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- *about these statistics and the availability of related unpublished statistics* - contact Sylvia Sajler on Canberra (06) 252 6525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

	Males				Females				Persons			
	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
N UTH WALES	1,570.8	134.5	7.9	72.2	1,180.7	92.2	7.2	52.1	2,751.5	226.6	7.6	62.0
Sydney Major SR	1,006.0	78.7	7.3	73.4	772.3	53.7	6.5	53.7	1,778.3	132.3	6.9	63.3
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney SRs	111.7	5.2	4.4	69.7	86.0	4.9	5.4	53.6	197.7	10.1	4.8	61.6
Inner Sydney SR	68.6	* 3.3	* 4.6	67.6	56.2	* 3.4	* 5.7	57.3	124.8	6.7	5.1	62.5
Eastern Suburbs SR	73.3	4.6	5.9	74.7	58.0	* 1.5	* 2.6	59.3	131.2	6.2	4.5	67.2
St. George-Sutherland SR	117.9	* 3.2	* 2.6	75.9	96.6	* 2.9	* 2.9	56.9	214.5	6.1	2.8	66.0
Canterbury-Bankstown SR	76.9	8.2	9.6	70.9	51.0	4.3	7.8	48.3	127.9	12.5	8.9	59.9
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney SRs	129.4	19.5	13.1	76.4	88.2	13.6	13.4	52.0	217.5	33.1	13.2	64.2
Fairfield-Liverpool SR	72.5	13.1	15.3	75.9	48.7	9.6	16.5	48.4	121.2	22.7	15.8	61.7
Central Western Sydney SR	48.2	8.3	14.7	69.5	37.8	3.8	9.2	45.0	86.0	12.1	12.3	56.4
Outer Western Sydney SR	91.1	8.4	8.5	79.6	71.6	4.4	5.8	59.8	162.8	12.9	7.3	69.6
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills SR	101.0	6.0	5.6	80.3	75.3	4.0	5.0	55.8	176.3	9.9	5.3	67.7
Lower Northern Sydney SR	78.6	* 3.7	* 4.4	76.5	67.8	* 3.1	* 4.4	57.7	146.4	6.8	4.4	66.5
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR	65.6	* 2.1	* 3.1	70.1	51.3	* 1.9	* 3.5	53.3	116.9	4.0	3.3	61.6
Northern Beaches SR	60.1	* 2.1	* 3.4	73.9	48.6	2.9	5.6	56.7	108.7	5.0	4.4	65.0
Gosford-Wyong SR	52.1	7.5	12.5	57.9	40.1	6.3	13.5	42.6	92.2	13.7	13.0	50.0
Balance of New South Wales Major SR	564.8	55.8	9.0	70.2	408.4	38.5	8.6	49.4	973.2	94.3	8.8	59.6
Hunter SR	122.4	14.0	10.2	66.8	91.3	8.7	8.7	46.4	213.7	22.6	9.6	56.3
Newcastle SR Sector	101.9	13.3	11.6	66.6	80.8	8.0	9.0	46.9	182.8	21.3	10.4	56.3
Illawarra and South Eastern SRs	148.1	18.4	11.0	70.9	101.6	11.5	10.2	48.0	249.7	29.9	10.7	59.5
Illawarra Statistical Region	95.1	15.0	13.6	70.3	63.1	8.7	12.1	44.2	158.3	23.7	13.0	57.0
Wollongong SR Sector	74.6	11.3	13.1	74.3	46.8	6.8	12.7	47.8	121.4	18.1	13.0	61.3
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast SRs	96.5	7.8	7.5	63.1	69.7	5.7	7.6	44.3	166.3	13.5	7.5	53.6
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West SRs	120.2	9.4	7.2	75.0	88.0	9.1	9.3	54.2	208.2	18.4	8.1	64.4
Murray-Murrumbidgee SR	72.0	5.0	6.5	78.5	55.0	* 2.9	* 5.0	59.0	127.1	7.9	5.9	68.8

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,161.7	111.9	8.8	73.2	888.9	72.9	7.6	52.9	2,050.6	184.8	8.3	62.8
Melbourne Major SR	843.4	82.1	8.9	74.0	651.6	52.2	7.4	53.6	1,495.0	134.3	8.2	63.6
