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## INTRODUCTION

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*Regional Statistics, New South Wales* contains principal statistics for areas of the State.

The publication presents data for statistical areas based on the Australian Standard Geographical Classification. Table 1 contains labour force status of the population classified into statistical regions of the State. Table 2 is a new labour force table showing data relating to post-school qualifications, and Table 3 is a new social indicators table which will change annually as new survey data is released.

Tables 4 to 16 contain demographic and economic statistics. Table 4 contains data for the State and its component statistical divisions, whilst Tables 5 to 16 contain data for each statistical division with its component statistical local areas arranged alphabetically.

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## LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

### ABBREVIATIONS

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

### SYMBOLS

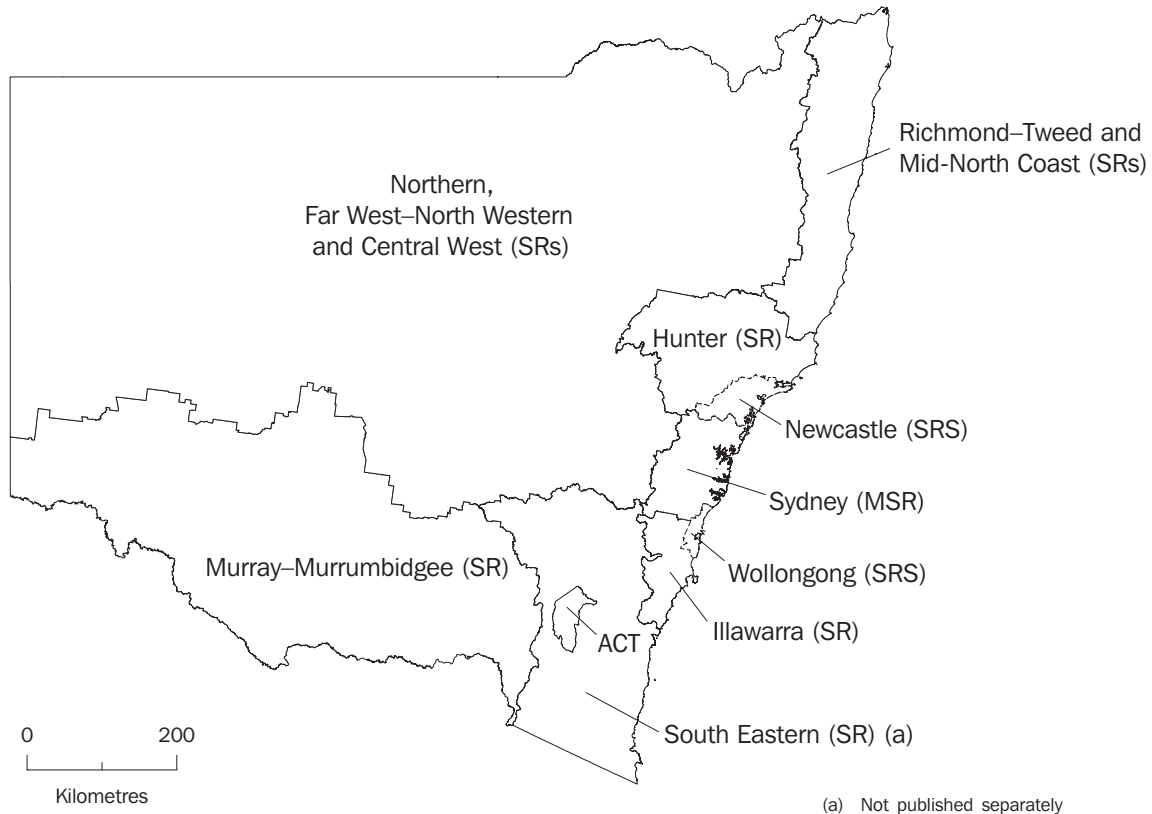
g	grams
n.a.	not available
n.p.	not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
*	this estimate has a relative standard error between 25% and 50% and should be used with caution
**	subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes (relative standard error greater than 50%)
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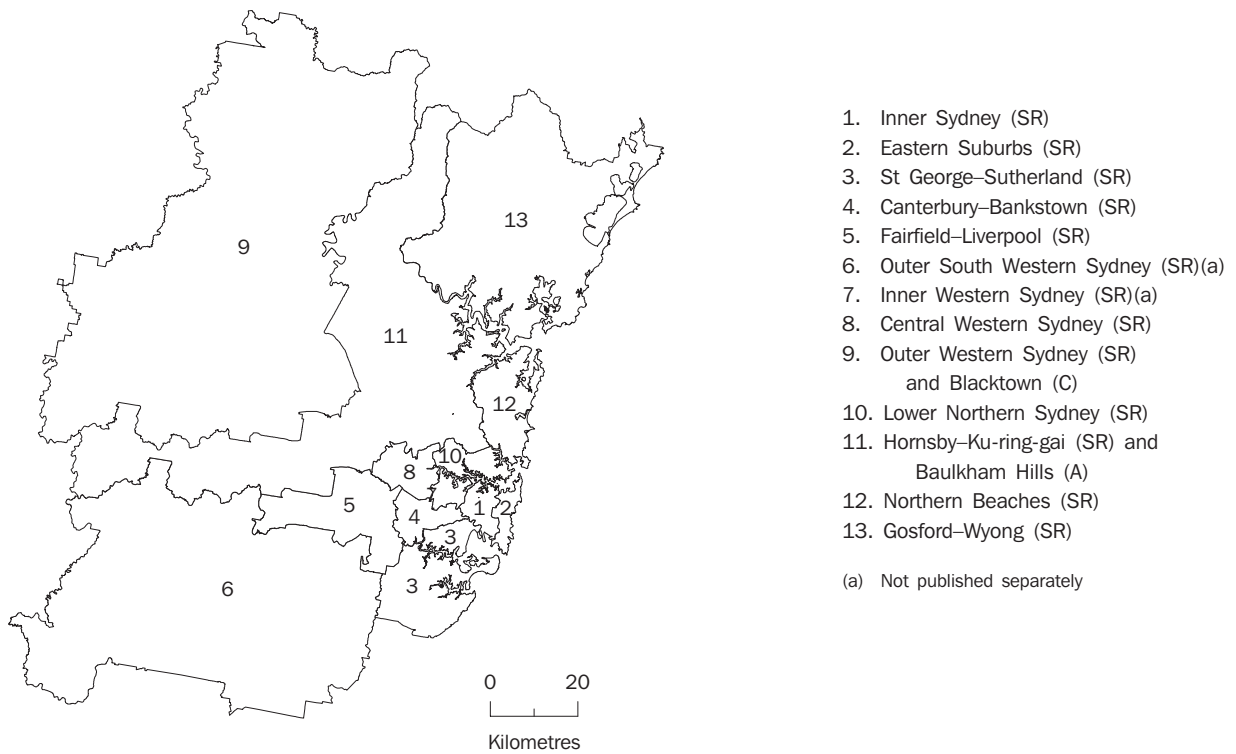
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# LABOUR FORCE

## REGIONS OF NSW AND ACT



## REGIONS OF SYDNEY (MSR)



# 1

## LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION, NSW

	<i>August</i>	<i>Employed persons</i> '000	<i>Unemployed persons</i> '000	<i>Persons in the labour force</i> '000	<i>Unemployment rate(a)</i> %	<i>Participation rate(b)</i> %
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney (SRs)	1998	188.1	10.8	198.9	5.4	60.4
	1999	240.2	12.4	252.6	4.9	67.3
Inner Sydney (SR)	1998	106.3	6.9	113.2	6.1	60.0
	1999	142.9	8.5	151.3	5.6	66.4
Eastern Suburbs (SR)	1998	121.7	6.0	127.7	4.7	65.9
	1999	131.8	5.4	137.2	4.0	68.4
St George–Sutherland (SR)	1998	212.7	8.8	221.5	4.0	65.6
	1999	199.3	6.1	205.5	3.0	60.0
Canterbury–Bankstown (SR)	1998	126.6	10.7	137.3	7.8	54.3
	1999	144.7	6.4	151.1	4.2	58.1
Fairfield–Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney (SRs)	1998	240.5	25.5	266.0	9.6	63.1
	1999	241.0	22.5	263.5	8.5	60.2
Fairfield–Liverpool (SR)	1998	130.1	13.4	143.5	9.4	58.9
	1999	133.5	14.8	148.3	10.0	56.6
Central Western Sydney (SR)	1998	125.5	6.9	132.4	5.2	57.2
	1999	129.7	8.5	138.3	6.2	59.0
Outer Western Sydney (SR) and Blacktown (C)	1998	275.1	18.1	293.1	6.2	65.6
	1999	280.1	14.3	294.5	4.9	66.4
Lower Northern Sydney (SR)	1998	140.0	5.8	145.7	4.0	68.7
	1999	137.9	5.9	143.8	4.1	64.9
Hornsby–Ku-ring-gai (SR) and Baulkham Hills (A)	1998	213.0	9.5	222.4	4.3	66.2
	1999	197.2	5.1	202.3	2.5	65.4
Northern Beaches (SR)	1998	121.5	6.0	127.5	4.7	64.2
	1999	121.2	3.8	125.0	3.0	68.1
Gosford–Wyong (SR)	1998	118.2	11.4	129.6	8.8	58.3
	1999	108.4	7.5	115.9	6.5	51.8
Sydney (MSR)	1998	1 882.9	119.5	2 002.4	6.0	62.9
	1999	1 931.7	98.0	2 029.7	4.8	62.8

(a) The number of unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force.

(b) The labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over.

NOTE: Regional estimates other than those above are not sufficiently reliable for publication and should not be derived by subtraction.



# 1

## LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION, NSW—*continued*

	<i>August</i>	<i>Employed persons</i> '000	<i>Unemployed persons</i> '000	<i>Persons in the labour force</i> '000	<i>Unemployment rate(a)</i> '%	<i>Participation rate(b)</i> '%
Hunter (SR)	1998	198.6	23.8	222.4	10.7	51.5
	1999	219.8	30.1	250.0	12.1	55.2
Newcastle (SRS)	1998	166.0	19.1	185.2	10.3	52.8
	1999	187.6	25.9	213.5	12.1	55.7
Illawarra and South Eastern (SRs)	1998	253.3	26.7	280.0	9.5	60.3
	1999	239.7	23.7	263.4	9.0	58.3
Illawarra (SR)	1998	167.8	20.8	188.6	11.0	60.1
	1999	156.2	16.7	172.9	9.7	57.3
Wollongong (SRS)	1998	120.4	16.7	137.1	12.2	62.9
	1999	115.2	11.0	126.2	8.7	60.9
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast (SRs)	1998	148.1	24.5	172.6	14.2	49.5
	1999	174.2	23.1	197.3	11.7	51.1
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West (SRs)	1998	224.4	16.1	240.5	6.7	63.4
	1999	213.1	15.7	228.7	6.9	64.6
Murray-Murrumbidgee (SR)	1998	112.8	9.0	121.8	7.4	58.9
	1999	121.2	11.4	132.5	8.6	64.0
Balance of New South Wales (MSR)	1998	937.1	100.1	1 037.2	9.7	56.7
	1999	967.9	104.0	1 071.9	9.7	57.9
<b>New South Wales</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>2 820.0</b>	<b>219.6</b>	<b>3 039.6</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>60.6</b>
	<b>1999</b>	<b>2 899.6</b>	<b>202.0</b>	<b>3 101.6</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>61.0</b>

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## 2

## EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY UNEMPLOYMENT AND PARTICIPATION RATES, NSW

	May	With post school qualifications		Without post-school qualifications	
		Unemployment rate	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Participation rate
		%(a)	%(b)	%(a)	%(b)
Inner Sydney and	1998	*3.7	90.2	*5.6	55.7
Inner Western Sydney (SRs)	1999	*2.9	86.1	7.6	68.1
Inner Sydney (SR)	1998	*3.3	90.5	*2.5	55.6
	1999	*1.7	86.8	*9.3	67.4
Eastern Suburbs (SR)	1998	*4.1	92.3	*7.8	73.4
	1999	*2.2	89.3	*5.1	69.4
St George–Sutherland (SR)	1998	*5.2	88.3	*2.9	76.7
	1999	*2.9	88.0	*4.6	69.4
Canterbury–Bankstown (SR)	1998	*6.8	83.1	*8.7	61.7
	1999	*2.8	85.6	*4.2	61.7
Fairfield–Liverpool and	1998	4.9	87.7	17.8	62.9
Outer South Western Sydney (SRs)	1999	*5.7	85.7	16.0	62.9
Fairfield–Liverpool (SR)	1998	*7.1	86.5	17.0	60.1
	1999	*7.5	88.0	17.9	59.4
Central Western Sydney (SR)	1998	*5.7	85.0	11.1	60.4
	1999	*3.2	82.9	*8.9	59.2
Outer Western Sydney (SR) and	1998	*3.5	85.0	9.3	68.0
Blacktown (C)	1999	*3.4	84.8	5.5	66.9
Lower North Sydney (SR)	1998	*2.0	87.9	*6.6	83.1
	1999	*2.9	84.6	**2.0	75.1
Hornsby–Ku-ring-gai (SR) and	1998	*2.0	86.4	*5.7	71.9
Baulkham Hills (A)	1999	*1.8	87.7	*3.6	69.4
Northern Beaches (SR)	1998	*1.6	86.6	*5.0	73.8
	1999	*2.2	81.5	**1.9	80.0
Gosford–Wyong (SR)	1998	*2.5	83.5	12.8	64.8
	1999	*3.4	80.9	*8.2	62.6
Sydney (MSR)	1998	3.7	87.1	9.0	66.9
	1999	3.0	85.5	7.3	66.4

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EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY UNEMPLOYMENT AND PARTICIPATION RATES, NSW—*continued*

	<i>May</i>	<i>With post school qualifications</i>		<i>Without post-school qualifications</i>	
		<i>Unemployment rate</i>	<i>Participation rate</i>	<i>Unemployment rate</i>	<i>Participation rate</i>
		<i>%(a)</i>	<i>%(b)</i>	<i>%(a)</i>	<i>%(b)</i>
Hunter (SR)	1998	5.5	81.9	14.5	64.2
	1999	8.5	81.2	9.4	59.2
Newcastle (SRS)	1998	5.9	82.9	14.2	62.9
	1999	8.9	82.6	10.6	61.2
Illawarra and South Eastern (SRs)	1998	4.6	83.7	15.0	60.8
	1999	5.1	80.2	9.1	61.6
Illawarra (SR)	1998	*5.5	82.6	19.5	60.4
	1999	*5.9	78.5	*10.7	63.2
Wollongong (SRS)	1998	*6.0	82.5	21.4	64.6
	1999	*6.4	80.1	*7.3	61.5
Richmond–Tweed and Mid-north coast (SRs)	1998	8.8	79.8	16.7	65.1
	1999	9.2	79.4	17.4	67.5
Northern, Far West–North Western and Central West (SRs)	1998	*4.1	83.9	10.0	67.1
	1999	*3.7	86.9	6.2	69.6
Murray–Murrumbidgee (SR)	1998	*2.8	85.2	12.2	62.0
	1999	*5.2	82.0	*11.0	62.8
<i>Balance of New South Wales (MSR)</i>	1998	5.2	82.8	13.7	64.0
	1999	6.4	81.8	10.7	64.2
<b>New South Wales</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>85.7</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>65.8</b>
	<b>1999</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>84.3</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>65.5</b>

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## SOCIAL INDICATORS

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	<i>Inner Sydney &amp; Inner Western Sydney (SSDs)</i>	<i>Eastern Suburbs (SSD)</i>	<i>St George– Sutherland (SSD)</i>	<i>Canterbury– Bankstown (SSD)</i>	<i>Fairfield–Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney (SSDs)</i>
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Disability and handicap status, 1999					
People with a disability (%)	19.7	11.4	15.1	22.9	15.7
People with a specific restriction (%)	16.3	9.5	13.8	21.8	13.5
People without a disability (%)	80.4	88.6	84.9	77.1	84.3
Children aged 3 months to 6 years immunisation to schedule, April 1995					
Fully Immunised	8.0	*3.8	9.6	9.1	19.1
Partly immunised	22.8	9.0	19.4	23.3	44.9
Not immunised or not known	**	**0.4	**0.3	*2.4	**0.3
Total	30.8	13.1	29.3	34.8	64.3
<b>CRIME, April 1997</b>					
Victims of crime by type of offence					
Household crime victims (no. of households)	28 846	13 758	24 045	20 121	32 786
Total households	165 677	96 038	151 067	103 053	159 884
Victimisation rate (%)	17.4	14.3	15.9	19.5	20.5
Personal crime victims (no. of persons)	50 414	26 034	42 485	44 717	79 447
Total persons	330 399	182 895	319 213	233 761	378 575
Victimisation rate (%)	15.3	14.2	13.3	19.1	21.0
<b>EDUCATION AND TRAINING, 1997</b>					
External training courses(a) completed in last 12 months ('000)					
	42.5	62.9	70.1	35.1	61.8
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By highest level achieved					
Bachelor degree	50.2	31.4	27.7	14.2	24.5
Under-graduate diploma	16.8	13.2	16.1	*4.5	15.1
Skilled vocational qualifications	*9.3	*9.1	41.6	18.6	39.7
Basic vocational qualifications	16.5	15.1	34.5	23.6	40.6
Total ('000)	127.3	92.4	149.4	75.7	146.8
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By field of study, highest level achieved					
Business and administration	24.5	21.5	42.7	26.0	43.6
Education	12.1	*5.2	*5.2	*4.1	12.9
Society and culture	31.2	27.5	14.9	*6.6	11.2
Engineering	16.7	11.1	40.5	19.7	38.6
Total ('000)	127.3	92.4	149.4	75.7	146.8
<b>CHILDCARE, March 1996</b>					
Care arrangements for families with children under 12 years of age					
Families who use formal care	9 430	*6 079	14 756	*3435	12 266
Families who use informal care	12 136	8 617	14 088	10 594	24 413
Total families who use care	18 080	10 495	22 730	13 194	30 384
Total number of families	30 290	14 266	35 019	31 650	58 669

(a) Estimates relate to a maximum of 4 training courses per person.\* Subject to sampling variability between 25% and 50%. \*\* Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

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## SOCIAL INDICATORS

	Central Western Sydney (SSD)	Outer Western Sydney (SSD)	Blacktown- Baulkham Hills (SSD)	Lower Northern Sydney (SSD)	Hornsby-Ku- ring-gai (SSD)
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Disability and handicap status, 1999					
People with a disability (%)	19.5	23.3	14.9	19.5	12.5
People with a specific restriction (%)	18.2	21.5	13.7	16.9	10.2
People without a disability (%)	80.5	76.7	85.0	80.6	87.4
Children aged 3 months to 6 years immunisation to schedule, April 1995					
Fully Immunised	7.7	13.3	12.0	7.0	9.6
Partly immunised	18.8	28.0	22.7	12.3	11.2
Not immunised or not known	**0.4	**0.4	**0.8	**	**
Total	26.9	41.6	35.5	19.3	20.8
<b>CRIME, April 1997</b>					
Victims of crime by type of offence					
Household crime victims (no. households)	22 340	15 455	17 558	16 371	8 154
Total households	93 126	110 378	118 505	113 331	91 526
Victimisation rate (%)	24	14	14.8	14.4	8.9
Personal crime victims (no. persons)	47 105	26 222	40 367	27 504	12 157
Total persons	202 390	241 750	277 263	206 717	195 478
Victimisation rate (%)	23.3	10.8	14.6	13.3	6.2
<b>EDUCATION AND TRAINING, 1997</b>					
External training courses(a) completed in last 12 months ('000)	30.9	36.7	70.0	63.3	45.3
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By highest level achieved					
Bachelor degree	25.1	13.6	21.7	38.3	25.1
Under-graduate diploma	14.1	*7.1	12.7	*8.4	10.1
Skilled vocational qualifications	12.1	28.8	33.9	*4.3	*7.8
Basic vocational qualifications	19.7	24.9	23.9	18.0	22.1
Total ('000)	84.6	95.7	120.8	98.9	93.7
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By field of study, highest level achieved					
Business and administration	24.2	25.6	27.7	29.6	30.2
Education	*4.1	*7.2	16.7	*7.5	*8.9
Society and culture	*8.7	*9.2	*9.2	17.2	16.2
Engineering	15.9	26.7	28.1	16.2	15.3
Total ('000)	84.6	95.7	120.8	98.9	93.7
<b>CHILDCARE, March 1996</b>					
Care arrangements for families with children under 12 years of age					
Families who use formal care	*3621	7 243	11 968	10 635	6 995
Families who use informal care	*4741	13 043	14 672	10 679	10 523
Total families who use care	7 443	16 619	20 925	15 766	12 974
Total number of families	21 105	32 652	37 405	23 100	19 781

(a) Estimates relate to a maximum of 4 training courses per person.\* Subject to sampling variability between 25% and 50%. \*\* Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

	<i>Northern Beaches (SSD)</i>	<i>Gosford– Wyong (SSD)</i>	<i>Sydney (SD)</i>	<i>Hunter (SD)</i>	<i>Illawarra (SD)</i>
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Disability and handicap status, 1999					
People with a disability (%)	18.3	21.2	17.7	24.5	23.9
People with a specific restriction (%)	13.8	17.6	15.5	21.9	21.1
People without a disability (%)	81.7	78.8	82.3	75.5	76.1
Children aged 3 months to 6 years immunisation to schedule, April 1995					
Fully Immunised	5.3	10.0	114.6	16.6	15.6
Partly immunised	5.3	19.8	237.4	31.3	31.8
Not immunised or not known	**	**	*4.9	**1.1	**0.4
Total	10.6	29.8	356.8	49.0	47.8
<b>CRIME, April 1997</b>					
Victims of crime by type of offence					
Household crime victims (no. households)	8 140	18 057	225 630	33 277	24 773
Total Households	77 250	118 864	1 398 702	216 625	162 402
Victimisation rate (%)	10.5	15.2	16.1	15.4	15.3
Personal crime victims (no. persons)	14 218	28 775	439 445	57 421	46 542
Total persons	155 242	223 743	2 947 428	430 197	315 043
Victimisation rate (%)	9.2	12.9	14.9	13.3	14.8
<b>EDUCATION AND TRAINING, 1997</b>					
External training courses(a) completed in last 12 months ('000)					
	66.3	24.8	609.6	77.0	56.2
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By highest level achieved					
Bachelor degree	27.8	*8.7	308.2	21.2	12.3
Under-graduate diploma	*7.1	*6.6	131.6	12.8	*7.9
Skilled vocational qualifications	9.6	15.8	230.5	50.7	14.4
Basic vocational qualifications	18.4	13.7	270.8	47.9	40.0
Total ('000)	90.4	58.0	1 233.8	168.3	100.7
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By field of study, highest level achieved					
Business and administration	32.6	15.3	343.4	30.2	23.4
Education	*8.4	*2.0	94.4	16.7	10.5
Society and culture	11.4	*4.8	168.3	11.2	10.4
Engineering	12.1	15.5	256.3	53.2	26.3
Total ('000)	90.4	58.0	1 233.8	168.3	100.7
<b>CHILDCARE, March 1996</b>					
Care arrangements for families with children under 12 years of age					
Families who use formal care	9 880	7 443	103 749	11 914	11 186
Families who use informal care	10 362	7 522	141 392	20 673	19 005
Total families who use care	14 283	12 099	194 991	26 365	23 967
Total number of families	19 108	20 906	343 950	52 593	41 514

(a) Estimates relate to a maximum of 4 training courses per person.\* Subject to sampling variability between 25% and 50%. \*\* Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

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## SOCIAL INDICATORS

	<i>Richmond– Tweed &amp; Mid-North Coast (SDs)</i>	<i>Northern, North Western, Central West &amp; Far West (SDs)</i>	<i>South Eastern (SD)</i>	<i>Murray– Murrumbidgee (SDs)</i>	<i>New South Wales</i>
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Disability and handicap status, 1999					
People with a disability (%)	20.3	18.4	25.2	20.5	19.3
People with a specific restriction (%)	17.6	15.4	21.5	18.4	16.9
People without a disability (%)	79.8	81.6	74.8	79.6	80.7
Children aged 3 months to 6 years immunisation to schedule, April 1995					
Fully Immunised	13.6	12.3	8.9	7.5	189.1
Partly immunised	36.5	32.5	8.1	13.8	391.4
Not immunised or not known	**0.3	**1.5	**0.4	**0.4	8.9
Total	50.4	46.3	17.4	21.7	589.4
<b>CRIME, April 1997</b>					
Victims of crime by type of offence					
Household crime victims (no. households)	15 300	27 558	9 078	7 805	343 967
Total Households	185 475	171 684	71 434	110 647	2 322 596
Victimisation rate (%)	8.2	16.1	12.7	7.1	14.8
Personal crime victims (no. persons)	23 938	40 882	16 623	11 258	636 109
Total persons	325 849	333 528	147 188	211 869	4 711 102
Victimisation rate (%)	7.3	12.3	11.3	5.3	13.5
<b>EDUCATION AND TRAINING, 1997</b>					
External training courses(a) completed in last 12 months ('000)					
	57.6	81.5	33.0	51.8	971.7
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By highest level achieved					
Bachelor degree	15.8	15.2	*4.4	14.0	391.1
Under-graduate diploma	12.4	15.8	*6.1	*4.8	191.4
Skilled vocational qualifications	31.7	28.8	14.8	*9.1	381.4
Basic vocational qualifications	31.5	49.1	16.6	27.7	483.6
Total ('000)	107.2	137.6	55.4	68.0	1 872.5
Persons with educational qualification(s)					
By field of study, highest level achieved					
Business and administration	20.1	24.7	13.2	16.7	471.8
Education	10.4	12.9	*6.0	*6.7	157.5
Society and culture	9.8	10.8	*7.3	*7.0	224.7
Engineering	20.5	32.3	*6.5	12.3	408.9
Total ('000)	107.2	137.6	55.4	68.0	1 872.5
<b>CHILDCARE, March 1996</b>					
Care arrangements for families with children under 12 years of age					
Families who use formal care	10 300	16 647	7 193	8 628	169 915
Families who use informal care	15 802	22 657	9 385	13 615	243 848
Total families who use care	22 520	30 331	13 734	19 310	332 835
Total number of families	40 961	51 394	20 190	33 529	585 748

(a) Estimates relate to a maximum of 4 training courses per person.\* Subject to sampling variability between 25% and 50%. \*\* Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.





## NEW SOUTH WALES

### GEOGRAPHY

For the purpose of presenting the principal series of official statistics for the State, New South Wales is divided into a number of geographical areas. These areas consist, for the most part, of aggregations of local government areas.

