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Labour Force Survey: Special Report

LABOUR FORCE STATUS - STATISTICAL REGIONS ORIGINAL SERIES

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This special report contains original (unadjusted) estimates of employed persons and unemployed persons for Statistical Regions by State. The estimates are from the ABS Labour Force Survey, and are drawn from a representative sample of over 34,000 dwellings. These series have shown historically a high degree of variability which is inherent in data about smaller labour markets.

The Labour Force Survey is designed primarily to produce reliable National and State estimates. While estimates for Statistical Regions are components of corresponding estimates at the State level, there are no independent population benchmarks at the Statistical Region level. Therefore, Statistical Region estimates will add to the State total, but the individual Statistical Regions will show less stability for any estimate than for a similar estimate at the State level. In addition, estimates (particularly estimates of unemployment) are considerably smaller and are subject to higher relative standard errors.

Care should therefore be taken in the interpretation of regional estimates particularly in the month to month movements.

Standard Errors

Standard errors of the original estimates in this report for the States and Australia can be determined by using the methods described in the Technical Notes in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). Statistical Region standard errors are available upon request from Sylvia Sajler on (06) 252 6525 or from any ABS State office. Very small estimates are subject to high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) which can detract seriously from their value for most general uses. Where estimates and percentages have relative standard errors greater than 25%, they have been identified by an asterisk (e.g. *1.0) to indicate that they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.

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- *about these statistics and the availability of related unpublished statistics* - contact Sylvia Sajler on Canberra (06) 252 6525

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS BY SEX, NOVEMBER 1994

	Males				Females				Persons			
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,534.2	143.6	8.6	71.7	1,150.7	98.5	7.9	51.5	2,684.9	242.0	8.3	61.4
Sydney Major SR	992.1	86.5	8.0	73.4	766.3	60.9	7.4	54.0	1,758.4	147.4	7.7	63.5
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney SRs	121.7	14.2	10.5	76.5	91.6	7.7	7.7	58.1	213.2	21.9	9.3	67.5
Inner Sydney SR	80.6	9.1	10.2	76.1	57.1	4.6	7.4	60.2	137.7	13.7	9.0	68.7
Eastern Suburbs SR	65.8	6.8	9.4	68.8	51.0	* 2.9	* 5.4	52.8	116.9	9.7	7.7	60.9
St. George-Sutherland SR	111.0	6.7	5.7	72.6	93.6	5.6	5.6	54.5	204.5	12.3	5.7	63.0
Canterbury-Bankstown SR	73.9	7.5	9.2	67.0	51.0	6.7	11.6	46.3	124.9	14.2	10.2	56.6
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney SRs	126.9	16.1	11.2	75.5	96.9	10.8	10.1	55.8	223.8	26.9	10.7	65.6
Fairfield-Liverpool SR	71.5	12.5	14.9	74.8	55.5	7.2	11.5	53.7	127.0	19.7	13.4	64.0
Central Western Sydney SR	63.0	7.5	10.7	69.0	39.6	4.3	9.7	41.7	102.6	11.8	10.3	55.2
Outer Western Sydney SR	78.3	4.8	5.7	77.7	57.4	5.4	8.6	58.1	135.7	10.1	7.0	67.8
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills SR	89.4	8.4	8.6	76.2	72.1	3.5	4.7	54.0	161.5	12.0	6.9	64.6
Lower Northern Sydney SR	72.2	* 2.9	* 3.9	74.9	65.7	* 3.5	* 5.1	57.1	137.9	6.4	4.4	65.2
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR	73.2	* 2.8	* 3.7	78.2	56.5	* 2.9	* 5.0	58.9	129.7	5.7	4.2	68.3
Northern Beaches SR	66.5	2.6	3.8	78.5	53.1	* 1.6	* 2.9	60.0	119.6	4.2	3.4	69.1
Gosford-Wyong SR	50.3	6.1	10.9	62.7	37.8	6.0	13.8	46.9	88.1	12.2	12.2	54.6
Balance of New South Wales Major SR	542.0	57.1	9.5	68.9	384.4	37.5	8.9	47.3	926.5	94.7	9.3	58.0
Hunter SR	119.6	18.7	13.5	66.4	81.5	7.6	8.5	45.0	201.0	26.3	11.6	56.0
Newcastle SR Sector	100.6	16.4	14.0	64.8	69.5	6.7	8.7	44.5	170.2	23.1	11.9	54.9
Illawarra and South Eastern SRs	141.3	11.0	7.2	69.9	97.6	10.9	10.1	48.2	238.9	21.9	8.4	58.9
Illawarra Statistical Region	92.2	6.9	7.0	68.4	58.3	8.1	12.1	43.8	150.5	15.0	9.1	55.8
Wollongong SR Sector	67.4	3.5	4.9	69.6	40.4	6.1	13.2	42.9	107.8	9.6	8.2	55.8
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast SRs	94.9	11.8	11.1	64.1	70.6	7.5	9.6	44.3	165.5	19.3	10.5	53.9
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West SRs	123.2	11.8	8.8	73.9	85.2	7.3	7.9	48.6	208.4	19.2	8.4	61.0
Murray-Murrumbidgee SR	60.3	* 3.5	* 5.4	71.1	47.8	* 3.3	* 6.4	53.1	108.1	6.8	5.9	61.8

