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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS(a) BY SEX, JULY 2002(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	1,753.7	105.5	5.7	71.5	1,373.0	76.1	5.3	54.3	3,126.7	181.6	5.5	62.8
Sydney Major Statistical Region	1,171.5	60.4	4.9	74.0	934.7	40.9	4.2	57.0	2,106.2	101.3	4.6	65.4
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Statistical Regions	149.7	6.1	3.9	74.6	117.3	* 3.1	* 2.6	61.4	267.0	9.2	3.3	68.2
Inner Sydney Statistical Region	90.3	4.0	4.2	72.3	74.0	* 1.7	* 2.2	67.4	164.4	5.7	3.3	70.1
Eastern Suburbs Statistical Region	60.9	2.9	4.5	73.1	54.9	* 2.1	* 3.7	61.7	115.8	5.0	4.1	67.2
St. George-Sutherland Statistical Region	128.6	4.3	3.2	74.9	98.5	4.9	4.7	57.8	227.1	9.2	3.9	66.3
Canterbury-Bankstown Statistical Region	85.5	5.8	6.4	67.5	53.5	3.3	5.8	45.5	139.1	9.1	6.2	56.9
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney Statistical Regions	158.8	11.9	7.0	74.9	114.2	10.2	8.2	52.2	273.0	22.0	7.5	63.3
Fairfield-Liverpool Statistical Region	91.3	8.7	8.7	73.8	64.4	5.8	8.3	48.2	155.8	14.5	8.5	60.5
Central Western Sydney Statistical Region	82.5	4.0	4.6	72.1	62.1	* 1.3	* 2.1	54.0	144.6	5.3	3.6	63.1
Outer Western Sydney SR and Blacktown	163.6	9.7	5.6	76.0	129.5	4.4	3.3	58.8	293.1	14.1	4.6	67.4
Lower Northern Sydney Statistical Region	74.3	5.7	7.1	73.0	73.8	* 2.1	* 2.8	55.4	148.1	7.8	5.0	63.2
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR and Baulkham Hills	127.6	3.2	2.4	77.5	105.4	3.7	3.4	61.5	233.0	6.9	2.9	69.3
Northern Beaches Statistical Region	71.6	3.6	4.8	80.6	61.3	3.4	5.3	63.1	133.0	7.0	5.0	71.4
Gosford-Wyong Statistical Region	68.3	3.3	4.6	66.1	64.3	2.4	3.6	55.5	132.6	5.7	4.1	60.5
Balance of New South Wales Major Statistical Region	582.1	45.1	7.2	67.1	438.3	35.2	7.4	49.5	1,020.5	80.3	7.3	58.2
Hunter Statistical Region	126.6	10.5	7.7	64.1	93.0	8.7	8.5	44.6	219.5	19.2	8.0	54.0
Newcastle Statistical Region Sector	107.4	8.0	6.9	64.8	80.1	7.3	8.4	46.0	187.5	15.3	7.6	55.1
Illawarra and South Eastern Statistical Regions(c)	152.6	11.5	7.0	68.0	119.9	9.9	7.6	52.2	272.5	21.3	7.3	60.0
Illawarra Statistical Region	109.1	9.3	7.8	68.3	79.0	6.4	7.5	50.1	188.1	15.7	7.7	59.3
Wollongong Statistical Region Sector	77.8	8.9	10.3	70.0	55.8	5.3	8.7	50.4	133.6	14.3	9.6	60.3
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Regions	104.5	10.2	8.9	61.7	87.8	7.3	7.6	49.6	192.3	17.5	8.3	55.6
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West Statistical Regions	115.5	6.9	5.7	68.9	79.4	5.6	6.6	46.8	194.9	12.5	6.0	57.7
Murray-Murrumbidgee Statistical Region	83.0	6.0	6.7	76.7	58.3	* 3.8	* 6.2	57.9	141.3	9.8	6.5	67.7

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	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -	- '000 -	- '000 -	- per cent -	- per cent -
VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,311.3	71.9	5.2	71.5	1,043.8	52.2	4.8	54.7	2,355.2	124.1	5.0	63.0
