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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS(a) BY SEX, OCTOBER 2001(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>
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,725.0	114.0	6.2	71.4	1,341.8	89.8	6.3	54.1	3,066.8	203.9	6.2	62.6
Sydney Major Statistical Region	1,147.5	65.5	5.4	74.0	904.3	50.4	5.3	56.5	2,051.8	115.8	5.3	65.1
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Statistical Regions	141.3	7.0	4.7	73.2	118.1	5.9	4.8	64.1	259.4	12.9	4.8	68.8
Inner Sydney Statistical Region	96.8	4.9	4.8	74.7	78.1	* 2.6	* 3.3	66.4	174.9	7.5	4.1	70.8
Eastern Suburbs Statistical Region	60.7	3.2	5.0	71.6	61.9	3.0	4.6	61.9	122.6	6.2	4.8	66.3
St. George-Sutherland Statistical Region	118.0	6.6	5.3	74.5	95.5	2.7	2.7	56.7	213.5	9.3	4.2	65.5
Canterbury-Bankstown Statistical Region	77.5	6.8	8.0	66.0	54.5	4.8	8.1	45.2	131.9	11.6	8.1	55.5
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney Statistical Regions	164.4	14.4	8.0	77.1	119.5	12.5	9.5	55.4	283.9	26.9	8.6	66.1
Fairfield-Liverpool Statistical Region	94.6	9.1	8.8	74.6	72.2	7.3	9.2	53.7	166.8	16.5	9.0	63.8
Central Western Sydney Statistical Region	78.4	3.2	3.9	67.1	58.2	* 1.3	* 2.2	49.4	136.6	4.5	3.2	58.3
Outer Western Sydney SR and Blacktown	165.6	8.2	4.7	79.4	119.7	7.8	6.1	56.4	285.2	16.0	5.3	67.7
Lower Northern Sydney Statistical Region	75.4	5.8	7.1	75.7	68.6	* 2.4	* 3.4	60.6	144.1	8.2	5.4	67.8
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR and Baulkham Hills	118.0	3.2	2.7	77.4	93.7	5.7	5.7	60.3	211.7	8.9	4.0	68.6
Northern Beaches Statistical Region	76.0	* 1.4	* 1.8	78.1	65.3	* 1.3	* 2.0	61.5	141.2	* 2.7	* 1.9	69.4
Gosford-Wyong Statistical Region	72.2	5.7	7.4	66.8	49.4	3.0	5.7	46.7	121.6	8.7	6.7	56.9
Balance of New South Wales Major Statistical Region	577.6	48.6	7.8	66.9	437.5	39.5	8.3	49.9	1,015.0	88.0	8.0	58.3
Hunter Statistical Region	137.1	15.2	10.0	66.4	106.8	10.4	8.9	50.7	243.9	25.6	9.5	58.6
Newcastle Statistical Region Sector	115.8	14.2	10.9	67.5	94.0	9.7	9.4	52.9	209.8	23.9	10.2	60.1
Illawarra and South Eastern Statistical Regions(c)	143.6	10.1	6.6	66.8	115.7	9.2	7.3	50.8	259.3	19.3	6.9	58.5
Illawarra Statistical Region	101.1	7.1	6.5	67.2	78.4	6.1	7.2	50.0	179.5	13.2	6.8	58.4
Wollongong Statistical Region Sector	76.5	4.0	5.0	69.3	58.5	3.6	5.8	51.3	135.1	7.7	5.4	60.1
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Regions	98.6	11.4	10.4	62.6	82.4	7.8	8.7	48.5	181.0	19.2	9.6	55.3
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West Statistical Regions	126.4	7.8	5.8	69.1	79.4	7.5	8.6	46.8	205.8	15.3	6.9	58.2
Murray-Murrumbidgee Statistical Region	71.9	* 4.0	* 5.3	71.3	53.2	* 4.5	* 7.8	53.7	125.1	8.6	6.4	62.5

