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# POPULATION

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# NOTES

This publication presents the estimated resident population (ERP) and area of each Statistical Local Area (SLA) of NSW at 30 June 1996 and 1997, on boundaries existing at 30 June 1997. The 1997 estimates are preliminary, being based on incomplete indicators of population change and a preliminary estimate of the resident population for the State as a whole.

An additional table, located on page 10, shows aggregate estimates for legal Local Government Areas which are split into two or more Statistical Local Areas in the main table. Explanatory notes and definitions are provided on page 11.

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## SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

A	Area
C	City
p	preliminary—figure subject to revision
pt	part
SD	Statistical Division
SSD	Statistical Subdivision
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero

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## MAIN FEATURES

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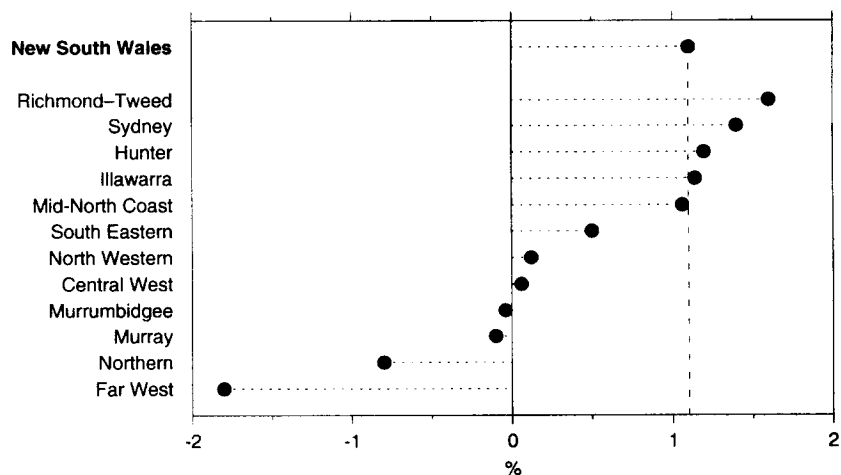
The estimated resident population of NSW at 30 June 1997 was 6,274,400, an increase of 69,600 (or 1.1%) during 1996–97. This compares with an average annual growth of 1.0% during the 1991–96 period. The NSW population growth experienced during 1996–97 comprised a natural increase of 42,300, a net overseas migration gain of 40,900 and a net interstate migration loss of 13,600.

The Sydney Statistical Division increased by 53,600 between 1996 and 1997. The local government areas (LGAs) in the Sydney Division which experienced the highest percentage growth were Sydney (14.6%), Camden (6.6%), Liverpool (5.0%), South Sydney (3.2%), and Wyong (2.5%).

Across the remainder of NSW, the coastal Statistical Divisions of Richmond–Tweed (1.6%), Hunter (1.2%), Illawarra (1.1%) and Mid-North Coast (1.1%) experienced the highest percentage growth.

Outside of Sydney Statistical Division, the LGAs with the most significant percentage growth were Tweed (3.1% and a ranking of 5 in the state), Maclean (3.0% and 6), Great Lakes (2.9% and 7), Byron (2.6% and 8) and Port Stephens (2.3% and 10).

