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# General Information

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## Symbols

The following symbols mean:

cr.	credit
dr.	debit
n.a.	not available
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
n.e.i.	not elsewhere included
n.e.s.	not elsewhere specified
n.p.	not available for publication, but included in totals where applicable
n.y.a.	not yet available
p	preliminary - figure or series subject to revision
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
..	not applicable
-	nil or rounded down to zero
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*	subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes

M, males; F, females; T, total

## Other forms of usage

The following abbreviations are used for the titles of the Australian States and Territories and Australia: NSW (New South Wales), Vic. (Victoria), Qld (Queensland), SA (South Australia), WA (Western Australia), Tas. (Tasmania), NT (Northern Territory), ACT (Australian Capital Territory), and Aust. (Australia).

Yearly periods shown as, e.g. 1991 refer to the year ended 31 December 1991. Those shown as, e.g. 1990-91 refer to the year ended 30 June 1991. Other yearly periods are specifically indicated.

Values are shown in Australian dollars (\$) or cents (c) unless another currency is specified.

All data are presented in metric terms.

Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

## Availability of ABS publications

The Victorian Office of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) maintains an Information Consultancy Service, which provides advice on what products are available to best meet users needs, as well as a library in which all publications of the ABS are available for reference. Business people, government officers, students, and members of the public are invited to make use of these services.

Information regarding the availability of ABS publications can be obtained from the Information Services Section, Australian Bureau of Statistics, Box 2796Y, G.P.O., Melbourne, 3001, phone (03) 615 7000. All publications issued by the ABS are contained in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0) which is available from any ABS Office.

# Preface

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The *Victorian Year Book* is the major reference work of the Victorian Office of the Australian Bureau of Statistics. This edition, the 106th, presents a comprehensive statistical profile of the social, demographic and economic structure of the State.

The ABS aims to encourage informed decision making by government, businesses and the community. A feature of this Year Book is the guide to major ABS Classifications. I hope that this insight into classifications (which are fundamental to reliable and accurate statistical work) will encourage the wider use of national classifications and statistical systems.

A bibliography is included at the end of each chapter. Readers are encouraged to access these source publications for more detailed, and in many cases more up to date, statistics.

High quality statistical information is always invaluable, but particularly so in the current economic climate. Monitoring the economy, planning for services, and marketing products are activities which should be based on statistical information. The ABS stock of data is currently being greatly increased by output from the 1991 Census of Population and Housing. I commend to you the census data, which is being progressively released during 1993.

I extend my thanks to all the staff involved in the preparation of the Year Book, in particular to the editor Maurice Wright, and to the organisations who have supplied material for inclusion in this edition.

Vince Lazzaro  
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March 1993

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