

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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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS BY SEX, FEBRUARY 1995

	<i>Males</i>				<i>Females</i>				<i>Persons</i>			
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,564.4	157.6	9.2	73.4	1,135.4	132.0	10.4	52.1	2,699.8	289.7	9.7	62.6
Sydney Major SR	1,009.2	93.3	8.5	74.9	749.3	82.2	9.9	54.2	1,758.5	175.5	9.1	64.3
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney SRs	116.9	12.7	9.8	74.9	88.9	10.8	10.9	56.5	205.8	23.6	10.3	65.6
Inner Sydney SR	71.9	7.3	9.2	75.6	56.8	6.0	9.6	58.7	128.7	13.3	9.4	67.0
Eastern Suburbs SR	70.4	7.8	10.0	72.1	54.9	7.2	11.5	56.9	125.3	15.0	10.7	64.5
St. George-Sutherland SR	120.1	7.2	5.7	75.1	84.4	5.4	6.0	53.2	204.5	12.6	5.8	64.2
Canterbury-Bankstown SR	78.3	8.7	10.0	72.1	50.2	10.5	17.3	49.3	128.5	19.2	13.0	60.6
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney SRs	124.4	18.7	13.1	76.6	86.1	16.8	16.3	54.3	210.5	35.5	14.4	65.4
Fairfield-Liverpool SR	67.5	14.8	18.0	74.7	50.9	11.7	18.7	54.2	118.4	26.6	18.3	64.2
Central Western Sydney SR	56.1	6.2	10.0	69.0	35.7	3.6	9.1	39.2	91.7	9.8	9.7	53.3
Outer Western Sydney SR	82.4	6.0	6.8	81.7	57.7	5.4	8.6	57.2	140.1	11.4	7.5	69.4
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills SR	91.7	11.0	10.7	78.5	72.8	5.4	6.9	55.6	164.5	16.3	9.0	66.7
Lower Northern Sydney SR	75.9	* 4.8	* 5.9	75.5	76.3	4.9	6.0	63.5	152.2	9.7	6.0	69.0
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR	73.7	* 2.3	* 3.0	78.2	56.2	* 3.6	* 6.0	59.4	129.9	5.8	4.3	68.6
Northern Beaches SR	64.0	2.3	3.5	78.4	50.7	3.2	5.9	60.6	114.7	5.5	4.5	69.3
Gosford-Wyong SR	55.3	5.5	9.1	63.8	35.5	5.5	13.5	41.1	90.8	11.1	10.9	52.2
Balance of New South Wales Major SR	555.2	64.3	10.4	70.8	386.0	49.9	11.4	48.7	941.2	114.2	10.8	59.6
Hunter SR	128.7	15.6	10.8	68.5	79.7	11.8	12.9	46.3	208.5	27.4	11.6	57.7
Newcastle SR Sector	108.4	14.9	12.1	67.4	68.5	10.7	13.5	46.1	176.9	25.6	12.7	57.0
Illawarra and South Eastern SRs	144.4	18.7	11.5	74.0	93.6	14.4	13.4	48.2	238.0	33.1	12.2	61.0
Illawarra Statistical Region	96.1	13.0	11.9	74.4	59.2	10.7	15.3	45.3	155.2	23.6	13.2	59.5
Wollongong SR Sector	72.5	8.7	10.7	75.9	43.8	8.0	15.5	47.2	116.3	16.7	12.6	61.4
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast SRs	98.2	13.0	11.7	66.4	75.2	10.6	12.4	48.0	173.4	23.6	12.0	56.9
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West SRs	120.0	11.7	8.9	72.7	86.3	8.3	8.8	49.8	206.3	19.9	8.8	61.0
Murray-Murrumbidgee SR	60.9	5.1	7.7	72.9	49.2	* 4.0	* 7.6	54.0	110.1	9.1	7.7	63.0

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,166.5	130.9	10.1	74.9	849.6	102.1	10.7	52.6	2,016.1	233.0	10.4	63.5
Melbourne Major SR	840.6	96.4	10.3	75.4	624.3	75.3	10.8	53.7	1,464.9	171.7	10.5	64.2