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,301.8	96.7	6.9	73.2	1,022.1	68.0	6.2	55.0	2,323.8	164.7	6.6	63.9
Melbourne Major Statistical Region	961.7	70.3	6.8	73.9	759.5	53.7	6.6	55.8	1,721.2	124.1	6.7	64.7
Outer Western Melbourne Statistical Region	147.7	17.7	10.7	73.1	113.0	11.4	9.2	53.1	260.7	29.1	10.1	62.9
North Western Melbourne Statistical Region	73.0	8.0	9.9	72.6	56.4	7.2	11.4	56.6	129.4	15.3	10.6	64.6
Inner Melbourne Statistical Region	67.4	3.6	5.0	71.6	66.0	3.2	4.6	62.2	133.4	6.8	4.8	66.6
North Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	109.0	10.3	8.6	73.0	87.3	5.3	5.7	53.9	196.3	15.5	7.3	63.2
Inner Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	175.5	8.3	4.5	73.5	140.1	9.2	6.1	57.5	315.6	17.5	5.2	65.3
Southern Melbourne Statistical Region	103.1	4.9	4.6	72.8	87.4	4.6	5.0	55.5	190.5	9.5	4.8	63.7
Outer Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	129.5	8.7	6.3	80.5	100.9	5.3	5.0	62.6	230.4	14.1	5.7	71.6
South Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	96.5	5.8	5.7	73.1	64.1	5.6	8.0	50.6	160.5	11.4	6.6	61.9
Mornington Peninsula Statistical Region	60.2	2.9	4.7	73.2	44.2	* 2.0	* 4.3	49.1	104.4	4.9	4.5	60.6
Balance of Victoria Major Statistical Region	340.0	26.4	7.2	71.4	262.6	14.3	5.2	52.6	602.6	40.6	6.3	61.9
Barwon-Western District Statistical Region	99.8	7.8	7.3	72.0	73.2	* 2.3	* 3.1	52.1	173.0	10.2	5.6	62.2
Central Highlands-Wimmera Statistical Region	50.9	5.7	10.0	70.7	37.2	* 2.8	* 6.9	47.3	88.2	8.5	8.8	58.7
Loddon-Mallee Statistical Region	62.8	5.4	7.9	73.1	54.9	* 3.9	* 6.6	58.5	117.7	9.2	7.3	65.5
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray Statistical Region	76.5	* 3.6	* 4.5	72.1	58.4	* 2.7	* 4.5	54.3	134.9	6.3	4.5	63.1
All Gippsland Statistical Region	49.9	* 3.9	* 7.3	68.0	38.9	* 2.5	* 6.1	49.9	88.8	6.5	6.8	58.7
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	961.9	78.1	7.5	73.2	764.0	65.1	7.9	57.1	1,725.9	143.3	7.7	65.1
Brisbane Major Statistical Region	437.6	36.0	7.6	73.0	362.6	32.4	8.2	58.3	800.2	68.5	7.9	65.5
Brisbane City Inner Ring Statistical Regions	100.6	6.4	6.0	73.2	96.3	7.9	7.6	63.2	196.9	14.3	6.8	67.9
Brisbane City Outer Ring Statistical Regions	130.7	12.0	8.4	72.7	113.0	7.0	5.9	56.8	243.7	19.1	7.3	64.4
South and East BSD Balance Statistical Regions	90.3	9.0	9.0	73.1	68.2	8.8	11.5	54.6	158.5	17.8	10.1	63.7
North and West BSD Balance Statistical Regions	115.9	8.7	7.0	73.0	85.1	8.6	9.2	58.7	201.0	17.3	7.9	66.1
Balance of Queensland Major Statistical Region	524.3	42.1	7.4	73.4	401.4	32.7	7.5	56.0	925.7	74.8	7.5	64.7
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	111.7	11.3	9.2	73.0	90.5	7.6	7.7	57.7	202.2	18.8	8.5	65.3
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	82.3	8.8	9.7	68.3	68.6	7.7	10.1	54.3	150.9	16.5	9.9	61.1
