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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS(a) BY SEX, JULY 2000(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 -
NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,732.5	99.6	5.4	72.2	1,344.0	60.9	4.3	53.7	3,076.5	160.5	5.0	62.8
Sydney Major Statistical Region	1,143.8	51.4	4.3	74.2	899.8	34.3	3.7	56.0	2,043.6	85.7	4.0	64.9
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Statistical Regions	132.9	4.8	3.5	71.8	115.9	* 1.8	* 1.5	59.0	248.7	6.5	2.6	65.3
Inner Sydney Statistical Region	80.3	4.0	4.8	72.4	75.0	* 1.8	* 2.3	62.4	155.3	5.8	3.6	67.2
Eastern Suburbs Statistical Region	71.4	* 2.1	* 2.8	75.3	61.0	* 0.7	* 1.1	62.3	132.5	2.8	2.0	68.8
St. George-Sutherland Statistical Region	121.3	3.8	3.1	72.7	95.7	2.1	2.2	54.9	217.0	5.9	2.7	63.6
Canterbury-Bankstown Statistical Region	89.8	7.7	7.9	73.8	59.4	4.5	7.0	49.1	149.2	12.2	7.6	61.6
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney Statistical Regions	159.4	9.4	5.6	76.8	111.6	8.5	7.1	53.8	271.0	17.9	6.2	65.2
Fairfield-Liverpool Statistical Region	90.8	7.4	7.5	76.6	60.1	6.9	10.3	50.7	150.9	14.3	8.7	63.5
Central Western Sydney Statistical Region	80.5	* 2.1	* 2.5	66.8	52.2	2.5	4.5	46.4	132.7	4.6	3.3	56.9
Outer Western Sydney SR and Blacktown	160.1	9.5	5.6	76.5	129.6	5.2	3.9	59.2	289.7	14.8	4.8	67.8
Lower Northern Sydney Statistical Region	79.0	3.5	4.3	77.5	65.4	* 1.4	* 2.0	59.1	144.4	4.9	3.3	68.0
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR and Baulkham Hills	115.0	* 2.4	* 2.1	76.6	94.2	* 2.1	* 2.2	58.4	209.2	4.5	2.1	67.2
Northern Beaches Statistical Region	69.1	* 1.4	* 1.9	77.4	60.0	* 2.1	* 3.4	62.0	129.2	3.5	2.6	69.3
Gosford-Wyong Statistical Region	65.3	4.6	6.6	69.1	54.7	3.5	6.0	50.6	120.0	8.1	6.3	59.2
Balance of New South Wales Major Statistical Region	588.7	48.3	7.6	68.7	444.2	26.6	5.6	49.7	1,032.9	74.8	6.8	59.1
Hunter Statistical Region	140.2	13.4	8.7	65.3	115.7	6.1	5.0	48.8	255.9	19.5	7.1	56.8
Newcastle Statistical Region Sector	121.5	12.4	9.3	65.7	102.1	5.4	5.0	49.0	223.7	17.8	7.4	57.0
Illawarra and South Eastern Statistical Regions(c)	153.2	9.6	5.9	70.6	107.1	9.1	7.8	48.5	260.3	18.7	6.7	59.4
Illawarra Statistical Region	106.3	5.8	5.1	69.9	71.1	5.9	7.6	46.4	177.4	11.6	6.2	57.9
Wollongong Statistical Region Sector	78.9	4.1	5.0	71.9	51.2	4.2	7.6	46.5	130.1	8.3	6.0	59.0
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Regions	94.6	14.2	13.1	62.6	72.2	* 5.0	* 6.4	43.8	166.8	19.2	10.3	53.1
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West Statistical Regions	125.1	5.4	4.1	71.5	95.8	* 3.8	* 3.8	54.5	220.9	9.2	4.0	63.0
Murray-Murrumbidgee Statistical Region	75.7	* 5.6	* 6.9	77.9	53.4	* 2.6	* 4.6	55.9	129.1	8.2	6.0	67.2

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	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -
VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,282.7	75.9	5.6	72.7	1,016.8	68.4	6.3	55.7	2,299.5	144.3	5.9	64.0
Melbourne Major Statistical Region	946.5	51.2	5.1	73.2	763.0	48.6	6.0	56.9	1,709.5	99.8	5.5	64.8
