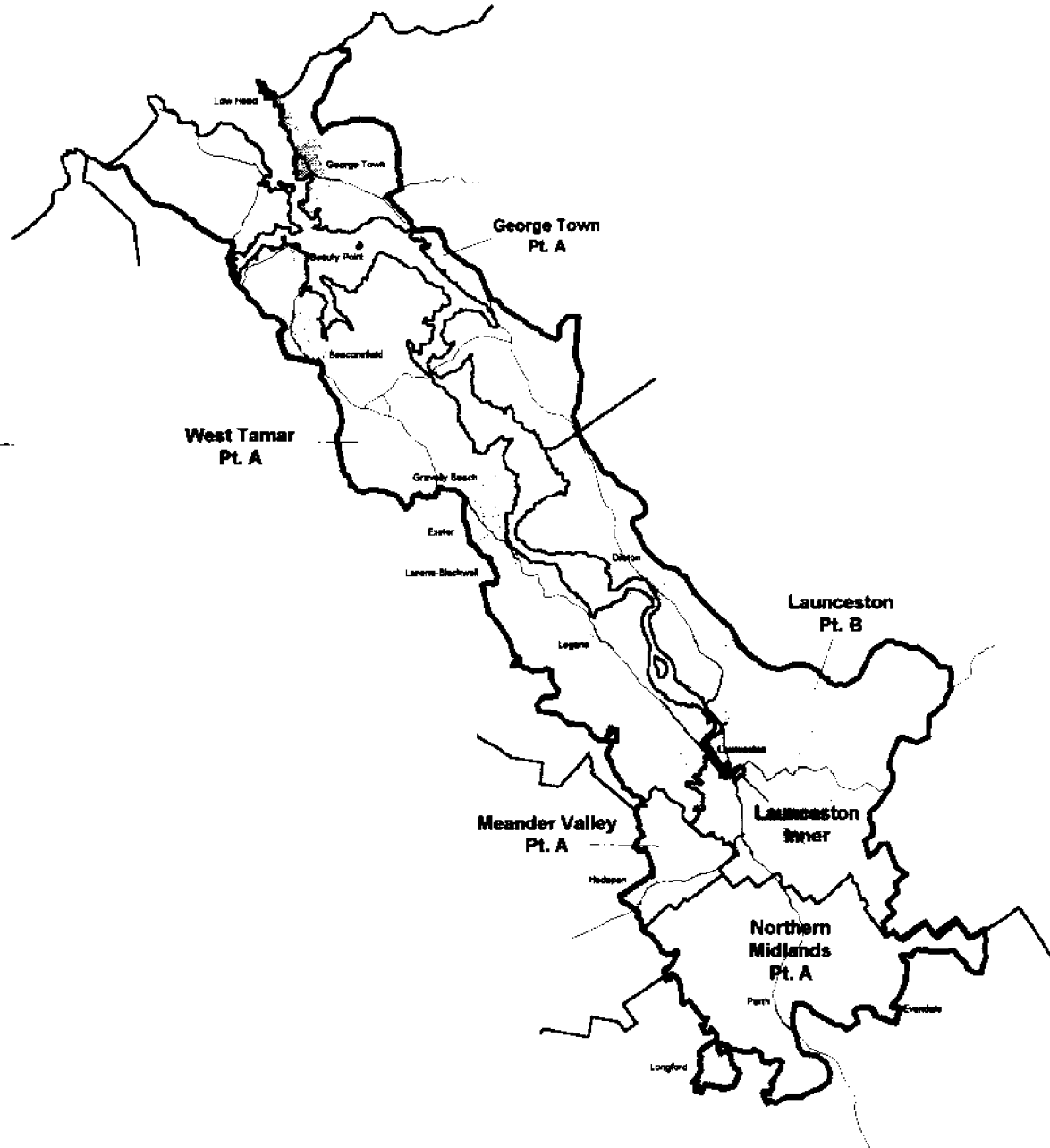
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