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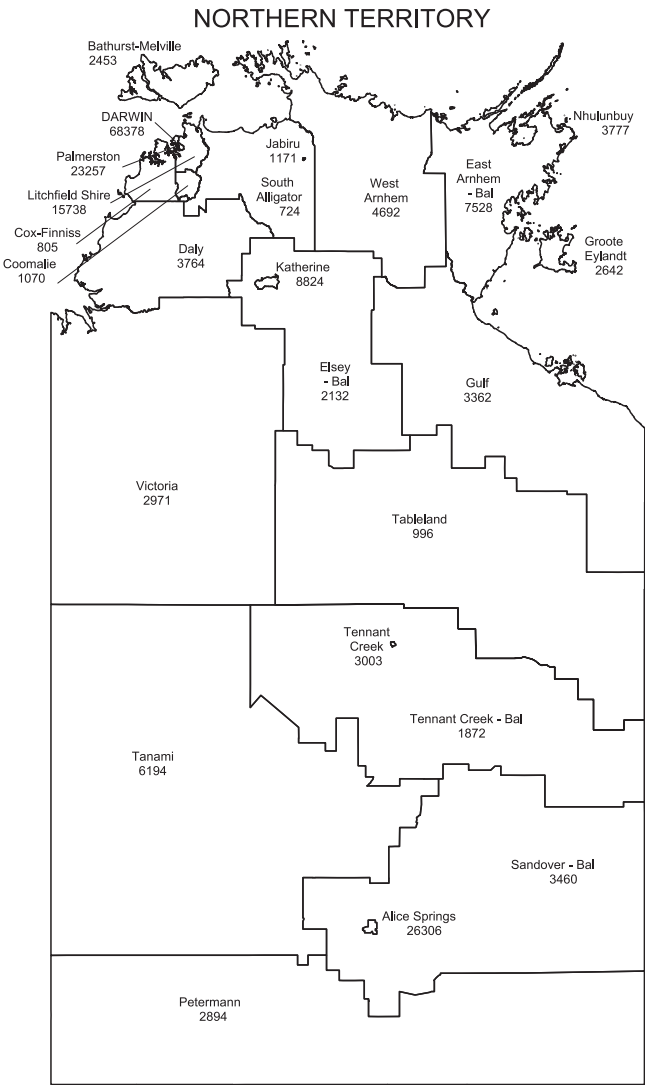
2003 NORTHERN TERRITORY AT A GLANCE



Northern Territory (NT) comprises a land area of 1,346,200 km². It is the third largest of the states and territories after Western Australia and Queensland, yet has the smallest population and population density.

Darwin City has an estimated population of 68,378. It is the commercial and administrative centre of the Territory. Mining, tourism and defence are major contributors to the NT economy. Darwin is as close to Singapore and Manila as it is to Sydney and Melbourne.

Alice Springs is the largest regional population centre outside Darwin and is the base for significant tourism activities in the Central Region. Tourism infrastructure is well developed in Alice Springs, Yulara and other local destinations and supports a growing number of visitors. Almost half of the Territory's 1,723,000 visitors in 2001–02 visited the Centre.



June 2002 Estimated Resident Population (p)

CLIMATE

		Darwin	Alice Springs
Mean annual rainfall	mm	1 700	287
Mean annual temperature			
min	°C	23.2	13.2
max	°C	32.0	28.6
Mean annual relative humidity			
9.00 am	%	72	43
3.00 pm	%	54	25
Highest daily rainfall 544.6 mm was recorded at Roper River Station in 1963.			
Highest maximum temperature 48.3°C was recorded at Finke in 1960.			
Lowest minimum temperature −7.5°C was recorded at Alice Springs in 1976.			

DEMOGRAPHY

Estimated Resident Population (30 June)		2001	2002
Darwin City	no.	r68 710	p68 378
Palmerston	no.	r22 559	p23 257
Litchfield Shire	no.	r15 573	p15 738
Katherine	no.	r8 956	p8 824
Tennant Creek	no.	r3 002	p3 003
Alice Springs	no.	r26 520	p26 306
Northern Territory	no.	r197 768	p198 013
Indigenous Population (Census Counts)		1996	2001
Darwin City	no.	5 723	5 983
Palmerston	no.	1 466	2 346
Litchfield Shire	no.	980	944
Katherine	no.	1 623	1 898
Tennant Creek	no.	1 517	1 176
Alice Springs	no.	3 911	4 252
Northern Territory	no.	46 277	50 785
Vital Statistics		2000	2001
Births	no.	3 685	3 822
Rate per 1,000 population		18.9	19.1
Deaths	no.	909	872
Rate per 1,000 population		4.7	4.4
Marriages	no.	861	781
Rate per 1,000 population		4.4	3.9
Divorces granted	no.	455	447
Rate per 1,000 population		2.3	2.2

CONSTRUCTION

Building approvals		2000–01	2001–02
Total new houses	no.	607	643
Total new other residential building	no.	486	303
Total non-residential building	\$m	196.6	159.4
Total building	\$m	374.1	321.1
Building completions			
Total new houses	no.	597	678
Total new other residential building	no.	467	352
Total non-residential building	\$m	130.6	169.7
Total building	\$m	309.4	337.3