Outer Western Melbourne Statistical Region	147.3	8.6	5.5	72.3	118.8	10.3	8.0	57.5	266.1	18.9	6.6	64.7
North Western Melbourne Statistical Region	66.7	5.9	8.1	68.8	55.2	* 2.4	* 4.2	51.3	121.9	8.3	6.4	59.8
Inner Melbourne Statistical Region	66.7	3.2	4.6	76.1	61.0	4.2	6.5	65.9	127.8	7.5	5.5	70.8
North Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	111.4	6.1	5.2	73.8	86.1	5.0	5.5	55.2	197.5	11.1	5.3	64.4
Inner Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	168.2	8.0	4.6	72.1	142.8	7.1	4.7	58.2	311.0	15.1	4.6	65.0
Southern Melbourne Statistical Region	103.1	4.6	4.2	72.7	87.8	2.5	2.8	55.4	190.9	7.1	3.6	63.7
Outer Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	125.6	5.0	3.8	78.7	93.0	5.1	5.2	58.9	218.7	10.1	4.4	68.8
South Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	94.3	6.0	6.0	74.2	65.9	7.0	9.5	53.9	160.2	13.0	7.5	64.0
Mornington Peninsula Statistical Region	63.1	3.7	5.6	69.1	52.3	5.0	8.8	54.8	115.3	8.8	7.1	61.7
Balance of Victoria Major Statistical Region	336.2	24.7	6.8	71.3	253.9	19.8	7.2	52.6	590.0	44.5	7.0	61.8
Barwon-Western District Statistical Region	94.6	8.2	8.0	71.3	66.6	* 3.8	* 5.3	49.3	161.1	12.0	6.9	60.4
Central Highlands-Wimmera Statistical Region	57.7	* 3.1	* 5.0	72.1	43.2	* 3.1	* 6.6	56.3	101.0	6.1	5.7	64.3
Loddon-Mallee Statistical Region	58.5	* 4.3	* 6.9	71.2	43.4	* 1.8	* 4.0	47.5	101.9	6.2	5.7	58.9
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray Statistical Region	75.8	* 4.0	* 5.1	71.7	57.9	6.6	10.3	55.9	133.7	10.7	7.4	63.7
All Gippsland Statistical Region	49.6	5.0	9.1	69.8	42.8	4.6	9.6	55.5	92.4	9.6	9.4	62.4
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	955.5	77.6	7.5	74.3	755.8	54.4	6.7	57.2	1,711.3	132.1	7.2	65.7
Brisbane Major Statistical Region	438.0	33.8	7.2	74.4	360.5	23.5	6.1	58.1	798.6	57.3	6.7	66.1
Brisbane City Inner Ring Statistical Regions	99.8	7.5	7.0	75.8	94.6	5.2	5.2	62.4	194.4	12.7	6.1	68.7
Brisbane City Outer Ring Statistical Regions	146.0	11.2	7.1	75.0	114.6	7.2	6.0	57.8	260.5	18.4	6.6	66.4
South and East BSD Balance Statistical Regions	93.8	7.4	7.3	76.3	69.0	4.9	6.6	55.5	162.7	12.3	7.0	65.9
North and West BSD Balance Statistical Regions	98.5	7.7	7.2	70.5	82.4	6.2	7.0	56.2	180.9	13.9	7.1	63.2
Balance of Queensland Major Statistical Region	517.5	43.8	7.8	74.3	395.2	30.9	7.3	56.4	912.7	74.7	7.6	65.3
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	93.1	11.2	10.8	70.7	80.9	7.8	8.8	58.0	174.0	19.1	9.9	64.3
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	78.8	7.7	8.9	70.0	64.6	6.2	8.8	53.7	143.3	13.9	8.9	61.6
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	55.1	3.7	6.2	63.7	39.7	5.2	11.5	49.5	94.8	8.8	8.5	56.7
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	72.7	* 2.5	* 3.3	80.2	52.2	* 2.1	* 3.9	56.3	124.8	4.6	3.6	68.1
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	92.4	8.8	8.7	78.7	65.6	* 2.8	* 4.0	57.0	158.0	11.6	6.8	68.2
Northern-North West Statistical Region	65.5	5.5	7.8	77.7	45.2	4.5	9.1	61.5	110.6	10.1	8.3	70.1
Far North Statistical Region	59.9	4.4	6.8	81.5	47.2	* 2.3	* 4.6	59.8	107.1	6.7	5.9	70.4