The primary division of the State is into 12 Statistical Divisions. These are intended to represent 'regions' of the State which are characterised by discernible social and/or economic links between the inhabitants and economic units within them, under the unifying influence of one or more major cities or towns. The boundaries of the divisions have accordingly been delineated on the basic criterion that the degree of economic and/or social contact and interaction within each division should be maximised. It should be emphasised that the boundaries of the divisions cannot be regarded as sharp lines of demarcation—they may, of necessity, be positioned within peripheral zones in which the influence of two or more 'focal' cities or towns overlap in varying degrees.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Sydney (SD)</i>	<i>Hunter (SD)</i>	<i>Illawarra (SD)</i>	<i>Richmond-Tweed (SD)</i>	<i>Mid-North Coast (SD)</i>	<i>Northern (SD)</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	12 407.01	31 015.75	8 484.87	9 757.42	25 949.07	98 606.11
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	3 881 136	555 154	372 860	200 542	262 441	178 579
1997	no.	3 933 724	561 687	377 022	203 658	265 145	177 149
1998	no.	3 981 641	566 580	380 175	206 489	268 355	175 659
1999 p	no.	4 041 381	572 802	385 489	209 281	271 330	174 955
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0-4 years	no.	270 480	38 467	26 433	13 484	17 410	12 575
5-14 years	no.	522 910	81 555	55 911	31 707	42 355	27 574
15-19 years	no.	270 825	38 794	26 422	14 599	18 092	13 364
20-54 years	no.	2 118 391	274 162	179 858	94 441	116 020	81 955
55-64 years	no.	331 001	51 412	37 065	18 838	28 297	17 417
65 years or more	no.	468 034	82 190	54 486	33 420	46 181	22 774
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	1.11	0.86	1.3	2.24	1.73	-0.74
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>							
Births	no.	53 071	6 989	4 719	2 355	2 900	2 385
Deaths	no.	26 475	4 672	2 855	1 673	2 339	1 407
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	35 016	4 816	3 175	1 863	2 328	490
Houses	no.	15 357	3 381	2 507	1 399	1 671	423
Other residential buildings	no.	19 659	1 435	668	464	657	67
Value of building approved	\$'000	8 740 585	948 949	601 241	302 321	362 419	121 897
Residential building	\$'000	5 221 203	610 110	427 904	220 641	279 094	71 657
New houses	\$'000	2 172 905	404 469	311 422	144 033	194 790	49 168
New other residential building	\$'000	2 129 556	121 347	59 398	60 447	59 150	5 996
Alterations and additions	\$'000	918 743	84 294	57 083	16 162	25 154	16 493
Non-residential building	\$'000	3 519 382	338 839	173 337	81 680	83 325	50 240
Hotels etc.	\$'000	201 865	30 591	3 619	10 470	10 300	1 359
Shops	\$'000	473 018	60 541	18 584	22 314	22 901	5 380
Factories	\$'000	242 853	44 867	14 737	2 482	4 584	9 142
Offices	\$'000	801 412	17 727	12 323	1 949	2 650	3 165
Other business premises	\$'000	753 171	48 597	44 020	4 223	7 763	12 960
Educational	\$'000	205 424	38 087	55 196	24 773	19 440	7 012
Religious	\$'000	40 034	770	570	170	2 095	395
Health	\$'000	413 811	46 691	1 460	4 946	4 080	7 498
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	324 229	38 103	15 601	8 705	6 776	2 010
Miscellaneous	\$'000	63 565	12 865	7 227	1 647	2 736	1 319
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	326	119	82	60	121	83
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	2 166 345	360 428	286 320	183 149	216 702	227 091
Total expenses	\$'000	2 211 771	398 673	287 983	204 306	229 963	274 619
Total assets	\$'000	40 012 419	4 659 417	3 189 754	2 293 910	3 043 499	2 522 155
Total liabilities	\$'000	1 335 115	192 699	234 302	122 259	192 616	123 992
Net worth	\$'000	38 677 304	4 466 718	2 955 452	2 171 651	2 850 883	2 398 163
Net debt	\$'000	-639 388	-96 912	-42 784	-76 978	-67 056	-26 409

(a) Includes 70.51 sq km of harbours, rivers etc. which are not included within statistical area boundaries.

	Unit of quantity	North Western (SD)	Central West (SD)	South Eastern (SD)	Murrumbidgee (SD)	Murray (SD)	Far West (SD)	New South Wales
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	199 067.09	63 267.44	52 137.54	63 521.97	90 003.48	147 142.24	801 430.50
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>								
1996	no.	117 263	172 438	178 939	149 150	110 882	25 344	6 204 728
1997	no.	117 378	172 498	179 803	149 046	110 786	24 888	6 272 784
1998	no.	116 995	172 571	180 364	148 849	111 265	24 572	6 333 515
1999 p	no.	117 588	173 306	181 608	148 968	110 727	24 245	6 411 680
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>								
0–4 years	no.	9 664	12 681	12 517	11 517	8 178	1 648	435 054
5–14 years	no.	19 401	27 179	27 477	23 606	17 189	3 510	880 374
15–19 years	no.	7 682	13 198	11 459	11 179	7 957	1 531	435 102
20–54 years	no.	54 759	80 669	84 567	70 848	51 804	11 537	3 219 011
55–64 years	no.	11 371	16 308	18 759	13 166	10 736	2 417	556 787
65 years or more	no.	14 118	22 536	25 585	18 533	15 401	3 929	807 187
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.29	0.27	1.22	0.25	0.36	-2.17	1.02
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>								
Births	no.	1 679	2 367	2 242	2 121	1 457	318	82 603
Deaths	no.	952	1 457	1 437	1 164	911	242	45 584
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>								
Dwelling units approved	no.	484	855	1 349	637	561	34	51 608
Houses	no.	433	707	1 213	564	520	22	28 197
Other residential buildings	no.	51	148	136	73	41	12	23 411
Value of building approved	\$'000	91 603	185 755	242 460	137 187	130 483	7 379	11 872 278
Residential building	\$'000	61 651	110 686	165 771	88 666	75 318	4 575	7 337 277
New houses	\$'000	50 795	85 194	135 572	70 134	63 592	2 408	3 684 482
New other residential building	\$'000	4 155	10 071	9 362	6 639	3 098	998	2 470 219
Alterations and additions	\$'000	6 701	15 421	20 837	11 893	8 628	1 169	1 182 576
Non-residential building	\$'000	29 952	75 069	76 689	48 521	55 165	2 804	4 535 001
Hotels etc.	\$'000	625	3 192	8 604	1 960	25 880	—	298 464
Shops	\$'000	6 141	13 097	4 104	10 233	5 661	1 000	642 972
Factories	\$'000	4 260	8 600	3 386	1 273	4 979	—	341 164
Offices	\$'000	849	3 635	2 930	5 413	4 328	509	856 890
Other business premises	\$'000	7 961	6 461	5 914	15 328	5 191	310	911 899
Educational	\$'000	3 913	13 809	10 558	3 976	5 353	510	388 051
Religious	\$'000	50	815	57	756	640	—	46 352
Health	\$'000	5 131	19 722	11 857	2 602	781	100	518 680
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	125	4 345	2 683	5 475	847	—	408 898
Miscellaneous	\$'000	896	1 394	26 596	1 505	1 506	375	121 631
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>								
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	84	62	160	66	111	13	1 287
Capacity, at 30 June								
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>								
Operating revenues	\$'000	166 370	202 022	181 437	170 538	133 023	23 450	4 316 875
Total expenses	\$'000	202 395	219 774	194 145	194 592	149 264	29 395	4 596 880
Total assets	\$'000	1 686 335	2 418 654	2 506 345	1 737 255	1 368 707	252 052	65 690 502
Total liabilities	\$'000	62 357	81 886	107 243	81 295	85 288	6 017	2 625 069
Net worth	\$'000	1 623 978	2 336 768	2 399 102	1 655 960	1 283 419	246 035	63 065 433
Net debt	\$'000	-45 204	-93 463	-20 497	-101 901	-10 600	-8 189	-1 229 381

(a) Includes 70.51 sq km of harbours, rivers etc. which are not included within statistical area boundaries.

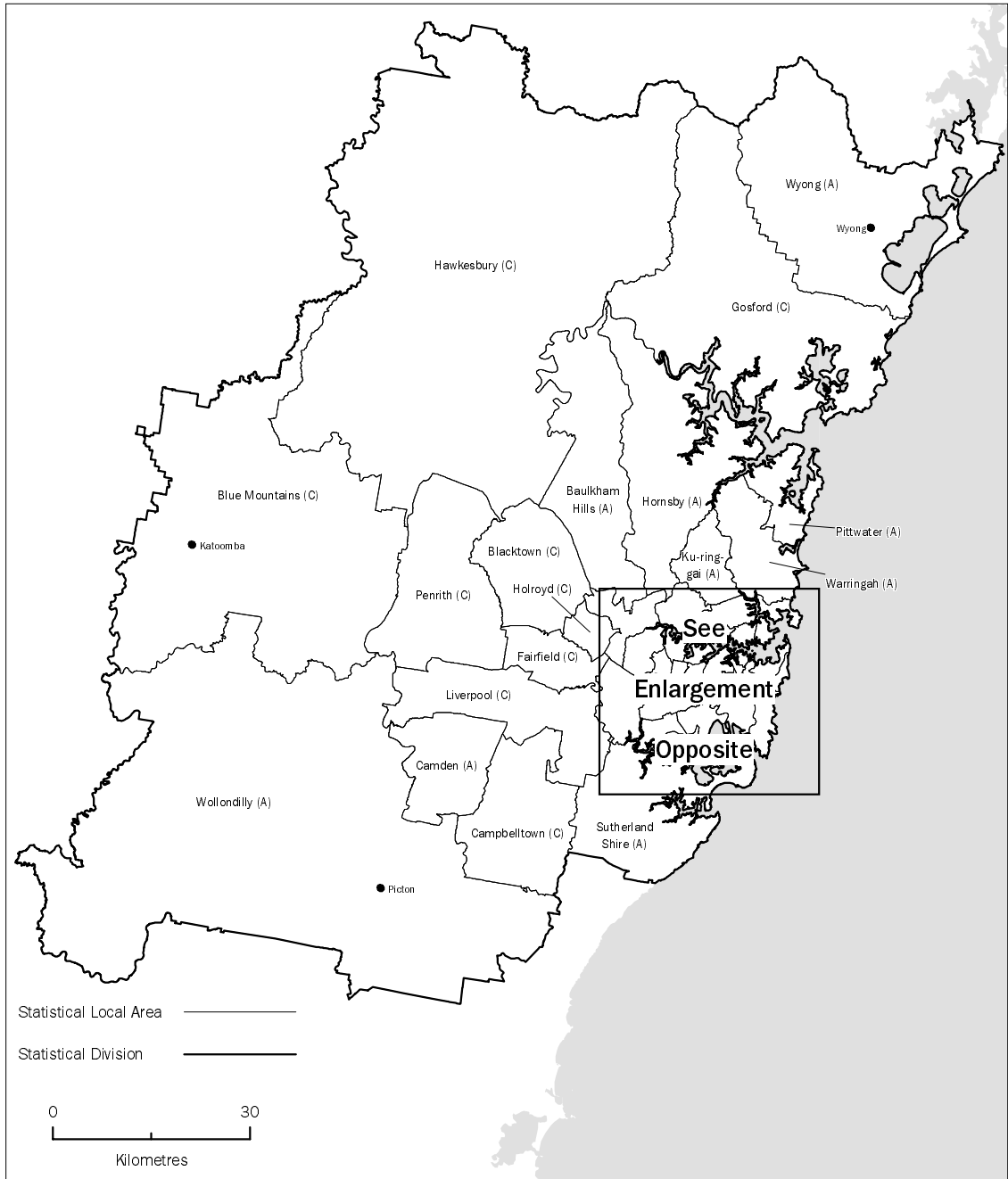
## SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



The Division consists broadly of the Cumberland Plain. To the north of the Plain, it includes the moderately elevated Hornsby plateau and, beyond the Hawkesbury River, the coastal lowland plains containing Gosford and Wyong. To the north-west, north and south-west of the Cumberland Plain, the Division comprises the Blue Mountains and other associated ranges. The southern part of the Division is mainly composed of the moderately elevated Woronora Plateau. The region has a warm, humid climate, except for the higher parts of the mountain ranges where temperatures are cooler, with heaviest rainfall normally occurring in summer and autumn. Rainfall is markedly irregular and declines from east to west. Sydney is the focal point of the State's rail, road and air services. It also provides port facilities for overseas, interstate and intrastate shipping. It is the seat of public administration for the State, and the leading commercial, industrial, financial, educational and cultural centre.





	Unit of quantity	Ashfield (A)	Auburn (A)	Bankstown (C)	Baulkham Hills (A)	Blacktown (C)	Blue Mountains (C)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	8.28	32.05	77.78	380.98	241.03	1 404.81
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	41 758	53 266	164 382	125 598	239 818	74 880
1997	no.	41 885	54 305	166 228	127 240	244 115	75 414
1998	no.	41 892	57 131	167 625	130 136	248 208	75 758
1999 p	no.	42 042	58 174	168 594	133 679	254 817	76 493
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0-4 years	no.	2 439	4 576	11 996	7 491	22 424	5 221
5-14 years	no.	4 242	7 998	22 896	19 547	40 751	11 855
15-19 years	no.	2 067	4 197	11 651	11 582	19 318	5 536
20-54 years	no.	23 748	30 142	82 155	68 907	130 705	37 268
55-64 years	no.	3 478	4 025	14 660	12 542	17 577	6 434
65 years or more	no.	5 918	6 193	24 267	10 067	17 433	9 444
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.03	1.43	0.38	0.74	1.91	0.69
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>							
Births	no.	513	998	2 415	1 287	4 149	940
Deaths	no.	457	317	1 274	471	1 196	594
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	204	410	1 352	2 388	2 026	471
Houses	no.	7	319	292	1 775	1 745	408
Other residential buildings	no.	197	91	1 060	613	281	63
Value of building approved	\$'000	46 646	233 506	257 810	485 275	376 436	87 566
Residential building	\$'000	23 886	49 366	162 618	363 893	241 502	77 827
New houses	\$'000	1 114	36 641	44 250	284 423	200 637	51 238
New other residential building	\$'000	17 080	8 680	99 064	54 823	18 552	5 417
Alterations and additions	\$'000	5 692	4 044	19 304	24 646	22 313	21 172
Non-residential building	\$'000	22 760	184 140	95 192	121 383	134 934	9 739
Hotels etc.	\$'000	1 000	70 998	3 220	941	—	1 250
Shops	\$'000	567	5 954	5 741	73 260	7 350	770
Factories	\$'000	—	5 305	16 786	1 150	33 789	115
Offices	\$'000	1 523	18 197	945	3 941	3 854	952
Other business premises	\$'000	4 585	44 267	8 972	23 877	54 800	570
Educational	\$'000	8 440	4 035	10 776	4 427	6 427	66
Religious	\$'000	300	2 111	650	557	2 234	240
Health	\$'000	1 400	—	—	6 155	1 310	200
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	23 950	44 549	6 945	17 680	5 025
Miscellaneous	\$'000	4 945	9 322	3 552	130	7 490	551
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	6	2	7	4	5	22
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	248	n.p.	323	n.p.	386	959
Bed spaces	no.	708	n.p.	885	n.p.	1 165	2 733
Employment	no.	66	n.p.	146	n.p.	127	898
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	15 005	21 608	72 505	55 209	106 743	49 603
Total expenses	\$'000	16 931	21 690	70 940	53 871	99 625	52 061
Total assets	\$'000	191 784	317 975	809 715	888 768	1 727 302	407 153
Total liabilities	\$'000	3 206	7 999	58 737	26 423	41 058	21 583
Net worth	\$'000	188 578	309 976	750 978	862 345	1 686 244	385 570
Net debt	\$'000	-7 248	-10 560	-5 198	-62 018	-80 256	-3 985

	Unit of quantity	Botany Bay (C)	Burwood (A)	Camden (A)	Campbelltown (C)	Canterbury (C)	Concord (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	26.75	7.26	206.10	311.78	33.39	10.95
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	35 938	29 699	33 076	148 218	138 715	24 506
1997	no.	36 338	29 879	35 240	148 777	139 663	24 836
1998	no.	36 595	29 942	37 719	149 298	140 256	25 258
1999 p	no.	36 036	30 345	40 180	150 209	139 770	26 002
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	2 390	1 676	3 378	13 305	11 155	1 438
5–14 years	no.	4 299	3 405	6 224	27 641	17 720	2 893
15–19 years	no.	2 359	1 959	2 725	13 665	8 906	1 622
20–54 years	no.	19 318	15 712	19 855	77 628	72 507	13 245
55–64 years	no.	3 451	2 701	2 425	8 816	12 501	2 406
65 years or more	no.	4 778	4 489	3 112	8 243	17 467	3 654
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.03	1.43	0.38	0.74	1.91	0.69
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	515	352	660	2 330	2 263	303
Deaths	no.	288	251	187	555	881	168
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	138	314	850	503	379	290
Houses	no.	26	21	839	453	121	49
Other residential buildings	no.	112	293	11	50	258	241
Value of building approved	\$'000	115 395	40 311	131 518	171 327	75 112	57 191
Residential building	\$'000	23 757	36 557	105 132	69 734	60 088	46 802
New houses	\$'000	3 619	4 007	100 483	56 131	19 864	8 844
New other residential building	\$'000	10 095	29 564	1 064	3 162	22 785	32 225
Alterations and additions	\$'000	10 043	2 986	3 584	10 441	17 439	5 733
Non-residential building	\$'000	91 638	3 754	26 386	101 592	15 024	10 389
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	150	—	650	75	—
Shops	\$'000	2 234	1 063	115	7 671	3 497	5 428
Factories	\$'000	2 949	—	2 755	12 871	3 207	—
Offices	\$'000	52 242	1 811	595	2 680	52	—
Other business premises	\$'000	29 100	—	894	18 730	940	3 945
Educational	\$'000	2 740	400	972	1 916	759	—
Religious	\$'000	420	—	—	50	1 300	—
Health	\$'000	—	330	17 519	49 974	4 404	1 015
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	653	—	3 050	7 000	790	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	1 300	—	488	50	—	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	2	2	4	4	—	—
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	n.p.	126	194	—	—
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	n.p.	387	602	—	—
Employment	no.	n.p.	n.p.	33	40	—	—
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	24 836	14 486	19 777	67 541	50 454	13 497
Total expenses	\$'000	25 970	16 989	21 732	68 785	48 771	17 069
Total assets	\$'000	1 364 744	252 487	253 256	646 439	414 618	464 542
Total liabilities	\$'000	7 644	5 353	13 314	56 179	25 684	5 123
Net worth	\$'000	1 357 100	247 134	239 942	590 260	388 934	459 419
Net debt	\$'000	–9 751	–7 951	–16 329	11 425	–18 417	–3 676

	Unit of quantity	Drummoyne (A)	Fairfield (C)	Gosford (C)	Hawkesbury (C)	Holroyd (C)	Hornsby (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	8.09	102.50	1 028.19	2 792.62	39.25	504.25
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	31 968	189 108	150 220	59 081	83 686	143 486
1997	no.	32 376	190 085	153 024	60 027	84 596	145 831
1998	no.	32 916	190 677	154 946	60 806	86 170	147 635
1999 p	no.	33 695	190 707	158 172	61 888	86 557	149 285
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	1 770	14 422	10 741	5 187	6 097	9 164
5–14 years	no.	3 015	29 335	22 822	10 161	11 103	20 975
15–19 years	no.	1 465	15 224	9 914	4 425	5 903	11 204
20–54 years	no.	18 409	99 568	71 591	32 236	45 445	75 404
55–64 years	no.	3 088	15 298	13 311	4 191	7 669	13 117
65 years or more	no.	5 169	16 830	26 567	4 606	9 953	17 771
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.06	0.84	2.19	2.23	0.22	1.28
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	371	2 755	1 888	933	1 275	1 734
Deaths	no.	263	925	1 487	302	529	992
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	270	1 107	1 576	460	1 166	762
Houses	no.	13	599	901	349	133	489
Other residential buildings	no.	257	508	675	111	1 033	273
Value of building approved	\$'000	54 490	227 156	303 731	86 687	162 565	158 348
Residential building	\$'000	49 375	132 553	219 551	64 492	100 919	138 000
New houses	\$'000	2 741	81 634	125 394	45 308	16 322	78 520
New other residential building	\$'000	37 164	40 517	61 301	8 433	77 482	28 361
Alterations and additions	\$'000	9 470	10 403	32 855	10 752	7 115	31 118
Non-residential building	\$'000	5 115	94 603	84 180	22 196	61 646	20 348
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	750	2 020	—	—	800
Shops	\$'000	2 795	6 655	7 250	3 015	4 463	1 915
Factories	\$'000	320	36 315	7 359	4 871	20 859	980
Offices	\$'000	1 350	2 015	7 886	895	765	534
Other business premises	\$'000	100	26 405	2 031	3 667	20 525	2 425
Educational	\$'000	—	6 763	8 529	5 427	6 026	5 585
Religious	\$'000	—	—	2 950	2 050	419	730
Health	\$'000	—	6 340	11 676	96	50	1 680
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	350	7 590	30 672	2 095	6 440	1 280
Miscellaneous	\$'000	200	1 770	3 807	80	2 100	4 420
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	—	2	18	8	2	3
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	—	n.p.	798	301	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	—	n.p.	2 792	818	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	—	n.p.	618	145	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	14 644	76 304	118 795	40 152	36 762	62 082
Total expenses	\$'000	15 683	89 277	108 594	42 272	40 789	64 976
Total assets	\$'000	294 095	630 939	1 232 364	325 278	684 225	751 609
Total liabilities	\$'000	9 564	53 169	139 698	13 480	29 243	26 841
Net worth	\$'000	284 531	577 770	1 092 666	311 798	654 982	724 768
Net debt	\$'000	-4 677	-28 142	26 938	-21 963	-9 916	-10 181



	Unit of quantity	Hunters Hill (A)	Hurstville (C)	Kogarah (A)	Ku-ring-gai (A)	Lane Cove (A)	Leichhardt (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	5.73	24.77	19.51	81.79	10.38	12.25
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	12 622	68 538	49 938	105 392	31 327	60 749
1997	no.	12 730	69 849	50 636	106 235	31 415	61 244
1998	no.	13 033	70 069	50 961	106 400	31 562	62 127
1999 p	no.	13 620	70 390	52 058	107 593	31 735	62 053
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	641	4 263	3 126	5 102	1 813	3 022
5–14 years	no.	1 667	8 376	5 602	14 821	3 410	4 738
15–19 years	no.	1 455	4 345	3 145	9 323	2 083	2 712
20–54 years	no.	5 844	35 311	26 350	49 662	17 417	40 730
55–64 years	no.	1 171	6 550	4 675	11 264	2 604	4 645
65 years or more	no.	2 255	11 224	8 063	16 228	4 235	6 280
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	–0.28	0.30	0.53	–0.23	0.69	0.20
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	123	887	655	877	355	729
Deaths	no.	150	548	370	764	229	454
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	185	731	577	332	59	686
Houses	no.	22	113	140	188	21	48
Other residential buildings	no.	163	618	437	144	38	638
Value of building approved	\$'000	49 518	102 144	127 723	160 934	39 389	130 254
Residential building	\$'000	36 110	96 068	80 277	133 031	18 803	118 557
New houses	\$'000	6 269	16 748	27 995	48 463	6 848	8 241
New other residential building	\$'000	24 227	71 019	41 003	21 560	3 310	88 798
Alterations and additions	\$'000	5 614	8 300	11 279	63 008	8 646	21 518
Non-residential building	\$'000	13 409	6 076	47 446	27 903	20 586	11 696
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	75	—	—	150
Shops	\$'000	1 065	2 842	1 245	1 275	250	2 985
Factories	\$'000	—	—	150	—	—	640
Offices	\$'000	155	323	380	2 502	320	2 956
Other business premises	\$'000	—	—	7 220	395	9 411	3 870
Educational	\$'000	4 489	2 101	10 570	7 077	6 440	—
Religious	\$'000	—	210	—	2 000	315	585
Health	\$'000	7 700	—	26 606	9 189	—	420
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	600	—	5 380	3 750	90
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	1 200	85	100	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	2	—	2	1	7	4
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	285	184
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	870	481
Employment	no.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	138	55
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	5 896	31 860	19 367	49 644	17 329	40 388
Total expenses	\$'000	6 134	33 570	20 599	54 718	17 026	43 935
Total assets	\$'000	607 758	285 302	424 120	1 627 828	717 519	572 435
Total liabilities	\$'000	1 958	11 429	4 984	26 219	4 624	25 886
Net worth	\$'000	605 800	273 873	419 136	1 601 609	712 895	546 549
Net debt	\$'000	–3 769	–36 949	–12 151	–1 800	–11 812	502

	Unit of quantity	Liverpool (C)	Manly (A)	Marrickville (A)	Mosman (A)	North Sydney (A)	Parramatta (C)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	313.28	15.50	16.48	8.71	10.46	60.06
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	124 292	37 703	79 876	27 452	56 319	143 021
1997	no.	130 490	37 885	80 064	27 617	56 947	144 057
1998	no.	136 891	38 078	79 145	27 949	57 917	144 182
1999 p	no.	143 281	38 316	79 871	28 127	58 587	145 871
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	12 768	2 147	4 633	1 527	2 178	10 277
5–14 years	no.	20 651	3 511	7 252	2 619	3 124	17 736
15–19 years	no.	9 895	1 926	4 132	1 419	2 331	9 331
20–54 years	no.	73 966	21 432	48 659	15 931	38 592	76 682
55–64 years	no.	10 163	3 166	6 565	2 526	4 764	12 003
65 years or more	no.	9 448	5 896	7 904	3 927	6 928	18 153
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	4.16	0.69	–0.25	0.46	1.79	0.84
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	2 518	494	1 064	295	538	2 120
Deaths	no.	656	308	549	224	309	1 063
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	2 581	215	267	138	487	848
Houses	no.	2 166	31	11	10	23	267
Other residential buildings	no.	415	184	256	128	464	581
Value of building approved	\$'000	408 196	82 803	60 403	57 340	254 131	252 933
Residential building	\$'000	320 293	75 411	36 796	53 027	127 429	100 094
New houses	\$'000	274 465	10 231	1 560	7 046	7 394	31 603
New other residential building	\$'000	32 012	48 636	17 080	32 390	94 203	46 322
Alterations and additions	\$'000	13 815	16 544	18 156	13 591	25 833	22 170
Non-residential building	\$'000	87 903	7 392	23 607	4 313	126 702	152 839
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	80	50	—	1 190	25 150
Shops	\$'000	33 316	1 204	5 635	50	1 309	17 125
Factories	\$'000	9 615	—	12 674	—	—	6 097
Offices	\$'000	11 610	248	160	100	109 082	25 799
Other business premises	\$'000	7 125	—	1 580	0	5 400	25 769
Educational	\$'000	4 990	—	1 729	163	6 995	12 374
Religious	\$'000	1 300	—	—	—	—	4 070
Health	\$'000	238	4 160	—	—	105	31 145
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	17 910	500	1 280	—	2 571	2 260
Miscellaneous	\$'000	1 800	1 200	499	4 000	50	3 049
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	5	7	1	—	10	7
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	283	441	n.p.	—	953	990
Bed spaces	no.	792	1 451	n.p.	—	2 498	2 319
Employment	no.	77	413	n.p.	—	454	668
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	61 077	29 619	44 781	17 608	39 742	76 110
Total expenses	\$'000	65 423	30 943	45 934	19 311	45 745	72 578
Total assets	\$'000	622 763	190 340	518 438	408 312	1 221 137	858 704
Total liabilities	\$'000	45 379	12 685	25 562	8 518	9 988	44 912
Net worth	\$'000	577 384	177 655	492 876	399 794	1 211 149	813 792
Net debt	\$'000	–24 706	–3 550	4 391	–4 635	–41 356	–5 440

