

RETAIL TRADE

		1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Turnover of retail establishments				
Food retailing	\$m	16 800.1	17 434.1	18 342.0
Department stores	"	4 043.8	3 969.1	4 123.4
Clothing and soft good retailing	"	3 293.0	3 374.7	3 301.5
Household good retailing	"	5 346.9	5 459.3	5 154.6
Recreational good retailing	"	2 367.5	2 607.3	2 681.0
Other retailing	"	4 401.6	4 537.4	4 788.7
Hospitality and services	"	9 397.1	8 913.1	9 152.3

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

		1995-96	1996-97	1997-98(a)
Hotels and motels, etc. with facilities, 30 June	No.	1 743	1 740	1 265
Takings from accommodation	\$m	1 217	1 291	1 326
Number of guest rooms, 30 June	No.	57 920	57 877	56 425

(a) From the March quarter 1998, the scope of the Tourist Accommodation Survey includes hotels, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or units.

PRICE INDEXES

		1996	1997	1998
Consumer Price Index, Sydney, June, change from previous year				
All groups	%	3.9	0.3	1.0
Food	"	3.2	3.2	1.8
Clothing	"	0.7	-0.1	-0.7
Housing	"	3.2	-7.5	-0.5
Household equipment and operation	"	2.0	1.3	-0.4
Transportation	"	6.3	0.3	-0.4
Tobacco and alcohol	"	10.4	0.6	2.9
Health and personal care	"	4.5	7.0	3.6
Recreation and education	"	1.2	1.3	4.3

Retail Prices, selected items, Sydney, June				
Milk, carton, supermarket sales, 1 litre	cents	113	115	116
Bread, white loaf, sliced, supermarket, 680g	"	194	201	211
Rump steak, 1kg	"	1 283	1 205	1 203
Potatoes, 1kg	"	83	121	103
Eggs, 55g, 1 doz	"	262	277	283
Margarine, poly-unsaturated, 500g	"	163	169	164
Petrol, super grade, 1 litre	"	75.0	75.9	73.5
Beer, full strength, unchilled 24x375ml bottles"	"	2 653	2 673	2 671

Price index of building materials, Sydney				
All groups, change from previous year, June				
Used in house building	%	0.1	0.9	2.9
Used in building other than house building	"	0.8	1.2	0.8

PUBLIC FINANCE

		1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
State Government				
Consolidated Public Sector				
Current outlays	\$m	20 607	22 006	23 070
Capital outlays	"	4 133	3 602	4 355
Total outlays	"	24 741	25 608	27 424
Revenue				
Grants received	"	9 261	9 366	9 475
Taxes	"	10 744	11 798	12 907
Other revenue	"	3 065	4 380	3 995
Total	"	23 070	25 544	26 378
Financing transactions	"	1 672	63	1 046

Local Government				
Current outlays	\$m	1 964	2 042	2 107
Capital outlays	"	8 907	802	895
Total outlays	"	10 871	2 844	3 002
Revenue				
Grants received	"	8 678	642	635
Taxes	"	1 952	2 087	2 152
Other revenue	"	520	521	537
Total	"	11 149	3 250	3 324
Financing transactions	"	-278	-406	-322

PRIVATE FINAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE

		1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
Total expenditure	\$m	101 639	109 553	114 007
Food	"	13 769	15 358	15 882
Cigarettes and tobacco	"	1 865	2 195	2 152
Alcoholic drinks	"	4 100	4 441	4 334
Clothing, fabrics and footwear	"	5 029	5 395	5 293
Household durables	"	6 537	6 857	6 830
Health	"	7 294	7 593	7 757
Dwelling rent	"	21 121	22 665	23 921
Gas, electricity and fuel	"	1 811	1 808	1 947
Travel and communication	"	15 252	16 130	16 864
All other goods	"	6 770	7 578	7 915
All other services	"	18 091	19 533	21 112

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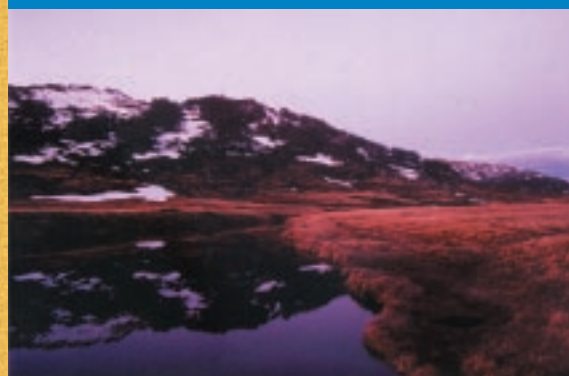
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NEW SOUTH WALES
at a glance