North Western Melbourne SR	60.5	10.0	14.2	74.5	43.5	7.6	14.8	51.8	104.0	17.6	14.5	62.9
Outer Western Melbourne SR	114.2	20.2	15.0	72.7	84.9	15.3	15.3	51.1	199.1	35.5	15.1	61.6
Inner Melbourne SR	55.6	9.0	13.9	73.6	47.4	5.7	10.7	59.6	103.0	14.6	12.4	66.5
North Eastern Melbourne SR	104.3	13.1	11.1	76.4	79.2	7.2	8.3	53.6	183.4	20.2	9.9	64.7
Inner Eastern Melbourne SR	124.0	9.1	6.9	77.3	92.0	7.4	7.5	55.0	216.0	16.6	7.1	65.9
Southern Melbourne SR	90.4	7.5	7.7	71.6	66.8	6.0	8.2	50.6	157.1	13.5	7.9	60.8
Outer Eastern Melbourne SR	137.8	12.2	8.2	78.9	97.1	9.9	9.3	55.1	234.9	22.2	8.6	66.9
South Eastern Melbourne SR	105.1	8.1	7.2	79.9	76.8	10.6	12.1	58.1	181.9	18.7	9.3	68.7
Mornington Peninsula SR	48.8	7.1	12.7	68.4	36.7	5.8	13.6	47.0	85.4	12.8	13.1	57.2
Balance of Victoria Major SR	325.9	34.5	9.6	73.7	225.2	26.8	10.6	50.1	551.1	61.3	10.0	61.7
Barwon-Western District SR	91.3	10.9	10.7	73.6	66.0	8.7	11.7	48.2	157.3	19.7	11.1	60.2
Central Highlands-Wimmera SR	44.2	* 4.2	* 8.7	70.4	33.2	* 3.9	* 10.4	50.9	77.4	8.1	9.5	60.4
Loddon-Campaspe-Mallee SR	66.0	7.3	10.0	76.4	46.3	* 4.1	* 8.1	49.0	112.4	11.4	9.2	62.2
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray SR	66.5	7.4	10.0	76.2	43.0	5.2	10.7	55.0	109.4	12.6	10.3	66.1
All Gippsland SR	58.0	* 4.6	* 7.4	70.7	36.7	5.0	11.9	48.9	94.7	9.6	9.2	60.0
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	846.5	89.5	9.6	75.0	634.2	70.4	10.0	55.4	1,480.6	159.9	9.7	65.1
Brisbane Major SR	400.9	36.2	8.3	76.8	305.7	30.2	9.0	56.6	706.6	66.3	8.6	66.5
Brisbane City Inner Ring SR	96.8	10.7	9.9	73.6	84.0	9.1	9.8	58.8	180.8	19.8	9.9	65.9
Brisbane City Outer Ring SR	127.2	9.5	6.9	76.5	97.8	6.8	6.5	55.4	225.0	16.3	6.8	65.7
South and East BSD Balance SR	63.7	5.9	8.5	80.4	43.8	5.8	11.7	53.7	107.6	11.8	9.9	66.6
North and West BSD Balance SR	113.1	10.1	8.2	78.0	80.1	8.4	9.5	57.3	193.2	18.5	8.7	67.7
Balance of Queensland Major SR	445.6	53.3	10.7	73.6	328.5	40.2	10.9	54.4	774.1	93.5	10.8	64.0
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	83.4	11.0	11.7	73.7	68.7	8.1	10.5	56.7	152.1	19.1	11.2	64.9
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	65.4	9.2	12.3	71.4	49.0	5.8	10.7	52.8	114.4	15.0	11.6	62.2
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	45.0	10.0	18.1	70.2	36.7	6.4	14.8	51.1	81.7	16.4	16.7	60.3
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	63.6	4.5	6.6	73.2	45.9	4.9	9.7	54.2	109.6	9.4	7.9	63.6
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	71.7	8.6	10.7	73.0	46.8	7.0	13.1	50.8	118.5	15.6	11.7	62.2
Northern-North West Statistical Region	49.7	4.8	8.9	72.8	32.6	3.6	10.0	51.9	82.2	8.5	9.3	62.8
Far North Statistical Region	66.7	5.2	7.2	80.8	48.8	4.4	8.2	63.2	115.5	9.5	7.6	72.2

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	371.8	45.5	10.9	72.7	282.6	30.9	9.8	52.7	654.4	76.3	10.4	62.5