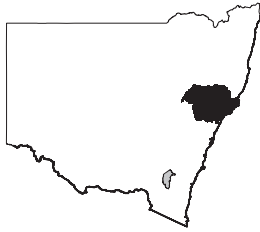
	Unit of quantity	Penrith (C)	Pittwater (A)	Randwick (C)	Rockdale (C)	Ryde (C)	South Sydney (C)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	406.62	125.02	36.51	29.33	40.15	17.79
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	167 868	54 648	123 466	88 944	96 429	79 460
1997	no.	169 666	55 324	124 665	89 872	97 304	82 008
1998	no.	171 202	55 839	125 199	90 257	97 474	83 645
1999 p	no.	173 393	56 003	126 665	91 218	97 695	85 859
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	14 466	3 496	6 362	5 682	5 977	2 788
5–14 years	no.	28 866	7 165	11 523	9 767	10 978	4 306
15–19 years	no.	14 025	3 521	7 306	5 069	5 687	3 878
20–54 years	no.	92 062	28 842	73 401	46 584	52 514	57 647
55–64 years	no.	10 735	5 425	10 305	8 639	8 167	6 368
65 years or more	no.	11 048	7 390	16 302	14 516	14 151	8 658
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	1.62	0.61	0.98	0.22	0.40	2.48
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	2 680	646	1 403	1 296	1 255	654
Deaths	no.	688	458	924	914	808	643
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	1 274	269	1 079	805	572	1 770
Houses	no.	858	120	69	86	126	20
Other residential buildings	no.	416	149	1 010	719	446	1 750
Value of building approved	\$'000	236 415	79 401	198 778	373 714	337 110	573 143
Residential building	\$'000	150 337	75 395	137 866	86 649	79 969	211 265
New houses	\$'000	98 952	31 791	13 349	14 858	21 212	2 914
New other residential building	\$'000	31 289	20 294	97 632	62 250	44 319	105 138
Alterations and additions	\$'000	20 096	23 310	26 885	9 541	14 438	103 213
Non-residential building	\$'000	86 077	4 006	60 912	287 065	257 140	361 879
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	1 900	—	6 000	1 680
Shops	\$'000	9 704	377	4 166	4 485	69 264	23 486
Factories	\$'000	18 456	960	9 900	—	15 038	3 070
Offices	\$'000	797	300	5 276	576	103 492	36 520
Other business premises	\$'000	19 983	350	7 695	276 350	32 166	50 051
Educational	\$'000	8 915	56	12 230	255	5 677	7 628
Religious	\$'000	55	—	—	2 258	394	550
Health	\$'000	18 605	110	10 197	2 140	2 238	170 864
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	7 016	1 803	7 511	1 000	22 484	65 766
Miscellaneous	\$'000	2 547	50	2 038	—	388	2 264
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	6	1	12	4	5	46
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	407	n.p.	855	n.p.	387	4 896
Bed spaces	no.	1 438	n.p.	2 588	n.p.	1 130	13 151
Employment	no.	228	n.p.	601	n.p.	287	2 262
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	77 780	33 635	49 328	34 627	42 710	79 553
Total expenses	\$'000	82 541	32 709	53 261	34 436	41 610	87 125
Total assets	\$'000	783 026	2 260 515	1 832 067	893 113	1 287 016	877 310
Total liabilities	\$'000	85 612	14 664	21 966	21 414	15 117	29 820
Net worth	\$'000	697 414	2 245 851	1 810 101	871 699	1 271 899	847 490
Net debt	\$'000	26 513	–4 410	–24 599	–10 941	–33 545	–61 234

	Unit of quantity	Strathfield (A)	Sutherland Shire (A)	Sydney (C) Inner and Remainder	Warringah (A)	Waverley (A)	Willoughby (C)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	13.89	370.91	6.18	138.36	8.99	22.18
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	27 170	203 753	13 846	131 109	65 137	56 463
1997	no.	27 579	206 432	15 865	131 887	65 431	57 090
1998	no.	28 109	209 136	19 887	132 351	64 624	57 717
1999 p	no.	28 595	211 782	22 773	133 911	65 009	60 498
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	1 567	13 693	597	8 375	3 214	3 456
5–14 years	no.	3 473	29 064	904	15 095	5 412	6 198
15–19 years	no.	2 264	14 156	1 116	8 056	3 114	3 267
20–54 years	no.	14 066	109 850	14 868	68 699	39 169	31 929
55–64 years	no.	2 498	17 999	1 116	13 033	4 979	4 737
65 years or more	no.	4 241	24 374	1 286	19 093	8 736	8 130
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.25	0.90	13.72	0.20	1.30	0.78
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	293	2 523	138	1 724	723	727
Deaths	no.	257	1 191	57	1 081	499	435
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	196	1 269	1 377	619	207	1 328
Houses	no.	61	472	1	269	22	96
Other residential buildings	no.	135	797	1 376	350	185	1 232
Value of building approved	\$'000	53 262	242 207	715 878	225 438	67 430	306 872
Residential building	\$'000	37 252	195 830	222 220	125 401	62 711	208 516
New houses	\$'000	16 638	73 905	145	50 755	10 687	23 610
New other residential building	\$'000	15 780	77 033	220 505	37 123	27 780	145 768
Alterations and additions	\$'000	4 834	44 891	1 570	37 523	24 244	39 138
Non-residential building	\$'000	16 010	46 378	493 659	100 037	4 719	98 356
Hotels etc.	\$'000	270	—	82 055	—	320	—
Shops	\$'000	1 188	4 957	44 818	64 986	732	24 540
Factories	\$'000	5 984	1 210	450	3 070	—	2 380
Offices	\$'000	400	10 948	298 587	11 904	83	60 784
Other business premises	\$'000	6 408	2 927	29 995	5 830	800	7 238
Educational	\$'000	75	1 620	24 326	1 905	370	150
Religious	\$'000	616	3 400	5 000	4 270	—	—
Health	\$'000	800	14 944	1 170	6 333	—	3 002
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	270	5 721	6 817	660	1 554	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	650	441	1 079	860	263
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	3	7	64	2	7	3
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	93	265	13 287	n.p.	411	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	276	676	31 470	n.p.	969	n.p.
Employment	no.	50	134	11 513	n.p.	301	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	12 694	105 764	131 338	68 120	37 473	36 753
Total expenses	\$'000	13 517	103 076	95 629	79 959	39 050	40 169
Total assets	\$'000	282 050	1 132 413	2 066 262	4 090 838	1 026 170	2 000 320
Total liabilities	\$'000	10 075	76 114	88 314	33 250	21 413	16 700
Net worth	\$'000	271 975	1 056 299	1 977 948	4 057 588	1 004 757	1 983 620
Net debt	\$'000	-6 643	-20 413	-72 626	-16 914	-13 965	-15 110

	Unit of quantity	Wollondilly (A)	Woollahra (A)	Wyong (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	2 557.97	12.19	825.92	12 407.01	1.5
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	34 583	53 443	120 185	3 881 136	62.6
1997	no.	34 943	53 522	123 108	3 933 724	62.7
1998	no.	35 444	53 529	125 946	3 981 641	62.9
1999 p	no.	35 952	54 572	129 309	4 041 381	63.0
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	2 830	2 191	9 419	270 480	62.2
5–14 years	no.	6 374	4 467	18 929	522 910	59.4
15–19 years	no.	2 776	3 133	7 638	270 825	62.2
20–54 years	no.	18 027	30 692	55 622	2 118 391	65.8
55–64 years	no.	2 678	4 905	11 631	331 001	59.4
65 years or more	no.	2 759	8 141	22 707	468 034	58.0
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	1.97	0.67	2.73	1.11	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	493	495	1 685	53 071	64.3
Deaths	no.	167	376	1 216	26 475	58.1
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	342	558	1 579	35 016	67.8
Houses	no.	329	54	1 195	15 357	54.5
Other residential buildings	no.	13	504	384	19 659	84.0
Value of building approved	\$'000	48 897	269 887	215 313	8 740 585	73.6
Residential building	\$'000	47 293	238 155	180 398	5 221 203	71.2
New houses	\$'000	41 430	36 460	128 165	2 172 905	59.0
New other residential building	\$'000	630	131 038	36 646	2 129 556	86.2
Alterations and additions	\$'000	5 232	70 657	15 586	918 743	77.7
Non-residential building	\$'000	1 605	31 733	34 915	3 519 382	77.6
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	540	550	201 865	67.6
Shops	\$'000	—	6 860	5 410	473 018	73.6
Factories	\$'000	80	—	3 449	242 853	71.2
Offices	\$'000	57	15 123	2 693	801 412	93.5
Other business premises	\$'000	111	649	6 016	753 171	82.6
Educational	\$'000	996	1 473	9 533	205 424	52.9
Religious	\$'000	—	610	390	40 034	86.4
Health	\$'000	—	81	1 614	413 811	79.8
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	200	6 198	4 821	324 229	79.3
Miscellaneous	\$'000	160	200	438	63 565	52.3
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	2	8	19	326	25.3
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	508	545	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	1 255	1 852	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	n.p.	366	295	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	18 190	34 350	110 606	2 166 345	50.2
Total expenses	\$'000	21 815	40 857	114 076	2 211 771	48.1
Total assets	\$'000	151 041	672 080	946 249	40 012 419	60.9
Total liabilities	\$'000	6 303	10 687	117 224	1 335 115	50.9
Net worth	\$'000	144 738	661 393	829 025	38 677 304	61.3
Net debt	\$'000	-4 238	-22 974	44 891	-639 388	52.0

# HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION

## GEOGRAPHY



The Hunter river and its tributaries in this Division form one of the largest river valleys on the New South Wales coast. To the north and south the area is enclosed by rugged highlands, while to the west less rugged highlands give easy access to the New England areas. The climate is generally of the warm, humid type, with heaviest rainfall normally occurring in summer and autumn. Rainfall decreases markedly in amount and reliability from the coast inland. Railways traverse the region, linking the most important towns, and a highway closely follows the main northern rail route.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Cessnock (C)</i>	<i>Dungog (A)</i>	<i>Gloucester (A)</i>	<i>Great Lakes (A)</i>	<i>Lake Macquarie (C)</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	1 950.62	2 247.67	2 918.43	3 339.05	748.77
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	45 695	7 873	4 962	28 722	176 750
1997	no.	45 994	7 891	4 973	29 544	178 902
1998	no.	46 205	7 901	4 960	30 103	180 596
1999 p	no.	46 706	7 883	4 943	30 566	183 002
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0-4 years	no.	3 457	513	303	1 579	12 155
5-14 years	no.	7 192	1 338	767	4 184	26 394
15-19 years	no.	3 454	530	346	1 551	12 800
20-54 years	no.	22 453	3 606	2 121	11 397	86 063
55-64 years	no.	3 737	843	561	4 049	17 283
65 years or more	no.	5 912	1 071	862	7 343	25 901
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.17	0.53	0.76	2.41	0.82
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>						
Births	no.	657	94	36	230	2 139
Deaths	no.	459	58	41	317	1 448
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	159	53	31	467	1 544
Houses	no.	143	52	29	325	1 121
Other residential buildings	no.	16	1	2	142	423
Value of building approved	\$'000	70 419	9 372	6 280	58 518	260 964
Residential building	\$'000	20 361	7 822	3 060	51 946	197 651
New houses	\$'000	16 264	6 586	2 642	36 906	136 409
New other residential building	\$'000	793	0	150	12 050	34 189
Alterations and additions	\$'000	3 305	1 236	267	2 990	27 052
Non-residential building	\$'000	50 057	1 550	3 220	6 572	63 314
Hotels etc.	\$'000	7 017	415	400	306	4 300
Shops	\$'000	11 440	—	—	150	17 682
Factories	\$'000	4 874	120	81	2 177	12 867
Offices	\$'000	3 583	350	—	—	2 666
Other business premises	\$'000	1 470	—	600	432	9 062
Educational	\$'000	519	50	2 139	—	683
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	166	296
Health	\$'000	16 379	—	—	100	3 901
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	4 525	405	—	3 130	6 085
Miscellaneous	\$'000	250	210	—	112	5 772
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	14	2	3	21	13
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	492	n.p.	n.p.	514	406
Bed spaces	no.	1 505	n.p.	n.p.	1 583	1 433
Employment	no.	520	n.p.	n.p.	107	199
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	27 014	5 896	6 354	23 469	85 003
Total expenses	\$'000	34 215	6 772	7 114	27 672	81 834
Total assets	\$'000	311 410	125 476	76 220	339 744	993 541
Total liabilities	\$'000	12 676	2 329	3 976	15 041	50 205
Net worth	\$'000	298 734	123 147	72 244	324 703	943 336
Net debt	\$'000	-5 330	-1 472	-1 499	-1 297	-22 218

	Unit of quantity	Maitland (C)	Merriwa (A)	Murrurundi (A)	Muswell- brook (A)	Newcastle (C) —Inner and Remainder
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	396.27	3 512.70	2 471.46	3 401.55	213.52
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	51 397	2 352	2 256	15 659	137 265
1997	no.	52 140	2 348	2 244	15 627	138 215
1998	no.	52 777	2 329	2 200	15 442	138 994
1999 p	no.	53 601	2 254	2 155	15 307	140 028
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	4 099	153	153	1 306	8 208
5–14 years	no.	8 644	349	289	2 688	15 959
15–19 years	no.	4 083	141	123	1 089	8 865
20–54 years	no.	26 300	1 029	1 000	7 855	71 607
55–64 years	no.	3 931	294	255	1 175	11 606
65 years or more	no.	5 720	363	380	1 329	22 749
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	1.12	-0.94	-1.35	0.29	0.16
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	728	41	29	260	1 609
Deaths	no.	332	23	22	91	1 346
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	532	4	3	32	1 022
Houses	no.	476	4	3	27	572
Other residential buildings	no.	56	—	—	5	450
Value of building approved	\$'000	94 317	511	364	11 397	281 128
Residential building	\$'000	65 832	511	234	4 449	136 396
New houses	\$'000	57 221	382	174	3 235	65 768
New other residential building	\$'000	3 805	—	—	468	37 396
Alterations and additions	\$'000	4 805	129	60	746	33 232
Non-residential building	\$'000	28 485	—	130	6 948	144 733
Hotels etc.	\$'000	400	—	—	—	17 040
Shops	\$'000	1 200	—	130	63	23 384
Factories	\$'000	2 070	—	—	1 770	15 830
Offices	\$'000	660	—	—	—	8 899
Other business premises	\$'000	8 335	—	—	3 585	19 690
Educational	\$'000	486	—	—	—	27 081
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	308
Health	\$'000	8 090	—	—	—	18 080
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	6 874	—	—	1 135	10 805
Miscellaneous	\$'000	370	—	—	395	3 616
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	5	—	2	6	18
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	—	n.p.	201	782
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	—	n.p.	566	2 187
Employment	no.	n.p.	—	n.p.	70	342
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	24 448	5 474	4 202	14 516	93 115
Total expenses	\$'000	25 884	6 581	5 197	15 824	108 228
Total assets	\$'000	353 741	73 571	24 620	115 968	1 460 178
Total liabilities	\$'000	11 740	1 326	882	4 139	64 430
Net worth	\$'000	342 001	72 245	23 738	111 829	1 395 748
Net debt	\$'000	-5 365	-832	-1 604	-11 928	-16 297



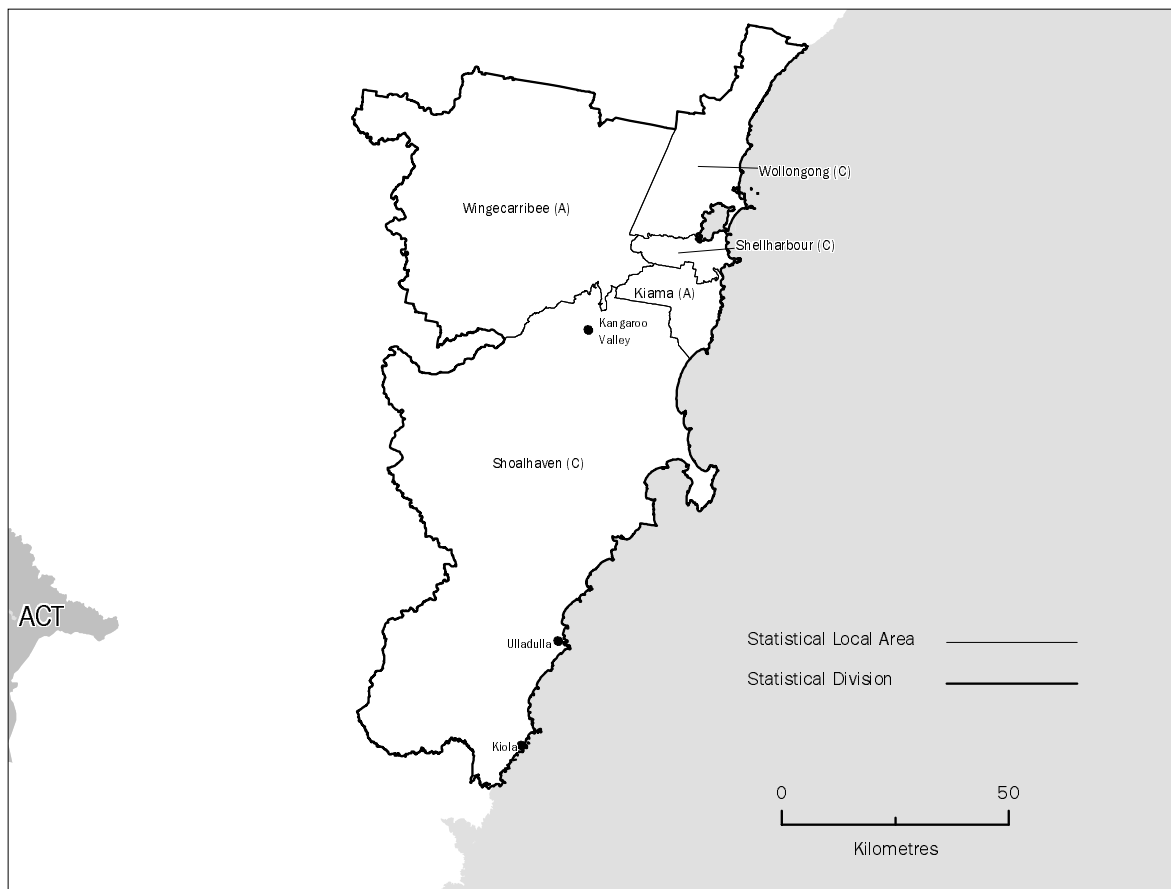
	Unit of quantity	Port Stephens (A)	Scone (A)	Singleton (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	978.65	4 026.85	4 810.21	31 015.75	3.9
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	52 281	9 734	20 208	555 154	8.9
1997	no.	53 492	9 843	20 474	561 687	9.0
1998	no.	54 729	9 839	20 505	566 580	8.9
1999 p	no.	55 971	9 699	20 687	572 802	8.9
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	4 049	711	1 781	38 467	8.8
5–14 years	no.	8 538	1 631	3 582	81 555	9.3
15–19 years	no.	3 588	707	1 517	38 794	8.9
20–54 years	no.	25 374	4 852	10 505	274 162	8.5
55–64 years	no.	5 462	781	1 435	51 412	9.2
65 years or more	no.	7 718	1 157	1 685	82 190	10.2
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	2.99	0.06	1.16	0.86	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	707	137	322	6 989	8.5
Deaths	no.	360	73	102	4 672	10.2
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	831	35	103	4 816	9.3
Houses	no.	493	33	103	3 381	12.0
Other residential buildings	no.	338	2	—	1 435	6.1
Value of building approved	\$'000	125 971	9 896	19 812	948 949	8.0
Residential building	\$'000	100 180	6 208	15 462	610 110	8.3
New houses	\$'000	61 366	4 217	13 298	404 469	11.0
New other residential building	\$'000	32 422	75	—	121 347	4.9
Alterations and additions	\$'000	6 391	1 915	2 164	84 294	7.1
Non-residential building	\$'000	25 791	3 688	4 350	338 839	7.5
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	100	613	30 591	10.2
Shops	\$'000	5 808	80	604	60 541	9.4
Factories	\$'000	4 730	—	347	44 867	13.2
Offices	\$'000	1 200	220	150	17 727	2.1
Other business premises	\$'000	3 647	140	1 636	48 597	5.3
Educational	\$'000	4 350	2 569	210	38 087	9.8
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	770	1.7
Health	\$'000	—	141	—	46 691	9.0
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	5 144	—	—	38 103	9.3
Miscellaneous	\$'000	912	438	790	12 865	10.6
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	22	6	7	119	9.2
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	902	122	272	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	3 200	352	761	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	601	52	163	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	42 579	9 502	18 856	360 428	8.3
Total expenses	\$'000	45 912	12 085	21 355	398 673	8.7
Total assets	\$'000	363 559	117 752	303 637	4 659 417	7.1
Total liabilities	\$'000	11 896	2 096	11 963	192 699	7.3
Net worth	\$'000	351 663	115 656	291 674	4 466 718	7.1
Net debt	\$'000	-23 655	-1 381	-4 034	-96 912	7.9

## ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



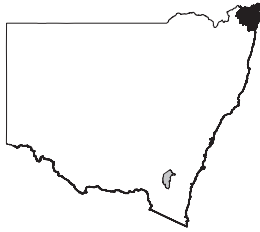
The coastal portion of the Division consists of a discontinuous coastal plain where a series of river valleys (Minnamurra and Shoalhaven) alternate with spurs of more elevated land extending eastwards from the tablelands. To the west of this coastal plain is a long escarpment which gives way to exceedingly rugged terrain in the Shoalhaven area, and the land in the north-western part of the Division consists of undulating tablelands. The climate is generally of the warm, humid type, with heaviest rainfall occurring in summer and autumn. Rail communication in the Division comprises the Illawarra line extending through the coastal belt and terminating at Nowra; the main southern line passing through Bowral; and a connecting link (Unanderra–Moss Vale), which is used mainly for goods traffic. Highway communication follows a similar pattern, with a coastal road, a tablelands road, and several roads linking the Bowral area with the Illawarra Plains districts.



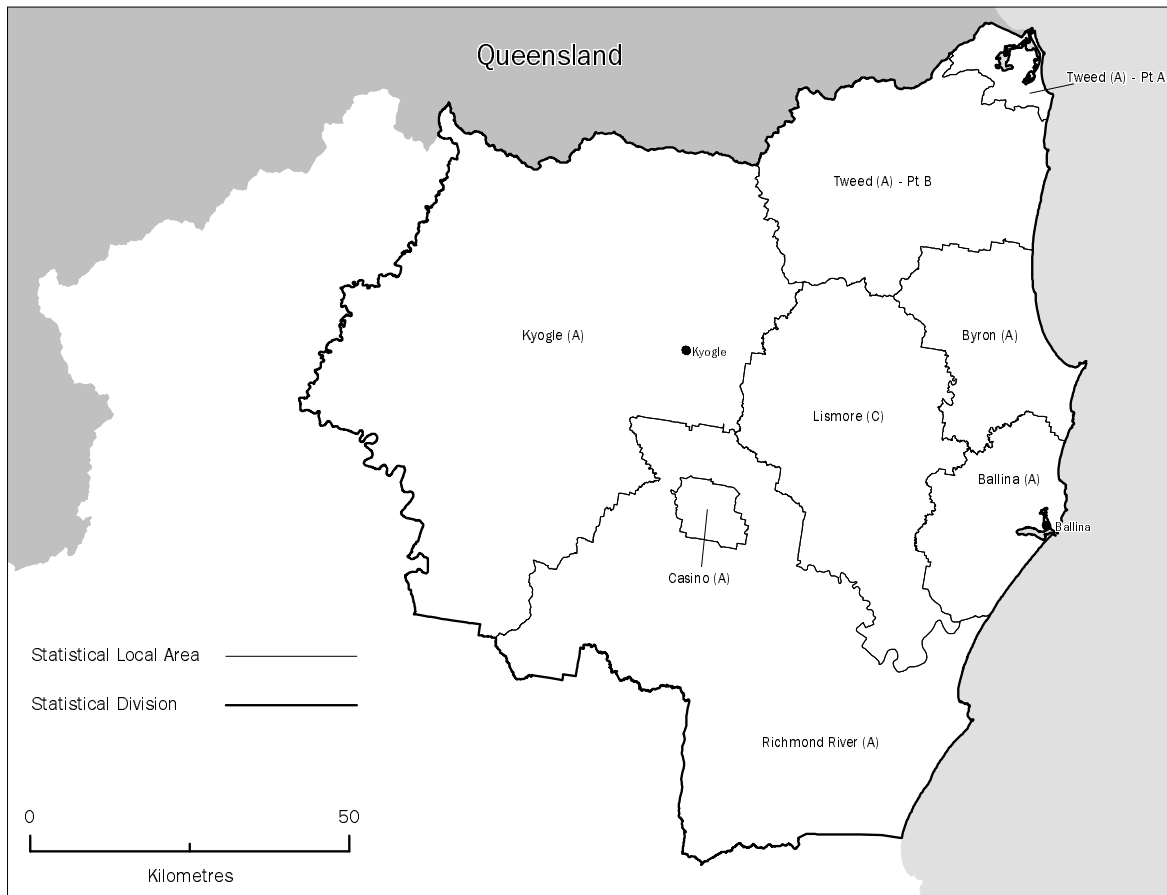
	Unit of quantity	Kiama (A)	Shell-harbour (C)	Shoal-haven (C)	Winge-carrabee (A)	Wollongong (C)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	256.03	154.20	4 660.25	2 700.46	713.93	8 484.87	1.1
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>								
1996	no.	18 374	53 873	79 068	38 048	183 497	372 860	6.0
1997	no.	18 599	54 964	80 335	38 692	184 432	377 022	6.0
1998	no.	18 770	55 799	81 149	39 296	185 161	380 175	6.0
1999 p	no.	19 108	56 930	82 523	40 320	186 608	385 489	6.0
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>								
0-4 years	no.	1 163	4 544	5 546	2 836	12 344	26 433	6.1
5-14 years	no.	3 178	8 992	12 733	6 372	24 636	55 911	6.4
15-19 years	no.	1 242	4 222	5 020	2 989	12 949	26 422	6.1
20-54 years	no.	8 179	27 915	33 778	17 453	92 533	179 858	5.6
55-64 years	no.	1 689	4 842	9 153	3 960	17 421	37 065	6.7
65 years or more	no.	3 319	5 284	14 919	5 686	25 278	54 486	6.8
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	2.02	2.25	2.33	2.17	0.37	1.30	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>								
Births	no.	175	780	933	484	2 347	4 719	5.7
Deaths	no.	153	310	722	325	1 345	2 855	6.3
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>								
Dwelling units approved	no.	173	449	959	509	1 085	3 175	6.2
Houses	no.	113	376	886	445	687	2 507	8.9
Other residential buildings	no.	60	73	73	64	398	668	2.9
Value of building approved	\$'000	30 648	63 074	212 659	95 104	199 756	601 241	5.1
Residential building	\$'000	28 522	56 116	117 896	81 898	143 471	427 904	5.8
New houses	\$'000	17 378	46 924	97 978	66 141	83 002	311 422	8.5
New other residential building	\$'000	5 611	4 959	5 323	5 575	37 930	59 398	2.4
Alterations and additions	\$'000	5 533	4 233	14 596	10 182	22 539	57 083	4.8
Non-residential building	\$'000	2 126	6 957	94 763	13 207	56 285	173 337	3.8
Hotels etc.	\$'000	60	—	1 902	1 120	537	3 619	1.2
Shops	\$'000	1 406	2 415	2 784	2 363	9 615	18 584	2.9
Factories	\$'000	235	245	1 570	2 445	10 242	14 737	4.3
Offices	\$'000	—	90	10 630	—	1 603	12 323	1.4
Other business premises	\$'000	130	390	37 044	1 275	5 181	44 020	4.8
Educational	\$'000	—	760	31 905	3 710	18 821	55 196	14.2
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	70	500	570	1.2
Health	\$'000	—	—	940	240	280	1 460	0.3
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	295	2 820	7 165	810	4 512	15 601	3.8
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	237	823	1 174	4 993	7 227	5.9
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>								
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	10	2	27	23	20	82	6.4
Capacity, at 30 June								
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	n.p.	667	687	782	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	n.p.	2 165	1 911	2 365	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	n.p.	n.p.	238	407	502	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>								
Operating revenues	\$'000	19 058	25 811	92 355	36 304	112 792	286 320	6.6
Total expenses	\$'000	21 393	27 569	82 335	38 880	117 806	287 983	6.3
Total assets	\$'000	152 224	244 014	1 022 652	559 197	1 211 667	3 189 754	4.9
Total liabilities	\$'000	22 145	14 485	105 523	24 958	67 191	234 302	8.9
Net worth	\$'000	130 079	229 529	917 129	534 239	1 144 476	2 955 452	4.7
Net debt	\$'000	-399	-24 233	14 948	-6 389	-26 711	-42 784	3.5