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,139.0	127.6	10.1	73.3	841.5	84.4	9.1	51.3	1,980.5	212.1	9.7	62.1
Melbourne Major SR	823.0	94.9	10.3	74.0	623.9	61.7	9.0	52.7	1,446.9	156.6	9.8	63.1
North Western Melbourne SR	56.8	8.3	12.8	71.7	39.3	8.3	17.4	51.3	96.1	16.6	14.7	61.4
Outer Western Melbourne SR	116.3	22.4	16.2	72.3	80.6	11.3	12.3	48.1	196.8	33.7	14.6	60.2
Inner Melbourne SR	56.6	7.9	12.3	71.6	50.2	4.4	8.1	56.2	106.7	12.3	10.3	63.6
North Eastern Melbourne SR	105.9	14.0	11.7	73.8	85.9	9.6	10.0	54.5	191.7	23.6	10.9	63.8
Inner Eastern Melbourne SR	114.6	7.0	5.7	73.9	95.6	4.2	4.2	55.0	210.2	11.2	5.1	64.0
Southern Melbourne SR	91.8	8.2	8.2	69.8	70.5	4.5	6.0	50.0	162.3	12.7	7.3	59.7
Outer Eastern Melbourne SR	129.6	13.1	9.2	77.7	92.0	8.9	8.8	53.3	221.6	22.0	9.0	65.3
South Eastern Melbourne SR	99.4	8.8	8.1	79.8	72.6	8.5	10.5	58.3	172.1	17.3	9.1	68.9
Mornington Peninsula SR	51.9	5.2	9.1	73.6	37.4	* 2.1	* 5.3	46.8	89.3	7.3	7.6	59.7
Balance of Victoria Major SR	316.1	32.7	9.4	71.4	217.6	22.7	9.4	47.7	533.7	55.4	9.4	59.4
Barwon-Western District SR	92.0	10.3	10.0	73.0	60.3	7.8	11.4	45.2	152.3	18.0	10.6	58.6
Central Highlands-Wimmera SR	46.4	* 3.0	* 6.0	64.7	32.2	* 2.8	* 7.9	46.0	78.6	5.8	6.8	55.4
Loddon-Campaspe-Mallee SR	63.5	9.1	12.5	73.1	44.6	5.6	11.1	49.8	108.2	14.7	11.9	61.4
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray SR	59.3	4.9	7.6	73.3	40.0	* 3.0	* 6.9	48.2	99.3	7.9	7.3	60.6
All Gippsland SR	54.8	5.5	9.1	70.6	40.5	* 3.6	* 8.2	50.8	95.3	9.1	8.7	60.6
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	840.6	77.0	8.4	74.1	630.9	56.6	8.2	54.5	1,471.5	133.5	8.3	64.2
Brisbane Major SR	392.5	33.7	7.9	75.3	304.9	25.8	7.8	56.0	697.3	59.6	7.9	65.5
Brisbane City Inner Ring SR	98.3	12.6	11.4	72.5	81.8	7.2	8.1	56.9	180.2	19.8	9.9	64.6
Brisbane City Outer Ring SR	120.3	6.9	5.4	73.8	96.6	7.0	6.8	54.7	216.9	14.0	6.1	63.8
South and East BSD Balance SR	65.4	4.0	5.8	79.2	47.0	4.1	8.0	56.7	112.4	8.1	6.7	67.8
North and West BSD Balance SR	108.5	10.1	8.5	77.6	79.4	7.6	8.7	56.4	187.9	17.7	8.6	66.9
Balance of Queensland Major SR	448.1	43.2	8.8	73.1	326.0	30.7	8.6	53.1	774.1	73.9	8.7	63.1
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	82.5	8.7	9.5	72.0	65.4	7.4	10.2	56.0	147.9	16.1	9.8	63.9
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	64.2	9.1	12.4	72.3	45.5	5.6	10.9	51.8	109.6	14.7	11.8	62.2
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	46.1	8.4	15.4	68.7	37.3	* 2.3	* 5.7	48.0	83.4	10.7	11.3	58.1
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	66.8	4.1	5.8	75.0	48.9	3.6	6.9	53.6	115.6	7.7	6.3	64.1
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	74.1	5.8	7.3	71.0	47.0	4.6	8.9	47.7	121.0	10.4	7.9	59.6
Northern-North West Statistical Region	49.5	4.4	8.2	73.0	35.9	* 2.4	* 6.2	54.4	85.5	6.8	7.3	63.9
Far North Statistical Region	64.9	* 2.8	* 4.1	80.7	46.1	4.9	9.5	60.8	111.1	7.7	6.4	70.8

