

Labour Force Survey: Special Report

LABOUR FORCE STATUS - STATISTICAL REGIONS ORIGINAL SERIES

NOVEMBER 1995

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, NOVEMBER 1995

	Males			Females			Persons					
	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Partici- pation	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Partici- pation	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Partici- pation			
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,591.4	134.5	7.8	72.9	1,220.3	94.0	7.2	53.6	2,811.6	228.6	7.5	63.1
Sydney Major SR	1,023.8	77.7	7.1	74.5	797.6	53.1	6.2	55.2	1,821.4	130.8	6.7	64.6
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney SRs	113.9	5.0	4.2	71.9	85.0	4.9	5.4	55.9	198.9	9.9	4.7	64.0
Inner Sydney SR	72.9	* 3.5	* 4.5	73.3	53.3	* 2.0	* 3.6	57.2	126.2	5.4	4.1	65.5
Eastern Suburbs SR	75.8	* 2.9	* 3.7	73.2	55.8	* 1.9	* 3.2	57.4	131.7	4.7	3.5	65.6
St. George-Sutherland SR	117.9	5.7	4.6	75.5	103.1	* 1.6	* 1.5	58.4	221.1	7.3	3.2	66.6
Canterbury-Bankstown SR	79.1	6.7	7.8	72.6	55.4	4.2	7.1	48.9	134.5	10.9	7.5	60.5
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney SRs	135.0	17.8	11.6	76.9	89.5	15.9	15.0	52.3	224.5	33.6	13.0	64.5
Fairfield-Liverpool SR	75.2	12.3	14.0	74.9	48.1	11.8	19.6	49.0	123.4	24.1	16.3	61.6
Central Western Sydney SR	53.2	11.6	17.8	70.5	41.1	5.3	11.4	47.8	94.4	16.9	15.2	58.8
Outer Western Sydney SR	80.5	6.7	7.7	80.7	58.8	4.3	6.9	57.7	139.3	11.0	7.3	69.1
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills SR	106.2	7.5	6.6	82.1	79.2	5.0	6.0	58.1	185.5	12.6	6.3	69.9
Lower Northern Sydney SR	72.9	* 2.8	* 3.7	75.9	73.2	* 1.0	* 1.3	61.3	146.1	* 3.8	* 2.5	67.9
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR	71.3	* 2.5	* 3.4	71.6	55.2	* 2.3	* 4.0	56.0	126.5	4.8	3.7	63.8
Northern Beaches SR	62.1	2.2	3.4	74.6	54.1	2.3	4.0	58.2	116.2	4.4	3.7	65.9
Gosford-Wyong SR	55.8	6.4	10.3	63.4	47.2	4.5	8.7	49.1	103.0	10.8	9.5	56.0
Balance of New South Wales Major SR	567.6	56.9	9.1	70.2	422.7	40.9	8.8	50.9	990.2	97.8	9.0	60.4
Hunter SR	122.1	18.8	13.4	69.8	95.8	11.3	10.5	50.7	217.9	30.1	12.1	60.0
Newcastle SR Sector	98.6	17.2	14.9	68.9	81.7	10.0	10.9	50.2	180.3	27.2	13.1	59.1
Illawarra and South Eastern SRs	145.9	13.7	8.6	69.3	109.8	9.8	8.2	49.2	255.7	23.5	8.4	59.0
Illawarra Statistical Region	90.3	12.0	11.7	67.5	67.2	7.5	10.0	45.1	157.5	19.4	11.0	55.8
Wollongong SR Sector	67.2	9.3	12.2	68.9	47.2	5.0	9.5	44.5	114.4	14.3	11.1	56.4
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast SRs	87.7	11.2	11.3	60.1	70.5	7.7	9.8	44.1	158.2	18.9	10.7	51.8
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West SRs	130.1	9.0	6.5	77.5	90.7	7.5	7.6	56.8	220.8	16.5	6.9	67.3
Murray-Murrumbidgee SR	77.0	* 3.4	* 4.2	75.7	52.3	* 4.3	* 7.6	57.1	129.3	7.7	5.6	66.7