Melbourne Major Statistical Region	964.5	53.7	5.3	71.6	782.0	35.4	4.3	55.3	1,746.5	89.1	4.9	63.3
Outer Western Melbourne Statistical Region	156.3	9.9	6.0	71.8	116.6	6.6	5.4	52.7	272.9	16.5	5.7	62.2
North Western Melbourne Statistical Region	64.8	6.3	8.8	65.9	56.0	* 1.8	* 3.2	54.0	120.8	8.1	6.3	60.0
Inner Melbourne Statistical Region	74.1	3.8	4.8	76.5	71.3	* 1.2	* 1.7	62.8	145.4	4.9	3.3	69.2
North Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	117.2	5.3	4.4	73.5	89.0	4.1	4.4	53.5	206.2	9.4	4.4	63.3
Inner Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	168.9	6.8	3.8	71.1	143.9	3.9	2.7	55.9	312.7	10.7	3.3	63.2
Southern Melbourne Statistical Region	101.7	3.5	3.3	70.4	91.8	4.4	4.6	55.9	193.5	7.8	3.9	62.7
Outer Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	123.7	10.2	7.6	74.9	98.1	7.0	6.7	60.0	221.8	17.2	7.2	67.5
South Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	103.0	4.7	4.4	72.3	72.2	* 2.9	* 3.9	52.8	175.2	7.6	4.2	62.7
Mornington Peninsula Statistical Region	54.8	3.3	5.7	65.0	43.2	3.5	7.4	49.2	98.0	6.8	6.5	56.8
Balance of Victoria Major Statistical Region	346.9	18.2	5.0	71.2	261.8	16.8	6.0	53.1	608.7	35.0	5.4	62.0
Barwon-Western District Statistical Region	95.1	5.6	5.6	72.5	70.3	4.4	5.8	52.6	165.4	10.0	5.7	62.4
Central Highlands-Wimmera Statistical Region	57.4	* 3.9	* 6.3	72.6	39.6	* 2.9	* 6.9	50.7	97.0	6.8	6.6	61.7
Loddon-Mallee Statistical Region	69.6	* 3.4	* 4.7	72.2	54.8	* 2.8	* 4.8	55.6	124.3	6.2	4.8	63.8
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray Statistical Region	69.4	* 2.8	* 3.8	72.8	60.4	* 3.4	* 5.3	57.7	129.8	6.1	4.5	64.8
All Gippsland Statistical Region	55.4	* 2.5	* 4.4	64.7	36.7	* 3.4	* 8.4	47.2	92.1	5.9	6.0	56.2
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	985.9	63.5	6.0	72.8	764.9	60.4	7.3	56.0	1,750.8	123.9	6.6	64.3
Brisbane Major Statistical Region	463.8	26.5	5.4	74.5	369.6	27.2	6.9	57.7	833.4	53.8	6.1	65.9
Brisbane City Inner Ring Statistical Regions	107.9	5.4	4.7	75.8	91.7	4.5	4.7	59.3	199.6	9.9	4.7	67.2
Brisbane City Outer Ring Statistical Regions	143.0	8.7	5.7	73.8	121.2	10.0	7.7	60.0	264.1	18.7	6.6	66.6
South and East BSD Balance Statistical Regions	94.7	6.7	6.6	76.0	71.8	6.5	8.3	57.4	166.5	13.2	7.3	66.6
North and West BSD Balance Statistical Regions	118.2	5.8	4.7	72.9	84.9	6.1	6.7	53.6	203.1	12.0	5.6	63.2
Balance of Queensland Major Statistical Region	522.0	36.9	6.6	71.4	395.4	33.2	7.7	54.4	917.4	70.1	7.1	62.9
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	109.0	7.1	6.1	69.8	84.5	7.9	8.5	53.4	193.5	15.0	7.2	61.5
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	89.3	7.6	7.8	69.9	75.8	6.8	8.2	54.8	165.1	14.4	8.0	62.0
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	56.1	6.0	9.6	65.5	41.7	5.2	11.2	49.2	97.8	11.2	10.3	57.3
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	56.3	* 2.2	* 3.7	70.5	40.5	* 2.1	* 5.0	50.0	96.9	4.3	4.3	60.1
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	94.3	6.0	6.0	78.8	62.4	4.8	7.1	55.9	156.6	10.7	6.4	67.7