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	46.5	7.3	13.6	65.4	36.6	* 3.5	* 8.7	46.8	83.1	10.8	11.5	55.9
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	70.9	* 1.4	* 1.9	79.6	45.7	* 1.3	* 2.7	50.9	116.6	* 2.7	* 2.3	65.1
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	89.7	4.2	4.5	76.1	64.2	4.9	7.1	58.7	153.9	9.1	5.6	67.6
Northern-North West Statistical Region	61.8	3.7	5.6	75.5	45.4	4.2	8.5	59.4	107.2	7.9	6.9	67.6
Far North Statistical Region	61.5	5.4	8.0	77.1	50.3	* 3.5	* 6.5	63.7	111.8	8.9	7.3	70.5
Gold Coast City Parts A and B Statistical Region Sectors	113.9	13.6	10.7	72.4	92.6	7.8	7.7	57.6	206.5	21.4	9.4	65.1

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	374.6	32.4	8.0	68.5	305.5	18.6	5.7	52.3	680.1	51.0	7.0	60.2
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	271.0	23.4	7.9	67.5	226.2	13.3	5.5	51.6	497.2	36.6	6.9	59.3
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	85.3	8.5	9.1	67.0	66.5	5.4	7.5	51.5	151.8	13.9	8.4	59.3
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	48.2	5.1	9.5	63.4	41.0	1.7	4.0	46.9	89.2	6.8	7.1	54.8
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	55.0	3.6	6.1	67.8	51.4	2.1	4.0	56.4	106.4	5.7	5.1	61.8
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	82.5	6.2	6.9	70.5	67.2	4.0	5.7	51.6	149.7	10.2	6.4	60.6
Balance of South Australia Major Statistical Region	103.6	9.0	8.0	71.2	79.3	5.3	6.3	54.3	182.9	14.4	7.3	62.8
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	37.3	4.5	10.7	66.4	27.4	* 2.0	* 6.8	49.7	64.8	6.5	9.1	58.3
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	66.3	4.5	6.4	74.4	51.9	3.3	6.0	57.1	118.1	7.9	6.2	65.7
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	530.8	38.8	6.8	75.1	412.6	24.9	5.7	57.6	943.4	63.7	6.3	66.3
Perth Major Statistical Region	383.9	29.2	7.1	74.2	310.0	18.6	5.7	57.3	694.0	47.9	6.5	65.6
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	33.7	2.2	6.1	67.0	26.4	* 1.0	* 3.7	55.8	60.1	3.2	5.1	61.6
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	64.9	6.3	8.8	76.2	47.9	2.6	5.2	54.7	112.8	8.9	7.3	65.6
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	121.3	7.7	6.0	78.8	103.4	5.0	4.6	62.5	224.7	12.7	5.4	70.4
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	78.0	7.0	8.2	71.2	62.0	3.8	5.8	54.1	140.0	10.8	7.2	62.6
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	86.1	6.1	6.6	72.6	70.3	6.2	8.1	55.9	156.4	12.2	7.2	64.0
Balance of Western Australia Major Statistical Region	146.8	9.6	6.1	77.4	102.6	6.2	5.7	58.5	249.4	15.8	6.0	68.3
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	73.0	4.9	6.3	73.3	53.4	2.7	4.9	54.8	126.4	7.6	5.7	64.2
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	73.8	4.7	6.0	81.9	49.2	3.5	6.7	63.0	123.0	8.2	6.2	73.1
