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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- *about these statistics and the availability of related unpublished statistics* - contact Sylvia Sajler on Canberra (06) 252 6525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, APRIL 1995

	<i>Males</i>				<i>Females</i>				<i>Persons</i>			
	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyment rate</i>	<i>Partici- pation rate</i>	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyment rate</i>	<i>Partici- pation rate</i>	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyment rate</i>	<i>Partici- pation rate</i>
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,575.0	133.9	7.8	72.7	1,168.1	92.0	7.3	51.7	2,743.1	225.9	7.6	62.0
Sydney Major SR	1,020.0	77.9	7.1	74.5	766.4	59.0	7.1	53.7	1,786.4	136.9	7.1	63.9
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney SRs	120.6	9.5	7.3	75.1	94.1	6.6	6.5	58.0	214.7	16.1	7.0	66.6
Inner Sydney SR	77.5	5.0	6.1	74.9	62.3	* 3.7	* 5.6	62.4	139.8	8.7	5.9	68.8
Eastern Suburbs SR	66.5	5.7	7.9	70.7	59.5	4.3	6.7	59.6	126.1	10.0	7.4	65.1
St. George-Sutherland SR	127.0	3.6	2.8	76.7	96.1	* 2.9	* 2.9	56.5	223.1	6.4	2.8	66.5
Canterbury-Bankstown SR	76.6	9.1	10.6	72.2	46.7	7.6	14.0	46.6	123.2	16.7	11.9	59.5
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney SRs	120.4	17.3	12.6	75.2	82.1	12.6	13.3	49.5	202.5	29.9	12.9	62.0
Fairfield-Liverpool SR	63.5	13.1	17.1	73.6	46.1	8.2	15.0	47.9	109.6	21.2	16.2	60.2
Central Western Sydney SR	55.4	6.4	10.4	71.1	34.5	4.7	12.0	42.8	89.9	11.1	11.0	56.6
Outer Western Sydney SR	88.5	5.8	6.1	80.6	65.1	4.4	6.3	56.9	153.5	10.2	6.2	68.5
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills SR	90.7	9.0	9.0	77.8	70.2	4.4	5.8	53.0	160.8	13.3	7.6	64.8
Lower Northern Sydney SR	81.1	* 1.9	* 2.3	76.9	77.3	* 4.0	* 4.9	63.7	158.5	5.9	3.6	69.8
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR	73.1	* 2.5	* 3.4	77.0	53.1	* 0.6	* 1.2	54.5	126.2	* 3.2	* 2.4	65.7
Northern Beaches SR	63.1	* 1.3	* 2.0	73.7	50.6	* 1.6	* 3.2	58.3	113.6	2.9	2.5	65.9
Gosford-Wyong SR	56.9	5.8	9.2	62.1	37.3	5.4	12.6	41.4	94.2	11.2	10.6	51.6
Balance of New South Wales Major SR	555.0	56.0	9.2	69.6	401.6	33.0	7.6	48.4	956.7	89.0	8.5	58.8
Hunter SR	123.7	15.8	11.3	67.4	86.6	7.3	7.8	46.2	210.3	23.1	9.9	56.9
Newcastle SR Sector	104.8	15.4	12.8	66.8	75.2	7.3	8.9	46.8	180.0	22.7	11.2	56.9
Illawarra and South Eastern SRs	146.4	18.6	11.3	71.8	104.4	8.0	7.1	48.0	250.7	26.5	9.6	59.8
Illawarra Statistical Region	99.5	12.8	11.4	72.0	68.9	5.2	7.1	45.6	168.4	18.1	9.7	58.6
Wollongong SR Sector	78.8	8.4	9.6	74.8	53.4	4.3	7.4	49.2	132.2	12.6	8.7	62.0
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast SRs	103.8	10.3	9.0	67.4	70.8	9.2	11.5	45.3	174.6	19.5	10.1	56.1
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West SRs	106.8	9.1	7.8	68.9	82.9	* 3.9	* 4.5	49.3	189.7	13.0	6.4	58.9
Murray-Murrumbidgee SR	69.0	* 1.6	* 2.3	73.1	55.1	* 3.9	* 6.6	57.7	124.1	5.5	4.3	65.2

