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# June 2000 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. JUNE 2000(b)

		Mal	es			Femo	ales	Persons				
			Unemp-	Partici-			Unemp-	Partici-			Unemp-	Partici-
		Unemp-	loyment	pation		Unemp-	loyment	pation		Unemp-	loyment	pation
	Employed	loyed	rate	rate	Employed	loyed	rate	rate	Employed	loyed	rate	rate
	-	'000 -	- per c	ent -	_	'000 -	- per c	ent -	_	'000 -	- per c	ent -
			NEW SO	UTH WAI	LES							
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,718.7	100.5	5.5	71.8	1,326.0	76.1	5.4	53.6	3,044.7	176.6	5.5	62.6
Sydney Major Statistical Region	1,132.4	48.9	4.1	73.4	887.7	42.9	4.6	55.8	2,020.1	91.8	4.3	64.5
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Statistical												
Regions	136.7	7.1	4.9	72.3	110.4	* 1.8	* 1.6	58.5	247.1	8.9	3.5	65.5
Inner Sydney Statistical Region	86.0	4.7	5.2	73.6	68.9	* 1.1	* 1.5	61.1	154.9	5.7	3.6	67.6
Eastern Suburbs Statistical Region	75.6	* 2.1	* 2.7	74.9	58.2	2.9	4.7	59.2	133.8	5.0	3.6	67.1
St. George-Sutherland Statistical Region	119.1	5.1	4.1	74.7	96.7	3.5	3.5	57.0	215.8	8.6	3.8	65.6
Canterbury-Bankstown Statistical Region	84.4	6.3	6.9	70.3	60.5	4.3	6.6	49.0	144.8	10.5	6.8	59.5
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western												
Sydney Statistical Regions	152.2	8.2	5.1	74.4	109.2	7.8	6.7	52.7	261.4	16.0	5.8	63.4
Fairfield-Liverpool Statistical Region	87.3	* 3.6	* 3.9	72.4	62.1	* 3.4	* 5.1	49.8	149.4	6.9	4.4	60.8
Central Western Sydney Statistical Region	75.8	* 2.0	* 2.6	66.5	51.4	2.2	4.1	45.7	127.2	4.2	3.2	56.1
Outer Western Sydney SR and Blacktown	158.6	7.7	4.6	76.2	123.7	9.8	7.4	58.6	282.3	17.5	5.8	67.2
Lower Northern Sydney Statistical Region	80.2	* 2.6	* 3.1	77.3	71.8	* 0.3	* 0.5	60.6	151.9	* 2.9	* 1.9	68.5
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR and Baulkham Hills	114.4	* 1.4	* 1.2	74.2	97.0	* 2.8	* 2.8	60.5	211.5	4.2	1.9	67.2
Northern Beaches Statistical Region	68.8	* 2.0	* 2.8	75.3	57.4	* 2.8	* 4.7	61.1	126.2	4.8	3.7	68.0
Gosford-Wyong Statistical Region	66.6	4.5	6.3	68.7	51.5	4.7	8.4	49.1	118.1	9.2	7.2	58.4
Balance of New South Wales Major Statistical Region	586.3	51.6	8.1	68.9	438.3	33.2	7.0	49.8	1,024.6	84.8	7.6	59.2
Hunter Statistical Region	143.3	13.3	8.5	66.1	113.0	8.9	7.3	49.5	256.4	22.3	8.0	57.6
Newcastle Statistical Region Sector	125.0	12.6	9.2	66.9	100.3	7.6	7.0	49.9	225.3	20.2	8.2	58.2
Illawarra and South Eastern Statistical Regions(c)	155.3	9.0	5.5	69.5	107.5	7.9	6.8	47.9	262.8	16.9	6.1	58.6
Illawarra Statistical Region	107.7	6.5	5.7	69.7	71.1	5.7	7.5	46.4	178.9	12.3	6.4	58.0
Wollongong Statistical Region Sector	79.8	4.0	4.8	71.6	51.3	3.7	6.7	47.8	131.1	7.7	5.6	59.8
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Regions	93.9	13.7	12.7	65.1	69.5	10.2	12.8	44.7	163.4	23.8	12.7	54.5
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West												
Statistical Regions	119.4	8.7	6.8	68.9	93.0	* 2.6	* 2.8	52.7	212.4	11.4	5.1	60.9
Murray-Murrumbidgee Statistical Region	74.3	6.8	8.4	80.5	55.3	* 3.6	* 6.1	59.0	129.6	10.4	7.4	69.8