Northern-North West Statistical Region	60.2	4.1	6.3	74.0	46.9	* 3.0	* 6.0	58.1	107.1	7.1	6.2	66.1
Far North Statistical Region	56.8	* 4.0	* 6.6	71.2	43.5	* 3.4	* 7.3	60.8	100.3	7.4	6.9	66.3
Gold Coast City Parts A and B Statistical Region Sectors	114.6	8.0	6.5	70.8	88.5	8.0	8.3	53.6	203.1	16.0	7.3	62.0

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	382.1	26.0	6.4	68.3	305.3	18.5	5.7	52.0	687.4	44.5	6.1	59.9
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	281.1	18.9	6.3	68.2	227.5	14.0	5.8	51.7	508.6	32.9	6.1	59.7
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	87.0	6.3	6.8	66.6	65.3	3.8	5.5	48.5	152.3	10.2	6.3	57.4
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	52.9	5.0	8.6	67.7	44.1	3.9	8.1	50.7	97.0	8.9	8.4	58.8
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	58.7	3.0	4.8	70.0	51.3	2.7	5.0	55.8	110.0	5.7	4.9	62.5
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	82.6	4.6	5.3	68.9	66.8	3.5	5.0	52.8	149.4	8.1	5.2	60.6
Balance of South Australia Major Statistical Region	101.0	7.0	6.5	68.5	77.8	4.5	5.5	52.9	178.8	11.6	6.1	60.8
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	36.9	3.7	9.2	66.3	29.9	* 1.2	* 3.9	50.3	66.8	4.9	6.9	58.2
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	64.2	3.3	4.9	70.0	47.9	3.3	6.5	54.6	112.1	6.7	5.6	62.4
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	538.4	37.0	6.4	74.9	419.7	18.1	4.1	56.9	958.1	55.1	5.4	65.9
Perth Major Statistical Region	389.9	27.1	6.5	73.9	310.8	13.1	4.1	55.8	700.7	40.2	5.4	64.7
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	34.1	2.7	7.3	73.9	27.0	* 0.3	* 1.2	53.6	61.1	3.0	4.7	63.6
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	60.9	5.0	7.6	76.6	51.3	* 1.2	* 2.3	56.7	112.2	6.2	5.2	66.3
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	119.8	8.0	6.3	75.3	97.3	5.9	5.7	57.5	217.1	13.9	6.0	66.2
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	80.7	5.4	6.3	68.8	64.7	2.7	4.0	54.4	145.4	8.1	5.3	61.7
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	94.4	6.0	6.0	75.0	70.5	3.1	4.2	55.0	164.9	9.0	5.2	65.0
Balance of Western Australia Major Statistical Region	148.5	9.9	6.3	77.7	108.9	5.0	4.4	60.3	257.4	14.9	5.5	69.3
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	72.6	4.5	5.8	73.5	56.7	3.1	5.1	57.5	129.3	7.5	5.5	65.6
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	75.9	5.4	6.7	82.1	52.2	* 1.9	* 3.5	63.6	128.1	7.3	5.4	73.6
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	107.1	11.3	9.5	65.2	88.5	7.5	7.8	49.9	195.6	18.7	8.7	57.3
Greater Hobart-Southern Statistical Region Sector	48.5	5.6	10.3	62.0	43.5	3.6	7.6	50.5	92.0	9.2	9.0	56.1
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	41.8	4.5	9.7	62.0	38.8	2.9	7.0	51.2	80.6	7.4	8.4	56.4
Northern Statistical Region Sector	32.2	2.5	7.1	65.6	24.9	2.1	7.7	51.1	57.1	4.6	7.4	58.3
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	26.5	3.2	10.8	71.1	20.1	1.8	8.3	47.3	46.6	5.0	9.8	58.6
