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# April 1998 Labour Force Selected Summary Tables Australia

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**TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS(a) BY SEX, APRIL 1998(b)**

	<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>
	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,622.7	122.9	7.0	71.3	1,226.2	96.2	7.3	52.2	2,848.9	219.1	7.1	61.6
Sydney Major Statistical Region	1,045.1	60.8	5.5	72.9	802.9	49.6	5.8	53.9	1,848.1	110.5	5.6	63.2
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Statistical Regions	113.2	5.9	4.9	72.2	90.6	5.8	6.0	53.5	203.8	11.7	5.4	62.5
Inner Sydney Statistical Region	68.6	4.5	6.1	74.5	53.5	* 3.1	* 5.5	54.4	122.1	7.6	5.9	64.2
Eastern Suburbs Statistical Region	69.3	3.8	5.2	71.3	61.3	* 2.2	* 3.5	63.9	130.6	6.0	4.4	67.7
St. George-Sutherland Statistical Region	115.4	5.5	4.5	75.1	90.3	* 2.3	* 2.5	55.9	205.7	7.8	3.6	65.4
Canterbury-Bankstown Statistical Region	66.3	5.0	7.0	63.8	43.6	6.1	12.2	43.3	109.9	11.1	9.2	53.4
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney Statistical Regions	131.3	14.5	9.9	70.1	99.2	10.8	9.8	51.8	230.5	25.3	9.9	60.9
Fairfield-Liverpool Statistical Region	71.8	9.9	12.2	67.4	52.6	7.2	12.1	47.9	124.4	17.2	12.1	57.5
Central Western Sydney Statistical Region	77.0	7.0	8.3	71.0	50.7	4.6	8.3	46.8	127.7	11.6	8.3	58.9
Outer Western Sydney SR and Blacktown	156.2	8.5	5.2	75.8	108.6	6.9	6.0	53.8	264.9	15.4	5.5	64.9
Lower Northern Sydney Statistical Region	72.5	* 2.7	* 3.6	79.5	70.4	* 3.0	* 4.1	66.3	142.9	5.7	3.8	72.4
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR and Baulkham Hills	108.8	* 2.9	* 2.6	76.8	89.7	* 3.6	* 3.9	57.2	198.6	6.5	3.2	66.4
Northern Beaches Statistical Region	67.5	* 1.1	* 1.6	74.6	55.6	* 0.7	* 1.2	60.6	123.1	* 1.7	* 1.4	67.6
Gosford-Wyong Statistical Region	67.5	4.1	5.8	70.6	43.0	* 3.6	* 7.8	42.3	110.5	7.8	6.6	55.9
Balance of New South Wales Major Statistical Region	577.6	62.0	9.7	68.7	423.2	46.6	9.9	49.3	1,000.8	108.6	9.8	58.9
Hunter Statistical Region	127.3	16.0	11.2	64.7	89.9	8.9	9.0	45.6	217.2	24.9	10.3	55.2
Newcastle Statistical Region Sector	103.3	14.7	12.5	64.1	74.1	6.9	8.5	46.3	177.4	21.6	10.8	55.4
Illawarra and South Eastern Statistical Regions(c)	147.1	16.2	9.9	69.3	114.7	14.4	11.2	52.9	261.8	30.7	10.5	61.0
Illawarra Statistical Region	96.0	11.3	10.5	69.7	73.4	11.2	13.2	51.0	169.5	22.4	11.7	60.0
Wollongong Statistical Region Sector	70.3	9.5	11.9	73.8	55.3	9.5	14.6	54.9	125.6	19.0	13.1	64.0
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Regions	98.9	15.3	13.4	64.4	77.4	13.3	14.6	46.3	176.3	28.6	13.9	54.9
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West Statistical Regions	133.8	10.0	6.9	73.9	96.4	* 4.9	* 4.8	53.1	230.2	14.9	6.1	63.6
Murray-Murrumbidgee Statistical Region	70.5	* 4.5	* 6.0	74.0	44.9	5.1	10.2	47.0	115.4	9.6	7.7	60.2