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,171.1	106.4	8.3	73.2	894.4	80.8	8.3	53.6	2,065.5	187.2	8.3	63.2
Melbourne Major SR	849.6	77.2	8.3	73.9	664.4	59.9	8.3	55.0	1,514.0	137.1	8.3	64.2
North Western Melbourne SR	61.8	7.3	10.5	72.2	46.6	7.3	13.6	51.4	108.3	14.6	11.9	61.3
Outer Western Melbourne SR	124.9	15.5	11.0	73.8	98.8	14.3	12.6	54.8	223.7	29.8	11.7	63.9
Inner Melbourne SR	55.0	5.9	9.7	66.0	43.7	4.5	9.3	52.9	98.8	10.4	9.5	59.5
North Eastern Melbourne SR	105.0	11.5	9.9	72.8	85.2	6.2	6.7	54.8	190.3	17.7	8.5	63.6
Inner Eastern Melbourne SR	118.0	6.1	4.9	75.0	99.4	* 2.3	* 2.3	55.6	217.4	8.4	3.7	64.8
Southern Melbourne SR	99.8	8.7	8.0	73.3	76.4	7.2	8.6	52.6	176.2	15.9	8.3	62.6
Outer Eastern Melbourne SR	130.7	11.0	7.7	77.8	106.0	5.2	4.7	59.1	236.7	16.2	6.4	68.3
South Eastern Melbourne SR	101.3	6.6	6.1	79.4	71.6	8.6	10.7	59.9	172.8	15.2	8.1	69.7
Mornington Peninsula SR	53.1	4.6	8.0	68.3	36.7	4.4	10.6	49.6	89.8	9.0	9.1	59.0
Balance of Victoria Major SR	321.5	29.2	8.3	71.5	230.0	21.0	8.4	49.8	551.5	50.2	8.3	60.5
Barwon-Western District SR	89.6	8.2	8.4	71.3	65.2	5.7	8.0	50.9	154.8	13.9	8.3	61.0
Central Highlands-Wimmera SR	46.2	* 3.3	* 6.8	66.9	35.1	* 3.4	* 8.9	50.3	81.3	6.8	7.7	58.4
Loddon-Campaspe-Mallee SR	63.4	7.7	10.8	73.6	41.6	* 3.5	* 7.7	44.7	105.1	11.1	9.6	58.8
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray SR	70.1	* 3.6	* 4.9	74.6	52.3	4.6	8.1	57.0	122.4	8.2	6.3	65.7
All Gippsland SR	52.2	6.4	10.9	70.0	35.7	* 3.8	* 9.5	45.1	87.9	10.1	10.3	57.3
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	862.5	91.7	9.6	74.9	659.7	59.5	8.3	55.4	1,522.1	151.3	9.0	65.1
Brisbane Major SR	405.3	37.6	8.5	76.5	316.2	27.0	7.9	56.9	721.5	64.7	8.2	66.5
Brisbane City Inner Ring SR	96.6	5.4	5.3	72.0	81.7	6.7	7.6	56.5	178.4	12.1	6.4	63.9
Brisbane City Outer Ring SR	121.7	9.9	7.5	75.5	98.9	6.1	5.8	56.8	220.6	16.0	6.8	65.8
South and East BSD Balance SR	71.5	9.1	11.2	79.9	54.5	6.0	10.0	60.4	126.0	15.1	10.7	70.2
North and West BSD Balance SR	115.5	13.3	10.3	79.4	81.1	8.2	9.2	55.3	196.6	21.4	9.8	67.3
Balance of Queensland Major SR	457.2	54.1	10.6	73.6	343.5	32.5	8.6	54.2	800.7	86.6	9.8	63.9
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	86.6	8.8	9.3	73.4	73.5	5.4	6.8	56.4	160.1	14.2	8.2	64.6
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	63.6	11.8	15.6	73.3	44.7	5.2	10.5	50.1	108.3	17.0	13.5	61.9
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	48.0	9.6	16.7	64.8	35.3	6.6	15.8	47.2	83.2	16.2	16.3	56.0
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	62.3	6.2	9.1	76.1	39.8	3.0	7.1	49.3	102.1	9.2	8.3	62.9
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	80.9	9.2	10.2	72.9	61.6	5.2	7.8	54.3	142.5	14.4	9.2	63.6
Northern-North West Statistical Region	57.3	4.7	7.5	78.6	39.7	2.8	6.6	56.5	97.0	7.5	7.2	67.8
Far North Statistical Region	58.5	3.7	6.0	77.1	48.9	4.3	8.0	65.7	107.4	8.0	6.9	71.4