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		Mal	les	Females					Persons			
			Unemp-	Partici-			Unemp-	Partici-			Unemp-	Partici-
		Unemp-	loyment	pation		Unemp-	loyment	pation		Unemp-	loyment	pation
	Employed	loyed	rate	rate	Employed	loyed	rate	rate	Employed	loyed	rate	rate
		'000 -	- per c	ent -		'000 -	- per c	ent -		'000 -	- per c	ent -
			VI	CTORIA								
VICTORIA	1,259.4	83.2	6.2	71.9	1,009.7	67.2	6.2	55.4	2,269.0	150.4	6.2	63.5
Melbourne Major Statistical Region	928.7	56.9	5.8	72.4	761.0	47.4	5.9	56.7	1,689.7	104.3	5.8	64.4
Outer Western Melbourne Statistical Region	137.9	11.6	7.7	70.3	115.7	9.0	7.2	56.8	253.6	20.6	7.5	63.5
North Western Melbourne Statistical Region	64.0	7.7	10.7	68.0	52.4	4.5	8.0	51.3	116.4	12.2	9.5	59.5
Inner Melbourne Statistical Region	66.2	3.9	5.6	69.6	63.4	* 2.8	* 4.3	63.8	129.6	6.8	5.0	66.7
North Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	108.1	8.2	7.0	74.2	89.3	7.7	7.9	58.1	197.4	15.9	7.4	65.9
Inner Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	170.7	6.2	3.5	72.6	137.2	6.2	4.3	56.7	307.9	12.4	3.9	64.5
Southern Melbourne Statistical Region	104.5	4.4	4.0	74.2	90.2	3.4	3.7	56.5	194.7	7.8	3.9	64.9
Outer Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	126.3	4.3	3.3	79.0	93.7	4.4	4.5	58.9	220.0	8.7	3.8	68.9
South Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	90.8	6.4	6.6	72.2	68.3	4.7	6.5	53.0	159.0	11.1	6.5	62.5
Mornington Peninsula Statistical Region	60.2	4.2	6.6	67.5	51.0	4.5	8.2	54.4	111.2	8.8	7.3	60.7
Balance of Victoria Major Statistical Region	330.7	26.3	7.4	70.6	248.6	19.8	7.4	51.6	579.3	46.1	7.4	61.0
Barwon-Western District Statistical Region	90.3	9.6	9.6	72.7	63.7	4.6	6.7	48.2	154.0	14.2	8.4	60.2
Central Highlands-Wimmera Statistical Region	56.6	* 4.0	* 6.5	70.8	43.5	* 3.3	* 7.1	56.2	100.1	7.3	6.8	63.6
Loddon-Mallee Statistical Region	55.4	* 3.5	* 6.0	69.1	38.2	* 3.5	* 8.3	47.5	93.7	7.0	7.0	58.2
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray Statistical Region	79.2	5.2	6.2	71.3	60.6	* 3.9	* 6.0	53.1	139.8	9.1	6.1	62.1
All Gippsland Statistical Region	49.2	4.0	7.5	67.4	42.6	4.5	9.6	55.0	91.8	8.5	8.5	60.9
			QUE	ENSLAND	ı							
QUEENSLAND	952.9	77.4	7.5	74.2	734.0	57.5	7.3	56.0	1,686.9	135.0	7.4	65.0
Brisbane Major Statistical Region	437.8	30.4	6.5	73.9	357.0	24.2	6.3	57.7	794.8	54.6	6.4	65.7
Brisbane City Inner Ring Statistical Regions	96.2	6.3	6.2	73.0	91.4	5.0	5.2	61.7	187.6	11.4	5.7	67.0
Brisbane City Outer Ring Statistical Regions	149.3	9.6	6.1	74.6	115.4	6.0	5.0	56.9	264.7	15.7	5.6	65.7
South and East BSD Balance Statistical Regions	93.8	5.9	5.9	76.8	66.6	5.4	7.5	54.1	160.4	11.3	6.6	65.3
North and West BSD Balance Statistical Regions	98.7	8.6	8.0	71.5	83.5	7.7	8.4	57.9	182.2	16.3	8.2	64.6
Balance of Queensland Major Statistical Region	515.0	47.0	8.4	74.5	377.0	33.4	8.1	54.4	892.1	80.4	8.3	64.5
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	92.4	11.2	10.8	70.6	77.6	6.7	7.9	56.1	170.0	17.9	9.5	63.2
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	80.6	5.5	6.4	71.8	56.4	8.8	13.5	50.1	137.0	14.3	9.4	60.5
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	55.3	6.2	10.0	69.0	39.6	5.2	11.6	48.8	94.9	11.4	10.7	58.8
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	67.3	5.4	7.4	78.8	48.4	* 1.7	* 3.3	51.4	115.7	7.1	5.8	64.7
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	95.9	8.4	8.1	79.2	63.9	4.8	7.0	57.1	159.7	13.2	7.6	68.7
Northern-North West Statistical Region	65.3	4.7	6.7	75.0	45.2	* 3.0	* 6.3	57.8	110.6	7.7	6.5	66.9
Far North Statistical Region	58.2	5.5	8.7	78.4	45.9	* 3.3	* 6.6	60.8	104.1	8.8	7.8	69.6
Gold Coast City Parts A and B Statistical Region Sectors	98.7	11.3	10.3	71.8	79.9	6.8	7.9	56.1	178.5	18.2	9.2	63.9