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<b>VICTORIA</b>												
VICTORIA	1,212.6	108.5	8.2	73.5	937.5	86.3	8.4	54.6	2,150.0	194.9	8.3	63.8
Melbourne Major Statistical Region	895.3	75.0	7.7	74.5	693.4	62.6	8.3	55.4	1,588.7	137.6	8.0	64.7
Outer Western Melbourne Statistical Region	140.1	12.9	8.5	72.9	97.7	9.1	8.5	50.6	237.8	22.0	8.5	61.7
North Western Melbourne Statistical Region	59.1	7.6	11.3	71.0	51.9	5.0	8.8	53.9	111.1	12.6	10.2	61.9
Inner Melbourne Statistical Region	64.5	6.6	9.3	74.8	57.1	3.8	6.2	60.9	121.7	10.4	7.9	67.7
North Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	107.7	10.5	8.9	74.2	87.2	8.2	8.6	56.0	194.8	18.7	8.8	64.8
Inner Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	148.5	12.6	7.8	71.6	121.8	9.9	7.5	52.0	270.3	22.4	7.7	61.2
Southern Melbourne Statistical Region	107.0	5.5	4.9	76.3	86.3	5.4	5.9	55.9	193.3	10.9	5.3	65.6
Outer Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	112.3	7.2	6.1	79.9	84.5	8.5	9.1	63.0	196.7	15.7	7.4	71.5
South Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	93.7	7.3	7.2	78.2	62.0	7.5	10.8	55.9	155.7	14.7	8.6	67.3
Mornington Peninsula Statistical Region	62.3	4.8	7.2	72.5	45.0	5.3	10.5	55.8	107.3	10.1	8.6	64.3
Balance of Victoria Major Statistical Region	317.3	33.6	9.6	70.7	244.1	23.7	8.9	52.5	561.3	57.3	9.3	61.5
Barwon-Western District Statistical Region	85.8	7.7	8.2	71.5	69.0	7.0	9.2	55.2	154.8	14.7	8.7	63.1
Central Highlands-Wimmera Statistical Region	55.6	5.7	9.3	74.6	38.2	5.5	12.6	53.9	93.7	11.2	10.7	64.3
Loddon-Mallee Statistical Region	60.5	7.6	11.1	72.7	45.0	* 3.1	* 6.5	50.7	105.5	10.7	9.2	61.7
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray Statistical Region	69.4	5.7	7.7	69.7	57.3	* 3.8	* 6.2	53.3	126.7	9.5	7.0	61.2
All Gippsland Statistical Region	46.1	6.9	12.9	64.8	34.6	* 4.3	* 11.0	47.3	80.6	11.1	12.1	56.1
<b>QUEENSLAND</b>												
QUEENSLAND	903.0	88.6	8.9	73.6	704.8	64.9	8.4	56.1	1,607.8	153.5	8.7	64.8
Brisbane Major Statistical Region	415.1	37.9	8.4	74.5	329.2	29.0	8.1	56.8	744.3	66.9	8.3	65.5
Brisbane City Inner Ring Statistical Regions	100.1	8.5	7.8	69.9	87.8	5.7	6.1	60.8	187.9	14.2	7.0	65.4
Brisbane City Outer Ring Statistical Regions	131.6	10.0	7.1	74.6	100.7	9.5	8.7	56.2	232.3	19.6	7.8	65.3
South and East BSD Balance Statistical Regions	89.4	9.8	9.9	77.9	65.9	7.0	9.6	57.3	155.2	16.8	9.8	67.6
North and West BSD Balance Statistical Regions	94.1	9.6	9.2	76.4	74.8	6.8	8.4	53.0	168.8	16.4	8.9	63.9
Balance of Queensland Major Statistical Region	487.9	50.6	9.4	72.9	375.6	35.9	8.7	55.6	863.5	86.5	9.1	64.3
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	92.6	9.9	9.6	70.1	79.5	6.9	8.0	56.2	172.1	16.8	8.9	63.0
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	74.1	9.8	11.7	71.5	65.1	7.1	9.8	55.4	139.2	16.9	10.8	63.0
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	47.2	10.4	18.1	62.7	36.3	4.4	10.9	45.2	83.5	14.9	15.1	54.0
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	65.2	* 2.5	* 3.6	74.7	48.2	3.4	6.5	58.2	113.4	5.8	4.9	66.5
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	95.0	9.4	9.0	83.1	66.6	5.5	7.6	61.5	161.6	14.9	8.5	72.7
Northern-North West Statistical Region	62.1	5.4	8.0	72.9	41.0	5.8	12.5	54.2	103.1	11.2	9.8	63.8
Far North Statistical Region	51.7	3.3	6.0	74.0	38.9	* 2.7	* 6.6	57.0	90.7	6.0	6.2	65.6
Gold Coast City Parts A and B Statistical Region Sectors	94.9	10.9	10.3	69.9	82.3	7.8	8.7	56.4	177.2	18.8	9.6	63.0