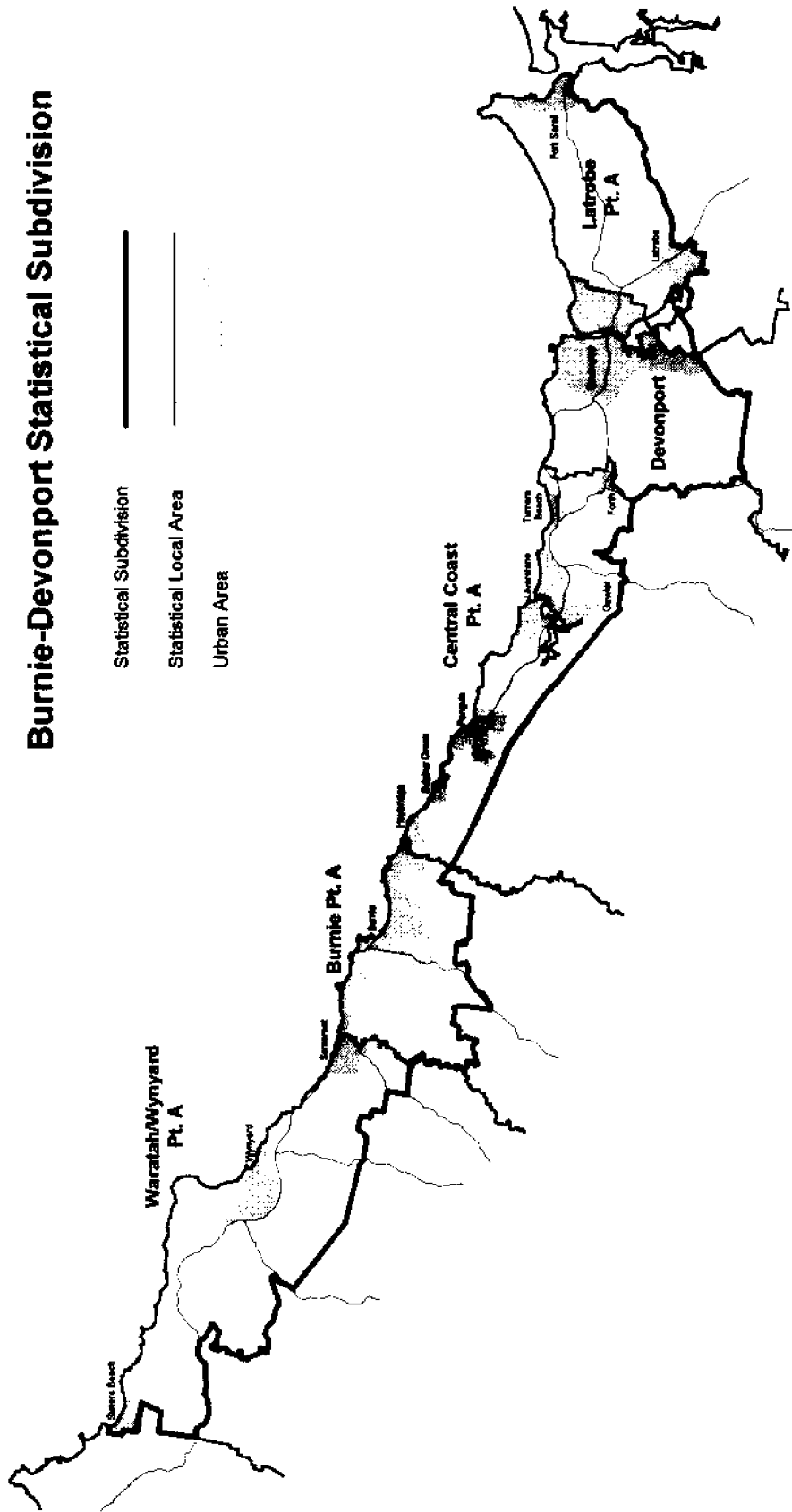
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