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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS(a) BY SEX, SEPTEMBER 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 -		- per cent -		- '000 -		- per cent -		- '000 -		- per cent -	
NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,757.8	112.3	6.0	71.8	1,375.3	87.2	6.0	54.7	3,133.1	199.5	6.0	63.1
Sydney Major Statistical Region	1,168.4	65.5	5.3	73.9	923.4	50.7	5.2	56.8	2,091.8	116.2	5.3	65.2
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Statistical Regions	150.7	7.9	5.0	76.1	122.6	* 3.3	* 2.7	63.6	273.3	11.2	4.0	70.0
Inner Sydney Statistical Region	95.4	5.7	5.6	77.2	78.1	* 1.3	* 1.6	67.3	173.5	6.9	3.8	72.5
Eastern Suburbs Statistical Region	72.0	3.4	4.5	73.1	63.3	3.5	5.2	60.7	135.2	6.9	4.8	66.7
St. George-Sutherland Statistical Region	131.3	5.9	4.3	76.9	96.7	5.1	5.0	58.6	228.0	11.0	4.6	67.9
Canterbury-Bankstown Statistical Region	82.8	5.0	5.7	66.1	54.0	2.9	5.1	43.9	136.7	7.9	5.4	55.2
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney Statistical Regions	165.0	10.5	6.0	74.5	114.9	9.3	7.5	53.5	279.9	19.8	6.6	64.1
Fairfield-Liverpool Statistical Region	97.9	5.1	4.9	71.7	64.9	4.7	6.7	48.9	162.9	9.8	5.7	60.3
Central Western Sydney Statistical Region	76.2	6.0	7.2	72.6	58.8	4.8	7.5	53.7	135.1	10.8	7.4	62.9
Outer Western Sydney SR and Blacktown	161.7	9.3	5.4	75.7	126.1	6.0	4.6	58.2	287.8	15.3	5.0	66.9
Lower Northern Sydney Statistical Region	79.2	3.8	4.6	75.6	69.6	5.0	6.6	59.5	148.7	8.8	5.6	67.0
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR and Baulkham Hills	115.4	5.6	4.6	76.6	97.3	3.0	2.9	58.5	212.8	8.6	3.9	67.2
Northern Beaches Statistical Region	68.7	* 1.4	* 2.0	79.0	60.8	* 2.4	* 3.8	62.5	129.6	3.8	2.8	70.2
Gosford-Wyong Statistical Region	65.3	6.9	9.5	62.5	59.3	5.5	8.4	49.9	124.6	12.3	9.0	55.8
Balance of New South Wales Major Statistical Region	589.4	46.7	7.3	67.9	451.9	36.5	7.5	50.9	1,041.4	83.3	7.4	59.3
Hunter Statistical Region	141.1	8.3	5.6	65.3	107.1	8.8	7.6	49.2	248.1	17.1	6.5	57.1
Newcastle Statistical Region Sector	123.6	7.0	5.3	66.9	94.7	7.1	7.0	50.9	218.3	14.1	6.1	58.8
Illawarra and South Eastern Statistical Regions(c)	152.1	15.5	9.2	67.9	115.3	11.7	9.2	51.5	267.4	27.2	9.2	59.7
Illawarra Statistical Region	107.2	13.7	11.4	69.3	77.8	8.2	9.6	50.5	185.0	22.0	10.6	60.0
Wollongong Statistical Region Sector	74.9	11.6	13.4	71.3	52.2	7.6	12.8	50.0	127.1	19.3	13.2	60.7
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Regions	100.1	10.0	9.1	64.2	83.4	8.9	9.6	49.3	183.5	18.8	9.3	56.4
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West Statistical Regions	112.7	6.5	5.4	69.7	82.1	* 5.0	* 5.8	47.5	194.8	11.5	5.6	58.2
Murray-Murrumbidgee Statistical Region	83.4	6.5	7.2	76.2	64.1	* 2.1	* 3.2	62.5	147.5	8.6	5.5	69.7