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,169.1	111.6	8.7	73.8	877.8	83.1	8.7	53.1	2,046.8	194.8	8.7	63.2
Melbourne Major SR	846.1	81.4	8.8	74.4	641.6	57.8	8.3	53.5	1,487.7	139.2	8.6	63.7
North Western Melbourne SR	59.0	9.3	13.6	71.2	46.9	5.7	10.8	51.5	105.8	14.9	12.4	61.1
Outer Western Melbourne SR	111.0	19.4	14.9	71.3	87.0	11.1	11.3	49.7	198.0	30.5	13.3	60.1
Inner Melbourne SR	54.8	7.5	12.1	69.8	47.8	* 2.6	* 5.2	55.9	102.6	10.1	9.0	62.8
North Eastern Melbourne SR	106.6	9.8	8.4	75.8	79.1	8.8	10.0	54.8	185.7	18.6	9.1	65.1
Inner Eastern Melbourne SR	121.8	9.5	7.2	74.4	95.2	6.3	6.2	55.9	217.0	15.8	6.8	65.0
Southern Melbourne SR	92.7	5.0	5.1	70.7	68.9	5.4	7.3	49.3	161.7	10.4	6.0	59.6
Outer Eastern Melbourne SR	137.4	7.4	5.1	80.0	99.7	6.7	6.3	56.2	237.2	14.1	5.6	67.8
South Eastern Melbourne SR	111.8	6.6	5.6	80.1	78.2	6.2	7.3	56.6	189.9	12.8	6.3	68.3
Mornington Peninsula SR	51.0	6.9	11.9	71.5	38.8	5.2	11.8	50.8	89.8	12.1	11.8	60.8
Balance of Victoria Major SR	323.0	30.2	8.6	72.2	236.1	25.3	9.7	51.9	559.1	55.5	9.0	61.9
Barwon-Western District SR	87.2	10.0	10.3	71.9	64.4	8.3	11.4	47.7	151.6	18.3	10.8	59.1
Central Highlands-Wimmera SR	47.5	* 3.6	* 7.1	71.1	38.7	* 4.6	* 10.6	56.8	86.1	8.2	8.7	63.7
Loddon-Campaspe-Mallee SR	60.7	7.7	11.2	74.1	46.4	* 4.1	* 8.2	49.4	107.1	11.8	9.9	61.1
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray SR	68.3	4.7	6.4	75.0	46.8	5.2	10.0	59.1	115.2	9.9	7.9	67.5
All Gippsland SR	59.3	* 4.3	* 6.7	68.5	39.9	* 3.1	* 7.2	50.7	99.2	7.4	6.9	60.0
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	856.9	86.9	9.2	75.3	656.9	58.8	8.2	56.1	1,513.7	145.8	8.8	65.6
Brisbane Major SR	392.3	39.7	9.2	75.6	315.1	27.3	8.0	57.4	707.4	67.0	8.7	66.3
Brisbane City Inner Ring SR	94.4	10.9	10.3	72.4	85.3	6.3	6.9	59.0	179.7	17.2	8.7	65.5
Brisbane City Outer Ring SR	126.1	7.0	5.3	74.8	100.5	7.8	7.2	57.4	226.6	14.9	6.2	65.8
South and East BSD Balance SR	66.4	6.2	8.5	78.8	47.5	5.3	10.0	55.5	113.9	11.5	9.2	67.0
North and West BSD Balance SR	105.3	15.6	12.9	77.5	81.8	7.8	8.7	57.0	187.1	23.4	11.1	67.2
Balance of Queensland Major SR	464.5	47.2	9.2	75.1	341.8	31.6	8.5	54.8	806.4	78.8	8.9	65.0
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	82.7	7.7	8.6	72.5	64.6	7.0	9.7	55.2	147.3	14.7	9.1	63.6
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	65.2	9.3	12.4	71.6	50.5	5.4	9.7	51.8	115.6	14.7	11.2	61.5
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	47.8	7.6	13.7	68.4	36.2	3.9	9.8	48.2	84.0	11.5	12.1	58.2
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	66.9	5.0	6.9	77.6	47.5	3.6	7.0	55.6	114.5	8.5	6.9	66.7
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	81.3	9.0	9.9	75.1	53.6	5.5	9.3	52.6	134.9	14.4	9.7	64.2
Northern-North West Statistical Region	53.2	5.7	9.7	79.9	39.8	4.0	9.2	59.3	93.0	9.8	9.5	69.6
Far North Statistical Region	67.5	* 3.0	* 4.2	82.4	49.7	* 2.2	* 4.3	63.3	117.2	5.2	4.2	73.1