Population growth in Statistical Divisions of NSW, 1996–97



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## POPULATION

Statistical area(a)	Area sq km	ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AT 30 JUNE.....		PERCENTAGE CHANGE 1996 TO 1997p	
		1996 No.	1997p No.	%	Rank(b)
Botany Bay (C)	26.75	35 938	36 347	1.1	48
Leichhardt (A)	12.25	60 749	61 259	0.8	62
Marrickville (A)	16.48	79 876	80 084	0.3	94
South Sydney (C)	17.79	79 460	82 029	3.2	4
Sydney (C)—Inner and Remainder	6.18	13 846	15 869	14.6	1
Inner Sydney (SSD)	79.45	269 869	275 588	2.1	..
Randwick (C)	36.51	123 466	124 697	1.0	55
Waverley (A)	8.99	65 137	65 448	0.5	86
Woollahra (A)	12.19	53 443	53 536	0.2	99
Eastern Suburbs (SSD)	57.69	242 046	243 681	0.7	..
Hurstville (C)	24.77	68 538	69 867	1.9	14
Kogarah (A)	19.51	49 938	50 649	1.4	32
Rockdale (C)	29.33	88 944	89 895	1.1	52
Sutherland Shire (A)	370.91	203 753	206 483	1.3	36
St George—Sutherland (SSD)	444.52	411 173	416 894	1.4	..
Bankstown (C)	77.78	164 382	166 270	1.1	44
Canterbury (C)	33.39	138 715	139 698	0.7	70
Canterbury—Bankstown (SSD)	111.17	303 097	305 968	0.9	..
Fairfield (C)	102.50	189 108	190 132	0.5	80
Liverpool (C)	313.28	124 292	130 523	5.0	3
Fairfield—Liverpool (SSD)	415.78	313 400	320 655	2.3	..
Camden (A)	206.10	33 076	35 249	6.6	2
Campbelltown (C)	311.78	148 218	148 815	0.4	87
Wollondilly (A)	2 557.99	34 583	34 952	1.1	53
Outer South Western Sydney (SSD)	3 075.87	215 877	219 016	1.5	..
Ashfield (A)	8.28	41 758	41 896	0.3	90
Burwood (A)	7.26	29 699	29 887	0.6	73
Concord (A)	10.95	24 506	24 842	1.4	33
Drummoyne (A)	8.09	31 968	32 384	1.3	38
Strathfield (A)	13.89	27 170	27 586	1.5	26
Inner Western Sydney (SSD)	48.47	155 101	156 595	1.0	..
Auburn (A)	32.05	53 266	54 319	2.0	13
Holroyd (C)	39.25	83 686	84 617	1.1	50
Parramatta (C)	60.06	143 021	144 093	0.7	66
Central Western Sydney (SSD)	131.36	279 973	283 029	1.1	..
Blue Mountains (C)	1 404.81	74 880	75 433	0.7	67
Hawkesbury (C)	2 792.62	59 081	60 042	1.6	25
Penrith (C)	406.62	167 868	169 709	1.1	51
Outer Western Sydney (SSD)	4 604.05	301 829	305 184	1.1	..
Baulkham Hills (A)	380.98	125 598	127 272	1.3	37
Blacktown (C)	241.03	239 818	244 176	1.8	18
Blacktown—Baulkham Hills (SSD)	622.01	365 416	371 448	1.7	..

