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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS(a) BY SEX, DECEMBER 2000(b)

	<i>Males</i>				<i>Females</i>				<i>Persons</i>			
	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyment rate</i>	<i>Partici- pation rate</i>	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyment rate</i>	<i>Partici- pation rate</i>	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyed</i>	<i>Unemp- loyment rate</i>	<i>Partici- pation rate</i>
	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -
NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,727.2	113.4	6.2	72.2	1,344.3	76.2	5.4	54.1	3,071.4	189.6	5.8	63.0
Sydney Major Statistical Region	1,140.0	59.9	5.0	74.2	893.2	42.9	4.6	55.9	2,033.2	102.8	4.8	64.9
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Statistical Regions	140.0	5.7	3.9	74.7	115.5	* 4.3	* 3.6	57.9	255.5	10.0	3.8	66.0
Inner Sydney Statistical Region	88.7	4.7	5.1	77.3	75.8	* 3.6	* 4.5	62.1	164.5	8.3	4.8	69.5
Eastern Suburbs Statistical Region	75.5	* 2.1	* 2.6	75.5	58.7	3.0	4.9	62.0	134.2	5.1	3.6	68.9
St. George-Sutherland Statistical Region	121.3	4.3	3.4	74.4	97.3	4.6	4.5	56.1	218.6	8.8	3.9	64.9
Canterbury-Bankstown Statistical Region	76.7	5.4	6.6	68.5	53.7	* 1.3	* 2.4	44.4	130.4	6.8	4.9	56.3
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney Statistical Regions	156.1	15.7	9.1	76.2	115.8	9.3	7.5	54.5	271.8	25.0	8.4	65.3
Fairfield-Liverpool Statistical Region	85.9	11.6	11.9	73.4	59.7	6.4	9.7	48.7	145.6	18.0	11.0	60.9
Central Western Sydney Statistical Region	81.7	2.4	2.8	69.0	48.3	3.0	5.8	44.7	130.0	5.3	3.9	57.2
Outer Western Sydney SR and Blacktown	162.8	8.5	4.9	76.0	130.1	7.3	5.3	61.8	292.9	15.8	5.1	69.0
Lower Northern Sydney Statistical Region	80.0	* 1.0	* 1.2	75.4	70.4	* 2.0	* 2.7	62.3	150.4	* 3.0	* 1.9	68.6
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR and Baulkham Hills	116.5	4.0	3.3	77.9	87.0	3.3	3.6	55.4	203.5	7.3	3.4	66.4
Northern Beaches Statistical Region	68.8	3.4	4.7	78.4	62.0	* 1.0	* 1.5	64.6	130.7	4.4	3.3	71.3
Gosford-Wyong Statistical Region	60.5	7.5	11.0	64.9	54.5	3.8	6.6	48.9	115.1	11.3	9.0	56.3
Balance of New South Wales Major Statistical Region	587.2	53.4	8.3	68.8	451.0	33.4	6.9	50.9	1,038.2	86.8	7.7	59.7
Hunter Statistical Region	152.1	16.9	10.0	68.7	117.4	12.7	9.8	49.8	269.5	29.7	9.9	58.9
Newcastle Statistical Region Sector	130.2	16.6	11.3	68.8	102.0	12.1	10.6	50.4	232.2	28.7	11.0	59.3
Illawarra and South Eastern Statistical Regions(c)	148.6	10.0	6.3	70.4	113.4	5.8	4.9	49.8	261.9	15.8	5.7	59.8
Illawarra Statistical Region	107.6	8.6	7.4	70.9	81.0	4.2	4.9	50.0	188.7	12.8	6.3	60.2
Wollongong Statistical Region Sector	81.2	7.6	8.6	71.5	58.5	3.6	5.9	48.3	139.7	11.2	7.4	59.7
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Regions	92.9	16.0	14.7	60.2	79.0	9.0	10.3	49.2	171.9	25.0	12.7	54.7
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West Statistical Regions	120.1	6.2	4.9	71.3	87.6	* 4.1	* 4.4	52.7	207.7	10.3	4.7	62.1
Murray-Murrumbidgee Statistical Region	73.5	* 4.3	* 5.5	76.2	53.6	* 1.7	* 3.2	56.1	127.1	6.0	4.5	66.3

