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The following *abbreviations* are used for the titles of the Australian States and Territories and Australia: N.S.W. (New South Wales), Vic. (Victoria), Qld (Queensland), S.A. (South Australia), W.A. (Western Australia), Tas. (Tasmania), N.T. (Northern Territory), A.C.T. (Australian Capital Territory), Aust. (Australia).

In general, the *statistics in this volume relate to the States and Territories of Australia*, i.e. they exclude particulars of the External Territories of Australia, which, however, are specifically dealt with in Chapter 27, The Territories of Australia. A few series elsewhere include particulars of Papua New Guinea because of the nature of the subject-matter; these series are indicated.

Yearly periods shown as e.g. 1982 refer to the year ended 31 December 1982; those shown as e.g. 1981–82 refer to the year ended 30 June 1982. Other yearly periods are specifically indicated. The range of years shown in table heading, e.g. 1901 to 1981–82, indicates the period covered, but does not necessarily imply that each intervening year is included.

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PREFACE

The Year Book is the principal reference work produced by the Central Office of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). It provides a comprehensive and detailed statistical review of all aspects of the economy and social conditions of Australia. In addition, it contains descriptive matter dealing with Australia's history, geography, physiography, climate and meteorology, government, defence, and repatriation services and international relations.

This is the sixty-eighth Year Book issued under the authority of the Commonwealth Government (the first Year Book was published early in 1908) and follows a similar pattern to previous editions. Some of the chapters have been extensively revised, new material has been added and a number of new features have been introduced.

The various chapters of the Year Book contain references to special articles, background material and items of historic interest which have appeared in previous issues.

Most of the statistics contained in this volume relate to the years ended June or December 1982 or 1983. More detailed, and in many cases more recent, statistics dealt with in the Year Book are available in other ABS publications. These publications are listed in the ABS Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0).

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