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Hunter's Hill (A)	5.73	12 622	12 733	0.9	61
Lane Cove (A)	10.38	31 327	31 423	0.3	92
Mosman (A)	8.71	27 452	27 624	0.6	74
North Sydney (A)	10.46	56 319	56 961	1.1	46
Ryde (C)	40.15	96 429	97 329	0.9	57
Willoughby (C)	22.18	56 463	57 104	1.1	49
Lower Northern Sydney (SSD)	97.61	280 612	283 174	0.9	..
Hornsby (A) (c)	504.25	143 486	145 868	1.7	23
Ku-ring-gai (A) (c)	81.79	105 392	106 262	0.8	63
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai (SSD)	586.04	248 878	252 130	1.3	..
Manly (A)	15.50	37 703	37 895	0.5	83
Pittwater (A)	125.02	54 648	55 338	1.3	40
Warringah (A)	138.36	131 109	131 920	0.6	75
Northern Beaches (SSD)	278.88	223 460	225 153	0.8	..
Gosford (C)	1 028.19	150 220	153 063	1.9	15
Wyong (A)	825.92	120 185	123 139	2.5	9
Gosford-Wyong (SSD)	1 854.11	270 405	276 202	2.1	..
<b>Sydney (SD)</b>	<b>12 407.01</b>	<b>3 881 136</b>	<b>3 934 717</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>..</b>
Cessnock (C)	1 950.62	45 695	46 006	0.7	71
Lake Macquarie (C)	748.77	176 750	178 947	1.2	42
Maitland (C)	396.27	51 397	52 153	1.5	30
Newcastle (C)—Inner and Remainder	213.52	137 265	138 250	0.7	68
Port Stephens (A)	978.65	52 281	53 506	2.3	10
Newcastle (SSD)	4 287.83	463 388	468 862	1.2	..
Dungog (A)	2 247.67	7 873	7 893	0.3	95
Gloucester (A)	2 918.43	4 962	4 974	0.2	97
Great Lakes (A)	3 339.05	28 722	29 551	2.9	7
Merriva (A)	3 507.98	2 352	2 349	-0.1	111
Murrurundi (A)	2 470.77	2 256	2 245	-0.5	132
Muswellbrook (A)	3 401.55	15 659	15 631	-0.2	115
Scone (A)	4 027.54	9 734	9 845	1.1	45
Singleton (A)	4 810.21	20 208	20 479	1.3	35
Hunter SD Balance (SSD)	26 723.20	91 766	92 967	1.3	..
<b>Hunter (SD)</b>	<b>31 011.03</b>	<b>555 154</b>	<b>561 829</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>..</b>
Kiama (A)	256.03	18 374	18 604	1.3	41
Shellharbour (C)	154.20	53 873	54 978	2.1	12
Wollongong (C)	713.93	183 497	184 478	0.5	81
Wollongong (SSD)	1 124.16	255 744	258 060	0.9	..
Shoalhaven (C)	4 660.25	79 068	80 355	1.6	24
Wingecarribee (A)	2 700.46	38 048	38 702	1.7	22
Illawarra SD Balance (SSD)	7 360.71	117 116	119 057	1.7	..
<b>Illawarra (SD)</b>	<b>8 484.87</b>	<b>372 860</b>	<b>377 117</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>..</b>

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		1996 No.	1997p No.		
<b>Tweed (A) Pt A</b>	137.82	39 148	40 644	3.8	..
<i>Tweed Heads (SSD)</i>	137.82	39 148	40 644	3.8	..
Ballina (A)	486.94	34 650	35 095	1.3	39
Byron (A)	561.26	26 620	27 304	2.6	8
Casino (A)	91.13	10 943	10 832	-1.0	155
Kyogle (A)	3 589.00	9 919	9 919	—	105
Lismore (C)	1 267.05	43 551	43 489	-0.1	113
Richmond River (A)	2 458.66	9 807	9 990	1.9	17
Tweed (A) Pt B	1 165.56	25 904	26 438	2.1	..
<i>Richmond-Tweed SD Balance (SSD)</i>	9 619.60	161 394	163 067	1.0	..
<b>Richmond-Tweed (SD)</b>	<b>9 757.42</b>	<b>200 542</b>	<b>203 711</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>..</b>
Bellingen (A)	1 604.58	12 485	12 532	0.4	88
Coffs Harbour (C)	946.36	57 283	58 294	1.8	20
Copmanhurst (A)	3 143.63	4 034	4 104	1.7	21
Grafton (C)	80.13	17 507	17 424	-0.5	131
Macleay (A)	1 041.95	15 305	15 767	3.0	6
Nambucca (A)	1 442.62	17 639	17 738	0.6	79
Nymboida (A)	5 082.42	4 425	4 491	1.5	29
Ullmarra (A)	1 790.32	6 189	6 219	0.5	85
<i>Clarence (SSD)</i>	15 132.01	134 867	136 569	1.3	..
Greater Taree (C)	3 752.76	43 546	43 530	—	106
Hastings (A)	3 692.76	57 228	58 243	1.8	19
Kempsey (A)	3 355.00	26 468	26 535	0.3	96
Lord Howe Island	16.54	332	335	0.9	58
<i>Hastings (SSD)</i>	10 817.06	127 574	128 643	0.8	..
<b>Mid-North Coast (SD)</b>	<b>25 949.07</b>	<b>262 441</b>	<b>265 212</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>..</b>
Barraba (A)	3 074.62	2 378	2 339	-1.6	168
Bingara (A)	2 859.28	2 130	2 109	-1.0	154
Gunnedah (A)	5 092.39	13 085	13 040	-0.3	123
Inverell (A) Pt A	6 890.68	4 622	4 577	-1.0	..
Manilla (A)	2 244.69	3 325	3 299	-0.8	147
Nundle (A)	1 592.73	1 392	1 386	-0.4	128
Parry (A)	4 386.14	12 176	12 119	-0.5	130
Quirindi (A)	3 046.53	5 068	4 965	-2.0	173
Tamworth (C)	183.09	35 580	35 236	-1.0	153
Yallaroi (A)	5 348.27	3 343	3 290	-1.6	166
<i>Northern Slopes (SSD)</i>	34 718.42	83 099	82 360	-0.9	..
Armidale (C)	33.65	21 370	21 372	—	103
Dumaresq (A)	4 168.36	3 828	3 824	-0.1	109
Glen Innes (A)	68.92	6 188	6 148	-0.6	139
Guyra (A)	4 370.69	4 474	4 358	-2.6	178
Inverell (A) Pt B	1 732.75	10 823	10 758	-0.6	..
Severn (A)	5 826.08	3 040	3 023	-0.6	136
Tenterfield (A)	7 123.52	6 654	6 621	-0.5	133
Uralla (A)	3 214.51	6 048	5 954	-1.6	164
Walcha (A)	6 409.91	3 363	3 355	-0.2	116
<i>Northern Tablelands (SSD)</i>	32 948.36	65 788	65 413	-0.6	..