New South Wales Relative to Australia

	Period	%
Area		10.4
Population	June 1997	33.8
Employed persons	August 1998	33.0
Higher education students	March 1997	31.0
Industrial disputes, working days lost	Year ended Oct. 1998	31.0
Dwellings completed	1997–98	31.4
Motor vehicles, number on the register	October 1997	30.3
Motor vehicles, new registrations	1997–98	33.5

Agricultural production		
Gross value of production	Year ended 31 March 1998p	28.3
Wheat for grain, quantity	Year ended 31 March 1998p	30.3
Rice produced, quantity	Year ended 31 March 1997	99.4
Seed cotton produced, quantity	"	69.2
Wool receivals, Brokers and dealers	Year ended 30 June 1998	28.6
Cattle for meat production	Year ended 31 March 1998p	24.4
Cattle for milk production	"	13.2
Sheep and lambs	"	34.6
Pigs	"	30.2

Manufacturing turnover		
Food, beverages and tobacco mfg	1996–97	29.7
Textile, clothing, footwear and leather mfg	"	32.9
Wood and paper product mfg	"	30.7
Printing, publishing and recorded media	"	45.6
Petroleum, coal, chemical and associated product mfg	"	36.7
Non-metallic mineral product mfg	"	31.5
Metal product mfg	"	36.8
Machinery and equipment mfg	"	25.6
Other manufacturing	"	30.9

Overseas exports	1997–98	23.6
Overseas imports	"	42.4

Retail turnover	Year ended Dec. 1998	34.8
Secured housing finance committed to individuals (value)	Year ended June 1998	40.1

Banks and Other Private Finance

	1996	1997	1998
All banks, at 30 June			
Deposits repayable in Australia,	\$m	283 777	315 385 334 893

Finance companies, at 30 June			
Lease receivables	"	2 551.6	2 498.3 2 834.4
Total loan outstandings	"	7 587.5	7 553.4 8 024.5

Building societies, at 30 June			
Loan outstandings	"	2 636.3	3 233.0 3 547.2
Borrowings including withdrawable share capital	"	3 813.8	4 236.0 4 629.8

Credit co-operatives, at 30 June			
Loan outstandings	"	5 403.7	5 679.7 6 231.1
Borrowing	"	5 997.4	6 450.1 6 749.4

Population

		1995	1996	1997
Estimated resident population, 30 June	'000	6 112.2	6 204.7	6 274.4
Males	"	3 037.2	3 081.0	3 115.3
Females	"	3 075.0	3 123.7	3 159.1

Age groups (proportion of population)				
0–4 years	%	7.1	7.1	7.0
5–14 years	"	14.1	14.1	14.0
15–19 years	"	6.8	6.8	6.8
20–64 years	"	59.5	59.4	59.5
65 years or more	"	12.5	12.6	12.7

Vital Statistics

		1995	1996	1997
Births	No.	87 849	86 595	87 156
<i>Rate(a)</i>		<i>14.4</i>	<i>14.0</i>	<i>13.9</i>
Deaths	"	44 773	45 141	45 641
<i>Rate(a)</i>		<i>7.3</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>7.3</i>
Marriages	"	37 828	35 716	36 679
<i>Rate(a)</i>		<i>6.2</i>	<i>5.8</i>	<i>5.8</i>
Divorces	"	14 945	15 984	14 655
<i>Rate(a)</i>		<i>2.4</i>	<i>2.6</i>	<i>2.3</i>

(a) Per 1,000 estimated resident population at 30 June.

Health

		1995	1996	1997
Total hospital beds, 30 June				
Public	No.	21 550	21 243	20 256
Private	"	33 246	33 090	33 234

Total beds, 30 June				
Public	"	21 849	21 550	21 243
Private	"	32 651	33 246	33 090

Registered medical practitioners, 30 June	"	21 624	22 231	22 863
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Major causes of death				
Heart disease	"	13 571	13 642	13 331
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	"	11 761	11 924	11 822

Building

		1995–96	1996–97	1997–98
New residential buildings approved	'000	41.7	45.9	50.7
New residential buildings commenced	"	40.3	42.1	46.3
New residential buildings completed	"	45.4	40.2	41.1
Houses	%	57.4	58.3	61.6
Other residential buildings	"	42.6	41.7	38.4

Value of all building completed	\$m	10 287.2	9 402.7	10 710.2
New residential buildings	"	5 073.0	4 525.8	4 883.6
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	"	1 323.5	1 077.2	1 198.6
Loans approved to individuals for housing	"	17 129	21 200	23 099

Education

		1996	1997	1998
Schools(a)	No.	3 053	3 068	3 075
Government	"	2 186	2 186	2 187
Non-government	"	867	882	888

Teachers (full-time equivalent)	'000	69.0	69.8	70.7
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School students(a) (full-time)	'000	1 065.3	1 074.2	1 081.6
Primary	%	57.4	57.2	57.2
Secondary	"	42.6	42.8	42.8
Government	"	71.3	71.0	70.6
Non-government	"	28.7	29.0	29.4

Higher education students, at 31 March	No.	195 240	204 524	n.y.a.
TAFE, enrolments(b)	"	417 319	424 450	n.y.a.