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	55.6	2.5	4.3	78.6	44.6	1.6	3.4	67.3	100.2	4.1	3.9	73.2
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN (NSW) STATISTICAL REGION												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL REGION(c)	134.5	5.5	3.9	74.1	123.9	5.9	4.5	63.4	258.4	11.4	4.2	68.5
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	91.0	3.3	3.5	77.9	83.0	2.4	2.8	67.5	174.0	5.7	3.2	72.6
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	5,225.1	320.9	5.8	71.9	4,122.9	236.9	5.4	55.0	9,348.0	557.8	5.6	63.3

(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												
2001 —												
May	40.0	24.0	63.9	58.4	27.8	86.2	98.4	51.7	150.2	25.8	17.8	22.4
June	34.2	26.2	60.5	59.4	31.6	91.0	93.7	57.8	151.5	24.8	20.9	23.1
July	34.1	22.6	56.6	55.2	28.6	83.8	89.3	51.2	140.4	24.4	20.3	22.7
August	28.0	17.8	45.8	61.8	30.9	92.7	89.8	48.6	138.5	24.1	18.0	21.5
September	33.3	23.1	56.4	67.3	28.9	96.2	100.6	52.0	152.6	25.4	18.8	22.7
October	33.6	24.0	57.6	57.6	30.9	88.4	91.2	54.9	146.1	23.9	19.7	22.1
November	33.1	22.7	55.9	55.5	27.7	83.2	88.7	50.4	139.1	23.9	19.5	22.1
December	32.4	25.0	57.4	54.3	32.7	87.0	86.7	57.7	144.4	23.0	20.3	21.8
2002 —												
January	33.5	24.3	57.9	60.1	31.8	91.9	93.6	56.2	149.8	22.1	18.4	20.6
February	45.7	24.1	69.8	61.6	32.1	93.7	107.3	56.2	163.5	25.7	18.2	22.5
March	46.3	23.7	70.0	62.2	31.5	93.7	108.5	55.1	163.7	28.4	19.7	24.7
April	43.4	21.4	64.8	55.6	29.0	84.6	99.0	50.4	149.4	26.7	19.4	23.7
May	37.2	22.3	59.5	57.1	26.7	83.7	94.2	49.0	143.2	25.9	18.7	22.9
June	36.1	22.2	58.3	57.1	22.2	79.2	93.1	44.4	137.5	26.4	16.3	22.0
July	33.5	25.1	58.6	54.3	22.9	77.3	87.8	48.0	135.8	27.4	20.3	24.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
2001 —												
May	38.8	23.0	61.8	59.3	29.4	88.7	98.1	52.4	150.5	25.5	18.5	22.5
June	35.4	30.5	65.8	61.7	32.1	93.8	97.1	62.6	159.6	24.9	21.9	23.6
July	35.1	24.7	59.8	59.3	29.6	88.9	94.4	54.3	148.7	24.1	19.3	22.1
August	28.5	17.4	45.9	63.0	31.3	94.3	91.5	48.7	140.2	23.7	17.1	20.9
September	32.6	22.0	54.6	61.5	26.5	88.0	94.1	48.5	142.6	24.2	17.7	21.5
October	32.6	25.2	57.8	57.4	30.6	88.0	90.0	55.8	145.8	22.4	19.1	21.0
November	32.9	23.1	56.0	55.9	30.0	85.9	88.8	53.1	141.9	23.0	18.7	21.2
December	32.8	25.1	57.9	54.5	33.3	87.8	87.3	58.4	145.7	23.2	20.2	21.9
2002 —												
January	32.9	24.3	57.1	60.1	33.9	94.0	93.0	58.2	151.2	23.7	19.4	21.8
February	45.1	20.8	65.9	56.5	29.3	85.8	101.5	50.1	151.7	26.5	18.6	23.2
March	47.0	22.8	69.7	62.6	29.5	92.2	109.6	52.3	161.9	29.7	20.6	26.0
April	44.3	21.9	66.3	57.5	28.7	86.2	101.8	50.6	152.5	27.4	20.2	24.5
May	36.0	21.3	57.3	57.8	28.3	86.0	93.8	49.6	143.4	25.6	19.3	23.0
June	37.2	25.9	63.1	59.2	22.5	81.7	96.4	48.4	144.9	26.5	17.3	22.5
July	34.5	27.5	62.1	58.4	23.7	82.1	92.9	51.2	144.1	27.0	19.3	23.7
TREND SERIES												
2001 —												
May	37.1	25.0	62.2	59.6	29.4	89.0	96.8	54.4	151.2	25.1	19.5	22.8
June	35.6	24.6	60.2	60.9	29.9	90.8	96.5	54.5	151.0	24.8	19.4	22.5