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Moree Plains (A)	17 873.97	15 364	15 305	-0.4	126
Narrabri (A)	13 065.33	14 328	14 118	-1.5	163
North Central Plain (SSD)	30 939.30	29 692	29 423	-0.9	..
<b>Northern (SD)</b>	<b>98 606.11</b>	<b>178 579</b>	<b>177 196</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>..</b>
Coolah (A)	4 792.33	3 920	3 850	-1.8	169
Coonabarabran (A)	7 673.52	6 912	6 891	-0.3	121
Dubbo (C)	3 339.44	36 533	36 726	0.5	82
Gilgandra (A)	4 817.76	4 897	4 862	-0.7	143
Mudgee (A)	5 480.50	17 461	17 660	1.1	47
Narromine (A)	5 224.16	6 786	6 714	-1.1	157
Wellington (A)	4 075.67	8 905	8 879	-0.3	119
Central Macquarie (SSD)	35 403.38	85 414	85 582	0.2	..
Bogan (A)	14 610.33	3 294	3 310	0.5	84
Coonamble (A)	9 954.84	5 009	4 970	-0.8	146
Walgett (A)	22 007.39	8 289	8 283	-0.1	108
Warren (A)	10 860.15	3 425	3 409	-0.5	129
Macquarie-Barwon (SSD)	57 432.71	20 017	19 972	-0.2	..
Bourke (A)	43 116.55	3 974	3 882	-2.3	175
Brewarrina (A)	18 874.56	2 234	2 231	-0.1	112
Cobar (A)	44 250.39	5 624	5 740	2.1	11
Upper Darling (SSD)	106 241.50	11 832	11 853	0.2	..
<b>North Western (SD)</b>	<b>199 077.59</b>	<b>117 263</b>	<b>117 407</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>..</b>
Bathurst (C)	239.42	29 146	29 355	0.7	69
Blayney (A) Pt A	514.94	4 597	4 632	0.8	..
Cabonne (A) Pt A	879.96	1 995	1 996	0.1	..
Evans (A) Pt A	510.85	1 072	1 091	1.8	..
Orange (C)	286.89	34 828	35 050	0.6	72
Bathurst-Orange (SSD)	2 432.06	71 638	72 124	0.7	..
Blayney (A) Pt B	1 104.00	1 756	1 769	0.7	..
Cabonne (A) Pt B	498.95	815	821	0.7	..
Evans (A) Pt B	3 767.37	4 053	4 063	0.2	..
Greater Lithgow (C)	3 468.94	19 994	19 893	-0.5	134
Oberon (A)	2 923.99	4 536	4 602	1.5	31
Rylstone (A)	3 832.25	3 860	3 836	-0.6	137
Central Tablelands (excl. Bathurst-Orange) (SSD)	15 595.50	35 014	34 984	-0.1	..
Bland (A)	8 456.84	6 702	6 582	-1.8	170
Cabonne (A) Pt C	4 638.63	9 501	9 402	-1.0	..
Cowra (A)	2 724.44	12 430	12 524	0.8	64
Forbes (A)	4 713.21	10 370	10 331	-0.4	125
Lachlan (A)	15 359.04	7 588	7 483	-1.4	161
Parkes (A)	5 915.10	15 292	15 286	—	107
Weddin (A)	3 426.84	3 903	3 825	-2.0	172
Lachlan (SSD)	45 234.10	65 786	65 433	-0.5	..
<b>Central West (SD)</b>	<b>63 261.66</b>	<b>172 438</b>	<b>172 541</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>..</b>