(a) Figures at August. (b) The figures for 1996 have been revised using national counting rules and are not comparable with previous years.

Labour

		1996	1997	1998
Labour force status (August survey)				
Civilian population aged 15 and over	'000	4 878.1	4 942.9	5 002.6
Not in the labour force	"	1 859.5	1 964.5	1 967.2
Total labour force	"	3 018.6	2 978.4	3 035.4
Employed persons	"	2 780.5	2 750.5	2 814.1
Unemployed persons	"	238.1	228.0	221.3

Unemployment rate	%	7.9	7.7	7.3
Males	"	8.5	7.9	7.9
Females	"	7.0	7.3	6.5

Participation rate	"	61.9	60.3	60.7
Males	"	72.4	70.2	70.5
Females	"	51.7	50.7	51.2

Average Weekly Earnings, NSW (May survey)				
All males total earnings	\$	707.6	708.5	734.3
Full-time adult male total earnings	"	817.8	824.4	854.5

All females total earnings	"	472.4	481.8	488.0
Full-time adult female total earnings	"	635.4	659.0	681.8

All employees total earnings	"	600.2	599.6	613.0
Full-time adults total earnings	"	751.8	762.0	788.8

Road Traffic

		1995–96	1996–97	1997–98
Road transport				
New motor vehicles registered	'000	228.0	235.4	267.2
Passenger vehicles	"	188.7	196.5	223.4
Motor cycles	"	6.7	6.8	8.1
Motor vehicles on the register at 31 October	"	3 448.9	3 530.1	n.y.a.
Passenger vehicles	"	2 775.7	2 843.9	n.y.a.
Motor cycles	"	77.9	80.6	n.y.a.
Drivers' and riders' licences at 30 June	"	4 216.2	4 319.6	4 404.5

Agriculture

		1995–96	1996–97	1997–98
Area of establishments at 31 March	'000 ha	61 017	60 901	n.y.a.
Number of establishments at 31 March	No.	42 498	42 758	n.y.a.
Growing wheat	"	9 968	12 048	n.y.a.
With sheep and lambs	"	19 937	19 592	n.y.a.
With milk cattle	"	2 510	2 313	n.y.a.
With meat cattle	"	28 323	28 492	n.y.a.

Production				
Wheat for grain year ended 31 March	'000 tonnes	4 508	8 363	5 893p
Wool receivals, brokers and dealers	"	170	196	183
Whole milk	mill. L	1 115	1 192	1 242
Beef and veal	'000 tonnes	474	488	495
Mutton and lamb	"	184	176	189

Livestock at 31 March				
Milk cattle	'000	371	393	397p
Meat cattle	"	6 019	6 118	5 775p
Sheep and lambs	"	41 090	42 388	41 409p
Pigs	"	710	729	810p

Mining and Energy

		1995–96	1996–97	1997–98
Metal ore mining, employment	persons	2 199	2 133	n.y.a.
Metal ore mining, turnover	\$m	666.1	828.5	n.y.a.
Coal, employment	persons	13 310	13 832	n.y.a.
Coal, turnover	\$m	4 142.1	4 844.3	n.y.a.
Black coal production	'000 tonnes	113 089	123 680	n.y.a.

Electricity generated	mill. kWh	62 047	62 788	61 804
Gas (available for issue through mains)	PJ	104	109	112

Manufacturing

		1994–95	1995–96	1996–97
Employment, 30 June(a)	'000	318.3	310.0	310.3
Wages and salaries(b)	\$m	10 600	10 627	11 228
Turnover	\$m	65 930	66 965	68 211

(a) includes working proprietors.
(b) Excludes the drawings of working proprietors.

Output of Selected Products

		1995–96	1996–97	1997–98
Whole milk	million L	1 114	1 192	1 242
Butter	tonnes	5 196	4 802	5 396
Cheese	tonnes	18 288	21 490	22 810
Chicken meat	tonnes	199 152	200 277	213 557
Beef and veal	tonnes	474 482	487 675	494 622
Clay bricks	million	635	630	591
Ready mixed concrete	'000 m3	5 039	5 306	6 018