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,311.9	85.5	6.1	72.0	1,072.0	66.1	5.8	56.6	2,383.9	151.5	6.0	64.2
Melbourne Major Statistical Region	965.3	66.8	6.5	72.4	807.4	45.0	5.3	57.5	1,772.7	111.8	5.9	64.8
Outer Western Melbourne Statistical Region	147.5	12.2	7.6	69.9	120.8	9.9	7.6	55.2	268.3	22.1	7.6	62.4
North Western Melbourne Statistical Region	65.2	4.4	6.3	66.0	57.6	3.9	6.3	57.5	122.7	8.2	6.3	61.7
Inner Melbourne Statistical Region	73.2	6.9	8.6	77.2	74.1	* 2.1	* 2.8	66.6	147.3	9.0	5.8	71.6
North Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	116.7	9.6	7.6	74.5	91.2	5.8	6.0	57.0	207.9	15.4	6.9	65.7
Inner Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	169.0	7.2	4.1	71.8	139.5	4.7	3.3	55.2	308.4	11.9	3.7	63.2
Southern Melbourne Statistical Region	109.6	4.4	3.9	72.8	98.9	3.0	3.0	59.2	208.5	7.5	3.5	65.7
Outer Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	128.7	8.3	6.0	76.3	109.3	9.2	7.8	62.7	238.0	17.5	6.8	69.4
South Eastern Melbourne Statistical Region	99.3	9.7	8.9	74.3	72.3	4.7	6.1	54.0	171.6	14.5	7.8	64.3
Mornington Peninsula Statistical Region	56.0	4.2	6.9	66.8	43.8	* 1.6	* 3.5	50.3	99.8	5.7	5.4	58.5
Balance of Victoria Major Statistical Region	346.7	18.6	5.1	71.1	264.6	21.1	7.4	54.3	611.2	39.7	6.1	62.6
Barwon-Western District Statistical Region	95.2	5.7	5.7	71.2	67.4	4.5	6.3	50.6	162.7	10.2	5.9	60.9
Central Highlands-Wimmera Statistical Region	53.4	* 2.6	* 4.7	72.2	40.2	* 3.2	* 7.4	53.5	93.6	5.8	5.9	62.6
Loddon-Mallee Statistical Region	67.3	* 2.5	* 3.6	72.1	53.0	* 4.2	* 7.4	54.6	120.3	6.7	5.3	63.0
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray Statistical Region	77.8	4.8	5.8	72.5	65.1	* 4.3	* 6.2	60.2	142.9	9.1	6.0	66.3
All Gippsland Statistical Region	53.0	* 3.0	* 5.4	66.7	38.9	4.8	11.0	52.8	91.9	7.9	7.9	59.8
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	985.6	68.7	6.5	72.9	795.3	63.0	7.3	57.9	1,780.9	131.7	6.9	65.3
Brisbane Major Statistical Region	461.8	30.5	6.2	74.4	376.3	33.5	8.2	59.4	838.1	64.0	7.1	66.7
Brisbane City Inner Ring Statistical Regions	106.3	7.2	6.4	76.1	92.5	6.8	6.9	61.5	198.8	14.1	6.6	68.5
Brisbane City Outer Ring Statistical Regions	146.9	7.6	4.9	72.8	121.1	10.1	7.7	60.0	267.9	17.7	6.2	66.3
South and East BSD Balance Statistical Regions	93.1	7.7	7.7	75.9	66.8	9.2	12.1	56.6	159.9	17.0	9.6	66.2
North and West BSD Balance Statistical Regions	115.5	7.9	6.4	73.8	95.9	7.3	7.1	58.6	211.4	15.3	6.7	66.0
Balance of Queensland Major Statistical Region	523.9	38.2	6.8	71.6	419.0	29.5	6.6	56.7	942.8	67.7	6.7	64.1
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	120.2	7.8	6.1	72.1	94.5	7.1	7.0	57.4	214.6	14.9	6.5	64.8
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	83.9	6.7	7.4	68.0	78.6	4.7	5.6	55.6	162.5	11.4	6.5	61.4
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	55.7	6.2	10.0	68.3	41.4	5.1	11.0	50.4	97.1	11.3	10.4	59.2
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	61.3	* 2.2	* 3.5	71.6	43.8	3.2	6.7	52.2	105.1	5.4	4.9	61.9
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	90.2	5.8	6.0	79.0	68.3	4.5	6.2	59.9	158.6	10.3	6.1	69.5
Northern-North West Statistical Region	61.7	4.9	7.4	75.4	49.0	* 2.7	* 5.2	62.3	110.8	7.6	6.4	69.0
Far North Statistical Region	50.9	4.6	8.3	64.9	43.3	* 2.2	* 4.9	58.8	94.2	6.8	6.7	62.0
Gold Coast City Parts A and B Statistical Region Sectors	126.5	8.5	6.3	73.0	98.0	7.8	7.4	57.5	224.5	16.4	6.8	65.2