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,316.8	88.4	6.3	74.6	1,012.0	59.8	5.6	54.7	2,328.7	148.2	6.0	64.4
Melbourne Major Statistical Region	966.3	62.3	6.1	74.9	756.0	40.9	5.1	55.5	1,722.3	103.2	5.7	65.0
Outer Western Melbourne Statistical Region	149.2	12.3	7.6	72.6	110.5	5.1	4.4	51.6	259.7	17.5	6.3	62.0
North Western Melbourne Statistical Region	72.6	5.0	6.4	73.2	49.6	4.7	8.7	49.2	122.2	9.7	7.3	61.0
Inner Melbourne Statistical Region	74.7	3.8	4.8	80.5	66.8	3.7	5.3	68.9	141.6	7.5	5.0	74.5
North Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	104.7	9.3	8.1	73.7	96.5	4.1	4.1	56.8	201.2	13.4	6.3	64.7
Inner Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	159.5	9.3	5.5	72.6	124.5	5.5	4.2	52.7	284.0	14.8	4.9	62.3
Southern Melbourne Statistical Region	102.9	4.7	4.4	73.0	89.6	4.4	4.7	55.7	192.5	9.1	4.5	63.7
Outer Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	133.4	7.4	5.3	80.1	98.0	4.2	4.1	60.1	231.4	11.7	4.8	70.2
South Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	106.8	8.0	6.9	77.3	70.4	5.5	7.2	54.8	177.2	13.4	7.0	66.4
Mornington Peninsula Statistical Region	62.5	* 2.6	* 4.0	73.4	50.2	3.6	6.8	54.6	112.7	6.3	5.3	63.5
Balance of Victoria Major Statistical Region	350.5	26.1	6.9	73.9	255.9	18.9	6.9	52.5	606.4	45.0	6.9	63.0
Barwon-Western District Statistical Region	98.4	6.0	5.7	73.2	73.7	* 4.0	* 5.2	51.5	172.1	10.0	5.5	62.1
Central Highlands-Wimmera Statistical Region	53.6	5.8	9.8	73.0	42.2	* 2.5	* 5.5	55.4	95.8	8.3	8.0	64.2
Loddon-Mallee Statistical Region	68.3	* 3.0	* 4.2	74.7	47.3	6.4	11.9	52.2	115.5	9.4	7.5	63.0
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray Statistical Region	77.7	5.7	6.9	76.6	59.0	* 3.9	* 6.2	56.5	136.7	9.6	6.6	66.4
All Gippsland Statistical Region	52.5	5.6	9.6	71.3	33.7	* 2.1	* 5.9	46.1	86.3	7.7	8.2	59.0
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	955.8	81.8	7.9	74.1	759.1	69.3	8.4	58.0	1,715.0	151.1	8.1	66.0
Brisbane Major Statistical Region	441.4	34.9	7.3	74.5	360.4	31.1	8.0	58.7	801.8	66.1	7.6	66.5
Brisbane City Inner Ring Statistical Regions	106.9	9.2	7.9	76.6	88.9	5.2	5.5	61.3	195.9	14.4	6.9	68.9
Brisbane City Outer Ring Statistical Regions	145.7	9.5	6.1	74.2	121.9	10.4	7.9	60.5	267.6	20.0	6.9	67.2
South and East BSD Balance Statistical Regions	96.3	6.7	6.5	77.1	75.1	8.2	9.8	58.9	171.5	14.9	8.0	67.8
North and West BSD Balance Statistical Regions	92.4	9.5	9.3	70.5	74.4	7.3	9.0	53.5	166.9	16.8	9.1	61.8
Balance of Queensland Major Statistical Region	514.4	46.9	8.4	73.7	398.8	38.2	8.7	57.4	913.2	85.1	8.5	65.6
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	116.3	12.7	9.9	73.6	94.7	9.3	9.0	55.9	211.0	22.1	9.5	64.5
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	78.9	9.4	10.6	70.5	66.4	6.8	9.4	56.6	145.2	16.2	10.0	63.4
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	47.4	6.3	11.7	60.8	37.7	5.8	13.3	49.5	85.1	12.1	12.4	55.2
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	67.8	* 2.3	* 3.3	77.3	48.4	* 2.9	* 5.6	61.2	116.2	5.2	4.3	69.6
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	95.4	8.1	7.8	79.7	65.2	6.5	9.1	59.9	160.6	14.6	8.4	70.2