## RICHMOND-TWEED STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



The Division consists of two major coastal river basins (of the Richmond and Tweed rivers) and a river valley (of the Upper Clarence River). It is enclosed on the north by the rugged McPherson range, on the west by the more easterly extensions of the New England Plateau, and on the south by the less rugged Richmond range. The Richmond Range extends northerly into the Division and separates the river valley from the coastal basins. The climate of the region is humid sub-tropical. The rainfall varies in intensity and occasional severe flooding occurs. The area has a rail and road system cutting the river system at right angles, and a highway linking the coast to the hinterland.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Ballina (A)</i>	<i>Byron (A)</i>	<i>Casino (A)</i>	<i>Kyogle (A)</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	486.94	561.26	91.13	3 589.00
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>					
1996	no.	34 650	26 620	10 943	9 919
1997	no.	35 086	27 297	10 829	9 916
1998	no.	35 778	27 953	10 694	9 820
1999 p	no.	36 742	28 573	10 621	9 811
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>					
0-4 years	no.	2 078	1 745	895	707
5-14 years	no.	5 223	4 503	1 678	1 805
15-19 years	no.	2 585	1 899	694	700
20-54 years	no.	15 871	14 274	4 699	4 450
55-64 years	no.	3 379	2 064	922	908
65 years or more	no.	6 642	3 468	1 806	1 250
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	2.79	3.30	-0.63	-0.22
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>					
Births	no.	373	319	168	90
Deaths	no.	339	164	134	56
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>					
Dwelling units approved	no.	351	318	15	48
Houses	no.	269	234	15	48
Other residential buildings	no.	82	84	—	—
Value of building approved	\$'000	58 992	35 318	2 368	4 970
Residential building	\$'000	45 304	32 621	1 654	4 010
New houses	\$'000	32 509	22 050	1 388	3 622
New other residential building	\$'000	9 519	7 155	—	—
Alterations and additions	\$'000	3 276	3 416	266	388
Non-residential building	\$'000	13 688	2 697	714	960
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	100	—	—
Shops	\$'000	1 035	885	—	—
Factories	\$'000	170	870	—	—
Offices	\$'000	50	150	—	—
Other business premises	\$'000	260	622	—	690
Educational	\$'000	8 420	—	—	—
Religious	\$'000	—	—	80	—
Health	\$'000	3 015	—	634	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	100	70	—	270
Miscellaneous	\$'000	638	—	—	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>					
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	13	12	3	—
Capacity, at 30 June					
Guest rooms	no.	358	307	n.p.	—
Bed spaces	no.	1 144	1 076	n.p.	—
Employment	no.	128	145	n.p.	—
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>					
Operating revenues	\$'000	26 968	27 079	9 864	13 840
Total expenses	\$'000	29 609	27 939	10 070	21 973
Total assets	\$'000	428 422	293 851	92 028	138 189
Total liabilities	\$'000	19 682	22 738	6 303	5 831
Net worth	\$'000	408 740	271 113	85 725	132 358
Net debt	\$'000	-12 473	-11 763	-3	1 268

	Unit of quantity	Lismore (C)	Richmond River (A)	Tweed (A) Pts A and B	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	1 267.05	2 458.66	1 303.38	9 757.42	1.2
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	43 551	9 807	65 052	200 542	3.2
1997	no.	43 478	9 987	67 065	203 658	3.2
1998	no.	43 479	10 036	68 729	206 489	3.3
1999 p	no.	43 300	10 101	70 133	209 281	3.3
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	2 894	717	4 448	13 484	3.1
5–14 years	no.	6 672	1 762	10 064	31 707	3.6
15–19 years	no.	3 835	656	4 230	14 599	3.4
20–54 years	no.	21 533	4 427	29 187	94 441	2.9
55–64 years	no.	3 372	1 055	7 138	18 838	3.4
65 years or more	no.	5 173	1 419	13 662	33 420	4.1
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.62	1.80	3.72	2.24	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	573	99	733	2 355	2.9
Deaths	no.	295	49	636	1 673	3.7
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	165	56	910	1 863	3.6
Houses	no.	144	45	644	1 399	5.0
Other residential buildings	no.	21	11	266	464	2.0
Value of building approved	\$'000	48 836	20 906	130 931	302 321	2.5
Residential building	\$'000	18 539	6 399	112 114	220 641	3.0
New houses	\$'000	14 707	5 120	64 638	144 033	3.9
New other residential building	\$'000	1 597	660	41 516	60 447	2.4
Alterations and additions	\$'000	2 235	619	5 961	16 162	1.4
Non-residential building	\$'000	30 297	14 507	18 817	81 680	1.8
Hotels etc.	\$'000	9 430	—	940	10 470	3.5
Shops	\$'000	15 950	250	4 194	22 314	3.5
Factories	\$'000	350	272	820	2 482	0.7
Offices	\$'000	459	0	1 290	1 949	0.2
Other business premises	\$'000	661	850	1 140	4 223	0.5
Educational	\$'000	1 585	12 630	2 138	24 773	6.4
Religious	\$'000	90	—	—	170	0.4
Health	\$'000	1 297	—	—	4 946	1.0
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	300	50	7 915	8 705	2.1
Miscellaneous	\$'000	175	455	380	1 647	1.4
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	9	1	22	60	4.7
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	260	n.p.	573	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	722	n.p.	1 823	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	73	n.p.	117	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	35 418	14 591	55 389	183 149	4.2
Total expenses	\$'000	40 108	19 191	55 416	204 306	4.4
Total assets	\$'000	409 890	203 549	727 981	2 293 910	3.5
Total liabilities	\$'000	16 651	3 169	47 885	122 259	4.7
Net worth	\$'000	393 239	200 380	680 096	2 171 651	3.4
Net debt	\$'000	-12 775	-8 442	-32 790	-76 978	6.3

## MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



This Division covers the coastal strip extending from Wallis Lake in the south to the Richmond Range in the north, and comprises a series of valleys running generally east to west (valleys of the Clarence, Macleay, Hastings and Manning Rivers). The valleys have generally been intensively developed for agriculture, while the hills separating the valleys have seen little development. The region has a warm and humid to sub-humid climate. Rainfall is high; occasional severe flooding is a feature of the river valleys. The main road and rail system cuts across the river system and provides a link between areas to the north and south of the Division (e.g. Brisbane to Sydney). Other major roads run from the coast to the hinterland—Grafton to Glen Innes, Kempsey to Armidale, Port Macquarie to Tamworth, etc.



	Unit of quantity	Bellingen (A)	Coffs Harbour (C)	Copmanhurst (A)	Grafton (C)	Greater Taree (C)	Hastings (A)	Kempsey (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	1 604.58	946.36	3 143.63	80.13	3 752.76	3 692.76	3 355.00
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>								
1996	no.	12 485	57 283	4 034	17 507	43 546	57 228	26 468
1997	no.	12 529	58 279	4 103	17 420	43 519	58 228	26 528
1998	no.	12 531	59 140	4 139	17 367	43 671	59 845	26 546
1999 p	no.	12 671	59 747	4 246	16 802	44 149	61 298	27 073
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>								
0-4 years	no.	820	3 911	277	1 234	2 892	3 611	1 871
5-14 years	no.	2 184	9 473	693	2 675	6 943	8 775	4 353
15-19 years	no.	827	4 480	287	1 207	3 033	3 625	1 780
20-54 years	no.	5 385	27 411	2 002	7 776	18 542	24 435	11 610
55-64 years	no.	1 303	5 365	388	1 571	4 810	6 790	2 902
65 years or more	no.	2 012	8 500	492	2 904	7 451	12 609	4 030
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	1.16	2.40	0.68	-0.01	0.91	2.97	0.85
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>								
Births	no.	140	664	45	217	505	576	297
Deaths	no.	87	442	13	192	357	619	244
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>								
Dwelling units approved	no.	70	768	27	46	232	797	106
Houses	no.	66	429	25	39	189	576	104
Other residential buildings	no.	4	339	2	7	43	221	2
Value of building approved	\$'000	9 575	117 819	3 559	10 386	39 992	118 542	14 162
Residential building	\$'000	9 140	88 453	3 164	6 889	31 404	94 244	12 072
New houses	\$'000	7 003	52 148	2 394	5 277	25 170	68 491	9 626
New other residential building	\$'000	467	30 443	240	407	3 242	19 955	250
Alterations and additions	\$'000	1 670	5 863	530	1 206	2 992	5 797	2 197
Non-residential building	\$'000	435	29 367	395	3 497	8 587	24 298	2 090
Hotels etc.	\$'000	85	412	—	155	548	300	1 000
Shops	\$'000	100	16 325	—	—	811	1 555	160
Factories	\$'000	—	1 174	—	93	400	2 305	538
Offices	\$'000	58	1 407	—	100	385	700	—
Other business premises	\$'000	56	2 430	310	1 600	142	2 103	204
Educational	\$'000	—	1 430	—	600	835	16 010	—
Religious	\$'000	—	2 095	—	—	—	—	—
Health	\$'000	—	2 758	—	165	290	250	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	136	150	85	525	4 701	945	134
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	1 185	—	260	476	130	54
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>								
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	2	38	—	9	19	26	14
Capacity, at 30 June								
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	1 560	—	271	397	780	355
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	5 320	—	752	1 195	2 535	1 057
Employment	no.	n.p.	802	—	82	95	365	95
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>								
Operating revenues	\$'000	12 596	51 582	6 099	15 517	20 982	48 195	24 180
Total expenses	\$'000	13 361	46 887	8 456	15 888	29 295	40 064	22 960
Total assets	\$'000	227 072	706 536	53 482	131 913	463 917	696 510	231 080
Total liabilities	\$'000	4 494	49 001	3 447	10 102	13 164	46 882	33 191
Net worth	\$'000	222 578	657 535	50 035	121 811	450 753	649 628	197 889
Net debt	\$'000	-7 619	-25 148	373	-3 957	610	-32 355	8 592



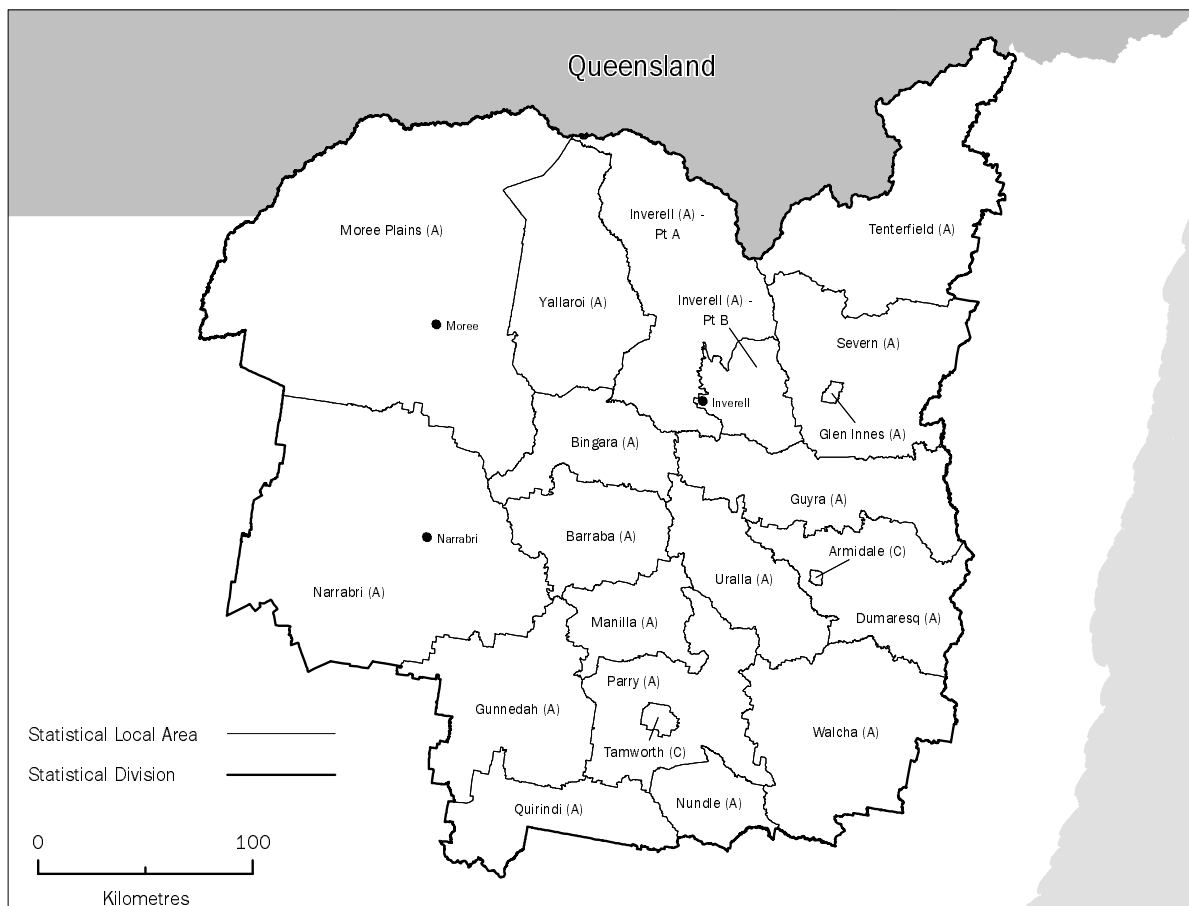
	Unit of quantity	Lord Howe Island	Maclean (A)	Nambucca (A)	Nymboida (A)	Ulmarra (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	16.54	1 041.95	1 442.62	5 082.42	1 790.32	25 949.07	3.2
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>								
1996	no.	332	15 305	17 639	4 425	6 189	262 441	4.2
1997	no.	335	15 763	17 734	4 490	6 217	265 145	4.2
1998	no.	318	16 264	17 806	4 541	6 187	268 355	4.2
1999 p	no.	353	16 612	17 703	4 481	6 195	271 330	4.2
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>								
0-4 years	no.	23	977	1 122	300	372	17 410	4.0
5-14 years	no.	43	2 319	2 803	921	1 173	42 355	4.8
15-19 years	no.	4	966	1 153	340	390	18 092	4.2
20-54 years	no.	162	6 395	7 330	2 159	2 813	116 020	3.6
55-64 years	no.	35	2 225	1 871	415	622	28 297	5.1
65 years or more	no.	51	3 382	3 527	406	817	46 181	5.7
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>								
	%	-1.39	2.35	1.06	2.25	1.59	1.73	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>								
Births	no.	5	153	184	52	62	2 900	3.5
Deaths	no.	5	157	163	10	50	2 339	5.1
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>								
Dwelling units approved	no.	—	152	75	21	34	2 328	4.5
Houses	no.	—	119	69	21	34	1 671	5.9
Other residential buildings	no.	—	33	6	—	—	657	2.8
Value of building approved	\$'000	—	27 902	13 863	2 241	4 377	362 419	3.1
Residential building	\$'000	—	17 130	10 524	2 187	3 887	279 094	3.8
New houses	\$'000	—	12 493	7 362	1 935	2 892	194 790	5.3
New other residential building	\$'000	—	3 562	585	—	—	59 150	2.4
Alterations and additions	\$'000	—	1 075	2 578	252	996	25 154	2.1
Non-residential building	\$'000	—	10 772	3 339	55	490	83 325	1.8
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	7 800	—	—	—	10 300	3.5
Shops	\$'000	—	1 060	2 400	—	490	22 901	3.6
Factories	\$'000	—	75	—	—	—	4 584	1.3
Offices	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	2 650	0.3
Other business premises	\$'000	—	499	364	55	—	7 763	0.9
Educational	\$'000	—	190	375	—	—	19 440	5.0
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	2 095	4.5
Health	\$'000	—	618	—	—	—	4 080	0.8
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	100	—	—	6 776	1.7
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	530	100	—	—	2 736	2.2
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>								
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	1	5	6	1	—	121	9.4
Capacity, at 30 June								
Guest rooms	no.	n.p.	109	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	n.p.	374	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	n.p.	22	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>								
Operating revenues	\$'000	—	13 884	12 994	4 860	5 813	216 702	5.0
Total expenses	\$'000	—	16 008	14 950	14 143	7 951	229 963	5.0
Total assets	\$'000	—	169 437	185 839	116 724	60 989	3 043 499	4.6
Total liabilities	\$'000	—	10 770	15 314	1 376	4 875	192 616	7.3
Net worth	\$'000	—	158 667	170 525	115 348	56 114	2 850 883	4.5
Net debt	\$'000	—	-2 663	-1 985	-1 979	-925	-67 056	5.5

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There are three identifiable regions in this Division—the northern tablelands (mainly undulating hill lands generally over 1,000 metres above sea level), the northern slopes to the west of the tablelands, and the flat north central plains, watered by the Macintyre, Gwydir and Namoi Rivers. The tablelands is an area with mild summers and cold winters and a moderate rainfall, with the heaviest rainfall occurring in summer. West of the tablelands the summers are warm to hot, with a similar rainfall pattern. Tamworth is the principal city of the Division, and the centre of rail and road systems and air services. The main northern rail line from Newcastle passes through Quirindi, Tamworth, Armidale, Glen Innes and Tenterfield. There is an extensive road system linking all of the major towns and cities in the Division.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Armidale (C)</i>	<i>Barraba (A)</i>	<i>Bingara (A)</i>	<i>Dumaresq (A)</i>	<i>Glen Innes (A)</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	33.65	3 074.62	2 859.28	4 168.34	68.92
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	21 370	2 378	2 130	3 828	6 188
1997	no.	21 367	2 338	2 108	3 823	6 146
1998	no.	21 192	2 280	2 027	3 792	6 040
1999 p	no.	21 034	2 254	1 998	3 777	5 955
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	1 360	138	99	216	450
5–14 years	no.	3 219	302	269	659	892
15–19 years	no.	2 453	109	108	335	412
20–54 years	no.	10 547	898	821	1 779	2 567
55–64 years	no.	1 462	365	326	435	662
65 years or more	no.	2 151	468	404	368	1 057
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	–0.82	–2.11	–1.02	0.12	–0.54
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	288	33	22	29	72
Deaths	no.	148	45	25	18	54
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	41	—	8	23	11
Houses	no.	34	—	8	23	11
Other residential buildings	no.	7	—	—	—	—
Value of building approved	\$'000	17 834	521	800	4 557	3 030
Residential building	\$'000	7 082	361	740	3 751	1 409
New houses	\$'000	3 849	—	698	3 247	1 063
New other residential building	\$'000	310	—	—	—	—
Alterations and additions	\$'000	2 923	361	42	504	346
Non-residential building	\$'000	10 752	160	60	806	1 621
Hotels etc.	\$'000	50	—	—	706	150
Shops	\$'000	233	—	—	—	410
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Offices	\$'000	882	—	—	—	—
Other business premises	\$'000	539	—	—	100	—
Educational	\$'000	4 455	70	—	—	—
Religious	\$'000	145	—	—	—	—
Health	\$'000	4 303	—	60	—	700
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	50	90	—	—	56
Miscellaneous	\$'000	95	—	—	—	305
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	14	—	—	1	7
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	387	—	—	n.p.	158
Bed spaces	no.	1 241	—	—	n.p.	436
Employment	no.	133	—	—	n.p.	57
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	16 541	3 523	4 193	6 558	7 599
Total expenses	\$'000	18 213	4 262	3 991	8 130	7 931
Total assets	\$'000	261 717	40 542	38 979	49 257	50 228
Total liabilities	\$'000	7 461	2 011	1 688	5 888	6 926
Net worth	\$'000	254 256	38 531	37 291	43 369	43 302
Net debt	\$'000	–7 210	790	–1 486	1 721	1 576

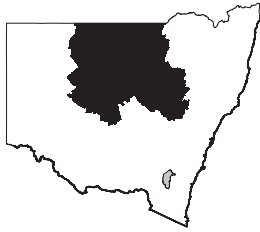
	Unit of quantity	Gunnedah (A)	Guyra (A)	Inverell(A) Pts A and B	Manilla (A)	Moree Plains (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	5 092.39	4 372.51	8 621.82	2 244.69	17 873.97
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	13 085	4 474	15 445	3 325	15 364
1997	no.	13 037	4 357	15 331	3 298	15 301
1998	no.	12 793	4 287	15 124	3 323	15 346
1999 p	no.	12 647	4 285	14 950	3 275	15 145
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	1 044	287	1 076	207	1 501
5–14 years	no.	2 139	698	2 414	443	2 395
15–19 years	no.	872	289	1 022	217	914
20–54 years	no.	5 793	1 881	6 488	1 458	7 989
55–64 years	no.	1 231	488	1 708	428	1 305
65 years or more	no.	1 714	644	2 416	570	1 242
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	–0.68	–1.91	–0.98	–0.62	–1.71
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	204	55	198	48	278
Deaths	no.	125	41	132	47	100
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	28	12	33	13	64
Houses	no.	28	8	31	13	36
Other residential buildings	no.	—	4	2	—	28
Value of building approved	\$'000	6 752	1 630	9 472	1 702	26 901
Residential building	\$'000	4 948	1 420	5 685	1 642	7 782
New houses	\$'000	3 830	733	3 823	1 582	4 173
New other residential building	\$'000	—	453	140	—	3 000
Alterations and additions	\$'000	1 117	235	1 722	60	610
Non-residential building	\$'000	1 805	210	3 788	60	19 119
Hotels etc.	\$'000	133	—	—	—	90
Shops	\$'000	—	—	—	—	2 628
Factories	\$'000	—	—	1 200	—	6 563
Offices	\$'000	119	—	—	—	889
Other business premises	\$'000	660	100	800	60	7 488
Educational	\$'000	500	—	387	—	—
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	100
Health	\$'000	—	—	1 400	—	125
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	940
Miscellaneous	\$'000	393	110	—	—	296
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	5	1	6	—	12
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	113	n.p.	125	—	413
Bed spaces	no.	342	n.p.	310	—	1 224
Employment	no.	25	n.p.	44	—	93
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	15 866	5 006	17 153	4 319	23 552
Total expenses	\$'000	20 836	6 784	21 300	5 404	25 628
Total assets	\$'000	146 834	65 269	343 413	35 008	93 066
Total liabilities	\$'000	12 032	2 408	7 745	4 505	10 314
Net worth	\$'000	134 802	62 861	335 668	30 503	82 752
Net debt	\$'000	490	–1 156	–8 681	1 000	674

	Unit of quantity	Narrabri (A)	Nundle (A)	Parry (A)	Quirindi (A)	Severn (A)	Tamworth (C)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	13 065.33	1 592.73	4 386.07	3 046.53	5 825.90	183.09
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	14 328	1 392	12 176	5 068	3 040	35 580
1997	no.	14 114	1 386	12 116	4 964	3 022	35 227
1998	no.	14 045	1 366	12 010	4 840	2 975	35 281
1999 p	no.	13 943	1 370	11 922	4 815	2 925	35 880
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	1 120	75	790	336	191	2 457
5–14 years	no.	2 248	184	2 006	657	462	5 671
15–19 years	no.	938	89	902	318	171	2 900
20–54 years	no.	6 747	637	5 567	2 227	1 378	16 281
55–64 years	no.	1 365	191	1 351	541	384	3 175
65 years or more	no.	1 627	190	1 394	761	389	4 797
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	–0.85	0.12	–0.19	–1.50	–0.54	0.02
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	228	23	126	58	37	463
Deaths	no.	116	12	68	43	27	273
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	25	9	43	10	9	120
Houses	no.	25	9	40	9	9	102
Other residential buildings	no.	—	—	3	1	—	18
Value of building approved	\$'000	5 220	701	6 118	2 012	1 651	25 419
Residential building	\$'000	3 873	511	5 966	1 462	1 501	17 601
New houses	\$'000	2 661	448	4 816	1 075	908	12 803
New other residential building	\$'000	—	—	156	—	—	1 641
Alterations and additions	\$'000	1 212	63	994	387	593	3 157
Non-residential building	\$'000	1 347	190	153	550	150	7 818
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	100	—	—	—	—
Shops	\$'000	60	—	73	—	—	1 250
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	70	1 310
Offices	\$'000	60	—	—	340	—	875
Other business premises	\$'000	507	—	—	210	—	2 190
Educational	\$'000	720	—	—	—	80	800
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	150
Health	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	710
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	90	80	—	—	414
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	120
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	5	—	—	1	—	21
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	123	—	—	n.p.	—	705
Bed spaces	no.	416	—	—	n.p.	—	2 160
Employment	no.	42	—	—	n.p.	—	288
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	20 369	1 552	9 152	6 874	4 881	51 304
Total expenses	\$'000	27 082	3 069	10 314	9 668	6 697	58 185
Total assets	\$'000	262 711	32 269	98 091	80 591	48 835	480 025
Total liabilities	\$'000	9 317	1 119	7 367	2 107	1 974	28 974
Net worth	\$'000	253 394	31 150	90 724	78 484	46 861	451 051
Net debt	\$'000	–3 583	719	2 202	–2 745	374	–3 516