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	372.4	40.5	9.8	71.7	285.4	23.5	7.6	51.8	657.8	64.0	8.9	61.6
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	265.3	32.8	11.0	70.4	212.3	17.0	7.4	51.1	477.6	49.8	9.4	60.4
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	83.4	11.8	12.4	75.5	67.2	6.1	8.3	54.3	150.5	17.9	10.6	64.5
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	47.1	7.9	14.4	63.8	38.2	3.2	7.8	47.1	85.3	11.2	11.6	55.4
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	54.3	5.2	8.7	70.4	45.9	* 1.9	* 4.0	51.2	100.2	7.1	6.6	60.3
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	80.4	7.9	8.9	69.7	61.0	5.7	8.6	50.4	141.5	13.6	8.8	59.8
Balance of South Australia Major SR	107.2	7.6	6.7	75.4	73.0	6.5	8.2	53.9	180.2	14.2	7.3	64.8
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	44.4	4.3	8.8	76.5	29.2	3.1	9.5	55.1	73.7	7.3	9.1	66.2
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	62.7	3.4	5.1	74.7	43.8	3.5	7.4	53.1	106.5	6.9	6.0	63.9
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	477.2	34.9	6.8	76.0	353.2	29.7	7.8	56.3	830.3	64.6	7.2	66.1
Perth Major Statistical Region	339.6	26.9	7.3	74.9	265.0	21.1	7.4	55.9	604.7	47.9	7.3	65.2
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	36.8	2.4	6.2	67.5	27.5	2.3	7.8	49.7	64.3	4.8	6.9	58.4
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	55.0	4.0	6.8	77.5	41.0	3.9	8.6	56.4	96.0	7.9	7.6	66.7
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	108.3	8.4	7.2	75.9	84.2	5.8	6.4	57.9	192.5	14.2	6.9	66.9
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	62.5	6.5	9.5	72.9	56.7	4.0	6.6	55.9	119.1	10.6	8.2	63.8
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	77.0	5.4	6.6	77.2	55.7	5.1	8.3	56.3	132.8	10.5	7.3	66.7
Balance of Western Australia Major SR	137.5	8.0	5.5	79.1	88.1	8.6	8.9	57.6	225.6	16.6	6.9	68.8
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	66.0	4.6	6.6	76.2	43.1	4.8	10.1	53.7	109.1	9.5	8.0	65.2
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	71.5	3.4	4.5	82.1	45.0	3.8	7.8	61.9	116.6	7.2	5.8	72.7
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	112.0	14.1	11.2	69.7	87.4	8.8	9.1	51.4	199.4	22.9	10.3	60.4
Greater Hobart-Southern SR Sector	55.2	6.8	10.9	69.8	45.3	4.1	8.3	52.8	100.5	10.9	9.8	61.1
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	45.9	5.3	10.3	69.6	38.3	3.5	8.5	53.7	84.2	8.8	9.5	61.4
Northern Statistical Region Sector	31.6	3.8	10.7	72.1	24.1	2.6	9.6	52.6	55.7	6.3	10.2	62.2
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	25.2	3.5	12.3	66.9	18.0	2.2	10.8	47.0	43.2	5.7	11.7	57.0
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	46.7	3.8	7.5	80.1	36.4	2.5	6.5	63.9	83.1	6.3	7.1	72.2
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	84.5	6.6	7.2	80.4	75.4	5.4	6.6	68.5	159.9	11.9	6.9	74.3
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	4,717.7	432.5	8.4	73.6	3,612.1	304.3	7.8	54.3	8,329.8	736.8	8.1	63.8

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