Northern-North West Statistical Region	49.6	3.7	7.0	75.7	37.4	* 3.0	* 7.5	57.0	87.0	6.7	7.2	66.3
Far North Statistical Region	59.1	4.3	6.8	78.0	49.0	* 3.8	* 7.2	62.9	108.1	8.1	7.0	70.3
Gold Coast City Parts A and B Statistical Region Sectors	119.5	12.3	9.3	73.2	97.0	9.8	9.2	55.7	216.5	22.1	9.3	64.2

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	379.2	33.2	8.0	69.7	301.9	21.0	6.5	52.4	681.2	54.2	7.4	60.9
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	274.8	26.4	8.8	69.5	227.2	16.2	6.7	52.8	502.1	42.6	7.8	60.9
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	88.7	10.1	10.2	71.0	67.0	5.1	7.0	51.6	155.7	15.1	8.9	61.3
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	49.6	5.9	10.6	69.1	42.5	3.7	8.0	51.7	92.1	9.6	9.4	60.0
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	56.7	5.3	8.5	69.2	52.5	3.0	5.3	57.3	109.3	8.2	7.0	63.0
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	79.8	5.1	6.0	68.2	65.2	4.5	6.4	51.5	145.0	9.6	6.2	59.5
Balance of South Australia Major Statistical Region	104.4	6.8	6.1	70.4	74.7	4.8	6.1	51.1	179.1	11.6	6.1	60.8
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	35.6	3.0	7.8	66.5	23.9	* 1.9	* 7.3	46.6	59.5	4.9	7.6	56.8
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	68.8	3.8	5.2	72.6	50.7	3.0	5.5	53.6	119.6	6.7	5.3	63.1
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	533.2	37.0	6.5	76.2	423.2	23.6	5.3	59.6	956.4	60.7	6.0	67.9
Perth Major Statistical Region	384.8	28.8	7.0	75.4	320.0	18.4	5.4	59.8	704.8	47.2	6.3	67.4
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	34.0	1.7	4.7	72.9	28.3	* 1.1	* 3.8	62.3	62.3	2.8	4.3	67.7
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	57.0	5.2	8.4	74.0	47.5	2.7	5.4	59.8	104.6	7.9	7.0	66.9
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	129.7	9.3	6.7	78.6	104.6	7.8	6.9	63.4	234.3	17.1	6.8	71.0
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	81.9	6.6	7.4	75.4	64.7	3.7	5.4	55.8	146.6	10.3	6.6	65.4
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	82.2	6.1	6.9	72.5	74.8	3.0	3.9	57.6	156.9	9.1	5.5	64.7
Balance of Western Australia Major Statistical Region	148.4	8.2	5.2	78.4	103.2	5.3	4.9	59.2	251.6	13.5	5.1	69.2
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	76.1	5.0	6.2	74.4	53.4	* 2.5	* 4.5	53.7	129.5	7.5	5.5	64.3
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	72.2	3.2	4.3	83.2	49.9	* 2.8	* 5.3	66.4	122.1	6.0	4.7	75.3
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	114.8	12.4	9.8	70.4	92.2	7.0	7.1	52.0	207.0	19.5	8.6	60.9
Greater Hobart-Southern Statistical Region Sector	53.4	6.5	10.9	68.5	45.7	3.3	6.8	52.6	99.0	9.9	9.1	60.3
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	45.8	5.2	10.2	68.7	39.9	3.1	7.2	53.2	85.7	8.3	8.8	60.6
Northern Statistical Region Sector	37.1	2.8	6.9	74.1	27.7	2.0	6.8	53.2	64.8	4.8	6.9	63.5
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	24.4	3.2	11.5	69.6	18.8	1.7	8.2	49.0	43.2	4.9	10.1	59.0
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	52.1	4.4	7.9	76.5	41.9	2.1	4.8	65.2	94.0	6.5	6.5	71.1