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	368.1	42.7	10.4	71.5	282.2	28.8	9.2	52.2	650.3	71.4	9.9	61.7
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	264.9	34.5	11.5	70.8	208.3	23.5	10.1	51.7	473.2	57.9	10.9	61.0
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	82.7	11.3	12.0	74.1	60.7	7.2	10.7	52.4	143.4	18.6	11.5	63.1
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	48.6	6.0	11.0	67.2	39.3	5.4	12.1	48.7	87.9	11.4	11.5	57.4
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	57.8	6.6	10.3	70.9	44.0	5.2	10.6	53.5	101.8	11.8	10.4	62.1
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	75.8	10.5	12.2	69.8	64.3	5.6	8.0	51.9	140.1	16.1	10.3	60.5
Balance of South Australia Major SR	103.2	8.2	7.4	73.3	73.9	5.3	6.7	53.8	177.1	13.5	7.1	63.7
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	45.8	4.0	8.0	76.2	32.2	3.0	8.6	57.4	78.0	7.0	8.2	67.1
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	57.4	4.3	6.9	71.2	41.8	2.3	5.2	51.3	99.2	6.5	6.2	61.3
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	477.5	40.6	7.8	77.9	360.1	25.4	6.6	57.5	837.6	66.1	7.3	67.6
Perth Major Statistical Region	336.0	33.9	9.2	76.6	275.4	17.9	6.1	58.1	611.4	51.8	7.8	67.1
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	35.5	4.4	11.0	68.1	31.4	* 1.2	* 3.7	51.2	66.8	5.6	7.7	59.3
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	52.0	3.8	6.7	78.6	43.4	* 1.8	* 3.9	61.1	95.5	5.5	5.5	69.7
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	108.3	11.1	9.3	79.9	87.4	6.7	7.1	62.2	195.7	17.8	8.3	71.0
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	59.8	6.9	10.3	73.0	48.4	3.9	7.4	54.0	108.2	10.8	9.1	63.2
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	80.5	7.8	8.8	78.3	64.7	4.4	6.3	57.9	145.2	12.1	7.7	67.8
Balance of Western Australia Major SR	141.5	6.7	4.5	81.4	84.8	7.5	8.2	55.6	226.3	14.3	5.9	69.1
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	67.8	3.5	4.9	77.1	42.0	3.0	6.7	51.5	109.7	6.6	5.6	64.6
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	73.7	3.2	4.2	85.9	42.8	4.5	9.5	60.3	116.6	7.7	6.2	73.9
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	114.3	13.7	10.7	71.0	87.7	7.9	8.2	51.2	202.0	21.6	9.7	60.9
Greater Hobart-Southern SR Sector	57.2	6.5	10.2	71.0	45.4	3.5	7.2	52.9	102.6	10.0	8.9	61.8
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	45.8	5.4	10.6	70.4	37.5	2.9	7.2	52.2	83.2	8.3	9.1	61.0
Northern Statistical Region Sector	32.0	3.9	11.0	71.9	22.8	3.0	11.5	49.0	54.8	6.9	11.2	60.1
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	25.2	3.3	11.6	69.8	19.5	1.4	6.7	50.1	44.6	4.7	9.5	59.8
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	46.5	3.4	6.9	79.6	36.4	2.5	6.3	64.8	82.9	5.9	6.6	72.4
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	83.4	6.1	6.8	79.5	70.8	5.6	7.3	65.2	154.2	11.7	7.0	72.2
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	4,690.7	439.0	8.6	74.0	3,539.9	304.0	7.9	53.7	8,230.6	743.0	8.3	63.7

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