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	391.1	26.9	6.4	69.8	313.5	21.2	6.3	53.6	704.6	48.1	6.4	61.5
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	288.4	21.0	6.8	70.1	235.2	16.5	6.6	53.8	523.6	37.5	6.7	61.7
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	94.6	7.1	7.0	70.7	66.6	4.7	6.6	50.0	161.2	11.7	6.8	60.4
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	51.9	4.9	8.6	66.3	45.8	4.0	8.0	52.2	97.7	8.9	8.3	58.9
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	61.1	3.5	5.4	71.7	52.7	3.7	6.6	58.0	113.8	7.2	5.9	64.6
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	80.7	5.5	6.4	71.0	70.2	4.2	5.7	55.9	150.9	9.7	6.0	63.1
Balance of South Australia Major Statistical Region	102.7	6.0	5.5	68.8	78.3	4.6	5.6	53.2	181.0	10.6	5.5	61.1
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	38.4	3.0	7.2	65.9	30.6	* 1.7	* 5.4	51.8	69.0	4.7	6.4	58.8
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	64.3	3.0	4.4	70.7	47.7	2.9	5.7	54.2	112.0	5.9	5.0	62.5
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	539.6	43.4	7.4	75.6	429.7	22.3	4.9	58.6	969.2	65.7	6.3	67.1
Perth Major Statistical Region	391.9	32.8	7.7	75.0	318.1	16.6	5.0	57.5	710.0	49.4	6.5	66.1
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	36.1	2.1	5.5	75.3	28.5	* 1.1	* 3.7	56.5	64.6	3.2	4.8	65.8
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	61.6	6.4	9.4	76.0	52.8	* 1.9	* 3.4	58.4	114.4	8.2	6.7	67.0
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	116.9	9.8	7.7	75.9	102.9	5.7	5.2	59.4	219.8	15.5	6.6	67.3
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	80.8	7.2	8.2	71.2	61.4	2.2	3.4	52.1	142.2	9.4	6.2	61.7
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	96.4	7.2	7.0	76.5	72.6	5.8	7.4	59.6	169.0	13.0	7.2	68.2
Balance of Western Australia Major Statistical Region	147.7	10.6	6.7	77.4	111.5	5.7	4.8	61.9	259.2	16.3	5.9	69.9
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	72.5	6.7	8.5	74.9	57.5	3.7	6.0	58.8	130.0	10.4	7.4	66.9
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	75.2	3.9	4.9	80.1	54.1	* 2.0	* 3.6	65.5	129.2	5.9	4.3	73.3
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	110.1	11.8	9.6	67.0	88.5	8.6	8.8	50.4	198.5	20.3	9.3	58.4
Greater Hobart-Southern Statistical Region Sector	51.4	5.8	10.1	65.4	44.5	3.9	8.1	51.5	95.8	9.7	9.2	58.2
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	44.2	4.9	10.1	65.7	39.4	3.5	8.1	52.6	83.6	8.4	9.2	58.9
Northern Statistical Region Sector	33.2	3.2	8.9	67.3	24.7	2.4	8.8	50.5	57.9	5.6	8.8	59.0
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	25.5	2.7	9.6	70.0	19.2	2.3	10.6	47.8	44.8	5.0	10.1	58.3
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	56.1	2.8	4.7	79.6	44.8	1.4	3.1	67.5	100.8	4.2	4.0	73.8
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN (NSW) STATISTICAL REGION												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL REGION(c)	137.1	6.1	4.2	73.9	121.4	6.7	5.2	63.0	258.6	12.7	4.7	68.3
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	92.2	4.3	4.5	79.6	84.0	3.1	3.6	68.7	176.2	7.4	4.0	74.0
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	5,244.4	355.5	6.3	72.4	4,203.0	273.0	6.1	56.3	9,447.4	628.5	6.2	64.2