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<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA</b>												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	369.7	39.1	9.6	69.9	278.9	28.6	9.3	50.8	648.6	67.6	9.4	60.2
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	269.0	29.2	9.8	69.4	211.5	21.5	9.2	51.3	480.4	50.7	9.6	60.1
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	87.0	10.0	10.3	73.0	59.5	7.0	10.6	49.7	146.5	17.0	10.4	61.3
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	48.3	6.2	11.4	63.5	39.7	4.6	10.4	51.2	88.0	10.8	10.9	57.3
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	55.1	4.7	7.9	65.9	46.3	4.3	8.4	50.5	101.4	9.0	8.1	57.8
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	78.6	8.3	9.5	72.1	66.0	5.6	7.9	53.7	144.5	13.9	8.8	62.5
Balance of South Australia Major Statistical Region	100.7	9.9	8.9	71.2	67.4	7.0	9.5	49.1	168.1	16.9	9.1	60.3
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	34.2	4.6	12.0	66.0	26.4	3.1	10.4	49.9	60.6	7.7	11.3	57.9
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	66.5	5.2	7.3	74.5	41.0	4.0	8.8	48.5	107.6	9.2	7.9	61.7
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA</b>												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	501.7	35.5	6.6	75.8	375.9	28.0	6.9	56.5	877.7	63.5	6.7	66.1
Perth Major Statistical Region	361.2	25.7	6.7	75.0	278.9	21.2	7.1	55.9	640.1	47.0	6.8	65.3
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	32.0	2.4	7.0	79.3	22.9	* 0.9	* 3.6	51.4	54.9	3.3	5.6	64.9
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	59.7	3.9	6.1	75.8	43.9	5.0	10.3	55.8	103.6	8.9	7.9	65.6
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	115.4	8.7	7.0	76.6	95.3	7.0	6.8	59.4	210.7	15.6	6.9	67.8
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	70.7	4.8	6.4	71.5	50.1	3.8	7.0	52.2	120.8	8.6	6.6	62.0
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	83.5	5.9	6.6	73.9	66.6	4.6	6.5	55.7	150.1	10.6	6.6	64.6
Balance of Western Australia Major Statistical Region	140.5	9.7	6.5	77.7	97.1	6.8	6.5	58.2	237.6	16.5	6.5	68.4
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	71.4	3.8	5.1	75.1	52.3	2.8	5.1	55.2	123.7	6.6	5.1	65.1
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	69.1	5.9	7.9	80.5	44.8	4.0	8.1	62.1	113.9	9.9	8.0	72.1
<b>TASMANIA</b>												
TASMANIA	113.9	14.5	11.3	70.7	86.5	7.7	8.2	50.2	200.3	22.2	10.0	60.3
Greater Hobart-Southern Statistical Region Sector	55.3	6.1	9.9	69.6	43.5	3.1	6.6	51.5	98.8	9.1	8.4	60.5
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	46.5	5.2	10.1	69.2	38.4	2.6	6.4	51.8	84.9	7.8	8.4	60.2
Northern Statistical Region Sector	31.8	4.8	13.1	71.1	25.0	3.0	10.8	51.1	56.8	7.8	12.1	60.8
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	26.7	3.7	12.1	72.7	18.0	1.7	8.4	46.3	44.8	5.3	10.6	59.4
<b>NORTHERN TERRITORY</b>												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	48.7	2.6	5.0	76.9	38.0	1.9	4.8	61.5	86.7	4.5	4.9	69.3
<b>AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN(NSW) STATISTICAL REGION</b>												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL REGION(c)	134.5	11.6	7.9	73.9	114.1	8.1	6.6	61.8	248.6	19.7	7.3	67.8
<b>AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY</b>												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	83.4	6.6	7.3	77.5	72.9	4.9	6.3	64.8	156.3	11.5	6.8	71.1
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>												
AUSTRALIA	4,855.8	418.2	7.9	72.7	3,720.6	318.6	7.9	54.0	8,576.4	736.8	7.9	63.2