North Western Melbourne SR	56.9	10.0	15.0	70.2	45.4	6.9	13.2	49.5	102.4	16.9	14.2	59.3
Outer Western Melbourne SR	122.7	17.6	12.6	75.5	90.0	11.3	11.2	50.4	212.7	29.0	12.0	62.5
Inner Melbourne SR	57.7	6.5	10.1	66.8	47.5	* 2.2	* 4.5	55.3	105.2	8.7	7.6	61.3
North Eastern Melbourne SR	102.9	9.2	8.2	72.0	86.5	5.8	6.3	54.5	189.3	15.0	7.4	62.9
Inner Eastern Melbourne SR	121.4	7.7	6.0	74.4	95.6	4.0	4.0	56.9	217.0	11.7	5.1	65.6
Southern Melbourne SR	94.7	7.5	7.3	72.1	68.5	6.7	9.0	48.3	163.2	14.2	8.0	59.7
Outer Eastern Melbourne SR	131.9	11.7	8.1	77.9	102.7	5.9	5.5	57.1	234.6	17.6	7.0	67.3
South Eastern Melbourne SR	102.7	7.4	6.7	79.8	74.2	5.5	6.9	56.2	176.8	12.9	6.8	67.9
Mornington Peninsula SR	52.6	4.5	7.9	70.8	41.2	3.7	8.3	53.6	93.8	8.2	8.1	62.1
Balance of Victoria Major SR	318.3	29.8	8.6	71.1	237.3	20.7	8.0	51.2	555.5	50.5	8.3	61.0
Barwon-Western District SR	85.7	8.9	9.4	72.2	68.4	7.5	9.9	53.8	154.1	16.5	9.7	62.6
Central Highlands-Wimmera SR	46.5	* 3.9	* 7.7	66.6	34.3	* 3.8	* 9.9	49.5	80.9	7.7	8.7	58.0
Loddon-Campaspe-Mallee SR	61.3	9.0	12.9	74.2	46.6	4.2	8.2	49.6	107.9	13.2	10.9	61.4
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray SR	66.6	* 3.9	* 5.6	72.6	48.2	* 2.6	* 5.1	53.6	114.8	6.5	5.4	63.2
All Gippsland SR	58.1	* 4.0	* 6.5	68.3	39.8	* 2.6	* 6.2	47.7	97.9	6.6	6.3	58.1
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	857.5	83.8	8.9	74.4	642.8	58.2	8.3	54.4	1,500.3	141.9	8.6	64.3
Brisbane Major SR	394.5	37.8	8.7	75.0	311.6	24.8	7.4	56.0	706.1	62.6	8.1	65.3
Brisbane City Inner Ring SR	94.9	10.3	9.8	72.0	85.6	6.0	6.5	57.0	180.5	16.3	8.3	64.2
Brisbane City Outer Ring SR	120.4	7.1	5.6	72.5	91.1	6.5	6.6	53.3	211.4	13.6	6.1	62.7
South and East BSD Balance SR	67.8	8.6	11.3	79.1	53.9	4.4	7.6	58.6	121.8	13.1	9.7	68.7
North and West BSD Balance SR	111.4	11.7	9.5	78.1	81.0	7.9	8.9	56.6	192.3	19.6	9.2	67.4
Balance of Queensland Major SR	463.1	46.0	9.0	73.8	331.2	33.4	9.2	53.0	794.2	79.4	9.1	63.4
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	82.9	7.7	8.5	71.5	67.6	5.9	8.1	54.1	150.6	13.7	8.3	62.5
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	68.1	11.3	14.2	71.9	46.6	5.9	11.3	49.6	114.8	17.2	13.0	61.0
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	45.0	8.0	15.0	64.5	32.5	5.6	14.7	46.1	77.6	13.6	14.9	55.3
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	62.8	3.7	5.5	76.3	40.0	3.4	7.9	51.6	102.8	7.1	6.5	64.1
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	83.8	7.4	8.1	74.6	54.6	5.1	8.6	50.3	138.4	12.5	8.3	62.6
Northern-North West Statistical Region	56.4	3.6	6.0	79.9	42.3	4.5	9.5	58.8	98.7	8.1	7.6	69.0
Far North Statistical Region	64.0	4.4	6.4	79.9	47.4	* 2.9	* 5.7	62.1	111.4	7.3	6.1	71.3

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	369.0	43.4	10.5	71.7	288.3	24.1	7.7	52.4	657.3	67.5	9.3	61.9