July	34.0	23.9	57.9	61.3	29.9	91.2	95.4	53.7	149.1	24.4	19.0	22.1
August	32.5	23.2	55.7	60.8	29.8	90.6	93.3	53.0	146.3	23.9	18.7	21.7
September	31.4	22.9	54.3	59.6	30.0	89.6	91.0	52.9	143.9	23.3	18.5	21.3
October	31.4	23.0	54.4	58.4	30.4	88.8	89.7	53.4	143.1	23.0	18.5	21.1
November	32.7	23.3	56.1	57.6	30.9	88.5	90.3	54.3	144.6	23.2	18.8	21.3
December	35.2	23.5	58.8	57.3	31.5	88.8	92.5	55.0	147.6	24.0	19.2	22.0
2002 —												
January r	38.2	23.3	61.5	57.5	31.7	89.2	95.7	55.0	150.7	25.0	19.6	22.8
February r	40.6	22.7	63.3	58.1	31.1	89.2	98.7	53.8	152.5	26.1	19.7	23.4
March r	41.7	22.4	64.1	58.7	29.8	88.5	100.4	52.2	152.6	26.8	19.6	23.8
April r	41.5	22.7	64.2	58.9	28.2	87.1	100.4	50.9	151.3	27.1	19.4	24.0
May r	40.2	23.4	63.7	58.9	26.6	85.4	99.1	50.0	149.1	27.2	19.2	23.8
June r	38.5	24.3	62.9	58.8	25.0	83.8	97.3	49.4	146.7	27.1	18.9	23.6
July	36.7	25.4	62.1	58.4	23.8	82.2	95.1	49.2	144.3	26.9	18.8	23.4

TABLE 3. DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, STATES AND TERRITORIES, JULY 2002
(’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	75.6	9.2	20.6	29.9	28.3
Victoria	53.0	8.6	10.3	18.9	26.3
Queensland	50.0	5.7	7.8	13.4	21.1
South Australia	15.6	4.2	6.1	10.3	39.8
Western Australia	27.1	4.3	5.6	9.9	26.8
Tasmania	7.0	1.2	3.1	4.3	38.0
Northern Territory	2.3	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.3	* 10.5
Australian Capital Territory	2.5	* 0.3	* 0.5	* 0.8	* 24.7
<i>Australia</i>	<i>233.1</i>	<i>33.5</i>	<i>54.3</i>	<i>87.8</i>	<i>27.4</i>
FEMALES					
New South Wales	60.2	8.8	7.2	16.0	21.0
Victoria	41.9	6.0	* 4.3	10.3	19.8
Queensland	47.3	6.6	6.5	13.1	21.7
South Australia	14.3	* 1.4	2.7	4.2	22.5
Western Australia	16.2	* 0.9	* 1.0	* 1.9	* 10.5
Tasmania	5.2	1.3	* 1.0	2.3	30.7
Northern Territory	1.6	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0
Australian Capital Territory	2.3	* 0.0	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 7.2
<i>Australia</i>	<i>188.9</i>	<i>25.1</i>	<i>22.9</i>	<i>48.0</i>	<i>20.3</i>
PERSONS					
New South Wales	135.8	18.1	27.8	45.9	25.2
Victoria	94.9	14.6	14.6	29.2	23.5
Queensland	97.3	12.3	14.3	26.6	21.4
South Australia	30.0	5.7	8.8	14.5	32.6
Western Australia	43.3	5.2	6.6	11.8	21.5
Tasmania	12.2	2.4	4.2	6.6	35.1
Northern Territory	3.8	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.3	* 6.4
Australian Capital Territory	4.7	* 0.3	* 0.7	* 1.0	* 17.3
Australia	422.0	58.6	77.3	135.8	24.3

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 Mark Webb on Canberra 02 6252 6525.
- 7** Very small estimates are subject to high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) which can detract seriously from their value for most general uses. Where estimates and percentages have relative standard errors greater than 25%, they have been identified by an asterisk (e.g. *1.0) to indicate that they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.
- 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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