Gold Coast City Parts A and B Statistical Region Sectors	99.3	12.5	11.2	71.7	84.1	7.8	8.5	57.7	183.4	20.3	10.0	64.6

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	384.4	31.3	7.5	70.5	296.7	22.3	7.0	51.8	681.1	53.6	7.3	61.0
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	277.6	24.4	8.1	69.9	223.4	17.6	7.3	52.4	500.9	42.1	7.7	60.8
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	87.0	9.6	9.9	71.1	68.6	6.1	8.2	53.3	155.6	15.7	9.2	62.1
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	54.1	4.2	7.2	69.6	40.6	3.8	8.5	48.3	94.7	8.0	7.8	58.4
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	57.5	4.7	7.6	70.1	50.0	3.2	6.1	56.4	107.5	8.0	6.9	63.0
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	79.0	5.9	6.9	68.5	64.2	4.5	6.6	51.3	143.2	10.4	6.8	59.5
Balance of South Australia Major Statistical Region	106.8	6.9	6.1	72.1	73.4	4.7	6.0	50.3	180.2	11.6	6.0	61.3
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	37.7	3.1	7.5	67.8	21.9	* 1.7	* 7.3	41.4	59.5	4.8	7.4	54.9
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	69.1	3.8	5.3	74.8	51.5	2.9	5.4	55.5	120.7	6.8	5.3	65.1
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	528.6	33.7	6.0	75.6	400.1	22.1	5.2	56.7	928.7	55.8	5.7	66.2
Perth Major Statistical Region	380.7	23.9	5.9	74.2	304.7	14.8	4.6	56.8	685.4	38.7	5.3	65.4
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	34.3	2.3	6.4	73.8	26.5	* 1.3	* 4.6	59.7	60.8	3.6	5.6	67.0
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	58.2	2.6	4.2	71.8	44.5	* 2.0	* 4.3	52.5	102.7	4.6	4.3	62.0
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	121.6	7.9	6.1	75.7	103.9	4.2	3.9	60.4	225.5	12.1	5.1	67.9
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	78.5	6.0	7.1	74.4	59.6	3.3	5.2	53.3	138.1	9.3	6.3	63.6
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	88.1	5.1	5.5	73.8	70.3	4.1	5.5	56.9	158.4	9.2	5.5	65.2
Balance of Western Australia Major Statistical Region	147.8	9.8	6.2	79.4	95.4	7.3	7.1	56.4	243.2	17.1	6.6	68.4
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	74.1	4.7	5.9	75.2	47.3	3.8	7.5	50.2	121.4	8.5	6.5	62.9
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	73.7	5.1	6.5	84.1	48.1	3.5	6.8	64.3	121.8	8.6	6.6	75.0
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	110.4	11.7	9.6	67.7	88.4	6.7	7.0	49.9	198.9	18.4	8.5	58.6
Greater Hobart-Southern Statistical Region Sector	53.1	5.4	9.3	66.2	43.8	3.3	7.0	50.6	96.9	8.8	8.3	58.2
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	44.4	4.5	9.3	65.9	37.5	2.8	6.9	50.0	81.9	7.3	8.2	57.7
Northern Statistical Region Sector	33.4	3.2	8.9	70.2	25.5	2.2	8.0	50.1	58.9	5.4	8.5	59.9
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	23.8	3.1	11.4	67.8	19.1	1.2	5.7	48.3	43.0	4.2	9.0	57.8
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	50.4	2.9	5.5	72.7	39.0	1.6	4.0	60.6	89.4	4.6	4.8	66.9
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN (NSW) STATISTICAL REGION												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL REGION(c)	135.8	8.4	5.8	76.3	116.3	6.0	4.9	61.9	252.1	14.4	5.4	69.0