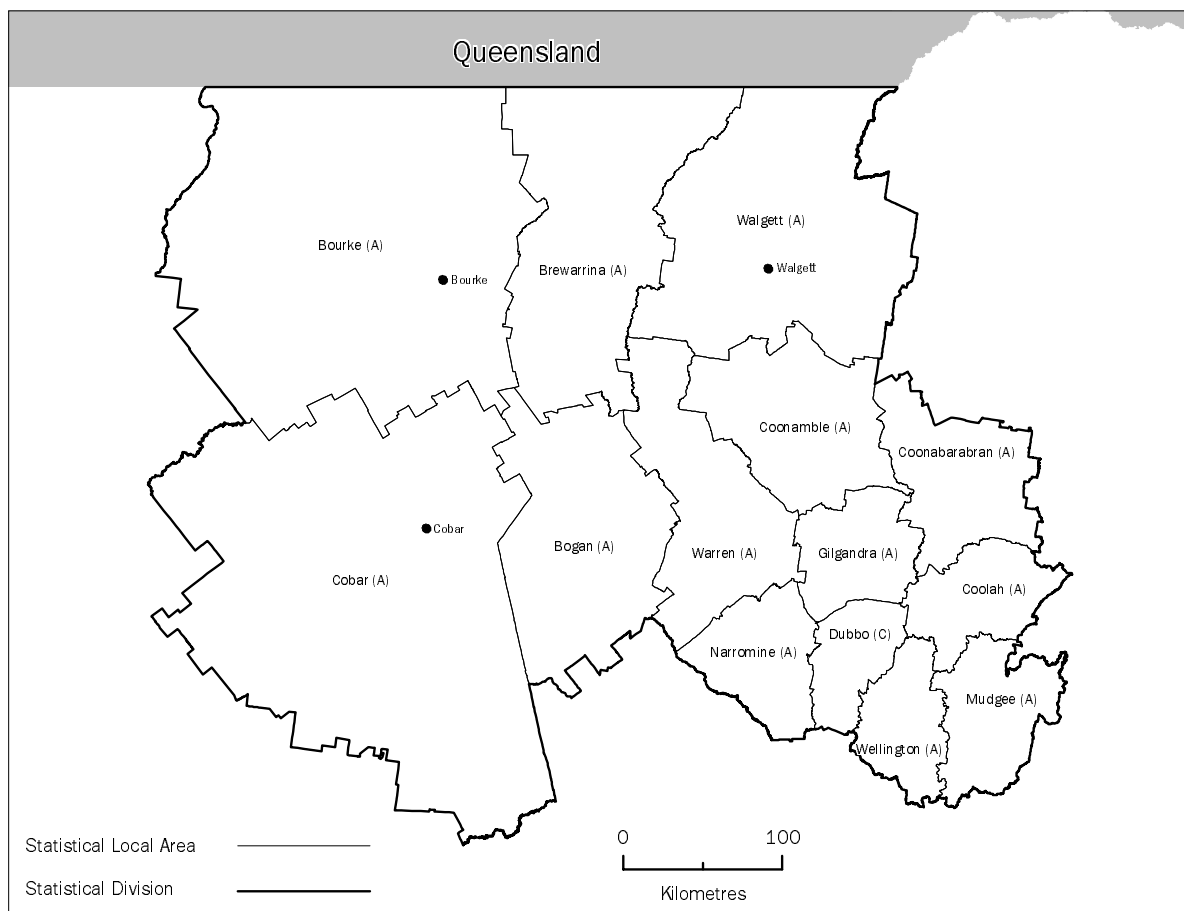
	Unit of quantity	Tenterfield (A)	Uralla (A)	Walcha (A)	Yallaroi (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	7 123.52	3 214.27	6 410.22	5 348.27	98 606.11	12.3
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	6 654	6 048	3 363	3 343	178 579	2.9
1997	no.	6 619	5 952	3 354	3 289	177 149	2.8
1998	no.	6 639	5 804	3 268	3 227	175 659	2.8
1999 p	no.	6 624	5 757	3 236	3 163	174 955	2.7
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	390	351	266	221	12 575	2.9
5–14 years	no.	974	999	443	500	27 574	3.1
15–19 years	no.	474	472	189	180	13 364	3.1
20–54 years	no.	3 027	2 770	1 540	1 560	81 955	2.5
55–64 years	no.	713	566	353	368	17 417	3.1
65 years or more	no.	1 061	646	477	398	22 774	2.8
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>							
	%	–0.56	–0.44	–1.95	–1.86	–0.74	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	66	72	46	39	2385	2.9
Deaths	no.	54	28	26	25	1407	3.1
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	18	15	5	3	490	0.9
Houses	no.	16	15	3	3	423	1.5
Other residential buildings	no.	2	—	2	—	67	0.3
Value of building approved	\$'000	2 864	2 654	1 014	1 043	121 897	1.0
Residential building	\$'000	2 564	2 364	564	432	71 657	1.0
New houses	\$'000	1 403	1 458	319	279	49 168	1.3
New other residential building	\$'000	107	—	190	—	5 996	0.2
Alterations and additions	\$'000	1 055	906	55	153	16 493	1.4
Non-residential building	\$'000	300	290	450	611	50 240	1.1
Hotels etc.	\$'000	130	—	—	—	1 359	0.5
Shops	\$'000	50	—	250	426	5 380	0.8
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	9 142	2.7
Offices	\$'000	—	—	—	—	3 165	0.4
Other business premises	\$'000	120	—	—	185	12 960	1.4
Educational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	7 012	1.8
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	395	0.9
Health	\$'000	—	—	200	—	7 498	1.4
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	290	—	—	2 010	0.5
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	—	—	1 319	1.1
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	7	2	1	—	83	6.4
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	143	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	421	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	56	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	9 292	6 818	5 407	7 132	227 091	5.3
Total expenses	\$'000	14 268	7 079	6 476	9 302	274 619	6.0
Total assets	\$'000	156 389	67 748	115 467	55 716	2 522 155	3.8
Total liabilities	\$'000	2 609	4 103	1 836	3 608	123 992	4.7
Net worth	\$'000	153 780	63 645	113 631	52 108	2 398 163	3.8
Net debt	\$'000	–5 742	–1 367	–372	–97	–26 409	2.1

## NORTH WESTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION

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There is a diversity of topography in the Division, with elevated lands extending from the central tablelands in the east; gently undulating slopes in the river basins of the Macquarie, Castlereagh and Bogan Rivers in the central areas; and flat plains in the far west. Climatically this region is also diverse but is mostly semi-arid, particularly in the westerly and northerly parts. It has a hot summer and a fairly wide range between summer and winter temperatures. The eastern parts receive about 650 millimetres of rainfall per annum but only half this amount is received in the western portion. The area is well served by railways, with several lines, i.e. from Cobar, Bourke, Brewarrina and Coonamble, focussing on Dubbo—the main economic centre of the region. Other lines connect Dubbo to Parkes, Molong and Orange. At Dubbo the Mitchell Highway, which runs parallel to the railway line to Bourke, intersects the Newell Highway which traverses New South Wales from the Queensland border to the Victorian border.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Bogan (A)</i>	<i>Bourke (A)</i>	<i>Brewarrina (A)</i>	<i>Cobar (A)</i>	<i>Coolah (A)</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	14 610.33	43 116.55	18 874.56	44 250.39	4 792.33
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	3 294	3 974	2 234	5 624	3 920
1997	no.	3 309	3 881	2 230	5 739	3 849
1998	no.	3 273	3 774	2 170	5 430	3 804
1999 p	no.	3 252	3 781	2 202	5 587	3 817
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0-4 years	no.	289	358	239	518	263
5-14 years	no.	521	678	418	1 002	558
15-19 years	no.	180	234	114	293	187
20-54 years	no.	1 535	1 886	1 074	2 760	1 649
55-64 years	no.	368	316	151	442	527
65 years or more	no.	380	302	174	415	620
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	-0.45	-1.46	-0.17	0.86	-1.38
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>						
Births	no.	65	74	39	76	55
Deaths	no.	34	38	16	40	28
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	6	6	3	5	7
Houses	no.	6	5	3	5	7
Other residential buildings	no.	0	1	—	—	—
Value of building approved	\$'000	820	2 737	626	678	1 044
Residential building	\$'000	769	687	386	678	962
New houses	\$'000	722	563	376	473	828
New other residential building	\$'000	—	34	—	—	—
Alterations and additions	\$'000	47	90	10	205	134
Non-residential building	\$'000	51	2 050	240	—	82
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Shops	\$'000	—	1 500	—	—	82
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Offices	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Other business premises	\$'000	51	—	—	—	—
Educational	\$'000	—	67	—	—	—
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Health	\$'000	—	299	240	—	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	184	—	—	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	4	2	—	6	—
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	108	n.p.	—	167	—
Bed spaces	no.	283	n.p.	—	484	—
Employment	no.	33	n.p.	—	53	—
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	6 405	9 965	6 027	15 169	6 519
Total expenses	\$'000	10 329	11 306	7 366	21 714	7 115
Total assets	\$'000	107 592	84 069	40 572	88 673	58 808
Total liabilities	\$'000	3 078	4 515	891	3 246	1 492
Net worth	\$'000	104 514	79 554	39 681	85 427	57 316
Net debt	\$'000	-519	1 979	-1 490	134	-4 179



	Unit of quantity	Coonabarabran (A)	Coonamble (A)	Dubbo (C)	Gilgandra (A)	Mudgee (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	7 673.52	9 954.84	3 339.44	4 817.76	5 470.00
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	6 912	5 009	36 533	4 897	17 461
1997	no.	6 889	4 969	36 717	4 861	17 656
1998	no.	6 793	4 888	36 983	4 753	17 850
1999 p	no.	6 778	4 872	37 484	4 746	18 136
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	479	489	3 154	343	1 388
5–14 years	no.	1 068	793	6 342	862	2 964
15–19 years	no.	434	234	2 758	336	1 197
20–54 years	no.	2 996	2 296	17 759	1 988	8 045
55–64 years	no.	716	445	3 096	496	1 824
65 years or more	no.	1 100	631	3 874	728	2 432
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>						
	%	–0.97	–1.47	1.53	–0.54	0.91
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	83	72	561	49	227
Deaths	no.	68	46	243	46	143
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	24	2	248	10	104
Houses	no.	24	2	222	10	89
Other residential buildings	no.	—	—	26	—	15
Value of building approved	\$'000	3 399	303	43 219	1 661	16 675
Residential building	\$'000	2 461	303	32 717	1 189	13 324
New houses	\$'000	2 145	212	27 958	1 032	10 512
New other residential building	\$'000	—	—	2 043	—	1 291
Alterations and additions	\$'000	317	91	2 716	157	1 521
Non-residential building	\$'000	938	—	10 503	471	3 350
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	—	—	175
Shops	\$'000	—	—	2 269	—	640
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	1 700
Offices	\$'000	—	—	605	—	244
Other business premises	\$'000	228	—	4 124	366	105
Educational	\$'000	—	—	3 330	—	336
Religious	\$'000	—	—	50	—	—
Health	\$'000	710	—	—	—	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	125	—	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	—	105	150
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	10	3	31	5	11
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	259	n.p.	877	112	333
Bed spaces	no.	876	n.p.	2 894	346	1 129
Employment	no.	81	n.p.	331	24	144
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	8 461	9 126	36 728	9 237	19 269
Total expenses	\$'000	14 511	9 408	41 205	11 340	20 869
Total assets	\$'000	179 985	79 781	465 477	70 927	148 051
Total liabilities	\$'000	2 440	3 209	11 976	6 205	7 495
Net worth	\$'000	177 545	76 572	453 501	64 722	140 556
Net debt	\$'000	–5 111	–6 682	–19 268	3 438	–4 231

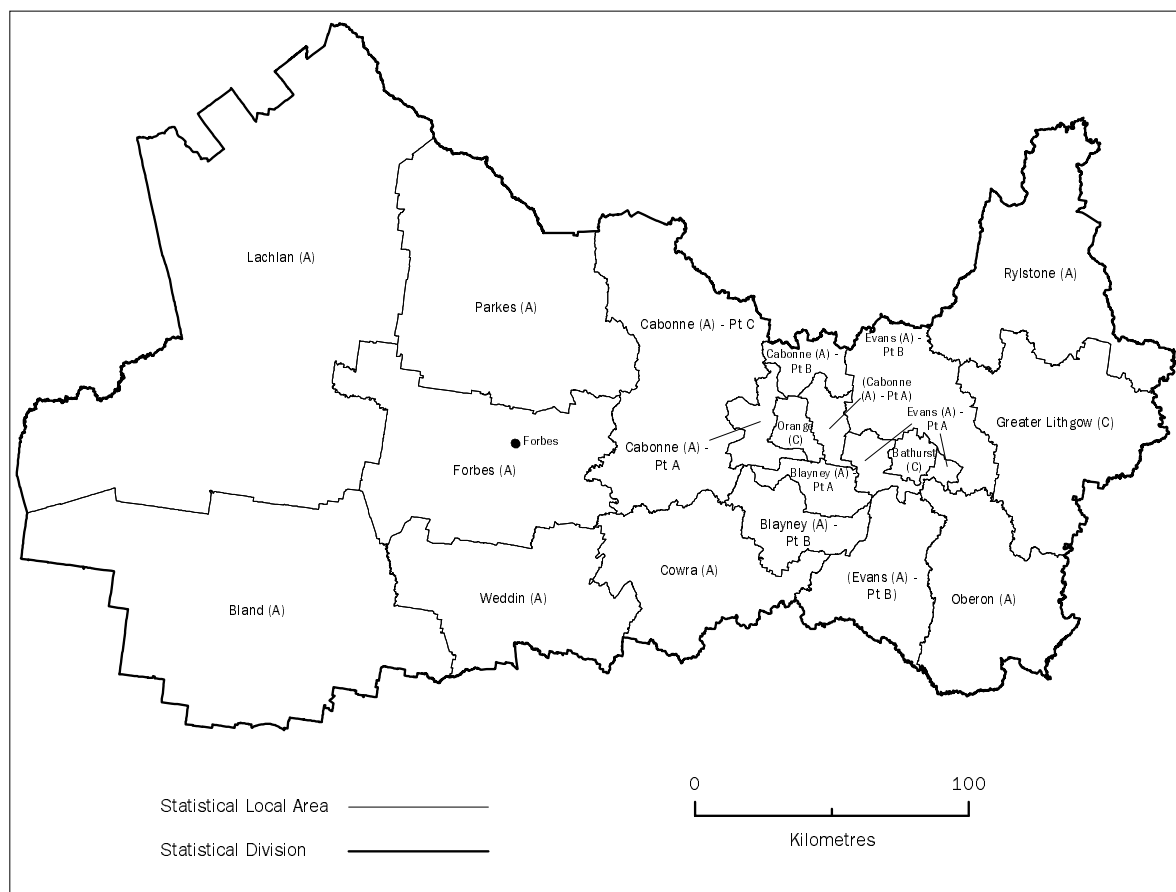
	Unit of quantity	Narromine (A)	Walgett (A)	Warren (A)	Wellington (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	5 224.16	22 007.39	10 860.15	4 075.67	199 067.09	24.8
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	6 786	8 289	3 425	8 905	117 263	1.9
1997	no.	6 712	8 281	3 408	8 877	117 378	1.9
1998	no.	6 655	8 308	3 370	8 944	116 995	1.8
1999 p	no.	6 598	8 301	3 345	8 689	117 588	1.8
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0-4 years	no.	512	661	280	691	9 664	2.2
5-14 years	no.	1 113	1 173	471	1 438	19 401	2.2
15-19 years	no.	478	452	178	607	7 682	1.8
20-54 years	no.	3 065	4 338	1 649	3 719	54 759	1.7
55-64 years	no.	667	928	382	1 013	11 371	2.0
65 years or more	no.	820	756	410	1 476	14 118	1.7
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	-0.47	1.11	-1.46	-0.99	0.29	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>							
Births	no.	84	144	45	105	1 679	2.0
Deaths	no.	62	64	32	92	952	2.1
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	22	17	9	21	484	0.9
Houses	no.	16	14	9	21	433	1.5
Other residential buildings	no.	6	3	—	—	51	0.2
Value of building approved	\$'000	6 188	3 224	6 504	4 524	91 603	0.8
Residential building	\$'000	2 652	1 957	1 142	2 422	61 651	0.8
New houses	\$'000	1 930	1 566	831	1 646	50 795	1.4
New other residential building	\$'000	497	291	—	—	4 155	0.2
Alterations and additions	\$'000	226	99	311	776	6 701	0.6
Non-residential building	\$'000	3 536	1 267	5 362	2 102	29 952	0.7
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	450	—	—	625	0.2
Shops	\$'000	—	—	—	1 650	6 141	1.0
Factories	\$'000	2 500	—	60	—	4 260	1.2
Offices	\$'000	—	—	—	—	849	0.1
Other business premises	\$'000	72	155	2 860	—	7 961	0.9
Educational	\$'000	—	181	—	—	3 913	1.0
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	50	0.1
Health	\$'000	964	402	2 442	75	5 131	1.0
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	125	0.0
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	79	—	377	896	0.7
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	3	5	2	2	84	6.5
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	63	143	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	181	417	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	12	55	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	8 846	13 108	7 130	10 380	166 370	3.9
Total expenses	\$'000	11 509	13 049	8 155	14 519	202 395	4.4
Total assets	\$'000	132 867	72 461	51 080	105 992	1 686 335	2.6
Total liabilities	\$'000	1 734	4 529	3 712	7 835	62 357	2.4
Net worth	\$'000	131 133	67 932	47 368	98 157	1 623 978	2.6
Net debt	\$'000	-6 086	-3 313	-872	996	-45 204	3.7

## CENTRAL WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



The Division lies to the west of the Blue Mountains and extends to beyond Condobolin. The eastern parts are made up of a number of discontinuous highland areas which contain the source of the Macquarie River, while the western parts—watered by the Lachlan River—are undulating at first, giving way to flat plains. The Bathurst–Orange growth centre is the focal centre of the region. In the cool highland region, rainfall is fairly evenly distributed throughout the year, while in the plains areas the summers are warm to hot, and rainfall is moderate on the slopes, tapering off to light in the west. The Sydney–Broken Hill railway line traverses the region, connecting the cities of Lithgow, Bathurst and Orange. The Mid Western, Newell and Mitchell Highways cross the Division, linking these cities and the urban areas of Cowra, West Wyalong, Forbes and Parkes.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Bathurst (C)</i>	<i>Bland (A)</i>	<i>Blayney (A) Pts A and B</i>	<i>Cabonne (A) Pts A, B and C</i>	<i>Cowra (A)</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	239.44	8 456.84	1 618.94	6 017.54	2 724.44
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	29 146	6 702	6 353	12 311	12 430
1997	no.	29 348	6 580	6 400	12 216	12 521
1998	no.	29 645	6 433	6 396	12 171	12 522
1999 p	no.	30 053	6 319	6 396	12 133	12 584
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0-4 years	no.	2 008	491	472	834	965
5-14 years	no.	4 497	1 020	1 012	2 028	1 898
15-19 years	no.	2 989	392	437	849	844
20-54 years	no.	14 765	2 782	3 019	5 206	5 479
55-64 years	no.	2 224	747	655	1 481	1 356
65 years or more	no.	3 162	1 001	801	1 773	1 980
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.94	-1.25	0.09	0.25	0.09
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>						
Births	no.	407	83	100	129	173
Deaths	no.	215	58	49	96	108
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	223	19	38	51	70
Houses	no.	175	16	32	51	65
Other residential buildings	no.	48	3	6	—	5
Value of building approved	\$'000	45 288	6 441	8 502	10 113	12 209
Residential building	\$'000	27 306	2 045	4 491	7 087	8 691
New houses	\$'000	21 479	1 598	3 386	5 989	7 552
New other residential building	\$'000	3 119	250	335	—	305
Alterations and additions	\$'000	2 708	197	770	1 099	834
Non-residential building	\$'000	17 982	4 396	4 011	3 026	3 519
Hotels etc.	\$'000	1 825	—	—	—	—
Shops	\$'000	4 897	—	—	91	110
Factories	\$'000	1 888	—	250	—	—
Offices	\$'000	300	—	108	—	2 852
Other business premises	\$'000	370	310	930	194	370
Educational	\$'000	2 100	—	473	2 332	62
Religious	\$'000	180	160	—	150	125
Health	\$'000	6 123	3 926	—	50	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	2 250	89	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	300	—	—	120	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	12	8	1	1	5
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	394	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	133
Bed spaces	no.	1 248	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	371
Employment	no.	179	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	57
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	31 490	9 960	7 220	15 287	13 145
Total expenses	\$'000	29 110	10 019	9 099	16 750	13 797
Total assets	\$'000	419 479	108 561	46 573	191 149	169 675
Total liabilities	\$'000	16 567	2 864	1 859	7 143	4 844
Net worth	\$'000	402 912	105 697	44 714	184 006	164 831
Net debt	\$'000	-24 589	-4 958	-4 382	-9 226	1 331

	Unit of quantity	Evans (A) Pts A and B	Forbes (A)	Greater Lithgow (C)	Lachlan (A)	Oberon (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	4 283.88	4 713.21	3 468.94	15 359.04	2 923.99
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	5 125	10 370	19 994	7 588	4 536
1997	no.	5 153	10 328	19 888	7 481	4 601
1998	no.	5 195	10 287	19 694	7 370	4 661
1999 p	no.	5 200	10 160	19 913	7 304	4 649
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	314	766	1 431	608	394
5–14 years	no.	738	1 625	3 158	1 168	766
15–19 years	no.	403	878	1 311	429	335
20–54 years	no.	2 673	4 494	9 563	3 323	2 283
55–64 years	no.	540	1 049	1 797	791	380
65 years or more	no.	527	1 475	2 434	1 051	503
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>						
	%	1.18	–0.58	–0.31	–0.94	1.56
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	48	162	246	123	64
Deaths	no.	19	83	181	70	27
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	35	38	71	14	29
Houses	no.	35	25	67	14	29
Other residential buildings	no.	—	13	4	—	—
Value of building approved	\$'000	4 709	6 394	20 681	3 670	6 618
Residential building	\$'000	4 709	5 394	12 022	1 657	3 863
New houses	\$'000	4 140	3 447	8 595	1 413	3 208
New other residential building	\$'000	—	940	475	—	—
Alterations and additions	\$'000	569	1 007	2 953	244	655
Non-residential building	\$'000	—	1 000	8 658	2 013	2 755
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	242	—	—
Shops	\$'000	—	100	484	—	—
Factories	\$'000	—	85	87	—	—
Offices	\$'000	—	165	50	—	—
Other business premises	\$'000	—	450	80	1 810	180
Educational	\$'000	—	200	3 825	103	—
Religious	\$'000	—	—	200	—	—
Health	\$'000	—	—	1 233	—	2 575
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	2 006	—	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	451	100	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	—	6	6	1	3
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	—	148	151	n.p.	66
Bed spaces	no.	—	390	445	n.p.	244
Employment	no.	—	35	60	n.p.	18
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	5 389	12 656	16 681	14 262	6 757
Total expenses	\$'000	7 143	14 440	20 329	17 385	8 672
Total assets	\$'000	78 386	170 043	183 736	151 657	80 401
Total liabilities	\$'000	2 118	7 573	7 271	5 305	1 938
Net worth	\$'000	76 268	162 470	176 465	146 352	78 463
Net debt	\$'000	–116	2 841	–1 180	–22 269	–2 848

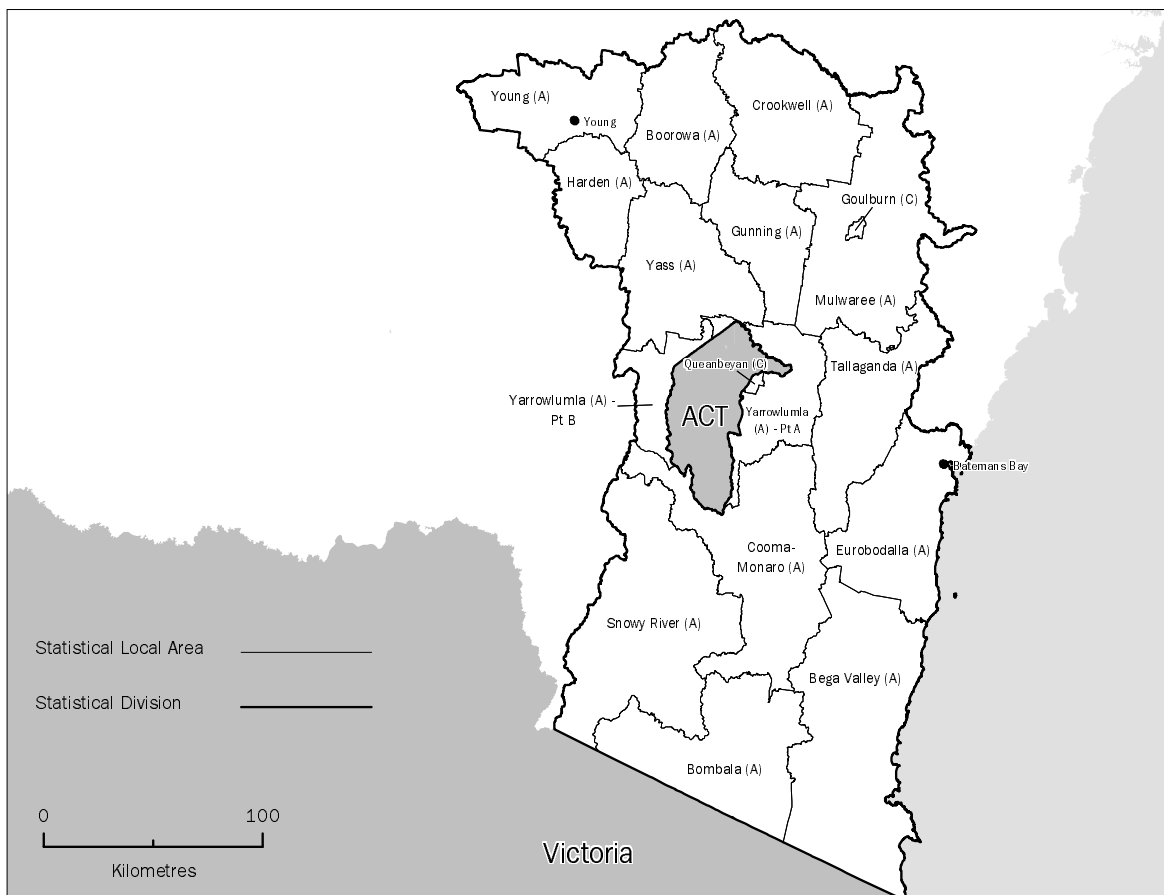
	Unit of quantity	Orange (C)	Parkes (A)	Rylstone (A)	Weddin (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	286.89	5 915.10	3 832.25	3 426.84	63 267.44	7.9
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	34 828	15 292	3 860	3 903	172 438	2.8
1997	no.	35 041	15 282	3 835	3 824	172 498	2.7
1998	no.	35 539	15 126	3 762	3 770	172 571	2.7
1999 p	no.	35 997	15 176	3 724	3 698	173 306	2.7
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	2 728	1 212	223	235	12 681	2.9
5–14 years	no.	5 671	2 515	502	581	27 179	3.1
15–19 years	no.	2 904	992	210	225	13 198	3.0
20–54 years	no.	16 844	6 963	1 678	1 597	80 669	2.5
55–64 years	no.	2 956	1 363	535	434	16 308	2.9
65 years or more	no.	4 436	2 081	614	698	22 536	2.8
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.68	1.33	-1.16	-1.73	0.27	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	518	218	44	52	2 367	2.9
Deaths	no.	313	162	39	37	1 457	3.2
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	216	27	22	2	855	1.7
Houses	no.	163	25	8	2	707	2.5
Other residential buildings	no.	53	2	14	—	148	0.6
Value of building approved	\$'000	43 238	11 558	2 248	4 086	185 755	1.6
Residential building	\$'000	26 851	3 896	2 188	486	110 686	1.5
New houses	\$'000	20 277	2 841	985	285	85 194	2.3
New other residential building	\$'000	3 467	230	950	—	10 071	0.4
Alterations and additions	\$'000	3 107	825	253	201	15 421	1.3
Non-residential building	\$'000	16 386	7 662	60	3 600	75 069	1.7
Hotels etc.	\$'000	1 125	—	—	—	3 192	1.1
Shops	\$'000	7 079	336	—	—	13 097	2.0
Factories	\$'000	4 180	2 110	—	—	8 600	2.5
Offices	\$'000	—	160	—	—	3 635	0.4
Other business premises	\$'000	1 086	481	—	200	6 461	0.7
Educational	\$'000	1 750	2 964	—	—	13 809	3.6
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	815	1.8
Health	\$'000	907	1 509	—	3 400	19 722	3.8
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	4 345	1.1
Miscellaneous	\$'000	260	103	60	—	1 394	1.1
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	9	9	—	1	62	4.8
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	428	241	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	1 205	670	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	191	96	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	39 183	18 563	6 373	5 056	202 022	4.7
Total expenses	\$'000	36 771	21 136	8 407	6 716	219 774	4.8
Total assets	\$'000	317 464	325 018	77 603	98 909	2 418 654	3.7
Total liabilities	\$'000	19 098	3 303	1 169	834	81 886	3.1
Net worth	\$'000	298 366	321 715	76 434	98 075	2 336 768	3.7
Net debt	\$'000	-9 250	-14 076	-1 942	-2 799	-93 463	7.6

## SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



The South Eastern Division comprises the lower south coast, the Snowy Mountains and the southern tablelands (excluding the ACT). The coastal strip consists of a discontinuous coastal plain where a series of river valleys (of the Clyde, Moruya, Tuross and Bega Rivers) alternate with spurs of more elevated land extending eastwards from the tablelands. The mountainous Snowy region lies in the south-west corner contiguous to the Victorian border and reaches elevations of over 2,200 metres, the highest in Australia. Snowfields in this area are a major tourist attraction. The tablelands are gently undulating, with elevations of about 750 metres above sea level. The narrow south coast area has a humid, cool to temperate climate and an average yearly rainfall of about 900 millimetres. Much cooler temperatures are experienced on the more elevated tablelands, and very cold temperatures occur on the Alps. Average annual rainfall on the tablelands ranges between 500 and 700 millimetres, but in the mountains exceeds 1,400 millimetres. The Division is served by the main southern railway line and branch lines from Goulburn, and by an extensive highway system linking the major population centres in the Division.