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	109.2	12.1	9.9	66.9	89.9	6.7	6.9	50.4	199.1	18.7	8.6	58.4
Greater Hobart-Southern Statistical Region Sector	51.0	6.0	10.6	65.9	43.8	3.1	6.6	50.2	94.7	9.1	8.8	57.7
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	43.1	5.1	10.7	64.7	38.0	2.9	7.0	50.4	81.1	8.0	9.0	57.3
Northern Statistical Region Sector	33.5	3.2	8.7	68.5	27.2	1.6	5.6	51.6	60.7	4.8	7.3	59.9
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	24.7	2.9	10.4	67.1	18.9	1.9	9.3	49.0	43.6	4.8	9.9	57.9
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	55.5	4.0	6.8	80.3	42.5	3.8	8.1	67.6	98.0	7.8	7.4	74.2
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN (NSW) STATISTICAL REGION												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL REGION(c)	130.8	7.7	5.6	73.2	116.5	5.4	4.4	60.2	247.2	13.1	5.0	66.5
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	88.2	4.7	5.0	77.5	79.2	2.3	2.8	65.0	167.5	7.0	4.0	71.1
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	5,147.0	380.9	6.9	72.4	4,057.6	279.2	6.4	55.3	9,204.6	660.1	6.7	63.7

(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			
										per cent		
ORIGINAL												
2000 —												
August	36.1	24.1	60.1	58.8	29.0	87.8	94.9	53.1	148.0	27.8	22.7	25.8
September	32.2	20.9	53.1	62.8	30.6	93.4	95.0	51.5	146.4	26.9	21.1	24.5
October	40.4	22.3	62.6	58.5	26.7	85.1	98.8	49.0	147.8	29.9	21.5	26.5
November	34.7	23.0	57.7	56.6	25.1	81.7	91.2	48.1	139.4	26.6	20.6	24.1
December	36.4	22.8	59.2	57.4	25.6	83.0	93.8	48.4	142.2	25.7	19.2	23.0
2001 —												
January	39.3	22.0	61.3	54.4	20.8	75.2	93.7	42.8	136.5	23.9	16.7	21.1
February	36.6	26.5	63.2	59.6	31.4	91.0	96.3	57.9	154.2	23.2	18.9	21.4
March	38.9	25.5	64.4	52.2	29.3	81.5	91.1	54.8	145.9	23.7	18.8	21.6
April	37.8	24.1	61.9	60.3	27.5	87.9	98.1	51.7	149.8	25.5	18.2	22.4
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
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
2000 —												
August	36.2	24.0	60.1	60.9	29.9	90.8	97.1	53.8	150.9	27.8	21.9	25.3
September	30.9	19.1	50.0	57.9	27.6	85.5	88.8	46.7	135.6	25.9	19.5	23.3
October	39.1	24.1	63.2	57.6	25.6	83.2	96.7	49.7	146.5	27.7	20.9	24.9
November	33.9	23.0	56.8	56.5	26.3	82.8	90.4	49.3	139.7	25.4	19.7	23.0
December	36.9	22.5	59.4	57.0	26.0	83.0	93.9	48.5	142.5	26.0	19.1	23.2
2001 —												
January	38.3	21.6	59.9	54.7	22.9	77.5	93.0	44.5	137.5	25.5	17.6	22.3
February	35.9	22.4	58.3	54.0	28.5	82.5	89.9	50.9	140.9	23.7	19.2	21.8
March	40.1	24.9	65.0	51.7	27.5	79.2	91.8	52.5	144.3	24.9	19.9	22.8
April	39.2	25.2	64.5	62.5	26.8	89.3	101.7	52.0	153.7	26.0	18.6	22.9
May	39.8	24.1	63.9	60.2	29.7	89.9	99.9	53.8	153.7	25.9	18.6	22.7
June	35.3	30.2	65.6	63.2	33.5	96.7	98.5	63.7	162.3	25.0	22.2	23.8
July	35.3	24.7	60.0	58.8	29.5	88.3	94.1	54.2	148.3	23.9	19.3	22.0