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN (NSW) STATISTICAL REGION												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL REGION(c)	130.4	6.3	4.6	75.9	113.6	4.6	3.9	61.3	244.1	10.9	4.3	68.4
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	89.5	4.8	5.1	79.3	81.3	3.0	3.5	67.8	170.8	7.8	4.4	73.4
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	5,168.6	375.5	6.8	73.5	4,055.9	262.1	6.1	55.6	9,224.5	637.6	6.5	64.4

(a) As part of the redesign of Labour Force Survey sample, a number of changes have been made to Labour Force Statistical Regions. These changes may result in a break in series for some regions. See Information Paper: Regional Labour Force Statistics (6262.0). (b) For definitions, and information about scope and standard errors of these estimates, see the latest issue of the monthly publication Labour Force, Australia (6203.0). (c) Estimates for South Eastern SR are not published separately. Data for the South Eastern SR are included in the ACT & South Eastern SR and in the Illawarra & South Eastern SR.

TABLE 2. LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYMENT

Month	Long-term unemployment									Long-term unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment		
	Unemployed 52 weeks and under 104			Unemployed 104 weeks and over			Total			Males	Females	Persons
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons			
	- '000-											
ORIGINAL												
1999 —												
October	46.8	26.6	73.4	82.0	40.7	122.7	128.8	67.3	196.1	34.9	24.5	30.5
November	45.3	26.1	71.4	80.3	36.8	117.2	125.6	62.9	188.5	35.9	24.2	30.9
December	46.3	26.0	72.4	79.2	38.2	117.5	125.6	64.3	189.8	32.4	23.0	28.4
2000 —												
January	41.1	26.1	67.2	78.3	41.0	119.2	119.4	67.1	186.5	29.3	23.2	26.8
February	41.2	24.5	65.7	86.2	44.4	130.6	127.4	68.8	196.2	32.4	21.1	27.3
March	38.3	33.0	71.3	78.4	39.4	117.8	116.8	72.4	189.1	30.6	22.8	27.0
April	41.1	29.3	70.4	74.0	43.2	117.2	115.2	72.5	187.7	31.6	24.6	28.5
May	43.3	30.0	73.3	73.8	35.4	109.1	117.1	65.4	182.5	32.8	22.8	28.4
June	39.5	21.8	61.3	73.6	33.5	107.0	113.1	55.2	168.3	32.5	21.2	27.7
July	38.0	23.2	61.2	66.2	33.4	99.6	104.1	56.6	160.8	30.9	23.7	27.9
August	38.6	24.9	63.5	69.1	34.9	104.0	107.7	59.8	167.5	30.5	24.0	27.9
September	34.8	21.2	55.9	70.8	36.0	106.8	105.6	57.1	162.7	28.5	21.8	25.7
October	41.6	21.1	62.7	66.0	31.9	97.9	107.6	53.0	160.6	31.1	22.1	27.4
November	37.5	22.5	60.0	64.5	29.1	93.6	102.0	51.6	153.6	29.0	20.7	25.6
December	37.7	24.2	62.0	69.1	29.4	98.5	106.9	53.6	160.5	28.5	20.5	25.2
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
1999 —												
October	46.2	28.2	74.4	81.9	38.6	120.5	128.1	66.9	195.0	32.8	23.5	28.9
November	44.8	26.2	71.0	80.8	38.9	119.7	125.6	65.1	190.7	34.3	23.3	29.5
December	45.3	24.8	70.2	80.4	39.8	120.2	125.7	64.7	190.4	32.3	22.8	28.3
2000 —												
January	40.6	24.6	65.1	78.0	43.3	121.3	118.6	67.9	186.4	31.4	24.5	28.5
February	39.6	21.2	60.8	77.4	40.5	117.9	116.9	61.7	178.6	32.5	21.8	27.8
March	37.7	32.2	69.9	74.8	38.5	113.3	112.6	70.7	183.3	30.7	23.9	27.7