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Queanbeyan (C)	52.45	28 155	28 584	1.5	28
Yarrawlumia (A) Pt A	1 947.48	8 989	9 098	1.2	..
Queanbeyan (SSD)	1 999.93	37 144	37 682	1.4	..
Boorowa (A)	2 599.91	2 484	2 522	1.5	27
Crookwell (A)	3 439.51	4 431	4 436	0.1	102
Goulburn (C)	53.84	21 490	21 310	-0.8	150
Gunning (A)	2 199.80	2 299	2 312	0.6	78
Harden (A)	1 862.65	3 902	3 891	-0.3	117
Mulwaree (A)	5 207.49	5 806	5 863	1.0	56
Tallaganda (A)	3 351.29	2 601	2 593	-0.3	122
Yarrawlumia (A) Pt B	1 022.34	264	262	-0.8	..
Yass (A)	3 416.31	9 370	9 400	0.3	91
Young (A)	2 669.89	11 384	11 385	—	104
<i>Southern Tablelands</i> (excl. Queanbeyan) (SSD)	25 823.03	64 031	63 974	-0.1	..
Bega Valley (A)	6 049.80	28 268	28 523	0.9	60
Eurobodalla (A)	3 404.23	30 433	30 755	1.1	54
Lower South Coast (SSD)	9 454.03	58 701	59 278	1.0	..
Bombala (A)	3 944.68	3 070	2 991	-2.6	177
Cooma-Monaro (A)	4 881.19	9 721	9 641	-0.8	149
Snowy River (A)	6 034.68	6 272	6 282	0.2	100
Snowy (SSD)	14 860.55	19 063	18 914	-0.8	..
<b>South Eastern (SD)</b>	<b>52 137.54</b>	<b>178 939</b>	<b>179 848</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>..</b>
Coolamon (A)	2 424.23	4 044	4 017	-0.7	140
Cootamundra (A)	1 525.00	7 782	7 702	-1.0	156
Gundagai (A)	2 447.54	3 798	3 787	-0.3	118
Junee (A)	2 045.13	5 970	5 924	-0.8	145
Lockhart (A)	2 930.09	3 618	3 585	-0.9	152
Narrandera (A)	4 139.73	7 165	7 074	-1.3	160
Temora (A)	2 812.52	6 131	6 082	-0.8	148
Tumut (A)	3 752.07	11 398	11 318	-0.7	141
Wagga Wagga (C)	4 886.43	56 080	56 188	0.2	98
Central Murrumbidgee (SSD)	26 962.74	105 986	105 677	-0.3	..
Carrathool (A)	18 975.73	3 200	3 187	-0.4	127
Griffith (C)	1 605.50	22 161	22 462	1.4	34
Hay (A)	11 438.49	3 828	3 795	-0.9	151
Leeton (A)	1 131.65	11 428	11 394	-0.3	120
Murrumbidgee (A)	3 407.86	2 547	2 570	0.9	59
Lower Murrumbidgee (SSD)	36 559.23	43 164	43 408	0.6	..
<b>Murrumbidgee (SD)</b>	<b>63 521.97</b>	<b>149 150</b>	<b>149 085</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>..</b>
Albury (C)	103.07	42 322	42 382	0.1	101
Hume (A)	1 924.08	7 037	7 056	0.3	93
Albury (SSD)	2 027.15	49 359	49 438	0.2	..