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	263.1	33.9	11.4	70.2	215.3	19.4	8.3	52.3	478.4	53.3	10.0	61.0
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	81.6	14.1	14.8	75.2	64.8	7.7	10.6	53.4	146.4	21.8	13.0	63.9
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	47.8	7.6	13.8	65.9	36.9	3.4	8.4	46.7	84.7	11.0	11.5	56.2
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	56.4	4.8	7.9	70.9	46.6	2.5	5.2	53.6	103.0	7.4	6.7	62.0
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	77.4	7.3	8.6	67.6	66.9	5.7	7.9	53.9	144.3	13.1	8.3	60.5
Balance of South Australia Major SR	105.9	9.5	8.2	75.8	73.0	4.7	6.0	52.7	178.9	14.2	7.4	64.4
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	44.0	4.0	8.3	75.2	29.8	2.9	8.9	54.7	73.8	6.9	8.5	65.3
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	61.9	5.5	8.2	76.3	43.2	* 1.8	* 4.0	51.3	105.1	7.3	6.5	63.8
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	474.7	33.7	6.6	75.9	351.5	26.6	7.0	55.9	826.2	60.3	6.8	65.9
Perth Major Statistical Region	337.3	25.4	7.0	74.5	265.5	19.7	6.9	56.0	602.7	45.1	7.0	65.1
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	38.8	3.1	7.3	67.4	30.6	2.1	6.4	51.7	69.5	5.1	6.9	59.5
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	52.5	5.3	9.2	76.2	37.6	2.8	6.9	54.8	90.1	8.1	8.2	65.6
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	106.0	7.2	6.4	75.5	83.8	6.3	7.0	59.4	189.9	13.5	6.6	67.4
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	62.1	5.1	7.6	72.4	52.8	4.4	7.7	53.3	114.9	9.5	7.6	62.2
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	77.9	4.8	5.7	78.0	60.5	4.2	6.4	57.4	138.4	8.9	6.0	67.4
Balance of Western Australia Major SR	137.5	8.3	5.7	79.6	86.0	6.9	7.4	55.6	223.5	15.2	6.4	68.1
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	65.0	4.3	6.2	75.3	43.0	4.1	8.7	51.7	108.0	8.4	7.2	63.5
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	72.5	4.0	5.3	83.9	43.0	2.8	6.1	60.3	115.5	6.8	5.6	73.2
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	110.5	14.7	11.7	69.3	84.8	7.4	8.0	49.3	195.3	22.1	10.2	59.2
Greater Hobart-Southern SR Sector	54.9	7.3	11.7	70.5	44.6	3.2	6.7	51.2	99.5	10.5	9.5	60.6
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	45.5	5.5	10.9	69.8	37.0	2.2	5.7	50.5	82.5	7.8	8.6	59.8
Northern Statistical Region Sector	32.0	4.0	11.2	71.6	22.1	2.3	9.6	47.7	54.1	6.4	10.6	59.6
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	23.6	3.4	12.6	64.1	18.1	1.9	9.5	47.3	41.7	5.3	11.2	55.7
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	43.1	4.3	9.1	75.3	35.2	2.2	5.8	61.7	78.3	6.5	7.6	68.7
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	85.2	7.7	8.3	82.1	73.2	4.4	5.7	66.0	158.4	12.1	7.1	73.9
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	4,672.5	434.0	8.5	73.3	3,545.3	287.9	7.5	53.3	8,217.7	721.9	8.1	63.1

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