(a) As part of the redesign of Labour Force Survey sample, a number of changes have been made to Labour Force Statistical Regions. These changes may result in a break in series for some regions. See Information Paper: Regional Labour Force Statistics (6262.0). (b) For definitions, and information about scope and standard errors of these estimates, see the latest issue of the monthly publication Labour Force, Australia (6203.0). (c) Estimates for South Eastern SR are not published separately. Data for the South Eastern SR are included in the ACT & South Eastern SR and in the Illawarra & South Eastern SR.

TABLE 2. LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYMENT

Month	Long-term unemployment									Long-term unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment		
	Unemployed 52 weeks and under 104			Unemployed 104 weeks and over			Total			Males	Females	Persons
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons			
	- '000-									per cent		
ORIGINAL												
1997 —												
February	69.3	47.1	116.5	92.4	55.3	147.6	161.7	102.4	264.1	31.5	26.1	29.2
March	69.5	45.1	114.7	79.5	50.6	130.1	149.0	95.7	244.7	30.5	26.8	29.0
April	66.3	39.1	105.3	83.2	51.3	134.5	149.4	90.4	239.8	32.5	26.6	30.0
May	72.4	38.4	110.8	80.6	46.8	127.4	153.0	85.2	238.2	33.4	25.5	30.1
June	69.1	39.6	108.7	84.3	46.2	130.5	153.4	85.9	239.3	35.1	27.3	31.9
July	73.3	39.1	112.4	78.9	44.7	123.6	152.2	83.8	236.0	34.0	27.6	31.4
August	65.6	39.9	105.5	82.6	47.2	129.8	148.2	87.1	235.3	33.1	27.5	30.8
September	74.6	41.8	116.4	97.4	54.0	151.4	172.0	95.8	267.8	36.6	29.6	33.8
October	67.9	39.6	107.5	90.1	49.1	139.2	158.0	88.7	246.7	37.0	28.6	33.5
November	78.2	43.9	122.1	86.1	40.0	126.1	164.3	83.9	248.2	37.6	28.0	33.7
December	78.4	44.7	123.2	85.7	41.2	126.9	164.2	85.9	250.1	36.8	27.1	32.7
1998 —												
January	72.1	42.0	114.1	84.9	39.2	124.1	157.0	81.2	238.3	32.9	24.0	29.2
February	74.2	47.5	121.7	94.1	47.9	142.0	168.3	95.4	263.7	34.9	26.5	31.3
March	69.3	38.7	108.1	93.4	45.2	138.6	162.7	83.9	246.6	35.4	24.5	30.8
April	65.0	41.9	106.9	85.4	43.6	129.1	150.4	85.6	236.0	36.0	26.9	32.0
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
1997 —												
February	65.6	40.4	106.0	85.5	49.5	135.0	151.1	89.9	241.0	32.0	26.8	29.8