	Unit of quantity	Bega Valley (A)	Bombala (A)	Boorowa (A)	Cooma-Monaro (A)	Crookwell (A)	Eurobodalla (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	6 049.80	3 944.68	2 599.91	4 881.19	3 436.74	3 402.23
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	28 268	3 070	2 484	9 721	4 431	30 433
1997	no.	28 516	2 990	2 521	9 639	4 435	30 747
1998	no.	28 598	2 938	2 474	9 640	4 471	31 115
1999 p	no.	29 039	2 846	2 482	9 382	4 335	31 539
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0-4 years	no.	1 944	202	186	674	326	1 727
5-14 years	no.	4 702	397	376	1 424	690	4 528
15-19 years	no.	1 671	177	124	547	269	1 767
20-54 years	no.	12 434	1 386	1 145	4 540	1 928	12 442
55-64 years	no.	3 210	323	277	1 052	527	3 853
65 years or more	no.	4 637	453	366	1 403	731	6 798
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	1.34	-0.57	-0.95	0.19	-0.58	2.50
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>							
Births	no.	317	37	34	126	57	309
Deaths	no.	240	22	28	79	43	334
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	238	—	10	20	19	376
Houses	no.	208	—	10	20	19	302
Other residential buildings	no.	30	—	—	—	—	74
Value of building approved	\$'000	38 791	219	1 269	3 074	3 092	49 475
Residential building	\$'000	27 036	219	1 169	2 539	2 207	43 163
New houses	\$'000	21 447	—	975	1 644	1 709	32 453
New other residential building	\$'000	2 323	—	—	—	—	5 277
Alterations and additions	\$'000	3 266	219	194	895	497	5 432
Non-residential building	\$'000	11 755	—	100	535	885	6 312
Hotels etc.	\$'000	920	—	—	50	—	366
Shops	\$'000	1 120	—	—	425	140	1 181
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Offices	\$'000	—	—	—	60	—	310
Other business premises	\$'000	490	—	—	—	200	1 166
Educational	\$'000	2 805	—	—	—	50	2 500
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health	\$'000	—	—	—	—	495	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	300	—	—	—	—	450
Miscellaneous	\$'000	6 120	—	100	—	—	339
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	30	1	—	10	1	27
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	711	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	694
Bed spaces	no.	2 175	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	2 129
Employment	no.	161	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	209
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	27 633	7 807	4 709	11 904	7 228	35 146
Total expenses	\$'000	28 797	8 083	6 558	11 761	8 157	37 671
Total assets	\$'000	434 467	125 441	132 427	131 174	106 984	607 304
Total liabilities	\$'000	6 712	4 782	2 878	9 159	4 990	36 171
Net worth	\$'000	427 755	120 659	129 549	122 015	101 994	571 133
Net debt	\$'000	-11 430	1 152	-186	895	1 499	7 228

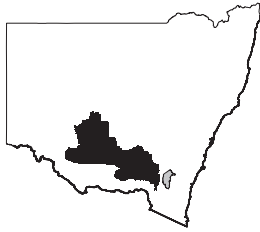


	Unit of quantity	Goulburn (C)	Gunning (A)	Harden (A)	Mulwaree (A)	Queanbeyan (C)	Snowy River (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	53.84	2 199.80	1 862.65	5 210.26	52.51	6 034.68
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	21 490	2 299	3 902	5 806	28 155	6 272
1997	no.	21 305	2 311	3 890	5 862	28 577	6 280
1998	no.	21 034	2 330	3 821	6 032	28 789	6 340
1999 p	no.	20 841	2 303	3 774	6 206	29 394	6 439
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	1 481	187	276	366	2 360	477
5–14 years	no.	3 196	353	581	994	4 099	875
15–19 years	no.	1 745	144	231	385	1 911	321
20–54 years	no.	9 961	1 124	1 613	2 833	15 748	3 488
55–64 years	no.	1 864	271	472	780	2 236	632
65 years or more	no.	2 787	251	648	674	2 435	547
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	–0.46	0.99	–1.20	1.46	2.24	2.46
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	287	30	50	49	458	77
Deaths	no.	193	12	35	23	165	31
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	65	13	3	76	258	73
Houses	no.	65	13	3	73	243	63
Other residential buildings	no.	—	—	—	3	15	10
Value of building approved	\$'000	30 873	1 981	2 305	10 776	37 845	14 855
Residential building	\$'000	8 723	1 901	1 153	8 036	35 192	7 377
New houses	\$'000	7 411	1 391	128	7 021	32 748	5 780
New other residential building	\$'000	—	—	—	—	918	744
Alterations and additions	\$'000	1 312	510	1 025	1 016	1 526	853
Non-residential building	\$'000	22 150	80	1 152	2 740	2 653	7 478
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	—	60	—	6 958
Shops	\$'000	223	—	—	—	500	—
Factories	\$'000	1 264	—	—	265	957	—
Offices	\$'000	510	—	—	—	—	60
Other business premises	\$'000	280	80	1 070	880	370	—
Educational	\$'000	239	—	—	—	500	150
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health	\$'000	890	—	82	—	—	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	895	—	—	—	250	120
Miscellaneous	\$'000	17 849	—	—	1 535	76	190
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	13	1	2	—	14	47
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	392	n.p.	n.p.	—	496	1 890
Bed spaces	no.	1 108	n.p.	n.p.	—	1 480	7 339
Employment	no.	158	n.p.	n.p.	—	115	672
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	19 726	2 776	6 299	6 885	27 486	11 537
Total expenses	\$'000	18 825	4 037	9 287	7 784	25 040	13 079
Total assets	\$'000	142 530	60 763	171 703	101 130	234 809	147 759
Total liabilities	\$'000	17 236	1 018	1 913	4 027	5 122	8 178
Net worth	\$'000	125 294	59 745	169 790	97 103	229 687	139 581
Net debt	\$'000	9 392	–479	–531	–2 130	–22 523	–1 154

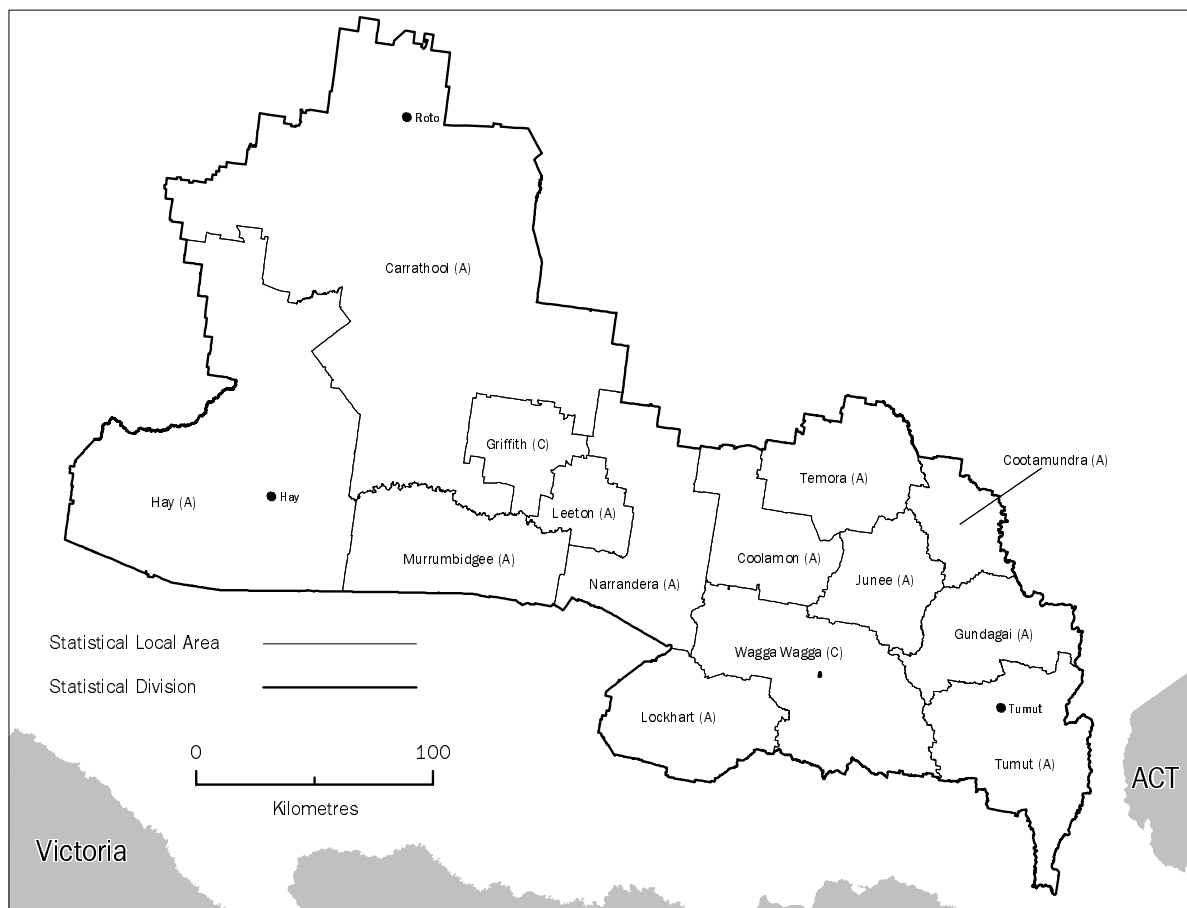
	Unit of quantity	Talla-ganda (A)	Yarrow-lumla (A)	Yass (A)	Young (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	3 351.29	2 969.76	3 416.31	2 669.89	52 137.54	6.5
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	2 601	9 253	9 370	11 384	178 939	2.9
1997	no.	2 592	9 358	9 398	11 382	179 803	2.9
1998	no.	2 581	9 503	9 380	11 318	180 364	2.8
1999 p	no.	2 606	9 596	9 412	11 414	181 608	2.8
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	156	610	673	872	12 517	2.9
5–14 years	no.	364	1 577	1 520	1 801	27 477	3.1
15–19 years	no.	128	734	558	747	11 459	2.6
20–54 years	no.	1 212	5 172	4 507	5 034	84 567	2.6
55–64 years	no.	320	851	957	1 134	18 759	3.4
65 years or more	no.	401	559	1 165	1 730	25 585	3.2
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>							
	%	0.48	2.92	0.98	0.42	1.22	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	24	103	117	167	2 242	2.7
Deaths	no.	20	29	67	116	1 437	3.2
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	30	74	58	36	1 349	2.6
Houses	no.	30	74	56	34	1 213	4.3
Other residential buildings	no.	—	—	2	2	136	0.6
Value of building approved	\$'000	3 507	15 138	9 865	19 394	242 460	2.0
Residential building	\$'000	3 327	11 555	8 096	4 078	165 771	2.3
New houses	\$'000	2 921	9 699	6 680	3 566	135 572	3.7
New other residential building	\$'000	—	—	—	100	9 362	0.4
Alterations and additions	\$'000	406	1 856	1 416	412	20 837	1.8
Non-residential building	\$'000	180	3 584	1 770	15 316	76 689	1.7
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	—	250	8 604	2.9
Shops	\$'000	80	—	180	255	4 104	0.6
Factories	\$'000	—	400	—	500	3 386	1.0
Offices	\$'000	—	250	310	1 430	2 930	0.3
Other business premises	\$'000	—	120	1 056	203	5 914	0.6
Educational	\$'000	—	2 814	—	1 500	10 558	2.7
Religious	\$'000	—	—	57	—	57	0.1
Health	\$'000	—	—	—	10 390	11 857	2.3
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	—	668	2 683	0.7
Miscellaneous	\$'000	100	—	167	120	26 596	21.9
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	—	3	7	4	160	12.4
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	—	n.p.	178	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	—	n.p.	551	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	—	n.p.	67	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	5 494	6 807	10 678	11 054	181 437	4.2
Total expenses	\$'000	5 418	9 648	11 978	14 891	194 145	4.2
Total assets	\$'000	43 351	66 503	81 964	98 733	2 506 345	3.8
Total liabilities	\$'000	1 052	4 005	5 438	7 081	107 243	4.1
Net worth	\$'000	42 299	62 498	76 526	91 652	2 399 102	3.8
Net debt	\$'000	–984	–1 246	457	2 001	–20 497	1.7

# MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISION

## GEOGRAPHY



The Murrumbidgee River traverses the Division from east to west, with the area west of Narrandera containing the Murrumbidgee and other irrigation areas. Wagga Wagga, the major centre of regional significance, is located in the eastern portion of the Division. The region is characterised by cold temperatures in winter in the hilly eastern region, and warm to hot summers and cool winters in the western region. Average annual rainfall (in millimetres) varies from 1,360 at Batlow and 880 at Tumut, to 550 at Wagga Wagga, 620 at Cootamundra, and 330 to 450 in the irrigation areas and more westerly parts. Railway communication is widespread in the Division. The main southern line passes through the eastern section linking Cootamundra, Junee and Wagga Wagga to Albury, and from it many branch lines serve other areas. The branch lines are of particular importance to the wheat industry. Three highways run north to south across the Division, meeting three other highways crossing the Division in an east-west direction.



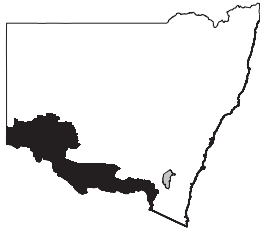
	Unit of quantity	Carrathool (A)	Coolamon (A)	Coota-mundra (A)	Griffith (C)	Gundagai (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	18 975.73	2 424.23	1 525.00	1 605.50	2 447.54
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	3 200	4 044	7 782	22 161	3 798
1997	no.	3 186	4 016	7 700	22 456	3 786
1998	no.	3 132	3 973	7 536	22 740	3 784
1999 p	no.	3 100	3 946	7 463	23 292	3 732
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0-4 years	no.	302	292	488	1 899	320
5-14 years	no.	515	651	1 187	3 508	594
15-19 years	no.	171	273	451	1 478	235
20-54 years	no.	1 513	1 673	3 280	11 250	1 664
55-64 years	no.	314	428	850	1 939	424
65 years or more	no.	317	656	1 280	2 666	547
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	-0.24	0.05	-1.19	0.58	-0.79
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>						
Births	no.	48	50	97	384	64
Deaths	no.	20	47	72	165	27
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	14	18	11	204	20
Houses	no.	14	18	11	152	20
Other residential buildings	no.	—	—	—	52	—
Value of building approved	\$'000	3 816	6 723	3 852	47 258	2 981
Residential building	\$'000	1 333	2 223	1 951	30 846	2 766
New houses	\$'000	1 315	1 914	1 238	23 278	2 320
New other residential building	\$'000	—	—	—	5 071	—
Alterations and additions	\$'000	18	308	713	2 497	446
Non-residential building	\$'000	2 482	4 500	1 901	16 412	215
Hotels etc.	\$'000	320	—	1 200	—	—
Shops	\$'000	95	—	85	5 052	—
Factories	\$'000	—	100	—	400	—
Offices	\$'000	—	—	181	745	—
Other business premises	\$'000	1 535	4 000	178	2 992	120
Educational	\$'000	—	400	—	2 061	—
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	600	—
Health	\$'000	532	—	—	—	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	75	4 234	95
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	182	329	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	—	—	4	10	6
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	—	—	80	352	123
Bed spaces	no.	—	—	209	965	379
Employment	no.	—	—	20	96	41
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	7 566	4 756	8 409	20 390	4 137
Total expenses	\$'000	15 693	5 108	11 742	22 037	5 349
Total assets	\$'000	57 643	62 447	97 829	183 076	44 054
Total liabilities	\$'000	4 395	1 073	2 572	5 027	1 592
Net worth	\$'000	53 248	61 374	95 257	178 049	42 462
Net debt	\$'000	-140	-3 533	-826	-17 231	-755

	Unit of quantity	Hay (A)	June (A)	Leeton (A)	Lockhart (A)	Murrumbidgee (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	11 438.49	2 045.13	1 131.65	2 930.09	3 407.86
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	3 828	5 970	11 428	3 618	2 547
1997	no.	3 794	5 923	11 391	3 584	2 569
1998	no.	3 726	5 854	11 461	3 479	2 605
1999 p	no.	3 703	5 897	11 531	3 464	2 642
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0–4 years	no.	332	352	831	256	209
5–14 years	no.	594	894	1 956	611	421
15–19 years	no.	243	442	1 182	205	125
20–54 years	no.	1 721	2 942	5 127	1 519	1 266
55–64 years	no.	393	532	1 032	363	295
65 years or more	no.	443	692	1 333	525	289
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	–0.2	1.81	0.46	–0.78	1.12
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>						
Births	no.	62	52	157	33	41
Deaths	no.	41	45	103	28	14
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	6	20	69	5	32
Houses	no.	6	20	63	5	30
Other residential buildings	no.	—	—	6	—	2
Value of building approved	\$'000	2 008	3 247	14 545	1 198	3 925
Residential building	\$'000	918	2 668	8 124	582	3 455
New houses	\$'000	675	2 439	6 830	404	3 217
New other residential building	\$'000	—	—	475	—	60
Alterations and additions	\$'000	243	229	819	178	179
Non-residential building	\$'000	1 090	579	6 421	616	470
Hotels etc.	\$'000	60	—	—	—	—
Shops	\$'000	150	—	2 378	—	100
Factories	\$'000	—	—	430	—	—
Offices	\$'000	—	—	1 616	—	—
Other business premises	\$'000	680	504	1 450	460	370
Educational	\$'000	—	—	547	—	—
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Health	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	100	75	—	156	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	100	—	—	—	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	4	2	3	—	—
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	109	n.p.	89	—	—
Bed spaces	no.	346	n.p.	250	—	—
Employment	no.	25	n.p.	32	—	—
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	4 979	5 634	10 280	5 335	3 817
Total expenses	\$'000	5 418	7 236	9 470	8 906	3 162
Total assets	\$'000	45 316	28 864	81 443	266 457	40 061
Total liabilities	\$'000	1 666	1 533	3 902	1 906	875
Net worth	\$'000	43 650	27 331	77 541	264 551	39 186
Net debt	\$'000	–3 389	–2 499	–3 622	–865	–3 646

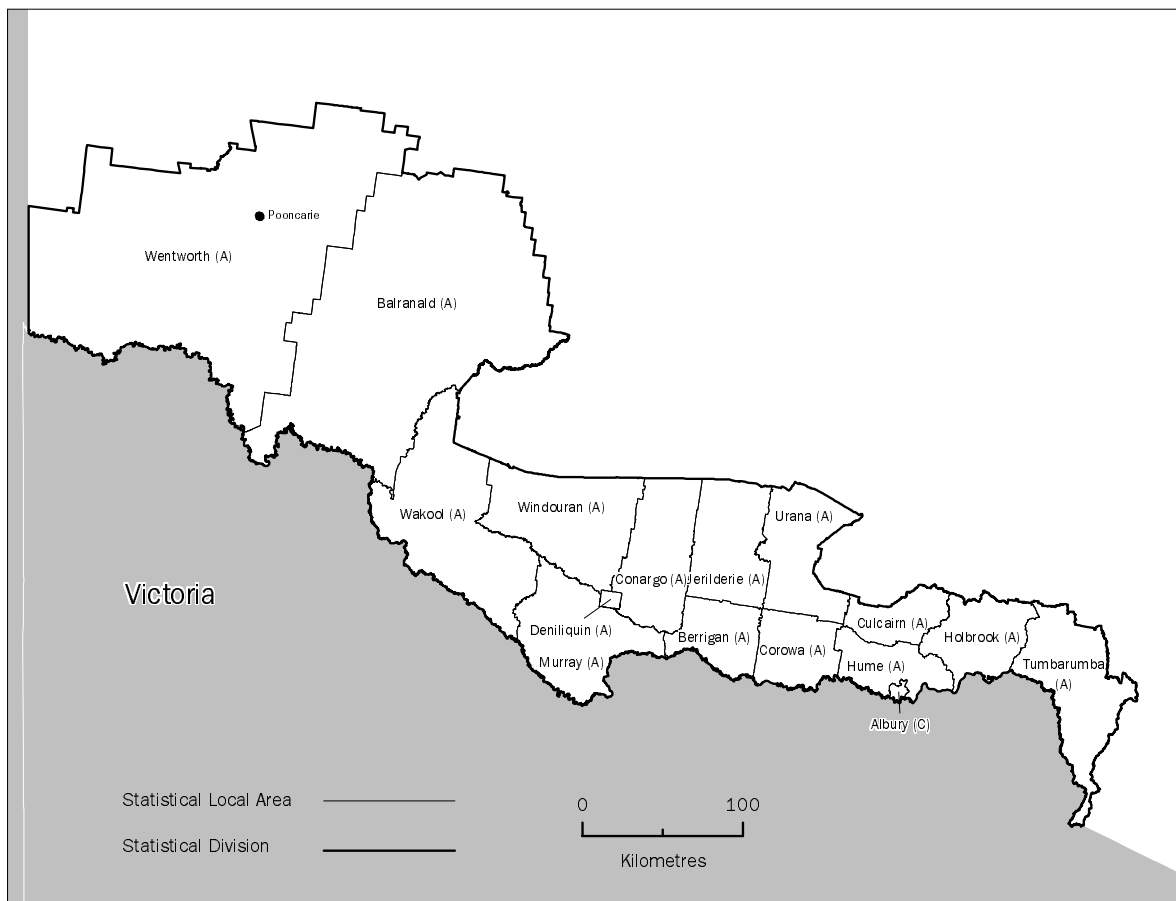
	Unit of quantity	Narrandera (A)	Temora (A)	Tumut (A)	Wagga Wagga (C)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	4 139.73	2 812.52	3 752.07	4 886.43	63 521.97	7.9
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	7 165	6 131	11 398	56 080	149 150	2.4
1997	no.	7 072	6 080	11 315	56 174	149 046	2.4
1998	no.	6 930	5 929	11 206	56 494	148 849	2.4
1999 p	no.	6 860	5 923	11 112	56 303	148 968	2.3
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	602	410	777	4 447	11 517	2.6
5–14 years	no.	1 166	989	1 674	8 846	23 606	2.7
15–19 years	no.	434	385	759	4 796	11 179	2.6
20–54 years	no.	2 974	2 542	5 210	28 167	70 848	2.2
55–64 years	no.	682	587	1 094	4 233	13 166	2.4
65 years or more	no.	1 072	1 016	1 692	6 005	18 533	2.3
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>							
	%	-0.25	-1.31	-0.34	0.68	0.25	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	90	82	145	816	2 121	2.6
Deaths	no.	80	93	109	320	1 164	2.6
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	13	22	36	167	637	1.2
Houses	no.	10	18	36	161	564	2.0
Other residential buildings	no.	3	4	—	6	73	0.3
Value of building approved	\$'000	2 724	3 355	7 035	34 520	137 187	1.2
Residential building	\$'000	1 713	2 757	4 963	24 367	88 666	1.2
New houses	\$'000	907	2 235	3 870	19 491	70 134	1.9
New other residential building	\$'000	313	280	—	440	6 639	0.3
Alterations and additions	\$'000	493	241	1 093	4 436	11 893	1.0
Non-residential building	\$'000	1 011	599	2 072	10 153	48 521	1.1
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	—	380	1 960	0.7
Shops	\$'000	545	110	250	1 468	10 233	1.6
Factories	\$'000	—	—	343	—	1 273	0.4
Offices	\$'000	—	—	450	2 421	5 413	0.6
Other business premises	\$'000	—	297	926	1 817	15 328	1.7
Educational	\$'000	80	—	103	785	3 976	1.0
Religious	\$'000	156	—	—	—	756	1.6
Health	\$'000	—	—	—	2 070	2 602	0.5
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	230	—	—	510	5 475	1.3
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	192	—	702	1 505	1.2
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	7	1	6	23	66	5.1
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	181	n.p.	161	699	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	584	n.p.	501	2 106	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	50	n.p.	42	288	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	9 277	6 465	11 621	46 140	170 538	4.0
Total expenses	\$'000	8 433	6 447	13 922	44 800	194 592	4.2
Total assets	\$'000	76 686	53 345	109 922	409 415	1 737 255	2.6
Total liabilities	\$'000	2 234	3 172	4 204	34 625	81 295	3.1
Net worth	\$'000	74 452	50 173	105 718	374 790	1 655 960	2.6
Net debt	\$'000	-6 429	-3 036	-1 386	-57 002	-101 901	8.3

## MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



The entire length of the Murray River on the New South Wales border marks the southern boundary of this Division. The terrain in the western and central parts of the Division is flat, becoming undulating and finally very rugged on the eastern border. The temperature is generally warm to hot in summer and mild in winter. The average annual rainfall (in millimetres) declines from 980 at Tumbarumba in the eastern sector to 700 at Albury and Holbrook, 392 at Deniliquin, 330 at Balranald, and 263 at Wentworth. The main southern railway line and the Hume highway from Sydney to Melbourne pass through Albury, the main centre of population in the Division. The other urban areas in the Division are adequately served by highways passing through the Division and/or extensions of the broad-gauge Victorian railway system.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Albury (C)</i>	<i>Balranald (A)</i>	<i>Berrigan (A)</i>	<i>Conargo (A)</i>	<i>Corowa (A)</i>	<i>Culcairn (A)</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	103.07	21 418.53	2 048.68	3 737.36	2 193.72	1 580.87
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	42 322	2 934	8 278	1 535	8 384	4 281
1997	no.	42 371	2 922	8 304	1 517	8 431	4 211
1998	no.	43 019	2 964	8 230	1 480	8 411	4 131
1999 p	no.	42 468	2 938	8 148	1 448	8 419	4 116
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	3 212	250	595	105	594	304
5–14 years	no.	6 403	445	1 342	261	1 118	647
15–19 years	no.	3 431	234	499	106	538	359
20–54 years	no.	21 317	1 482	3 409	695	3 494	1 707
55–64 years	no.	3 381	233	987	191	1 017	417
65 years or more	no.	5 275	320	1 398	122	1 650	697
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	0.86	0.03	0.18	-0.44	0.63	-1.14
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	580	52	91	9	121	59
Deaths	no.	334	24	73	8	85	35
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	243	14	29	—	51	8
Houses	no.	223	14	25	—	48	8
Other residential buildings	no.	20	—	4	—	3	—
Value of building approved	\$'000	52 755	2 214	6 107	—	27 431	1 227
Residential building	\$'000	32 716	1 747	3 674	—	5 689	1 127
New houses	\$'000	27 931	1 617	2 873	—	5 110	975
New other residential building	\$'000	1 326	—	324	—	150	—
Alterations and additions	\$'000	3 458	130	477	—	429	152
Non-residential building	\$'000	20 039	467	2 434	—	21 743	100
Hotels etc.	\$'000	1 500	—	—	—	20 950	—
Shops	\$'000	4 472	150	—	—	145	—
Factories	\$'000	4 029	—	—	—	50	—
Offices	\$'000	1 686	55	1 640	—	—	—
Other business premises	\$'000	1 559	262	70	—	465	—
Educational	\$'000	4 931	—	232	—	—	—
Religious	\$'000	240	—	—	—	—	—
Health	\$'000	—	—	142	—	83	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	367	—	200	—	50	100
Miscellaneous	\$'000	1 256	—	150	—	—	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	38	3	18	—	9	—
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	1 334	62	406	—	256	—
Bed spaces	no.	4 062	207	1 274	—	817	—
Employment	no.	482	13	81	—	53	—
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	43 865	4 617	9 195	2 084	9 849	5 036
Total expenses	\$'000	44 229	4 267	11 171	2 609	10 006	7 699
Total assets	\$'000	352 250	68 812	76 444	13 289	97 819	52 912
Total liabilities	\$'000	34 182	1 793	6 577	483	2 526	1 830
Net worth	\$'000	318 068	67 019	69 867	12 806	95 293	51 082
Net debt	\$'000	5 504	-696	-2 463	-1 454	-7 421	-764



	Unit of quantity	Deniliquin (A)	Holbrook (A)	Hume (A)	Jerilderie (A)	Murray (A)	Tumbarumba (A)
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	129.50	2 589.99	1 924.08	3 397.27	4 328.49	4 379.67
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	8 264	2 634	7 037	1 943	5 341	3 793
1997	no.	8 210	2 573	7 054	1 940	5 441	3 771
1998	no.	8 143	2 597	7 109	1 890	5 661	3 757
1999 p	no.	8 208	2 543	7 235	1 877	5 832	3 673
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	668	186	525	136	330	272
5–14 years	no.	1 168	436	1 366	303	833	564
15–19 years	no.	488	162	566	117	335	194
20–54 years	no.	3 717	1 133	3 254	890	2 543	1 757
55–64 years	no.	776	261	713	216	705	454
65 years or more	no.	1 326	419	685	228	915	516
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>							
	%	–0.20	–0.20	1.35	–0.88	1.44	–0.14
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	128	35	77	19	53	55
Deaths	no.	87	27	31	11	46	27
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	31	6	37	10	90	7
Houses	no.	25	6	37	5	87	7
Other residential buildings	no.	6	—	—	5	3	—
Value of building approved	\$'000	8 110	1 806	6 571	1 462	13 372	839
Residential building	\$'000	4 290	1 163	6 077	1 462	10 808	839
New houses	\$'000	3 195	605	4 707	695	10 265	586
New other residential building	\$'000	480	—	—	638	180	—
Alterations and additions	\$'000	615	558	1 370	128	363	253
Non-residential building	\$'000	3 820	643	494	—	2 565	—
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	100	—	1 980	—
Shops	\$'000	580	170	—	—	144	—
Factories	\$'000	428	138	274	—	60	—
Offices	\$'000	117	105	—	—	—	—
Other business premises	\$'000	2 545	100	120	—	70	—
Educational	\$'000	—	130	—	—	61	—
Religious	\$'000	150	—	—	—	250	—
Health	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	8	3	3	—	9	2
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	173	72	76	—	276	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	555	218	250	—	1 054	n.p.
Employment	no.	40	25	19	—	95	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	7 913	3 305	6 811	4 631	8 209	6 684
Total expenses	\$'000	8 987	6 042	7 456	5 047	8 335	8 350
Total assets	\$'000	64 762	89 558	72 559	41 316	79 984	61 789
Total liabilities	\$'000	8 025	2 253	1 018	2 169	8 759	1 067
Net worth	\$'000	56 737	87 305	71 541	39 147	71 225	60 722
Net debt	\$'000	207	935	–2 672	–1 314	1 275	–4 297

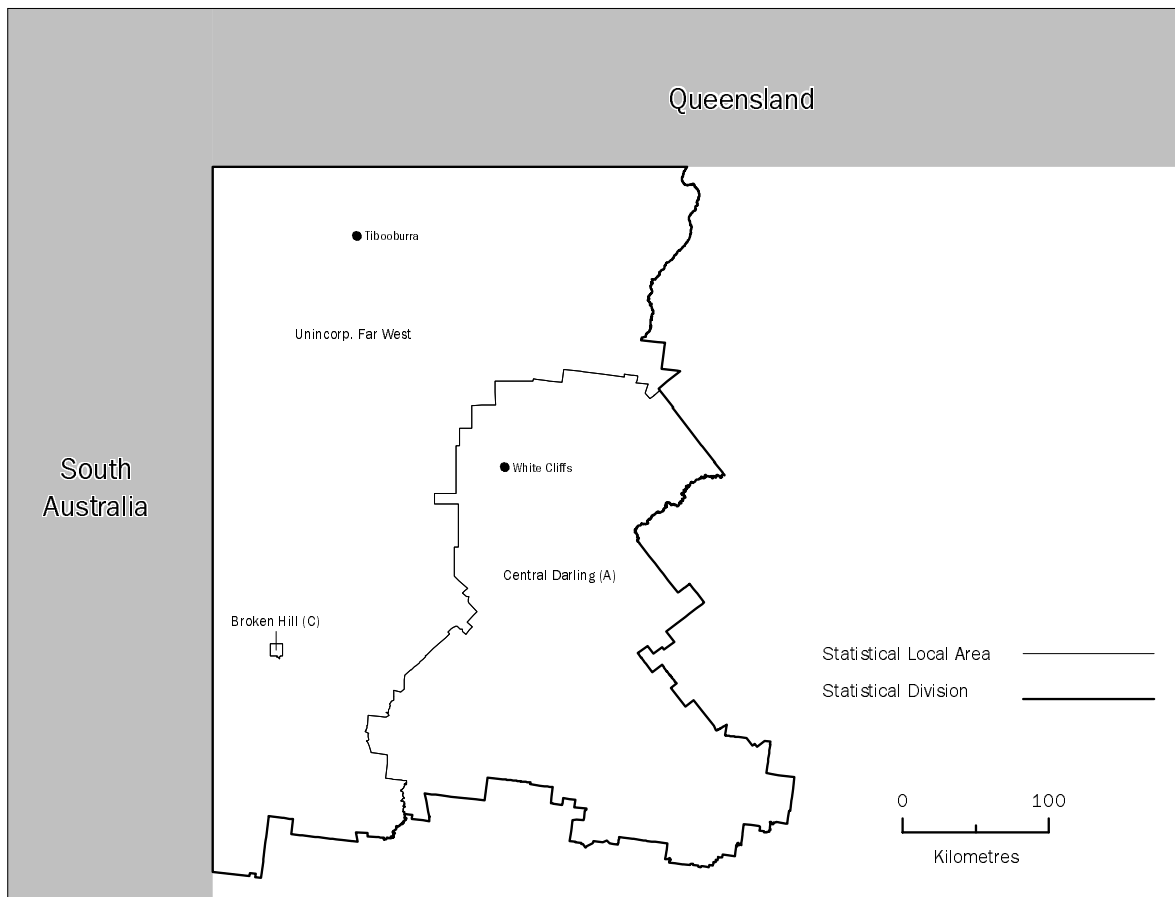
	Unit of quantity	Urana (A)	Wakool (A)	Wentworth (A)	Windouran (A)	Total	% of State
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	3 361.49	7 548.61	26 170.23	5 091.92	90 003.48	11.2
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>							
1996	no.	1 598	4 935	7 197	406	110 882	1.8
1997	no.	1 575	4 881	7 187	398	110 786	1.8
1998	no.	1 553	4 796	7 137	387	111 265	1.8
1999 p	no.	1 554	4 789	7 101	378	110 727	1.7
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>							
0–4 years	no.	132	332	516	21	8 178	1.9
5–14 years	no.	229	836	1 159	79	17 189	2.0
15–19 years	no.	81	299	523	25	7 957	1.8
20–54 years	no.	717	2 131	3 378	180	51 804	1.6
55–64 years	no.	174	460	710	41	10 736	1.9
65 years or more	no.	220	738	851	41	15 401	1.9
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>							
	%	-1.14	-0.83	-0.20	-1.91	0.36	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997–98</b>							
Births	no.	25	55	94	4	1 457	1.8
Deaths	no.	18	32	70	3	911	2.0
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998–99</b>							
Dwelling units approved	no.	5	12	18	—	561	1.1
Houses	no.	5	12	18	—	520	1.8
Other residential buildings	no.	—	—	—	—	41	0.2
Value of building approved	\$'000	1 051	1 954	5 582	—	130 483	1.1
Residential building	\$'000	981	1 894	2 851	—	75 318	1.0
New houses	\$'000	939	1 523	2 571	—	63 592	1.7
New other residential building	\$'000	—	—	—	—	3 098	0.1
Alterations and additions	\$'000	42	372	281	—	8 628	0.7
Non-residential building	\$'000	70	60	2 731	—	55 165	1.2
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	1 350	—	25 880	8.7
Shops	\$'000	—	—	—	—	5 661	0.9
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	4 979	1.5
Offices	\$'000	—	—	725	—	4 328	0.5
Other business premises	\$'000	—	—	—	—	5 191	0.6
Educational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	5 353	1.4
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	640	1.4
Health	\$'000	—	—	556	—	781	0.2
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	70	60	—	—	847	0.2
Miscellaneous	\$'000	—	—	100	—	1 506	1.2
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998–99</b>							
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	—	9	9	—	111	8.6
Capacity, at 30 June							
Guest rooms	no.	—	214	198	—	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	—	770	601	—	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	—	61	53	—	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997–98</b>							
Operating revenues	\$'000	3 258	6 734	9 271	1 561	133 023	3.1
Total expenses	\$'000	4 162	8 375	10 549	1 980	149 264	3.2
Total assets	\$'000	100 491	83 964	106 553	6 205	1 368 707	2.1
Total liabilities	\$'000	1 191	4 271	8 683	461	85 288	3.2
Net worth	\$'000	99 300	79 693	97 870	5 744	1 283 419	2.0
Net debt	\$'000	-778	-1 069	4 408	-1	-10 600	0.9

## FAR WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION

### GEOGRAPHY



The Division comprises the City of Broken Hill, the Shire of Central Darling, and all of the unincorporated area of New South Wales. It is bounded by the Queensland and South Australian borders in the north and the west, and by the boundaries of the Shires of Wentworth and Balranald in the south, and the shires of Bourke, Cobar and Carrathool in the east. The Darling River passes through the region from the north-east to the south. To the west of the river, the extremely flat plains give way to gentle slopes reaching the low, geologically ancient Barrier Range on which stands Broken Hill, the only sizeable city in the far west. The climate is of the semi-arid desert type. Temperatures range from hot in summer to cool and mild in winter. The average annual rainfall is in the range of 200 to 250 millimetres, with maximum rainfall occurring in the summer. The western railway line, which is part of the Sydney–Perth standard gauge line, passes through Broken Hill. The two highways traversing the Division focus on Broken Hill, with the Silver City Highway from Wentworth to Broken Hill and the Barrier Highway from Nyngan through Broken Hill to Gawler (near Adelaide) both being sealed.



	<i>Unit of quantity</i>	<i>Broken Hill (C)</i>	<i>Central Darling (A)</i>	<i>Unincorp. Far West</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>% of State</i>
<b>AREA at 30 June 1999</b>	sq km	180.87	51 395.12	95 566.25	147 142.24	18.4
<b>ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION at 31 June</b>						
1996	no.	21 950	2 473	921	25 344	0.4
1997	no.	21 600	2 390	898	24 888	0.4
1998	no.	21 270	2 426	876	24 572	0.4
1999 p	no.	20 983	2 396	866	24 245	0.4
<b>Age distribution, 1998</b>						
0-4 years	no.	1 391	205	52	1 648	0.4
5-14 years	no.	3 067	344	99	3 510	0.4
15-19 years	no.	1 368	112	51	1 531	0.4
20-54 years	no.	9 739	1 296	502	11 537	0.4
55-64 years	no.	2 078	238	101	2 417	0.4
65 years or more	no.	3 627	231	71	3 929	0.5
<b>Average annual rate of change, 1991 to 1996</b>	%	-2.04	-2.89	-3.04	-2.17	..
<b>VITAL STATISTICS, 1997-98</b>						
Births	no.	273	36	9	318	0.4
Deaths	no.	220	19	3	242	0.5
<b>BUILDING STATISTICS, 1998-99</b>						
Dwelling units approved	no.	28	6	—	34	0.1
Houses	no.	18	4	—	22	0.1
Other residential buildings	no.	10	2	—	12	0.1
Value of building approved	\$'000	6 823	556	—	7 379	0.1
Residential building	\$'000	4 246	329	—	4 575	0.1
New houses	\$'000	2 235	173	—	2 408	0.1
New other residential building	\$'000	898	100	—	998	0.0
Alterations and additions	\$'000	1 113	56	—	1 169	0.1
Non-residential building	\$'000	2 577	227	—	2 804	0.1
Hotels etc.	\$'000	—	—	—	—	0.0
Shops	\$'000	1 000	—	—	1 000	0.2
Factories	\$'000	—	—	—	—	0.0
Offices	\$'000	509	—	—	509	0.1
Other business premises	\$'000	84	227	—	310	0.0
Educational	\$'000	510	—	—	510	0.1
Religious	\$'000	—	—	—	—	0.0
Health	\$'000	100	—	—	100	0.0
Entertainment and recreational	\$'000	—	—	—	—	0.0
Miscellaneous	\$'000	375	—	—	375	0.3
<b>HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES, 1998-99</b>						
Establishments, at 30 June	no.	12	1	—	13	1.0
Capacity, at 30 June						
Guest rooms	no.	323	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	no.	930	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
Employment	no.	91	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.
<b>LOCAL COUNCILS, 1997-98</b>						
Operating revenues	\$'000	17 014	6 436	—	23 450	0.5
Total expenses	\$'000	20 690	8 705	—	29 395	0.6
Total assets	\$'000	170 878	81 174	—	252 052	0.4
Total liabilities	\$'000	4 852	1 165	—	6 017	0.2
Net worth	\$'000	166 026	80 009	—	246 035	0.4
Net debt	\$'000	-5 636	-2 553	—	-8 189	0.7

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

**1** This latest edition of Regional Statistics NSW includes a new Labour force table showing post-school qualifications, and a new Social indicators table which will change annually as new survey data is released.

**2** Regional data for manufacturing and agriculture are not available for this edition.

### STATISTICAL AREAS OF NEW SOUTH WALES

**3** This publication contains data presented according to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). However, due to the unavailability of certain data items on this basis, the information shown has been combined for a small number of areas (specifically those originally formed by splitting local government areas). Under this classification, statistical areas are defined as follows:

#### Statistical Local Areas (SLAs)

**4** These geographical areas are, in almost all cases, identical with, or have been formed from a division of, whole legal local government areas (LGAs) as defined under the (State) Local Government Act 1993, and comprise cities (C) and areas (A). Prior to the introduction of this Act on 1 July 1993, these areas were known as cities (C), municipalities (M) and shires (S). In two cases—Unincorporated Far West and Lord Howe Island—they represent areas which are unincorporated under the Act. In aggregate, SLAs cover the whole of the State without gaps or overlaps. In some cases legal LGAs overlap statistical subdivision boundaries and therefore comprise two SLAs (Part A and Part B) or three SLAs in the case of Cabonne (A) (Part A, Part B and Part C).

#### Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs)

**5** These consist of one or more SLAs and form the intermediate size spatial unit for the presentation of regional data.

#### Statistical Divisions (SDs)

**6** These consist of one or more statistical subdivisions (SSDs). Where SSDs are not shown, statistical local areas are ordered alphabetically within statistical divisions. The divisions are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within the region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.

**7** Further information concerning statistical areas is contained in the publication *Australian Standard Geographical Classification* (Cat. no. 1216.0).

AMALGAMATIONS AND  
BOUNDARY CHANGES TO  
LEGAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
AREAS

**8** Where amalgamations of legal local government areas have occurred, figures shown in this publication relate to the new areas formed by the amalgamations.

**9** Where boundary changes between legal local government areas have occurred, the figures shown for each legal local government area (or statistical area) generally relate to its boundaries as at the end of the year shown (usually 30 June). However, the estimated resident population figures for 1996 to 1998 have been adjusted for the boundary changes that occurred up to and including 30 June 1999; building approvals are allocated to the legal local government area in which the building was situated at the time of approval.

ESTIMATED RESIDENT  
POPULATION

**10** This publication contains final estimates of the resident population for the LGAs of NSW as at 30 June 1996, 1997 and 1998, and preliminary estimates for 1999. These are shown to the nearest unit without rounding—accuracy to this level is not claimed and should not be assumed. This procedure is applied because rounding of small cells could result in substantial year to year fluctuations owing to the rounding process rather than an actual population change.

BUILDING STATISTICS

**11** Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:

- permits issued by local government authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities;
- permits issued by licensed building surveyors;
- contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities;
- major building activity in areas not subject to the normal administrative approval (e.g. building on remote mine sites).
- all approved new residential building valued at \$10,000 or more;
- approved alterations and additions to residential building valued at \$10,000 or more; and
- all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more.

LOCAL  
COUNCILS—ORDINARY  
SERVICES

**12** The figures present selected financial aggregates relating to the activities of local councils. They have been compiled from councils' annual statements of account for the year ended 30 June 1998. Total expenses and operating revenues are shown in the Operating Statements, and Total assets and Total liabilities are shown in the Statements of Financial Position of councils' Statements of Accounts. Detailed data for each council are available as a standard data service.

LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF  
THE CIVILIAN POPULATION

**13** Estimates of the civilian labour force are derived from the labour force survey component of the monthly population survey, which is conducted on a sample basis throughout Australia. While the Labour Force Survey is designed primarily to produce reliable estimates at the national and State/Territory level, it also delivers estimates for a number of regions within States. As with national and State estimates, regional labour force estimates are subject to sampling error. Since estimates for regions are components of corresponding estimates at the State level—and are thus based on a considerably smaller sample size—they are subject to higher relative standard errors. Care should therefore be taken in interpretation of regional estimates.

Monthly population survey

**14** The monthly population survey consists of the labour force survey and, in most months, one or more supplementary topics. The survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers one in three hundred of the population of New South Wales. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the reference week).

Scope

**15** The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 years and over except:

- members of the permanent defence forces;
- certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations;
- overseas residents in Australia; and
- members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

The labour force

**16** The labour force comprises all persons in scope of the survey who were employed or unemployed as defined in the glossary.

ROUNDING

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

## APPENDIX

### A1 AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION, Main Structure

ASGC code

SD	SSD	SLA	ASGC description	SD	SSD	SLA	ASGC description		
<b>05</b>	05		<b>Sydney (SD)</b>			5950	North Sydney (A)		
			<i>Inner Sydney (SSD)</i>			6700	Ryde (C)		
		1100	Botany (A)			8250	Willoughby (C)		
		4800	Leichhardt (A)						
		5200	Marrickville (A)		60		<i>Hornsby–Ku-ring-ai (SSD)</i>		
		7070	South Sydney (C)			4000	Hornsby (A)		
		7201	Sydney (C) – Inner			4500	Ku-ring-ai (A)		
	7202	Sydney (C) – Remainder							
	10			<i>Eastern Suburbs (SSD)</i>				65	<i>Northern Beaches (SSD)</i>
		6550	Randwick (C)			5150	Manly (A)		
		8050	Waverley (A)			6370	Pittwater (A)		
		8500	Woollahra (A)			8000	Warringah (A)		
								70	<i>Gosford–Wyong (SSD)</i>
	15			<i>St George–Sutherland (SSD)</i>			3100	Gosford (C)	
		4150	Hurstville (C)			8550	Wyong (A)		
		4450	Kogarah (A)						
		6650	Rockdale (C)		<b>10</b>				<b>Hunter (SD)</b>
		7150	Sutherland Shire (A)			05			<i>Newcastle (SSD)</i>
	20			<i>Canterbury–Bankstown (SSD)</i>			1720	Cessnock (C)	
		0350	Bankstown (C)			4650	Lake Macquarie (C)		
		1550	Canterbury (C)			5050	Maitland (C)		
	25			<i>Fairfield–Liverpool (SSD)</i>			5901	Newcastle (C) – Inner	
		2850	Fairfield (C)			5902	Newcastle (C) – Remainder		
		4900	Liverpool (C)			6400	Port Stephens (A)		
	30			<i>Outer South Western Sydney (SSD)</i>				10	<i>Hunter SD Balance (SSD)</i>
		1450	Camden (A)			2700	Dungog (A)		
		1500	Campbelltown (C)			3050	Gloucester (A)		
8400		Wollondilly (A)			3400	Great Lakes (A)			
					5250	Merrima (A)			
					5600	Murrurundi (A)			
35			<i>Inner Western Sydney (SSD)</i>			5650	Muswellbrook (A)		
	0150	Ashfield (A)			6800	Scone (A)			
	1300	Burwood (A)			7000	Singleton (A)			
	1900	Concord (A)							
	2550	Drummoyne (A)		<b>15</b>				<b>Illawarra (SD)</b>	
	7100	Strathfield (A)			05			<i>Wollongong (SSD)</i>	
40			<i>Central Western Sydney (SSD)</i>			4400	Kiama (A)		
	0200	Auburn (A)			6900	Shellharbour (A)			
	3950	Holroyd (C)			8450	Wollongong (C)			
	6250	Parramatta (C)							
45			<i>Outer Western Sydney (SSD)</i>				10	<i>Illawarra SD Balance (SSD)</i>	
	0900	Blue Mountains (C)			6950	Shoalhaven (C)			
	3800	Hawkesbury (C)			8350	Wingecaribee (A)			
50			<i>Blacktown–Baulkham Hills (SSD)</i>						
	0500	Baulkham Hills (A)							
55			<i>Lower Northern Sydney (SSD)</i>						
	0750	Blacktown (C)							
					<b>20</b>			<b>Richmond–Tweed (SD)</b>	
	4100	Hunter's Hill (A)			05			<i>Tweed Heads (SSD)</i>	
	4700	Lane Cove (A)			7551	Tweed (A) – Pt A			
5350	Mosman (A)								
					10			<i>Richmond–Tweed SD Balance (SSD)</i>	
					0250	Ballina (A)			
					1350	Byron (A)			
					1650	Casino (A)			
					4550	Kyogle (A)			
					4850	Lismore (C)			
					6600	Richmond River (A)			
					7552	Tweed (A) – Pt B			



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ASGC code				ASGC code			
SD	SSD	SLA	ASGC description	SD	SSD	SLA	ASGC description
<b>25</b>			<b>Mid-North Coast (SD)</b>		10		<i>Macquarie–Barwon (SSD)</i>
	05		<i>Clarence (SSD)</i>			0950	Bogan (A)
		0600	Bellingen (A)			2150	Coonamble (A)
		1800	Coffs Harbour (C)			7900	Walgett (A)
		2250	Copmanhurst (A)			7950	Warren (A)
		3200	Grafton (C)				
		5000	Maclean (A)		15		<i>Upper Darling (SSD)</i>
		5700	Nambucca (A)			1150	Bourke (A)
		6050	Nymboida (A)			1200	Brewarrina (A)
		7600	Ulmarra (A)			1750	Cobar (A)
	10		<i>Hastings (SSD)</i>	<b>40</b>			<b>Central West (SD)</b>
		3350	Greater Taree (C)		05		<i>Bathurst–Orange (SSD)</i>
		3750	Hastings (A)			0450	Bathurst (C)
		4350	Kempsey (A)			0851	Blayney (A) – Pt A
		8859	Lord Howe Island			1401	Cabonne (A) – Pt A
						2801	Evans (A) – Pt A
						6150	Orange (C)
<b>30</b>			<b>Northern (SD)</b>				
	10		<i>Northern Slopes (SSD)</i>		10		<i>Central Tablelands (SSD)</i>
		0400	Barraba (A)				<i>(excl. Bathurst–Orange)</i>
		0700	Bingara (A)			0852	Blayney (A) – Pt B
		3550	Gunnedah (A)			1402	Cabonne (A) – Pt B
		4201	Inverell (A) – Pt A			2802	Evans (A) – Pt B
		5100	Manilla (A)			3300	Greater Lithgow (C)
		6000	Nundle (A)			6100	Oberon (A)
		6300	Parry (A)			6750	Rylstone (A)
		6500	Quirindi (A)				
		7300	Tamworth (C)		15		<i>Lachlan (SSD)</i>
		8600	Yallaroi (A)			0800	Bland (A)
	15		<i>Northern Tablelands (SSD)</i>			1403	Cabonne (A) – Pt C
		0100	Armidale (C)			2350	Cowra (A)
		2650	Dumaresq (A)			2900	Forbes (A)
		3000	Glen Innes (A)			4600	Lachlan (A)
		3650	Guyra (A)			6200	Parkes (A)
		4202	Inverell (A) – Pt B			8100	Weddin (A)
		6850	Severn (A)				
		7400	Tenterfield (A)		<b>45</b>		<b>South Eastern (SD)</b>
		7650	Uralla (A)		05		<i>Queanbeyan (SSD)</i>
		7850	Walcha (A)			6450	Queanbeyan (C)
						8651	Yarrowlumlula (A) – Pt A
	20		<i>North Central Plain (SSD)</i>		10		<i>Southern Tableland (SSD)</i>
		5300	Moree Plains (A)				<i>(excl. Queanbeyan)</i>
		5750	Narrabri (A)			1050	Boorowa (A)
<b>35</b>			<b>North Western (SD)</b>			2400	Crookwell (A)
	05		<i>Central Macquarie (SSD)</i>			3150	Goulburn (C)
		1950	Coolah (A)			3600	Gunning (A)
		2100	Coonabarabran (A)			3700	Harden (A)
		2600	Dubbo (C)			5450	Mulwaree (A)
		2950	Gilgandra (A)			7250	Tallaganda (A)
		5400	Mudgee (A)			8652	Yarrowlumlula (A) – Pt B
		5850	Narromine (A)			8700	Yass (A)
		8150	Wellington (A)			8750	Young (A)