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Culcairn (A)	1 580.87	4 281	4 212	-1.6	167
Holbrook (A)	2 589.99	2 634	2 574	-2.3	174
Tumbarumba (A)	4 379.67	3 793	3 772	-0.6	135
Urana (A)	3 361.49	1 598	1 575	-1.4	162
<i>Upper Murray (excl. Albury) (SSD)</i>	14 105.74	20 690	20 566	-0.6	..
Berrigan (A)	2 048.68	8 278	8 306	0.3	89
Conargo (A)	3 737.36	1 535	1 517	-1.2	159
Deniliquin (A)	129.50	8 264	8 212	-0.6	138
Jerilderie (A)	3 397.27	1 943	1 940	-0.2	114
Murray (A)	4 328.49	5 341	5 442	1.9	16
Wakool (A)	7 548.61	4 935	4 882	-1.1	158
Windouran (A)	5 091.92	406	398	-2.0	171
<i>Central Murray (SSD)</i>	26 281.83	30 702	30 697	—	..
Balranald (A)	21 418.53	2 934	2 923	-0.4	124
Wentworth (A)	26 170.23	7 197	7 189	-0.1	110
<i>Murray-Darling (SSD)</i>	47 588.76	10 131	10 112	-0.2	..
<b>Murray (SD)</b>	<b>90 003.48</b>	<b>110 882</b>	<b>110 813</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>..</b>
Broken Hill (C)	69.66	21 950	21 605	-1.6	165
Central Darling (A)	51 395.12	2 473	2 391	-3.3	179
Unincorporated Far West	95 677.46	921	898	-2.5	176
<b>Far West (SD)</b>	<b>147 142.24</b>	<b>25 344</b>	<b>24 894</b>	<b>-1.8</b>	<b>..</b>
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>	<b>801 428.50(c)</b>	<b>6 204 728</b>	<b>6 274 370</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>..</b>

(a) On 1.7.94 the Local Government Act 1993 was enacted. Under the Act, the areas covering Local Government Areas in NSW are to be known as cities (C) and areas (A). See Appendix for name and boundary changes between 1995 and 1997.

(b) Ranked on percentage change for local government areas—see separate table below for the rank of those local government areas that are split into Statistical Local Areas.

(c) Includes 68.51 square kilometres of harbours, rivers etc. which are not included within Statistical Local Area boundaries.

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## LEGAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS SPLIT INTO TWO OR MORE STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS

Statistical area	Area sq km	ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AT 30 JUNE.....		PERCENTAGE CHANGE 1996 TO 1997p	
		1996 No.	1997p No.	%	Rank
Blayney (A)	1 618.94	6 353	6 401	0.8	65
Cabonne (A)	6 017.54	12 311	12 219	-0.7	144
Evans (A)	4 278.22	5 125	5 154	0.6	77
Inverell (A)	8 623.43	15 445	15 335	-0.7	142
Tweed (A)	1 303.38	65 052	67 082	3.1	5
Yarrowlumla (A)	2 969.82	9 253	9 360	1.2	43

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

- 1** The *Estimated Resident Population (ERP)* of an area is the estimate of the number of persons who usually reside in that area.
- 2** Intercensal estimates of resident population are based on the ERP at the date of the previous census (in this case, at the 1996 Census) and available measures of change in resident population since that date. As no direct measure of population movement at the statistical local area level is available, the indicators used may give an incomplete picture of such movement. It should therefore be noted that all intercensal estimates will be subject to revision when final figures are available from the processing of the 2001 Census.
- 3** Detailed explanation of the concept of estimated resident population, as adopted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) for official population estimates, is contained in the ABS Information Paper *Population Estimates: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (Cat. no. 3228.0).
- 4** This publication contains data presented according to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). Within this classification, statistical areas are defined as follows:
  - *Statistical Local Areas (SLAs)*. 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 comprising cities (C) and areas (A). In other cases, 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). Separate estimates for these Legal LGAs are shown on page 10 of this publication.
  - *Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs)*. These consist of one or more SLAs and form the intermediate size spatial unit for the presentation of regional data.
  - *Statistical Divisions (SDs)*. 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.
- 5** Further information concerning statistical areas is contained in the publication *Regional Statistics, New South Wales* (Cat. no. 1304.1) and in the publication *Australian Standard Geographical Classification* (Cat. no. 1216.0).
- 6** The estimates of resident population contained in this publication 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.
- 7** Population estimates in previous publications have been rounded as follows:
  - All areas in Sydney Statistical Division have been rounded to the nearest 50 persons;
  - For the remainder of New South Wales, the SLA and Subdivision totals have been rounded to the nearest 10 persons;
  - Statistical Division totals have been rounded to the nearest 50 persons.
  - The State total has been rounded to the nearest 100 persons.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