March	67.2	41.8	109.0	73.4	49.1	122.4	140.6	90.9	231.5	30.0	27.4	28.9
April	68.0	41.2	109.2	82.5	51.6	134.2	150.6	92.8	243.4	32.4	27.7	30.4
May	72.0	39.8	111.7	82.0	48.2	130.2	153.9	88.0	241.9	33.2	25.5	29.9
June	71.9	43.8	115.7	86.0	47.7	133.6	157.9	91.5	249.3	34.9	27.6	31.8
July	74.0	41.5	115.5	84.5	47.5	132.0	158.5	89.0	247.5	33.4	27.3	30.9
August	70.4	42.8	113.2	87.3	47.5	134.8	157.7	90.3	248.1	34.1	27.0	31.1
September	72.9	41.0	113.8	95.7	52.7	148.4	168.6	93.7	262.2	36.3	29.0	33.3
October	69.2	39.5	108.8	94.4	47.0	141.4	163.6	86.5	250.1	36.3	26.8	32.3
November	75.2	42.9	118.1	87.9	39.1	127.0	163.1	82.0	245.1	35.6	25.6	31.5
December	79.4	44.9	124.3	84.9	42.9	127.8	164.3	87.8	252.1	36.9	27.8	33.1
1998 —												
January	71.2	41.2	112.4	82.9	42.0	124.9	154.1	83.2	237.3	35.5	25.9	31.4
February	70.3	40.6	111.0	87.1	42.9	129.9	157.4	83.5	240.9	35.4	27.2	32.1
March	67.0	36.0	103.0	86.3	43.9	130.2	153.3	79.9	233.2	34.7	25.1	30.7
April	66.7	44.3	110.9	84.9	43.8	128.6	151.5	88.0	239.6	35.9	28.0	32.5
TREND SERIES												
1997 —												
February	65.5	39.6	105.1	79.5	49.4	128.9	145.0	88.9	233.9	31.3	26.5	29.3
March	67.4	40.6	107.9	79.9	49.6	129.5	147.3	90.2	237.5	31.7	26.8	29.7
April	69.2	41.4	110.7	80.8	49.4	130.2	150.0	90.9	240.8	32.3	27.0	30.1
May	70.7	41.9	112.6	82.3	49.2	131.5	153.0	91.1	244.0	32.9	27.2	30.5
June	71.4	41.9	113.3	84.6	49.0	133.6	156.1	90.9	246.9	33.6	27.2	30.9
July	71.9	41.8	113.7	87.4	48.8	136.1	159.3	90.6	249.8	34.3	27.3	31.4
August	72.3	41.8	114.1	89.6	48.2	137.8	161.9	90.0	251.9	35.0	27.4	31.8
September	72.9	41.9	114.8	90.7	47.2	137.9	163.6	89.1	252.7	35.5	27.4	32.2
October r	73.5	42.1	115.5	90.4	45.7	136.2	163.9	87.8	251.7	35.9	27.2	32.3
November r	73.7	42.0	115.7	89.2	44.2	133.5	163.0	86.2	249.2	36.1	26.9	32.3
December r	73.4	41.7	115.2	87.6	43.1	130.6	161.0	84.8	245.8	36.0	26.7	32.1
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January r	72.4	41.4	113.8	86.1	42.5	128.6	158.5	83.9	242.4	35.8	26.5	31.9
February r	70.9	41.0	111.9	85.2	42.5	127.7	156.1	83.5	239.6	35.6	26.5	31.8
March r	69.2	40.8	109.9	84.7	42.7	127.4	153.8	83.5	237.3	35.4	26.5	31.7
April	67.6	40.6	108.3	84.6	43.4	128.0	152.3	84.0	236.2	35.3	26.8	31.7