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	267.9	35.8	11.8	71.9	209.6	24.7	10.6	52.3	477.5	60.6	11.3	61.8
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	82.8	13.4	13.9	74.7	63.7	8.1	11.3	54.8	146.4	21.4	12.8	64.7
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	45.7	5.9	11.4	64.0	39.0	5.4	12.1	46.5	84.7	11.3	11.7	54.5
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	59.4	7.4	11.0	74.2	45.8	3.8	7.7	54.5	105.2	11.2	9.6	64.3
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	80.0	9.2	10.4	72.5	61.1	7.5	10.9	52.5	141.1	16.7	10.6	62.2
Balance of South Australia Major SR	103.9	9.6	8.5	74.8	73.0	6.1	7.7	53.8	176.9	15.8	8.2	64.5
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	43.5	4.7	9.7	77.9	29.8	2.5	7.7	55.7	73.3	7.2	8.9	67.2
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	60.4	4.9	7.6	72.7	43.2	3.6	7.7	52.6	103.6	8.6	7.6	62.7
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	464.8	49.3	9.6	77.6	344.8	29.6	7.9	56.0	809.7	78.9	8.9	66.8
Perth Major Statistical Region	330.3	38.2	10.4	76.6	259.9	22.5	8.0	56.1	590.2	60.8	9.3	66.1
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	37.7	4.3	10.2	71.1	29.6	2.0	6.4	50.3	67.3	6.3	8.5	60.4
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	52.1	3.6	6.5	76.7	42.8	2.0	4.5	58.6	94.9	5.7	5.6	67.4
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	102.0	13.3	11.5	78.7	83.6	7.1	7.9	60.0	185.6	20.4	9.9	69.2
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	60.8	8.2	11.9	74.5	47.4	5.6	10.6	53.0	108.3	13.8	11.3	63.4
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	77.7	8.8	10.2	78.4	56.5	5.7	9.2	55.3	134.2	14.6	9.8	66.8
Balance of Western Australia Major SR	134.5	11.1	7.6	80.3	84.9	7.1	7.7	55.7	219.5	18.2	7.7	68.5
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	65.9	5.3	7.4	75.0	43.0	3.4	7.3	53.2	108.9	8.7	7.4	64.5
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	68.6	5.8	7.8	86.1	41.9	3.7	8.2	58.4	110.6	9.5	7.9	72.9
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	113.0	16.5	12.7	71.9	81.2	10.0	10.9	48.9	194.3	26.5	12.0	60.2
Greater Hobart-Southern SR Sector	54.2	9.3	14.7	71.9	41.5	4.9	10.6	50.4	95.6	14.2	13.0	60.9
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	44.6	7.7	14.8	72.1	34.4	4.4	11.4	50.3	79.0	12.1	13.3	60.9
Northern Statistical Region Sector	31.3	3.1	9.1	70.1	20.6	2.5	10.7	45.5	51.9	5.6	9.8	57.7
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	27.6	4.0	12.7	73.8	19.2	2.6	12.0	49.8	46.8	6.6	12.4	61.7
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	44.3	3.9	8.2	77.2	36.9	3.8	9.4	68.4	81.2	7.8	8.7	72.9
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	82.9	7.4	8.2	80.3	71.1	6.8	8.7	66.7	154.1	14.1	8.4	73.3
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	4,654.3	500.6	9.7	74.5	3,435.9	385.6	10.1	53.6	8,090.1	886.2	9.9	63.9