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Preface

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) is Australia's official statistical agency. The mission of the ABS is to assist and encourage informed decision-making, research and discussion within governments and the community, by providing a high quality, objective and responsive national statistical service. In order to produce official statistics, the ABS undertakes a large number of separate collections; ranging from periodic censuses to regular surveys, to provide current social and economic indicators. This 2000 Victorian Year Book, the 112th edition, presents a wide range of statistical information on the social, demographic and economic structure of Victoria; and represents a first point of reference for people throughout the community endeavouring to satisfy their statistical needs.

The feature article for this edition of the Year Book is titled "Developments in Education", and has been contributed by the Department of Education, Employment and Training. The article looks at the major reforms in education over the last two decades, and discusses the range of programmes available at all levels of education—school, higher education, TAFE, and adult and community education.

A number of other agencies have contributed to, or provided material for, this edition: Victorian Grants Commission, Land Victoria, Environment Protection Authority, Parliamentary Library, Office of Local Government, Department of Human Services, Victorian and Tasmanian Casino and Gaming Authorities, the Department of Transport and Regional Services, Bureau of Meteorology, Department of Treasury and Finance, Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs, National Centre for Vocational Education Research, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Health Insurance Commission, Victorian Dairy Industry Association, Marine and Freshwater Resources Institute, Bureau of Resource Sciences.

All sources have been carefully referenced to assist those seeking more detailed data. If further information is required, ABS publications can be accessed through public libraries, obtained via our subscription service or purchased on an ad hoc basis. An extensive range of products and services, including a comprehensive consultancy service, is also available through the National Information Service on 1300 135 070.

The production of the Year Book has involved significant input from a number of individuals within the ABS and various other organisations. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of all those involved in bringing together this edition of the Year Book.

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General information

List of abbreviations and symbols

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
AIDS	Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
ANSZIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification
ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographic Classification
B	borough
BTR	Bureau of Tourism Research
C	council
CBD	Central Business District
CPI	Consumer Price Index
EPA	Environment Protection Authority
ERP	Estimated resident population
EVAO	Estimated Value of Agricultural Operations
f.o.b.	free on board
FTE	full time equivalent
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GVACP	Gross Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced
ha	hectare
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
ICD	International classification of diseases
IVS	International Visitors Survey
LCI	Labour Cost Index
LGA	Local Government Area
LPG	liquified petroleum gas
MSD	Melbourne Statistical Division
n.a.	not available
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
n.e.s.	not elsewhere specified
n.f.d.	not further defined
n.y.a.	not yet available
p	preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
RC	Regional Council
S	shire
SMHWB	Survey of Mental Health and Wellbeing
TAB	Totalisator Agency Board
TAC	Transport Accident Commission
TAFE	Training and Further Education
USA	United States of America
VRGP	Victorian registered general practitioner
WCI	Wage Cost Index
*	subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded down to zero

Other forms of usage

All unpublished data refers to the Australian Bureau of Statistics unless otherwise stated in the source.

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 ending 31 December are shown as a single number, e.g. 1998. Yearly periods ending 30 June are specified as the years spanned, e.g. 1997–98. Other yearly periods are specifically indicated.

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All data are presented in metric terms.

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

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