April	42.7	30.2	72.9	75.2	42.6	117.9	117.9	72.9	190.8	32.0	25.3	29.1
May	43.5	31.8	75.3	77.8	36.7	114.6	121.3	68.6	189.9	33.5	23.7	29.1
June	41.9	24.0	65.9	77.9	34.3	112.3	119.8	58.4	178.2	32.8	21.1	27.7
July	38.2	24.7	62.9	70.8	34.6	105.4	109.0	59.3	168.3	30.9	23.1	27.6
August	40.9	26.2	67.1	72.1	35.0	107.1	113.0	61.3	174.2	31.5	23.2	27.9
September	33.5	19.8	53.2	65.3	33.7	99.0	98.8	53.5	152.3	27.5	21.0	24.8
October	41.0	22.6	63.6	65.7	30.3	96.0	106.7	52.9	159.6	29.1	21.3	25.9
November	37.1	22.6	59.7	64.8	30.9	95.7	102.0	53.5	155.4	27.7	19.8	24.4
December	36.9	23.1	60.0	70.3	30.6	100.9	107.2	53.7	160.8	28.4	20.1	25.0
TREND SERIES												
1999 —												
October	45.6	28.2	73.8	80.6	39.4	120.0	126.2	67.6	193.7	32.9	23.6	28.9
November	44.4	26.5	71.0	80.2	39.8	120.0	124.6	66.3	191.0	32.7	23.4	28.7
December	43.1	25.5	68.6	79.4	40.4	119.9	122.5	66.0	188.5	32.4	23.3	28.5
2000 —												
January	41.8	25.5	67.3	78.4	40.9	119.3	120.2	66.4	186.6	32.2	23.4	28.4
February	40.9	26.4	67.4	77.5	40.9	118.4	118.4	67.3	185.8	32.0	23.5	28.3
March	40.8	27.8	68.6	76.9	40.2	117.1	117.7	68.0	185.7	32.1	23.6	28.4
April	40.9	28.6	69.6	76.5	39.1	115.6	117.4	67.7	185.2	32.2	23.6	28.4
May	41.0	28.5	69.5	75.9	37.7	113.6	116.9	66.2	183.1	32.3	23.4	28.4
June r	40.8	27.4	68.2	74.6	36.3	110.8	115.3	63.7	179.0	32.0	23.1	28.1
July r	40.1	25.6	65.7	72.6	35.0	107.5	112.7	60.6	173.3	31.3	22.6	27.6
August r	39.1	24.0	63.1	70.4	33.8	104.1	109.5	57.8	167.2	30.4	22.1	26.9
September r	38.2	22.9	61.1	68.4	32.8	101.1	106.6	55.7	162.3	29.5	21.5	26.1
October r	37.6	22.4	60.0	67.0	31.9	98.9	104.6	54.3	158.9	28.7	21.0	25.5
November r	37.3	22.1	59.3	66.2	31.1	97.3	103.4	53.2	156.6	28.1	20.6	25.0
December	37.1	22.2	59.3	65.9	30.5	96.4	103.0	52.7	155.7	27.7	20.2	24.6

TABLE 3. DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, STATES AND TERRITORIES, DECEMBER 2000
(’000)

<i>State or Territory</i>	<i>Unemployed under 52 weeks</i>	<i>Long-term unemployed</i>		<i>Total</i>	<i>Long-term unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment</i>
		<i>Unemployed 52 weeks and under 104</i>	<i>Unemployed 104 weeks and over</i>		
MALES					
New South Wales	77.0	13.5	22.8	36.3	32.1
Victoria	65.8	7.9	14.7	22.6	25.6
Queensland	62.0	7.0	12.8	19.8	24.2
South Australia	21.8	3.4	7.9	11.3	34.1
Western Australia	27.8	4.0	5.2	9.2	24.9
Tasmania	7.4	1.5	3.5	5.1	40.6
Northern Territory	3.6	* 0.1	* 0.8	* 0.9	* 19.4
Australian Capital Territory	3.1	* 0.3	1.4	1.7	35.4
<i>Australia</i>	<i>268.6</i>	<i>37.7</i>	<i>69.1</i>	<i>106.9</i>	<i>28.5</i>
FEMALES					
New South Wales	57.8	7.7	10.7	18.4	24.1
Victoria	48.0	5.4	6.5	11.8	19.7
Queensland	56.1	7.0	6.3	13.2	19.1
South Australia	17.2	* 1.3	2.5	3.8	18.1
Western Australia	20.2	* 1.7	* 1.8	3.5	14.6
Tasmania	4.8	* 0.8	1.4	2.3	32.2
Northern Territory	1.9	* 0.1	* 0.1	* 0.2	* 8.6
Australian Capital Territory	2.5	* 0.3	* 0.2	* 0.5	* 15.9
<i>Australia</i>	<i>208.5</i>	<i>24.2</i>	<i>29.4</i>	<i>53.6</i>	<i>20.5</i>
PERSONS					
New South Wales	134.9	21.2	33.5	54.7	28.9
Victoria	113.8	13.2	21.2	34.4	23.2
Queensland	118.1	13.9	19.1	33.0	21.8
South Australia	39.1	4.7	10.4	15.1	27.9