(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			as a proportion of total unemployment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	- '000-											
ORIGINAL												
2001 —												
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
August	34.3	20.6	55.0	54.0	22.9	76.9	88.3	43.5	131.9	25.9	17.1	22.1
September	37.4	21.5	58.9	52.2	29.0	81.2	89.5	50.6	140.1	25.2	18.5	22.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
2001 —												
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
August	35.0	20.1	55.1	55.0	23.2	78.2	90.0	43.3	133.3	25.4	16.1	21.4
September	36.7	20.5	57.2	47.6	26.6	74.2	84.3	47.1	131.4	24.3	17.4	21.3
TREND SERIES												
2001 —												
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	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	40.7	22.8	63.5	58.2	31.1	89.3	98.9	54.0	152.9	26.1	19.8	23.5
March r	41.9	22.6	64.6	59.0	29.8	88.9	101.0	52.4	153.4	27.0	19.8	24.0
April r	41.6	22.9	64.5	59.4	28.1	87.4	101.0	50.9	151.9	27.3	19.5	24.1
May r	40.0	23.3	63.3	58.9	26.5	85.3	98.9	49.7	148.6	27.1	19.1	23.8
June r	37.9	23.5	61.5	57.7	25.3	83.0	95.6	48.8	144.4	26.6	18.6	23.2
July r	36.2	23.4	59.6	56.1	24.5	80.6	92.3	47.9	140.3	26.1	18.0	22.6
August r	34.9	23.1	58.0	54.4	24.1	78.5	89.3	47.1	136.5	25.5	17.5	22.0
September	34.2	22.4	56.7	52.4	23.8	76.2	86.6	46.3	132.9	25.0	17.0	21.5

TABLE 3. DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, STATES AND TERRITORIES, SEPTEMBER 2002
(’000)

State or Territory	Unemployed under 52 weeks	Long-term unemployed			Long-term unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment
		Unemployed 52 weeks and under 104	Unemployed 104 weeks and over	Total	
		MALES			
New South Wales	81.8	13.0	17.5	30.5	27.1
Victoria	61.4	9.4	14.6	24.0	28.1
Queensland	56.5	6.4	5.8	12.2	17.7
South Australia	18.5	3.5	4.9	8.4	31.2
Western Australia	34.8	3.3	5.2	8.5	19.7
Tasmania	6.9	1.5	3.4	4.8	41.2
Northern Territory	2.7	* 0.0	* 0.1	* 0.1	* 3.8
Australian Capital Territory	3.3	* 0.2	* 0.7	* 1.0	* 22.4
Australia	266.0	37.4	52.2	89.5	25.2
FEMALES					
New South Wales	67.5	7.3	12.4	19.7	22.6
Victoria	56.3	4.8	4.9	9.8	14.8
Queensland	52.8	4.9	5.3	10.2	16.2
South Australia	16.0	* 1.7	3.5	5.2	24.6
Western Australia	19.2	* 1.6	* 1.4	3.1	13.8
Tasmania	6.7	* 0.7	1.2	1.9	21.8
Northern Territory	1.3	* 0.1	* 0.0	* 0.1	* 6.7
Australian Capital Territory	2.5	* 0.3	* 0.4	* 0.6	* 20.0
Australia	222.4	21.5	29.0	50.6	18.5
PERSONS					
New South Wales	149.3	20.3	29.9	50.2	25.2
Victoria	117.7	14.3	19.6	33.8	22.3
Queensland	109.3	11.3	11.1	22.4	17.0
South Australia	34.5	5.3	8.4	13.6	28.3
Western Australia	54.1	5.0	6.6	11.6	17.7
Tasmania	13.6	2.2	4.5	6.7	33.0
Northern Territory	4.0	* 0.1	* 0.1	* 0.2	* 4.8
Australian Capital Territory	5.8	* 0.5	1.1	1.6	21.4
Australia	488.4	58.9	81.2	140.1	22.3

NOTES

INTRODUCTION	<p>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 <i>Labour Force, Australia</i> (Cat. no. 6203.0), due for release at the end of the month.</p>
REGIONAL ESTIMATES	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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 <i>Information Paper: Regional Labour Force Statistics</i> (Cat. no. 6262.0).</p>
INDUSTRY	<p>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 <i>Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 1993</i> (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.</p>
STANDARD ERRORS	<p>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 <i>Labour Force, Australia</i> (Cat. no. 6203.0). Statistical Region standard errors are available upon request from Mark Webb on Canberra 02 6252 6525.</p> <p>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.</p>
SYMBOLS	<p>* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.</p> <p>r revised. For trend estimates, the most recent estimates are provisional and subject to revision.</p>
FURTHER INFORMATION	<p>8 For further explanatory information about statistics in this report, please refer to the Explanatory Notes and Technical Notes from <i>Labour Force, Australia</i> (Cat. no. 6203.0).</p>

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