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**8** In some cases, the ABS can also make available information which is not published. This information may be made available in one or more of the following forms: floppy disk, microfiche, photocopy, computer printout, clerically-extracted tabulation. Generally, a charge is made for providing unpublished information. Inquiries should be made as shown in the inquiries section at the front of this publication.

**9** Other ABS publications which may be of interest to users of this publication include:

- *Australian Demographic Statistics* (quarterly) (Cat. no. 3101.0)
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- *Regional Population Growth 1991 and 1996* (Cat. no. 3218.0)
- *Regional Statistics* (Cat. no. 1304.1)

# APPENDIX STATISTICAL AREA CHANGES (a)

<i>Statistical local areas</i>	<i>Nature of change</i>	<i>Date of change</i>	<i>Net change in area (hectares)</i>	<i>Estimated population transferred at date of change</i>	<i>Estimated stock of dwellings transferred at date of change</i>
Bathurst (C)	Lost to Evans (A) Pt B	18.12.96	-22.0	..	..
Botany (A)	Proclaimed City of Botany Bay (C)	1.1.96	..	..	..
Cabonne (A) Pt C	Lost to Cowra (A)	30.10.96	-0.5	..	..
Coolah (A)	Gained from Mudgee (A)	4.10.95	157.0	..	..
Coolah (A)	Gained from Coonabarabran (A)	29.1.97	66.7	..	..
Coonabarabran (A)	Lost to Coolah (A)	29.1.97	-66.7	..	..
Cowra (A)	Gained from Cabonne (A) Pt C	30.10.96	0.5	..	..
Dubbo (C)	Gained from Narromine (A)	4.10.95	1 811.9	..	..
Dumaresq (A)	Gained from Nymboida (A)	9.8.95	3.0	..	..
Eurobadalla (A)	Gained offshore area	13.11.96	200.0	..	..
Evans (A) Pt B	Gained from Bathurst (C)	18.12.96	22.0	..	..
Greater Taree (A)	Gained from Hastings (A)	3.1.96	4.7	2.0	1.0
Gunning (A)	Lost to Mulwaree (A)	7.2.96	-0.3	..	..
Hastings (A)	Lost to Greater Taree (A)	3.1.96	-4.7	-2.0	-1.0
Hornsby (A)	Gained from Ku-ring-gai (A)	1.1.97	10.9	6.0	2.0
Ku-ring-gai (A)	Lost to Hornsby (A)	1.1.97	-10.9	-6.0	-2.0
Leichhardt (A)	Lost to South Sydney (C)	21.2.96	-0.1	..	..
Mudgee (A)	Lost to Coolah (A)	4.10.95	-157	..	..
Mulwaree (A)	Gained from Gunning (A)	7.2.96	0.3	..	..
Narromine (A)	Lost to Dubbo (C)	4.10.95	-1811.9	..	..
Nymboida (A)	Lost to Dumaresq (A)	9.8.95	-3.0	..	..
Shellharbour (A)	Proclaimed a city (C)	1.1.96	..	..	..
South Sydney (C)	Gained from Leichhardt (A)	21.2.96	0.1	..	..

(a) Name changes, amalgamations and boundary changes of statistical areas of NSW, from 5 Aug 1995 to 30 Jun 1997.



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