Western Australia	48.0	5.7	7.0	12.7	20.9
Tasmania	12.2	2.4	5.0	7.3	37.6
Northern Territory	5.5	* 0.2	* 0.8	1.0	16.0
Australian Capital Territory	5.6	* 0.6	1.6	2.2	27.9
Australia	477.1	62.0	98.5	160.5	25.2

NOTES

- INTRODUCTION** **1** This report contains selected final labour force estimates derived from the Labour Force Survey component of the Monthly Population Survey. More detailed estimates will be published in *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6203.0), due for release at the end of the month.
- REGIONAL ESTIMATES** **2** This report contains original (unadjusted) estimates of employed persons and unemployed persons for Labour Force Statistical Regions. Historically, these series have shown a high degree of variability which is inherent in data from the Labour Force Survey relating to small labour markets. Care should therefore be taken in the interpretation of regional estimates, particularly in month to month movements.
- 3** The Labour Force Survey is designed primarily to produce reliable National and State estimates. While estimates for regions are components of corresponding estimates at the State level, independent population benchmarks are not applied at the Statistical Region level. Therefore, while Statistical Region estimates will add to the State total, they will show less stability than for similar estimates at the State level. In addition estimates (particularly estimates of unemployment), being considerably lower than State estimates, are subject to higher relative standard errors.
- 4** Regional boundaries are regularly changed to adhere to the boundaries defined in the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). These changes are made every 5 years, with the most recent changes being effective from September 1997. Further details about changes to dissemination regions can be found in *Information Paper: Regional Labour Force Statistics* (cat. no. 6262.0).
- INDUSTRY** **5** From August 1994, Labour Force Survey industry data are classified according to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), a detailed description of which appears in *Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 1993* (cat. no. 1292.0). ANZSIC classifies businesses according to their economic activities in a structure consisting of 4 levels (Division, Subdivision, Group and Class). Labour Force Survey data are coded to the Group level.
- STANDARD ERRORS** **6** Standard errors of the estimates in this report for the States, Territories and Australia can be determined by using the methods described in the Technical Notes in *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6203.0). Statistical Region standard errors are available upon request from Kate Nielsen on Canberra 02 6252 6525.
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- SYMBOLS** * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.
r revised. For trend estimates, the most recent estimates are provisional and subject to revision.
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