**TABLE 3. DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, STATES AND TERRITORIES, APRIL 1998**  
(**'000**)

<i>State or Territory</i>	<i>Unemployed under 52 weeks</i>	<i>Long-term unemployed</i>		<i>Total</i>	<i>Long-term unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment</i>
		<i>Unemployed 52 weeks and under 104</i>	<i>Unemployed 104 weeks and over</i>		
<b>MALES</b>					
New South Wales	78.7	15.5	28.6	44.1	35.9
Victoria	68.0	20.1	20.5	40.6	37.4
Queensland	61.4	11.7	15.4	27.1	30.6
South Australia	21.5	7.3	10.3	17.6	44.9
Western Australia	23.7	6.1	5.7	11.7	33.1
Tasmania	7.7	3.0	3.8	6.8	46.8
Northern Territory	1.9	* 0.2	* 0.4	* 0.7	* 26.4
Australian Capital Territory	4.8	1.0	* 0.8	1.7	26.5
<i>Australia</i>	<i>267.8</i>	<i>65.0</i>	<i>85.4</i>	<i>150.4</i>	<i>36.0</i>
<b>FEMALES</b>					
New South Wales	66.5	14.8	14.9	29.7	30.9
Victoria	63.7	12.2	10.5	22.7	26.2
Queensland	51.3	6.8	6.7	13.6	20.9
South Australia	18.1	4.0	6.5	10.5	36.7
Western Australia	22.7	* 2.4	2.9	5.3	19.0
Tasmania	5.1	1.3	1.4	2.6	34.2
Northern Territory	1.8	* 0.0	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 8.7
Australian Capital Territory	3.9	* 0.4	* 0.6	1.0	20.7
<i>Australia</i>	<i>233.0</i>	<i>41.9</i>	<i>43.6</i>	<i>85.6</i>	<i>26.9</i>
<b>PERSONS</b>					
New South Wales	145.2	30.4	43.5	73.9	33.7
Victoria	131.7	32.3	31.0	63.2	32.5
Queensland	112.7	18.6	22.2	40.7	26.5
South Australia	39.6	11.3	16.7	28.1	41.5
Western Australia	46.4	8.5	8.6	17.1	26.9
Tasmania	12.8	4.3	5.2	9.4	42.4
Northern Territory	3.7	* 0.2	* 0.6	* 0.8	* 18.8
Australian Capital Territory	8.7	1.4	1.4	2.8	24.1
<b>Australia</b>	<b>500.8</b>	<b>106.9</b>	<b>129.1</b>	<b>236.0</b>	<b>32.0</b>

## NOTES

- INTRODUCTION**      **1** This report contains selected final labour force estimates derived from the Labour Force Survey component of the Monthly Population Survey. More detailed estimates will be published in *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6203.0), due for release at the end of the month.
- REGIONAL ESTIMATES**      **2** This report contains original (unadjusted) estimates of employed persons and unemployed persons for Labour Force Statistical Regions. Historically, these have shown a high degree of variability which is inherent in data from the Labour Survey relating to small labour markets. Care should therefore be taken in the interpretation of regional estimates, particularly in month to month movements.
- 3** The Labour Force Survey is designed primarily to produce reliable National State estimates. While estimates for regions are components of corresponding estimates at the State level, independent population benchmarks are not applied at the Statistical Region level. Therefore, while Statistical Region estimates will add up to the State total, they will show less stability than for similar estimates at the State level. In addition estimates (particularly estimates of unemployment), being considerably smaller than State estimates, are subject to higher relative standard errors.
- 4** Regional boundaries are regularly changed to adhere to the boundaries defined in the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). These changes are made every 5 years, with the most recent changes being effective from September 1994. Further details about changes to dissemination regions can be found in *Information Paper: Regional Labour Force Statistics* (cat. no. 6262.0).
- INDUSTRY**      **5** From August 1994, Labour Force Survey industry data are classified according to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), a description of which appears in *Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 1993* (cat. no. 1292.0). ANZSIC classifies businesses according to economic activities in a structure consisting of 4 levels (Division, Subdivision, Major Group and Class). Labour Force Survey data are coded to the Group level.
- STANDARD ERRORS**      **6** Standard errors of the estimates in this report for the States, Territories and the Australian Capital Territory can be determined by using the methods described in the Technical Notes in *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6203.0). Statistical Region standard errors are available on request from Matthew Paull on Canberra (02) 6252 6525 or from any ABS State Office.
- 7** 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.
- SYMBOLS**      \*      subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.  
r      revised. For trend estimates, the most recent estimates are provisional and subject to revision.
- FURTHER INFORMATION**      **8** For further explanatory information about statistics in this report, please refer to the Explanatory Notes and Technical Notes from *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6203.0).

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