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ASGC code				ASGC code			
SD	SSD	SLA	ASGC description	SD	SSD	SLA	ASGC description
	15		<i>Lower South Coast (SSD)</i>		10		<i>Upper Murray (SSD)</i> <i>(excl. Albury)</i>
		0550	Bega Valley (A)			2300	Corowa (A)
		2750	Eurobodalla (A)			2450	Culcairn (A)
	20		<i>Snowy (SSD)</i>			3900	Holbrook (A)
		1000	Bombala (A)			7450	Tumbarumba (A)
		2050	Cooma-Monaro (A)			7700	Urana (A)
		7050	Snowy River (A)				
<b>50</b>			<b>Murrumbidgee (SD)</b>		15		<i>Central Murray (SSD)</i>
	10		<i>Central Murrumbidgee (SSD)</i>			0650	Berrigan (A)
		2000	Coolamon (A)			1850	Conargo (A)
		2200	Cootamundra (A)			2500	Deniliquin (A)
		3500	Gundagai (A)			4250	Jerilderie (A)
		4300	Junee (A)			5500	Murray (A)
		4950	Lockhart (A)			7800	Wakool (A)
		5800	Narrandera (A)			8300	Windouran (A)
		7350	Temora (A)		20		<i>Murray-Darling (SSD)</i>
		7500	Tumut (A)			0300	Balranald (A)
		7750	Wagga Wagga (C)			8200	Wentworth (A)
	15		<i>Lower Murrumbidgee (SSD)</i>	<b>60</b>			<b>Far West (SD)</b>
		1600	Carrathool (A)		10		<i>Far West (SSD)</i>
		3450	Griffith (C)			1250	Broken Hill (C)
		3850	Hay (A)			1700	Central Darling (A)
		4750	Leeton (A)			8809	Unincorp. Far West
		5550	Murrumbidgee (A)				
<b>55</b>			<b>Murray (SD)</b>	<b>85</b>			<b>Off-Shore Areas And Migratory</b>
	05		<i>Albury (SSD)</i>		01		<i>Off-shore Areas and Migratory</i>
		0050	Albury (C)			9779	<i>Off-shore Areas and Migratory</i>
		4050	Hume (A)				

**A2 AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION Statistical Region Structure**

ASGC code					ASGC code				
MSR	SR	SRS	SLA	ASGC description	MSR	SR	SRS	SLA	ASGC description
<b>1</b>				<b>SYDNEY (MSR)</b>	<b>40</b>				<b>Blacktown–Baulkham Hills (SR)</b>
	<b>04</b>			<b>Inner Sydney (SR)</b>			1		<i>Blacktown–Baulkham Hills (SRS)</i>
		1		<i>Inner Sydney (SRS)</i>				0500	Baulkham Hills (A)
			1100	Botany (A)				0750	Blacktown (C)
			4800	Leichhardt (A)					
			5200	Marrickville (A)	<b>44</b>				<b>Lower Northern Sydney (SR)</b>
			7070	South Sydney (C)			1		<i>Lower Northern Sydney (SRS)</i>
			7201	Sydney (C) – Inner				4100	Hunter’s Hill (A)
			7202	Sydney (C) – Remainder				4700	Lane Cove (A)
	<b>08</b>			<b>Eastern Suburbs (SR)</b>				5350	Mosman (A)
		1		<i>Eastern Suburbs (SRS)</i>				5950	North Sydney (A)
			6550	Randwick (C)				6700	Ryde (A)
			8050	Waverley (A)	<b>48</b>				<b>Hornsby–Ku-ring-gai (SR)</b>
			8500	Woollahra (A)			1		<i>Hornsby–Ku-ring-gai (SRS)</i>
	<b>12</b>			<b>St George–Sutherland (SR)</b>				4000	Hornsby (A)
		1		<i>St George–Sutherland (SRS)</i>				4500	Ku-ring-gai (A)
			4150	Hurstville (C)	<b>52</b>				<b>Northern Beaches (SR)</b>
			4450	Kogarah (A)			1		<i>Northern Beaches (SRS)</i>
			6650	Rockdale (C)				5150	Manly (A)
			7150	Sutherland Shire (A)				6370	Pittwater (A)
	<b>16</b>			<b>Canterbury–Bankstown (SR)</b>				8000	Warringah (A)
		1		<i>Canterbury–Bankstown (SRS)</i>	<b>56</b>				<b>Gosford–Wyang (SR)</b>
			0350	Bankstown (C)			1		<i>Gosford–Wyang (SRS)</i>
			1550	Canterbury (C)				3100	Gosford (C)
	<b>20</b>			<b>Fairfield–Liverpool (SR)</b>				8550	Wyang (A)
		1		<i>Fairfield–Liverpool (SRS)</i>	<b>9</b>				<b>BALANCE OF NSW (MSR)</b>
			2850	Fairfield (C)					
			4900	Liverpool (C)	<b>64</b>				<b>Hunter (SR)</b>
	<b>24</b>			<b>Outer South Western Sydney (SR)</b>			1		<i>Newcastle (SRS)</i>
		1		<i>Outer South Western Sydney (SRS)</i>				1720	Cessnock (C)
			1450	Camden (A)				4650	Lake Macquarie (C)
			1500	Campbelltown (C)				5050	Maitland (C)
			8400	Wollondilly (A)				5901	Newcastle (C) – Inner
	<b>28</b>			<b>Inner Western Sydney (SR)</b>				5902	Newcastle (C) – Remainder
		1		<i>Inner Western Sydney (SRS)</i>			2	6400	Port Stephens (A)
			0150	Ashfield (A)					<i>Hunter SD Balance (SRS)</i>
			1300	Burwood (A)				2700	Dungog (A)
			1900	Concord (A)				3050	Gloucester (A)
			2550	Drummoyne (A)				3400	Great Lakes (A)
			7100	Strathfield (A)				5250	Merriwa (A)
	<b>32</b>			<b>Central Western Sydney (SR)</b>				5600	Murrurundi (A)
		1		<i>Central Western Sydney (SRS)</i>				5650	Muswellbrook (A)
			0200	Auburn (A)				6800	Scone (A)
			3950	Holroyd (C)	<b>68</b>			7000	Singleton (A)
			6250	Parramata (C)			1		<b>Illawarra (SR)</b>
	<b>36</b>			<b>Outer Western Sydney (SR)</b>				4400	<i>Wollongong (SRS)</i>
		1		<i>Outer Western Sydney (SRS)</i>				6900	Kiama (A)
			0900	Blue Mountains (C)				8450	Shellharbour (A)
			3800	Hawkesbury (C)					Wollongong (C)
			6350	Penrith (C)					

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ASGC code					ASGC code				
MSR	SR	SRS	SLA	ASGC description	MSR	SR	SRS	SLA	ASGC description
		2		<i>Illawarra SD Balance (SRS)</i>				4202	Inverell (A) – Pt B
			6950	Shoalhaven (C)				5100	Manilla (A)
			8350	Wingecarribee (A)				5300	Moree Plains (A)
<b>72</b>				<b>South Eastern (SR)</b>				5750	Narrabri (A)
	1			<i>South Eastern (SRS)</i>				6000	Nundle (A)
			0550	Bega Valley (A)				6300	Parry (A)
			1000	Bombala (A)				6500	Quirindi (A)
			1050	Boorowa (A)				6850	Severn (A)
			2050	Cooma-Monaro (A)				7300	Tamworth (C)
			2400	Crookwell (A)				7400	Tenterfield (A)
			2750	Eurobodalla (A)				7650	Uralla (A)
			3150	Goulburn (C)				7850	Walcha (A)
			3600	Gunning (A)				8600	Yallaroi (A)
			3700	Harden (A)	<b>88</b>				<b>Far West–North Western (SR)(a)</b>
			5450	Mulwaree (A)		1			<i>Far West–North Western (SRS)(a)</i>
			6450	Queanbeyan (C)				0950	Bogan (A)
			7050	Snowy River (A)				1150	Bourke (A)
			7250	Tallaganda (A)				1200	Brewarrina (A)
			8651	Yarrowlumla (A) – Pt A				1250	Broken Hill (C)
			8652	Yarrowlumla (A) – Pt B				1700	Central Darling (A)
			8700	Yass (A)				1750	Cobar (A)
			8750	Young (A)				1950	Coolah (A)
<b>76</b>				<b>Richmond–Tweed (SR)</b>				2100	Coonabarabran (A)
	1			<i>Richmond–Tweed (SRS)</i>				2150	Coonamble (A)
			0250	Ballina (A)				2600	Dubbo (C)
			1350	Byron (A)				2950	Gilgandra (A)
			1650	Casino (A)				5400	Mudgee (A)
			4550	Kyogle (A)				5850	Narromine (A)
			4850	Lismore (C)				7900	Walgett (A)
			6600	Richmond River (A)				7950	Warren (A)
			7551	Tweed (A) – Pt A				8150	Wellington (A)
			7552	Tweed (A) – Pt B				8809	Unincorp. Far West
								9779	Off-shore Areas and Migratory
<b>80</b>				<b>Mid-North Coast (SR)</b>	<b>92</b>				<b>Central West (SR)</b>
	1			<i>Mid-North Coast (SRS)</i>		1			<i>Central West (SRS)</i>
			0600	Bellingen (A)				0450	Bathurst (C)
			1800	Coffs Harbour (C)				0800	Bland (A)
			2250	Copmanhurst (A)				0851	Blayney (A) – Pt A
			3200	Grafton (C)				0852	Blayney (A) – Pt B
			3350	Greater Taree (C)				1401	Cabonne (A) – Pt A
			3750	Hastings (A)				1402	Cabonne (A) – Pt B
			4350	Kempsey (A)				1403	Cabonne (A) – Pt C
			5000	Macleay (A)				2350	Cowra (A)
			5700	Nambucca (A)				2801	Evans (A) – Pt A
			6050	Nymboida (A)				2802	Evans (A) – Pt B
			7600	Ulmarra (A)				2900	Forbes (A)
			8859	Lord Howe Island				3300	Greater Lithgow (C)
								4600	Lachlan (A)
<b>84</b>				<b>Northern (SR)</b>				6100	Oberon (A)
	1			<i>Northern (SRS)</i>				6150	Orange (C)
			0100	Armidale (C)				6200	Parkes (A)
			0400	Barraba (A)				6750	Rylstone (A)
			0700	Bingara (A)				8100	Weddin (A)
			2650	Dumaresq (A)					
			3000	Glen Innes (A)					
			3550	Gunnedah (A)					
			3650	Guyra (A)					
			4201	Inverell (A) – Pt A					

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ASGC code					ASGC code				
MSR	SR	SRS	SLA	ASGC description	MSR	SR	SRS	SLA	ASGC description
<b>96</b>				<b>Murray–Murrumbidgee (SR)(b)</b>					
	<i>1</i>			<i>Murray–Murrumbidgee (SRS)(b)</i>				4050	Hume (A)
			0050	Albury (C)				4250	Jerilderie (A)
			0300	Balranald (A)				4300	Junee (A)
			0650	Berrigan (A)				4750	Leeton (A)
			1600	Carrathool (A)				4950	Lockhart (A)
			1850	Conargo (A)				5500	Murray (A)
			2000	Coolamon (A)				5550	Murrumbidgee (A)
			2200	Cootamundra (A)				5800	Narrandera (A)
			2300	Corowa (A)				7350	Temora (A)
			2450	Culcairn (A)				7450	Tumbarumba (A)
			2500	Deniliquin (A)				7500	Tumut (A)
			3450	Griffith (C)				7700	Urana (A)
			3500	Gundagai (A)				7750	Wagga Wagga (C)
			3850	Hay (A)				7800	Wakool (A)
			3900	Holbrook (A)				8200	Wentworth (A)
								8300	Windouran (A)

(a) Consists of Far West and North Western SDs and Off-shore Areas and Migratory.

(b) Consists of Murray and Murrumbidgee SDs.

**A3 STATISTICAL AREA CHANGES(a)**

	<i>Date</i>	<i>Nature of change</i>	<i>Net change in area (hectares)</i>	<i>Estimated population transferred</i>	<i>Estimated stock of dwellings transferred</i>
<b>STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS</b>					
Bathurst (C)	02.09.98	Gained from Evans (A) — Pt A	1.5	..	..
Broken Hill (C)	02.09.98	Gained from Unincorp. Far West	11 121.1	36	15
Crookwell (A)	15.07.98	Lost to Mulwaree (A)	-19.1	..	..
Evans (A) Pt A	02.09.98	Lost to Bathurst (C)	-1.5	..	..
Evans (A) Pt B	20.01.99	Gained from Mudgee (A)	578.0	63	23
Merriwa (A)	09.09.98	Gained from Mudgee (A)	552.0	..	..
Merriwa (A)	16.12.98	Gained from Mudgee (A)	19.0	..	..
Mudgee (A)	09.09.98	Lost to Merriwa (A)	-552.0	..	..
Mudgee (A)	16.12.98	Lost to Merriwa (A)	-19.0	..	..
Mudgee (A)x	20.01.99	Lost to Evans (A) — Pt B	-578.0	-63	-23
Mulwaree (A)	15.07.98	Gained from Crookwell (A)	19.1	..	..
Unincorp. Far West	02.09.98	Lost to Broken Hill (C)	-11 121.1	-36	-15
Uralla (A)	26.05.99	Lost to Walcha (A)	-24.3	..	..
Walcha (A)	26.05.99	Gained from Uralla (A)	24.3	..	..
<b>STATISTICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>					
Bathurst-Orange	20.01.99	Enlarged by transfer to Evans (A) — Pt B from Mudgee (A)	578.0	63	23
Central Macquarie	20.01.99	Reduced by transfer from Mudgee (A) to Evans (A) — Pt B	-578.0	-63	-23
Central Macquarie	09.09.98	Reduced by transfer from Mudgee (A) to Merriwa (A)	-552.0	..	..
Central Macquarie	16.12.98	Reduced by transfer from Mudgee (A) to Merriwa (A)	-19.0	..	..
Hunter	09.09.98	Enlarged by transfer to Merriwa (A) from Mudgee (A)	552.0	..	..
Hunter	16.12.98	Enlarged by transfer to Merriwa (A) from Mudgee (A)	19.0	..	..
<b>STATISTICAL DIVISIONS</b>					
Central West	20.01.99	Enlarged by transfer to Evans (A) — Pt B from Mudgee (A)	578.0	63	23
Hunter	09.09.98	Enlarged by transfer to Merriwa (A) from Mudgee (A)	552.0	..	..
Hunter	16.12.98	Enlarged by transfer to Merriwa (A) from Mudgee (A)	19.0	..	..
North Western	20.01.99	Reduced by transfer from Mudgee (A) to Evans (A) — Pt B	-578.0	-63	-23
North Western	09.09.98	Reduced by transfer from Mudgee (A) to Merriwa (A)	-552.0	..	..
North Western	16.12.98	Reduced by transfer from Mudgee (A) to Merriwa (A)	-19.0	..	..

(a) Name changes, amalgamations and boundary changes of statistical areas in NSW from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999.

## GLOSSARY

- Average annual rate of change** The average annual rate of change in population during the intercensal period 1991 to 1996 has been calculated for the estimated resident population on the basis of boundaries as defined at 30 June 1996; in some instances this has involved a measure of estimation where boundary changes have occurred.
- Bed spaces** Refers to the maximum number of beds available (excluding cots) to accommodate paying guests as at 30 June 1999. Three-quarter beds are classified as single beds, and double beds are counted as two bed spaces.
- Disability** In the context of health experience, the World Health Organisation (WHO) defines a disability as any restriction or lack (resulting from an impairment) of ability to perform an action in the manner or within the range considered normal for a human being. In this survey a person has a disability if he/she has a limitation, restriction or impairment, which has lasted, or is likely to last, for at least six months and restricts everyday activities.
- Dwelling units approved** A dwelling unit is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long-term residential use. The statistics shown represent council approval of such units.
- Employed persons** All civilians aged 15 years and over who, during the reference week:
- worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind (including employees, employers and own account workers) in a job or business, or on a farm; or
  - worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. contributing family workers); or
  - were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
  - were employers, own account workers or contributing family workers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

These employed persons can be classified into:

- *full-time workers*, i.e. those who usually worked 35 hours or more a week (in all jobs) and those who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the reference week; and
- *part-time workers*, i.e. those who usually worked less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the reference week.

<b>Employment at end of June</b>	The number of working proprietors, working partners, permanent, part-time, temporary and casual employees, and managerial and executive employees working for a location during the last pay period ending in June each year. Employees absent on paid or prepaid leave are included, as are employees on workers' compensation who continue to be paid through the payroll system. Non-salaried directors, self-employed persons such as consultants, contractors and persons paid solely by commission without a retainer, and volunteer workers are excluded.
<b>Establishment</b>	The establishment is the smallest accounting unit of a business, within a State or Territory, controlling its productive activities and maintaining a specified range of detailed data enabling value added to be calculated. In general, an establishment covers all operations at a physical location, but may consist of a group of locations provided they are within the same State or Territory. The majority of establishments operate at one location only.
<b>Estimated resident population</b>	The estimated resident population (ERP) is the official ABS estimate of the population within Australia. The ERP is based on results of the latest population census, and updated for subsequent births, deaths, and overseas and internal migration. Population estimates are based on the final 1996 Census results. Estimates for periods after 30 June 1996 will be subject to revision when the results of the 2001 Census become available. A description of the conceptual basis of the estimated resident population is contained in <i>Population Estimates: Concepts, Sources and Methods</i> (Cat. no. 3228.0), published in June 1995.
<b>Formal childcare</b>	Regulated care away from the child's home, which includes Preschool; before and after school care program; long day care centre; family day care; occasional care and other formal care.
<b>Guest rooms</b>	Refers to the maximum number of rooms, units, suites, etc. available for accommodating paying guests at the establishments as at 30 June 1999.
<b>Household crime victims</b>	The number of households in which a break and enter, attempted break and enter, or motor vehicle theft occurred in the last 12 months.
<b>Informal childcare</b>	Non-regulated care either in the child's home or elsewhere. It includes care by (step)brothers or sisters; care by relatives (including non-custodial parent) and by non-relatives such as friends, neighbours or babysitters. It may be paid or unpaid.
<b>Net debt</b>	Refers to deposits held, advances received and borrowing less cash and deposits, advances paid, and investments, loans and placements. A negative figure indicates that the council has a net surplus.
<b>Net worth</b>	Comprises total assets less total liabilities.



<b>Non-residential building</b>	<p>Classified according to its intended major function. Examples of the types of individual building jobs included under each main functional heading are shown in the following list:</p> <p><i>Educational.</i> Includes schools, colleges, kindergartens, libraries, museums and universities.</p> <p><i>Entertainment and recreational.</i> Includes clubs, cinemas, sport and recreation centres.</p> <p><i>Factories.</i> Includes paper mills, oil refinery buildings, brickworks and powerhouses.</p> <p><i>Health.</i> Includes hospitals, nursing homes, surgeries, clinics and medical centres.</p> <p><i>Hotels, motels and other short term accommodation.</i> Includes hostels, boarding houses, guest houses and holiday apartment buildings.</p> <p><i>Miscellaneous.</i> Includes justice and defence buildings, welfare and charitable homes, prisons and reformatories, maintenance camps, farming and livestock buildings, veterinary clinics, child-minding centres, police stations and public toilets.</p> <p><i>Offices.</i> Includes banks, post offices and council chambers.</p> <p><i>Other business premises.</i> Includes warehouses, service stations, transport depots and terminals, electricity substation buildings, telephone exchanges, broadcasting and film studios.</p> <p><i>Religious.</i> Includes convents, churches, temples, mosques, monasteries and noviciates.</p> <p><i>Shops.</i> Includes retail shops, restaurants, taverns and shopping arcades.</p>
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	Refers to the total of Operating Revenues shown in the Operating Statements of councils' Statements of Accounts.
<b>Personal crime victims</b>	The number of people over 15 years old, who were victims of a robbery, assault or sexual assault in the last 12 months.
<b>Residential building—house</b>	Defined as a detached building predominantly used for long-term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit.
<b>Residential building—other</b>	Defined as a building which is predominantly used for long-term residential purposes and which contains (or has attached to it) more than one dwelling unit.
<b>Specific restriction</b>	A restriction in core activities, schooling or employment. This corresponds with the concept of 'handicap' used in previous ABS publications on disability.

<b>Takings from accommodation</b>	Refers to revenue received from the provision of both short-term and long-term accommodation at the accommodation establishment. Takings from meals are excluded.
<b>Total assets</b>	Refers to the total of financial and non-financial assets held by councils at 30 June.
<b>Total expenses</b>	Refers to the total of operating expenses shown in the Operating Statements of councils' Statements of Accounts. This item is the same as that described as total expenses in the <i>Information Paper: Accruals-Based Government Finance Statistics</i> (Cat. no. 5517.0).
<b>Total liabilities</b>	Refers to deposits held, advances received, borrowing, employee entitlements and provisions and other non-equity liabilities of councils at 30 June.
<b>Tourist accommodation</b>	Defined as establishments which provide predominantly short-term accommodation (i.e. for periods of less than two months) available to the general public. The tourist accommodation establishments for which statistics are included in this publication are licensed hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or units.
<b>Unemployed persons</b>	<p>All those aged 15 years and over who were not employed during the reference week, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week, and:</li> <li>■ were available for work in the reference week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the reference week); or</li> <li>■ were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and would have started in the reference week if the job had been available then; or</li> <li>■ were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week (including the whole of the reference week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.</li> </ul> <p><i>Actively looking for work</i> includes writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work; answering a newspaper advertisement for a job; checking factory notice-boards or the touch screens at Centrelink's offices; being registered with Centrelink as a jobseeker; checking or registering with any other employment agency; advertising or tendering for work; and contacting friends or relatives.</p>

**Value of building** Derived by the aggregation of the estimated value (when completed) of building work (excluding the value of land and landscaping but including site preparation) as reported on approval documents.

**Vital statistics** Births and deaths relate to all occurrences of such events in the reference period, which occurred within Australia, irrespective of State of registration, where the usual residence was within New South Wales. Births are allocated to a statistical local area of the State according to the usual residence of the mother, and deaths are allocated according to the usual residence of the deceased (infant deaths are generally assigned to the usual residence of the mother).

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### CHILDCARE

*Childcare, Australia*, Cat. no. 4402.0

Contains information on children under 12 years of age and family units with children under 12 years of age classified by type and usage of childcare, number and age of children, days and hours of care, labour force status and birthplace of parents, demand for childcare, sick-care arrangements, employer assistance for childcare and other demographic and economic attributes of the families, children or parents.

### CONSTRUCTION

*Building Approvals, New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory*,  
Cat. no. 8731.1

Number of dwelling units and value of residential buildings approved for private sector and public sector; value of alterations and additions to residential buildings and value of non-residential building by class of building approved.

*Building Activity, New South Wales*, Cat. no. 8752.1

Number of dwelling units and value of residential buildings, value of alterations and additions to residential buildings and value of non-residential building by class of building; private sector/public sector ownership; stage of construction; value of work done during period, value of work yet to be done; number of new houses by class of builder.

### CRIME

*Crime and Safety, Australia*, Cat. no. 4509.0

The purpose of the Crime and Safety Survey is to provide a picture of the way that crime affects the Australian community. The survey focuses on those categories of more serious crime that affect the largest number of people: household break-in, motor vehicle theft, assault (including sexual assault) and robbery. It measures the extent of crime in our community, including the number of persons and households victimised and the number of crimes reported to police. It also provides information on the socio-economic profile of victims and non-victims, and the characteristics of offences.

### DEMOGRAPHY

*Regional Population Growth, Australia*, Cat. no. 3218.0

Highlights Local Government Areas (LGAs) with highest and lowest total population change. Commentary for each State and Territory is provided, examining population change at the Capital City/Balance of State or Territory, LGA and Statistical Local Area (SLA) levels. Annual and five-yearly growth rates for each LGA, SLA and Statistical District in Australia are included. Details of regional population changes in New Zealand are also provided.

*Population by Age and Sex, New South Wales*, Cat. no. 3235.1

Contains the estimated resident population by age (in 5 year age groupings) and sex for each statistical local area, statistical subdivision and statistical division at 30 June.

DEMOGRAPHY *continued*

*Demography, New South Wales*, Cat. no. 3311.1

Contains tables and commentary on State trends in population, births, deaths, marriages, divorces and migration. Data includes population estimates, demographic events cross-classified by socio-economic characteristics and various demographic rates. Small area data on births and deaths are also included.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

*Education and Training Survey in Australia*, Cat. no. 4224.0

This publication presents a comprehensive statistical overview of education and training in Australia. It is based on a range of data about the Schools, Vocational Education and Training (VET), and the Higher education sectors, drawn from selected Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) collections and non-ABS sources.

FINANCE

*Local Government Finance, New South Wales*, Cat. no. 5502.1.40.001

Provides details of operating revenues and expenses contained in the operating statements of councils, and component items in the statements of financial positions of councils.

HEALTH

*Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers, Summary Tables, New South Wales*, Cat. no. 4430.1.40.001

Includes tables on people with disabilities, their carers and people aged 60 years and over. National and state counts and rates show the prevalence of disability and of restrictions in activities of daily living. The report examines the age, sex, living arrangements and educational and labour force experience of people with disabilities, their social participation, and their need for and receipt of assistance with a range of ordinary life activities. Similar information is presented for people aged 60 years and over, whether they have disabilities or not. Identification of unmet need assists with the planning of support services. Carer information indicates how much of this assistance is provided by family and friends. Counts of carers are presented, and, for principal carers, age, labour force status, housing tenure, income, time spent caring and relationship to, and some characteristics of, the recipient of care.

*Children's Immunisation, Australia*, Cat. no. 4352.0

Contains statistics on coverage and practices regarding the immunisation of children against selected preventable diseases.

LABOUR FORCE

*Labour Force, New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory*,  
Cat. no. 6201.1

Labour force status of the civilian population aged 15 years and over for New South Wales and each region of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory. Employed persons are classified by sex, age, family status, status in employment, industry, occupation and full-time or part-time status. Unemployed persons are classified by sex, age, industry and occupation of last job and duration of unemployment.

LABOUR FORCE *continued*

*Transition from Education to Work, Australia*, Cat. no. 6227.0

This publication contains some results of a supplementary survey run in association with the May 1999 Labour Force Survey conducted throughout Australia. Of the respondents to the Labour Force Survey, those who fell within the scope of the supplementary survey were asked additional questions. They were asked whether they were attending, or had attended in the previous year, an educational institution, and if so, the type of educational institution and the type of course attended. If respondents were not attending an educational institution full-time in May 1999 they were asked the year they finished full-time study. Persons who had left full-time study during the previous year were asked the time of the year they had left. Persons who were not studying were asked whether they had applied to enrol for study in 1999.

TOURISM

*Tourist Accommodation Small Area Data, New South Wales*,

Cat. no. 8635.1.40.001

Represents detailed geographical information on the supply of, and demand for, tourist accommodation facilities. This is a useful reference for policy makers and industry monitors and advisers. Details are provided by type of establishment, and by star grading, for local areas and tourism regions in the State. Includes capacity and employment for the quarter and monthly occupancy rates, and takings from accommodation for hotels, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments providing short-term accommodation with 15 or more rooms or units.

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