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		Unemp-	loyment	pation		Unemp-	loyment	pation		Unemp-	loyment	pation
	Employed	loyed	rate	rate	Employed	loyed	rate	rate	Employed	loyed	rate	rate
	-	'000 -	- per c			'000 -	- per c	ent -	-	'000 -	- per c	ent -
			SOUTH	AUSTRAL	JIA							
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	380.9	33.5	8.1	70.3	292.2	22.3	7.1	51.1	673.2	55.9	7.7	60.5
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	275.1	24.2	8.1	69.3	220.4	16.5	7.0	51.5	495.5	40.7	7.6	60.1
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	84.5	9.2	9.8	70.7	64.5	6.0	8.5	51.2	149.0	15.1	9.2	60.8
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	53.7	5.6	9.4	68.5	39.2	4.2	9.7	47.4	92.9	9.8	9.5	57.7
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	57.7	3.7	6.1	68.9	50.3	2.7	5.2	55.1	108.0	6.5	5.7	61.7
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	79.2	5.7	6.7	68.5	66.4	3.6	5.1	52.0	145.7	9.3	6.0	59.9
Balance of South Australia Major Statistical Region	105.8	9.3	8.1	73.1	71.9	5.9	7.6	50.1	177.7	15.2	7.9	61.7
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	38.2	3.6	8.6	69.9	24.2	* 1.8	* 7.1	44.6	62.4	5.4	8.0	57.4
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	67.7	5.7	7.8	75.0	47.7	4.0	7.8	53.5	115.3	9.8	7.8	64.3
			WESTER	N AUSTRA	ALIA							
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	524.3	31.7	5.7	74.9	400.7	24.9	5.9	57.2	925.0	56.7	5.8	66.0
Perth Major Statistical Region	377.7	22.9	5.7	73.6	303.5	17.3	5.4	57.1	681.3	40.2	5.6	65.2
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	34.4	1.4	3.8	70.4	27.1	1.6	5.6	57.8	61.6	3.0	4.6	64.1
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	56.8	3.1	5.2	71.1	45.6	2.7	5.7	53.9	102.4	5.9	5.4	62.2
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	120.5	6.2	4.9	75.1	100.4	4.5	4.3	59.1	220.9	10.7	4.6	66.9
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	81.5	6.0	6.8	75.3	58.3	5.6	8.8	53.8	139.8	11.6	7.7	64.4
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	84.6	6.3	6.9	73.0	72.1	2.8	3.8	59.6	156.7	9.1	5.5	66.2
Balance of Western Australia Major Statistical Region	146.5	8.8	5.7	78.4	97.1	7.6	7.3	57.6	243.7	16.4	6.3	68.4
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	72.5	4.2	5.4	73.6	47.2	3.4	6.8	49.5	119.6	7.6	6.0	61.7
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	74.1	4.6	5.9	83.6	50.0	4.2	7.8	68.1	124.0	8.8	6.7	76.5
			TAS	SMANIA								
TASMANIA	109.5	13.2	10.8	68.0	90.1	7.0	7.2	51.0	199.6	20.2	9.2	59.3
Greater Hobart-Southern Statistical Region Sector	51.9	6.1	10.6	66.0	44.7	4.1	8.3	52.7	96.6	10.2	9.5	59.2
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	43.5	5.5	11.3	66.0	39.3	3.3	7.8	52.9	82.8	8.8	9.6	59.2
Northern Statistical Region Sector	34.1	3.3	8.9	69.9	25.8	1.2	4.4	49.0	59.8	4.5	7.0	59.3
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	23.6	3.8	13.8	69.9	19.6	1.8	8.3	49.9	43.2	5.5	11.4	59.5
- Horsey Eyen Statistical Region Sector	25.0	3.0	NORTHER			1.0	0.5	17.7	13.2		11	
NORTHERN TERRITORY	50.8	3.1	5.8	73.7	39.7	1.6	4.0	61.7	90.5	4.8	5.0	67.9
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AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH	ALIAN CALII	AL ILKKII	OKI AND	500 III Er	TO I LIVIA (IA	on joinin	JICAL KE	31011				
EASTERN STATISTICAL REGION(c)	135.5	8.0	5.6	75.2	115.4	5.6	4.7	60.8	250.9	13.7	5.2	67.8
		AUS	TRALIAN C	APITAL T	ERRITORY	7						
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	88.0	5.5	5.9	78.9	79.0	3.5	4.2	66.6	167.0	9.0	5.1	72.6
				STRALIA								
AUSTRALIA	5,084.5	348.3	6.4	72.5	3,971.4	260.3	6.2	54.9	9,055.9	608.6	6.3	63.6