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	89.0	4.5	4.8	78.7	80.3	2.8	3.3	66.9	169.2	7.3	4.1	72.7
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	5,133.5	337.3	6.2	72.9	4,021.1	239.2	5.6	55.2	9,154.6	576.5	5.9	63.9

(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												
1999 —												
May	54.4	36.9	91.3	84.9	36.1	121.0	139.3	73.0	212.3	35.0	25.1	30.8
June	49.0	25.6	74.6	75.8	41.2	117.0	124.8	66.8	191.6	33.6	24.1	29.5
July	43.6	28.6	72.2	76.9	38.2	115.1	120.5	66.8	187.3	33.5	25.2	30.0
August	46.0	32.3	78.4	76.0	37.3	113.3	122.0	69.6	191.6	31.9	25.8	29.4
September	48.3	33.4	81.7	86.9	43.2	130.1	135.2	76.6	211.8	33.5	24.7	29.7
October	46.8	26.6	73.4	82.0	40.7	122.7	128.8	67.3	196.1	34.9	24.5	30.5
November	45.3	26.1	71.4	80.3	36.8	117.2	125.6	62.9	188.5	35.9	24.2	30.9
December	46.3	26.0	72.4	79.2	38.2	117.5	125.6	64.3	189.8	32.4	23.0	28.4
2000 —												
January	41.1	26.1	67.2	78.3	41.0	119.2	119.4	67.1	186.5	29.3	23.2	26.8
February	41.2	24.5	65.7	86.2	44.4	130.6	127.4	68.8	196.2	32.4	21.1	27.3
March	38.3	33.0	71.3	78.4	39.4	117.8	116.8	72.4	189.1	30.6	22.8	27.0
April	41.1	29.3	70.4	74.0	43.2	117.2	115.2	72.5	187.7	31.6	24.6	28.5
May	43.3	30.0	73.3	73.8	35.4	109.1	117.1	65.4	182.5	32.8	22.8	28.4
June	39.5	21.8	61.3	73.6	33.5	107.0	113.1	55.2	168.3	32.5	21.2	27.7
July	38.0	23.2	61.2	66.2	33.4	99.6	104.1	56.6	160.8	30.9	23.7	27.9
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
1999 —												
May	54.6	39.1	93.7	89.4	37.4	126.9	144.1	76.5	220.6	35.6	26.0	31.6
June	52.0	28.3	80.3	80.2	42.2	122.4	132.2	70.5	202.7	34.0	24.0	29.7
July	43.9	30.4	74.3	82.3	39.6	121.9	126.2	70.0	196.2	33.6	24.6	29.8
August	48.7	34.1	82.8	79.4	37.4	116.8	128.0	71.5	199.6	32.8	24.9	29.5
September	46.4	31.3	77.7	80.4	40.5	121.0	126.9	71.8	198.7	32.4	23.8	28.6
October	46.2	28.2	74.4	81.9	38.6	120.5	128.1	66.9	195.0	32.8	23.5	28.9
November	44.8	26.2	71.0	80.8	38.9	119.7	125.6	65.1	190.7	34.3	23.3	29.5
December	45.3	24.8	70.2	80.4	39.8	120.2	125.7	64.7	190.4	32.3	22.8	28.3
2000 —												
January	40.6	24.6	65.1	78.0	43.3	121.3	118.6	67.9	186.4	31.4	24.5	28.5
February	39.6	21.2	60.8	77.4	40.5	117.9	116.9	61.7	178.6	32.5	21.8	27.8
March	37.7	32.2	69.9	74.8	38.5	113.3	112.6	70.7	183.3	30.7	23.9	27.7
April	42.7	30.2	72.9	75.2	42.6	117.9	117.9	72.9	190.8	32.0	25.3	29.1
May	43.5	31.8	75.3	77.8	36.7	114.6	121.3	68.6	189.9	33.5	23.7	29.1
June	41.9	24.0	65.9	77.9	34.3	112.3	119.8	58.4	178.2	32.8	21.1	27.7
July	38.2	24.7	62.9	70.8	34.6	105.4	109.0	59.3	168.3	30.9	23.1	27.6
TREND SERIES												
1999 —												
May	52.4	33.8	86.3	83.5	40.3	123.8	135.9	74.2	210.1	34.4	25.2	30.5
June	50.5	33.0	83.4	82.7	39.8	122.5	133.2	72.7	205.9	34.0	24.8	30.1
July	48.8	32.2	80.9	81.9	39.3	121.2	130.7	71.5	202.2	33.6	24.5	29.7
August	47.5	31.2	78.8	81.4	39.0	120.4	128.9	70.3	199.2	33.3	24.3	29.4
September	46.5	29.9	76.4	80.9	39.1	120.0	127.4	69.0	196.4	33.0	23.9	29.2
October	45.6	28.2	73.8	80.6	39.4	120.0	126.2	67.6	193.7	32.9	23.6	28.9
November	44.4	26.5	71.0	80.2	39.8	120.0	124.6	66.3	191.0	32.7	23.4	28.7