EDUCATION

		2001	2002
Primary and secondary schools	no.	181	183
Teaching staff (full-time equivalent)	no.	2 813	2 827
Full-time students	no.	36 966	36 674

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LABOUR

Labour Force (trend estimate)		Jan 2002	Jan 2003
Employed persons	no.	98 400	98 200
Unemployed persons	no.	7 900	6 100
Unemployment rate	%	7.5	5.9
Participation rate	%	74.5	73.4
Labour force	no.	106 300	104 300
Civilian population aged 15 and over	no.	142 800	142 000
Average Weekly Earnings		Nov 2001	Nov 2002
All males total earnings	\$	786.80	820.70
All females total earnings	\$	579.90	595.00
All employees total earnings	\$	683.40	706.10

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

		Nov 2002
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	no.	1 293
Mining	no.	2 741
Manufacturing	no.	3 806
Electricity, gas and water supply	no.	915
Construction	no.	7 767
Wholesale trade	no.	2 254
Retail trade	no.	15 818
Accommodation, cafes & restaurants	no.	5 678
Transport and storage	no.	7 483
Communication services	no.	1 113
Finance and insurance	no.	1 832
Property and business services	no.	9 592
Government administration & defence	no.	15 639
Education	no.	9 991
Health and community services	no.	9 378
Cultural and recreational services	no.	2 897
Personal and other services	no.	4 468
Total	no.	102 663

MANUFACTURING

		1999–2000	2000–01
Persons employed at end of June	no.	3 300	3 300
Wages and salaries	\$m	144.9	158.7
Industry value added	\$m	351.5	301.3

OVERSEAS TRADE

Value of NT imports from		2000–01	2001–02
Singapore	\$m	188.8	165.3
Japan	\$m	74.0	129.1
Kuwait	\$m	136.9	121.6
United States of America	\$m	113.7	92.0
France	\$m	17.4	23.1
United Arab Emirates	\$m	13.6	23.0
Indonesia	\$m	17.6	22.9
Switzerland	\$m	1.0	16.0
<i>Total all countries</i>	<i>\$m</i>	670.3	780.2
Value of NT exports to			
Singapore	\$m	1 348.1	1 003.8
China	\$m	276.1	412.8
Korea, Republic of	\$m	589.6	297.9
Japan	\$m	497.5	196.0
Indonesia	\$m	135.5	175.2
Hong Kong	\$m	55.9	145.0
New Zealand	\$m	54.4	125.7
United States of America	\$m	274.3	118.7
<i>Total all countries</i>	<i>\$m</i>	4 256.0	2 948.3

PRICES — DARWIN

		2000–01	2001–02
Consumer Price Index (Base: 1989–90 = 100.0)		130.9	133.7
Established House Price Index (Base: 1989–90 = 100.0)		198.7	204.2
Average Retail Prices — Darwin (cents)		Dec qtr 2001	Dec qtr 2002
Milk, supermarket sales	1 litre	165	176
Bread, white loaf, sliced, supermarket sales	650 g	263	274
Rump steak	1 kg	1 432	1 482
Potatoes	1 kg	181	190
Eggs — 1 dozen	54 g	373	389
Margarine, poly-unsaturated	500 g	213	235
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	635	584
Draught beer, full strength, public bar	285 ml glass	254	262
Petrol, unleaded	1 litre	90.3	95.6

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Agriculture		2000–01	2001–02
Live cattle exports	no.	251 643	265 150
Live cattle exports	\$m	140.2	177.8
Total livestock slaughterings, disposals and products	\$m	205.2	na
Crops and horticulture	\$m	64.4	na
<i>Total agriculture (gross value)</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>269.6</i>	<i>na</i>
Fishing		2000–01	2001–02
Estimated value of catch			
Barramundi	\$m	5.5	5.0
Mud Crabs	\$m	10.3	10.3
Prawns	\$m	73.3	80.5
<i>Total for NT Fisheries</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>142.1</i>	<i>117.1</i>

MINERALS, OIL AND GAS

		1999–2000	2000–01
Persons employed	no.	1 595	1 668
Wages and salaries	\$m	123	142
Sales of goods and services	\$m	1 348	3 731
Value of production	\$m	1 290	3 633
Mineral exploration expenditure		2000–01	2001–02
Gold	\$m	26.7	25.3
Total mineral exploration (other than petroleum)	\$m	47.5	48.4
NT/Ashmore & Cartier Islands petroleum exploration	\$m	63.4	168.3

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

		Sep qtr 2001	Sep qtr 2002
Guest arrivals			
Licensed hotels with facilities	no.	129 200	118 000
Motels & guest houses	no.	206 700	194 900
Serviced apartments	no.	56 000	50 800
Takings from accommodation			
Licensed hotels with facilities	\$m	19.9	19.9
Motels & guest houses	\$m	21.8	21.0
Serviced apartments	\$m	10.1	9.8

TRANSPORT

		2001	2002
Sales of new motor vehicles	no.	7 201	7 412
Motor vehicles on register (excl. motor cycles)	no.	99 230	100 381
Motor cycles on register	no.	3 594	3 414

SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED

°C	— degrees Celsius	mm	— millimetres
\$m	— dollar millions	na	— not available
g	— grams	no.	— number
kg	— kilogram	p	— preliminary
km	— kilometre	r	— revised
ml	— millilitres	qtr	— quarter

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