<sup>(</sup>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

		Inemployed eks and unde		Long-te	rm unemplo Inemployed weeks and o			Total		Long-term unemploymen as a proportion of total unemployment		
Month	<u> 32 wee</u> Males	Females	Persons -	Males	Females	Persons -	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
					-'000- ORIGIN	AI.					per cent	
1000					ortion,							
1999 —	52.2	20.2	04.5	02.0	40.1	105.0	125.0	745	200.7	22.6	24.6	20.7
April May	52.2 54.4	32.3 36.9	84.5 91.3	83.0 84.9	42.1 36.1	125.2 121.0	135.2 139.3	74.5 73.0	209.7 212.3	33.6 35.0	24.6 25.1	29.7 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	117.0	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
				SEAS	ONALLY A	ADJUSTED						
1999 —												
April	54.1	33.4	87.5	84.4	41.6	126.0	138.5	75.0	213.5	34.0	25.3	30.3
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 September	48.7 46.4	34.1 31.3	82.8 77.7	79.4 80.4	37.4 40.5	116.8 121.0	128.0 126.9	71.5 71.8	199.6 198.7	32.8 32.4	24.9 23.8	29.5 28.6
October	46.2	28.2	74.4	81.9	38.6	121.0	128.1	66.9	195.7	32.4	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
					TREND SE	ERIES						
1999 —												
April	54.2	34.9	89.1	84.5	41.2	125.8	138.7	76.1	214.8	34.8	25.7	30.9
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 r	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	67.2	78.3	40.9	119.2	120.1	66.3	186.4	32.2	23.4	28.4
February r	40.9	26.4	67.3	77.3	40.7	118.0	118.2	67.1	185.3	32.0	23.5	28.3
March r	40.7	27.6	68.3	76.6	40.1	116.7	117.4	67.7	185.0	32.0	23.6	28.3
April r	41.0	28.5	69.4	76.4	39.1	115.5	117.3	67.6	184.9	32.1	23.5	28.3
May r	41.4	29.0	70.4	76.4	38.0	114.4	117.8	66.9	184.7	32.3	23.3	28.4
June	41.9	29.1	71.0	76.6	36.7	113.4	118.5	65.9	184.4	32.7	23.0	28.4

TABLE 3. DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, STATES AND TERRITORIES, JUNE 2000 ('000)

		(*000)			
		Long	g-term unemployed		Long-term
State or		Unemployed	Unemployed		unemployment as
Territory	Unemployed	52 weeks and	104 weeks		a proportion of total
	under 52 weeks	under 104	and over	Total	unemployment
		MALES			
New South Wales	67.3	10.1	23.0	33.2	33.0
Victoria	55.3	9.0	18.9	27.9	33.5
Queensland	53.2	10.1	14.2	24.3	31.3
South Australia	21.4	4.3	7.9	12.2	36.3
Western Australia	24.2	2.9	4.6	7.5	23.6
Tasmania	7.8	1.4	4.1	5.5	41.3
Northern Territory	2.3	* 0.6	* 0.2	* 0.8	* 25.7
Australian Capital Territory	3.8	* 1.0	* 0.8	1.8	32.2
Australia	235.3	39.5	73.6	113.1	32.5
		FEMALES			
New South Wales	59.0	5.9	11.2	17.1	22.5
Victoria	50.1	7.3	9.8	17.1	25.5
Queensland	46.2	4.6	6.7	11.3	19.7
South Australia	18.8	* 0.6	2.9	3.5	15.8
Western Australia	21.7	* 2.0	* 1.3	3.3	13.1
Tasmania	4.9	* 1.0	1.1	2.1	29.4
Northern Territory	1.3	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 0.4	* 23.2
Australian Capital Territory	3.1	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 0.4	* 11.8
Australia	205.0	21.8	33.5	55.2	21.2
		PERSONS			
New South Wales	126.3	16.1	34.2	50.3	28.5
Victoria	105.4	16.3	28.7	45.0	29.9
Queensland	99.4	14.7	20.9	35.6	26.4
South Australia	40.2	4.9	10.8	15.7	28.1
Western Australia	45.9	4.9	5.9	10.8	19.0
Tasmania	12.7	2.4	5.2	7.5	37.2
Northern Territory	3.6	* 0.8	* 0.4	1.2	24.9
Australian Capital Territory	6.8	1.2	* 1.0	2.2	24.3
Australia	440.3	61.3	107.0	168.3	27.7

#### **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.

#### 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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