December	43.1	25.5	68.6	79.4	40.4	119.9	122.5	66.0	188.5	32.4	23.3	28.5
2000 —												
January r	41.8	25.5	67.3	78.4	40.9	119.3	120.2	66.4	186.6	32.2	23.4	28.4
February r	41.0	26.5	67.4	77.5	40.8	118.3	118.5	67.3	185.7	32.0	23.5	28.3
March r	40.8	27.6	68.4	76.7	40.1	116.9	117.5	67.8	185.3	32.0	23.6	28.3
April r	40.9	28.3	69.2	76.2	39.0	115.2	117.0	67.3	184.3	32.1	23.5	28.3
May r	41.0	28.3	69.3	75.7	37.6	113.3	116.7	65.9	182.6	32.2	23.3	28.3
June r	41.0	27.9	68.9	75.1	36.2	111.3	116.1	64.1	180.2	32.2	23.0	28.2
July	41.0	27.2	68.2	74.6	34.9	109.5	115.6	62.1	177.7	32.2	22.7	28.1

TABLE 3. DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, STATES AND TERRITORIES, JULY 2000
(’000)

State or Territory	Unemployed under 52 weeks	Long-term unemployed		Total	Long-term unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment
		Unemployed 52 weeks and under 104	Unemployed 104 weeks and over		
MALES					
New South Wales	67.6	10.4	21.6	32.0	32.2
Victoria	50.6	9.3	16.0	25.3	33.3
Queensland	56.0	9.3	12.3	21.7	27.9
South Australia	20.2	4.2	6.9	11.1	35.5
Western Australia	26.0	3.2	4.5	7.7	22.8
Tasmania	7.1	* 0.8	3.8	4.7	39.6
Northern Territory	2.3	* 0.1	* 0.5	* 0.7	* 22.4
Australian Capital Territory	3.4	* 0.5	* 0.6	1.1	23.4
<i>Australia</i>	233.2	38.0	66.2	104.1	30.9
FEMALES					
New South Wales	43.7	7.0	10.2	17.2	28.2
Victoria	50.3	7.8	10.3	18.1	26.5
Queensland	43.4	4.3	6.7	11.0	20.2
South Australia	18.3	* 1.6	2.4	4.0	18.0
Western Australia	18.7	* 1.6	* 1.9	3.5	15.6
Tasmania	4.8	* 0.6	1.3	1.9	28.3
Northern Territory	1.2	* 0.2	* 0.3	* 0.5	* 28.8
Australian Capital Territory	2.2	* 0.2	* 0.3	* 0.5	* 19.2
<i>Australia</i>	182.6	23.2	33.4	56.6	23.7
PERSONS					
New South Wales	111.3	17.5	31.8	49.2	30.7
Victoria	100.9	17.1	26.3	43.4	30.1
Queensland	99.4	13.6	19.1	32.7	24.7
South Australia	38.5	5.9	9.3	15.1	28.2
Western Australia	44.7	4.8	6.3	11.1	20.0
Tasmania	11.9	1.5	5.1	6.5	35.5
Northern Territory	3.4	* 0.3	* 0.8	1.1	24.7
Australian Capital Territory	5.7	* 0.6	* 0.9	1.6	21.8
Australia	415.7	61.2	99.6	160.8	27.9

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 series have shown a high degree of variability which is inherent in data from the Labour Force 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 and 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 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 lower 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 1997. 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 detailed description of which appears in *Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 1993* (cat. no. 1292.0). ANZSIC classifies businesses according to their economic activities in a structure consisting of 4 levels (Division, Subdivision, 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 Australia 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 upon request from Mark Webb on Canberra 02 6252 6525.
- 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.
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