August	28.1	17.6	45.7	64.0	31.9	95.9	92.1	49.5	141.6	24.0	17.4	21.2
September	32.0	21.1	53.1	62.1	26.1	88.2	94.1	47.2	141.3	24.4	17.4	21.5
October	32.5	26.1	58.6	56.8	29.8	86.5	89.2	55.9	145.1	22.1	19.1	20.8
TREND SERIES												
2000 —												
August	36.2	22.9	59.1	61.1	28.9	90.0	97.3	51.8	149.1	28.0	21.1	25.2
September	35.5	22.2	57.8	59.1	27.6	86.8	94.7	49.9	144.5	27.2	20.6	24.5
October	35.3	22.0	57.4	57.4	26.6	84.0	92.7	48.6	141.4	26.5	20.1	23.9
November	35.6	22.1	57.8	56.1	25.9	81.9	91.7	48.0	139.7	25.9	19.5	23.3
December	36.4	22.3	58.8	55.2	25.5	80.7	91.7	47.8	139.5	25.5	19.1	22.9
2001 —												
January	37.4	22.7	60.1	55.0	25.6	80.6	92.4	48.3	140.7	25.2	18.8	22.6
February	38.4	23.4	61.8	55.3	26.3	81.7	93.7	49.8	143.5	25.1	18.9	22.5
March	38.9	24.4	63.3	56.5	27.5	83.9	95.3	51.9	147.3	25.1	19.1	22.6
April r	38.6	25.2	63.8	58.2	28.7	86.9	96.8	53.9	150.7	25.2	19.4	22.8
May r	37.6	25.3	63.0	59.9	29.7	89.7	97.6	55.1	152.6	25.2	19.6	22.8
June r	36.0	24.9	60.8	61.2	30.3	91.4	97.1	55.1	152.3	25.0	19.4	22.6
July r	34.2	24.0	58.2	61.6	30.3	91.9	95.8	54.3	150.2	24.6	19.1	22.3
August r	32.6	23.2	55.9	61.5	30.0	91.5	94.1	53.3	147.4	24.0	18.8	21.8
September r	31.4	22.6	54.0	61.0	29.7	90.7	92.4	52.3	144.7	23.5	18.4	21.4
October	30.6	22.3	52.9	60.0	29.3	89.3	90.6	51.6	142.2	23.0	18.2	21.0

TABLE 3. DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, STATES AND TERRITORIES, OCTOBER 2001
(’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	87.1	8.7	18.2	27.0	23.7
Victoria	77.2	6.3	13.2	19.5	20.1
Queensland	57.7	8.9	11.5	20.4	26.1
South Australia	22.3	4.0	6.1	10.1	31.1
Western Australia	32.0	2.8	4.0	6.8	17.5
Tasmania	6.7	1.8	3.5	5.3	44.3
Northern Territory	3.2	* 0.5	* 0.3	* 0.8	* 20.8
Australian Capital Territory	3.4	* 0.7	* 0.6	1.3	26.9
<i>Australia</i>	289.7	33.6	57.6	91.2	23.9
FEMALES					
New South Wales	71.5	7.5	10.8	18.3	20.4
Victoria	54.0	5.7	8.3	14.0	20.6
Queensland	52.9	5.9	6.3	12.2	18.8
South Australia	14.1	* 2.3	* 2.1	4.4	23.9
Western Australia	21.3	* 1.7	* 1.8	3.5	14.2
Tasmania	4.9	* 0.6	1.2	1.7	26.2
Northern Territory	3.4	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 0.4	* 10.7
Australian Capital Territory	2.0	* 0.2	* 0.1	* 0.3	* 12.4
<i>Australia</i>	224.3	24.0	30.9	54.9	19.7
PERSONS					
New South Wales	158.6	16.2	29.0	45.3	22.2
Victoria	131.3	11.9	21.5	33.5	20.3
Queensland	110.6	14.8	17.9	32.6	22.8
South Australia	36.5	6.2	8.3	14.5	28.5
Western Australia	53.4	4.5	5.8	10.3	16.2
Tasmania	11.6	2.4	4.7	7.1	37.9
Northern Territory	6.6	* 0.7	* 0.5	1.2	15.9
Australian Capital Territory	5.5	* 0.9	* 0.7	1.5	22.1
Australia	514.0	57.6	88.4	146.1	22.1

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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