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	364.2	42.2	10.4	70.9	281.9	29.7	9.5	52.4	646.1	71.9	10.0	61.5
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	261.7	33.2	11.3	69.9	212.6	23.1	9.8	52.6	474.3	56.3	10.6	61.0
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	80.7	12.9	13.8	73.0	62.8	6.9	9.9	51.6	143.4	19.8	12.1	62.0
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	47.5	7.2	13.2	64.7	39.3	6.4	13.9	48.2	86.8	13.6	13.5	56.0
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	58.8	5.4	8.5	72.1	50.7	2.4	4.5	59.3	109.5	7.8	6.7	65.7
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	74.7	7.6	9.3	68.5	59.8	7.5	11.1	52.4	134.6	15.1	10.1	60.2
Balance of South Australia Major SR	102.6	9.0	8.1	73.7	69.2	6.6	8.7	51.7	171.8	15.6	8.3	62.9
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	39.3	4.3	9.8	73.3	24.9	3.4	12.0	50.5	64.2	7.7	10.7	62.2
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	63.3	4.8	7.0	74.0	44.3	3.2	6.6	52.4	107.6	7.9	6.9	63.3
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	465.7	37.7	7.5	76.4	340.2	26.2	7.1	55.1	806.0	63.9	7.3	65.7
Perth Major Statistical Region	328.2	30.3	8.5	74.9	254.9	19.4	7.1	54.8	583.1	49.7	7.9	64.6
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	36.8	2.0	5.3	67.1	30.4	2.6	7.8	50.9	67.2	4.6	6.4	58.6
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	50.3	3.4	6.4	74.5	40.2	2.8	6.5	54.9	90.5	6.2	6.4	64.3
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	101.1	10.6	9.5	77.8	83.8	6.4	7.1	58.7	184.9	17.0	8.4	67.9
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	60.9	6.5	9.6	71.1	46.8	3.9	7.6	51.4	107.7	10.3	8.8	61.0
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	79.2	7.8	8.9	78.9	53.6	3.7	6.5	54.6	132.8	11.5	8.0	67.0
Balance of Western Australia Major SR	137.5	7.4	5.1	80.2	85.4	6.8	7.4	56.0	222.9	14.2	6.0	68.7
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	64.4	4.7	6.8	75.4	41.6	4.0	8.8	52.5	105.9	8.7	7.6	64.3
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	73.2	2.7	3.5	85.1	43.8	2.8	6.1	59.9	116.9	5.5	4.5	73.4
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	112.9	15.4	12.0	71.2	82.5	8.9	9.7	49.0	195.3	24.3	11.1	59.9
Greater Hobart-Southern SR Sector	54.4	7.6	12.3	70.5	42.7	4.6	9.7	51.2	97.1	12.2	11.2	60.6
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	45.3	5.7	11.2	70.6	37.0	3.7	9.0	52.8	82.3	9.4	10.3	61.5
Northern Statistical Region Sector	32.0	3.7	10.3	71.3	22.2	2.0	8.3	45.9	54.2	5.7	9.5	58.3
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	26.5	4.1	13.5	72.7	17.5	2.3	11.5	48.0	44.0	6.4	12.7	60.5
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	46.0	3.7	7.4	80.0	37.8	2.8	7.0	68.6	83.8	6.5	7.2	74.4
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	83.8	5.9	6.6	79.8	73.2	4.0	5.2	66.2	157.0	9.9	5.9	72.9
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	4,586.4	453.1	9.0	73.1	3,438.7	311.0	8.3	52.7	8,025.1	764.1	8.7	62.8