

ATTACHMENT B

DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC INDICATORS

- 1 This attachment contains some of the demographic data used in the Commission's assessments of State fiscal capacities. It also presents some economic and demographic indicators that may help in understanding relativities and the movements in these over time. Chapter 5 of this document links specific indicators to State fiscal capacities.

DEMOGRAPHIC INDICATORS

- 2 Demographic data for each State for each assessment year are essential for the Commission's calculations. Annual estimates of mean resident population for each State were provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). The populations used are shown in Table B-1 and in proportional terms in Table B-2. Mean resident populations calculated by the ABS for a 12 month period are a weighted average of the Estimated Resident Populations at the end of the quarter immediately preceding the 12 month period, and the next four quarters. Per capita data included in tables have been calculated using the mean resident population.

Table B-1 Mean resident population, 2000-01 to 2005-06

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
New South Wales	6 531 024	6 608 225	6 659 523	6 702 703	6 745 077	6 800 739
Victoria	4 774 024	4 832 118	4 885 191	4 938 730	4 994 643	5 058 414
Queensland	3 594 434	3 669 057	3 757 759	3 845 815	3 931 715	4 015 451
Western Australia	1 888 459	1 913 740	1 936 466	1 964 535	1 994 525	2 031 345
South Australia	1 508 415	1 515 260	1 522 543	1 529 801	1 537 369	1 548 367
Tasmania	471 541	472 179	474 736	480 174	484 093	487 567
Australian Capital Territory (a)	317 134	320 378	322 557	323 527	324 746	327 357
Northern Territory	196 498	198 139	198 254	198 919	201 497	205 136
Australia (b)	19 281 529	19 529 096	19 757 029	19 984 204	20 213 665	20 474 376

(a) Excludes Jervis Bay.

(b) Excludes Jervis Bay and External Territories.

Source: ABS, special data request, December 2006.

Table B-2 State populations as a proportion of Australian population, 2000-01 to 2005-06

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
	%	%	%	%	%	%
New South Wales	33.87	33.84	33.71	33.54	33.37	33.22
Victoria	24.76	24.74	24.73	24.71	24.71	24.71
Queensland	18.64	18.79	19.02	19.24	19.45	19.61
Western Australia	9.79	9.80	9.80	9.83	9.87	9.92
South Australia	7.82	7.76	7.71	7.66	7.61	7.56
Tasmania	2.45	2.42	2.40	2.40	2.39	2.38
Australian Capital Territory(a)	1.64	1.64	1.63	1.62	1.61	1.60
Northern Territory	1.02	1.01	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Australia(b)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

(a) Excludes Jervis Bay.

(b) Excludes Jervis Bay and External Territories.

Source: Table B-1.

3 The assessments allow for the different effects of the following major population groups and characteristics on States' costs of providing services. They are:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
- persons with low fluency in English;
- persons of low socio-economic status;
- age-sex structure of the population; and
- regional location of the population.

- 4 The Commission derives national average service use and cost weights for the different groups using many different data sources. These national average weights are then applied to the State population in each group. In the 2004 Review, the number of persons in each of these population groups was identified using data from the 2001 Census of Population and Housing, which was conducted by the ABS. These are the latest available data and, as a result, they have been used for the 2007 Update.
- 5 The estimates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people obtained from the Census were augmented by the experimental estimates of that population group. The methods used to derive these estimates are described in the ABS publication *Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population*, Catalogue No. 3230.0¹. The augmented Census data for the Indigenous population that were used in the calculations are shown in Table B-3.
- 6 The numbers of persons with low fluency in English, based on the 2001 Census counts of those persons who indicated that they did not speak English at home and that they spoke English not well or not at all, are shown in Table B-3.
- 7 Low socio-economic status has been generally defined in terms of low income, measured using Census data on the number of persons below various family and individual income levels. Data are in Table B-3.
- 8 An urban influences disability factor is included in the assessments for some expense categories. The disabilities generally reflect the proportion of State populations resident in large urban areas. The numbers and proportions in urban areas, from the 2001 Census, are in Table B-3.
- 9 An age-sex composition disability is included (most frequently as part of the socio-demographic composition factor) in the assessments for most of the major expense categories. The age groups used are those most relevant to the service being assessed. Under the expense assessment methods adopted for the 2007 Update, interaction between the age-sex distribution and other aspects of the socio-economic composition of the population is taken into account by using 2001 Census data which cross classifies age and sex with socio-economic variables such as income, Indigenous status and low English fluency. In all the cross classified tables, those who did not respond to a question (the 'not stated' group) were proportioned across the other groups. Table B-3 shows the differences between States in the age structure of their populations as at the 2001 Census.

¹ ABS publication 3230.0 is not yet available for the 2001 Census.

Table B-3 Number^(a) and proportion^(b) of State population by selected demographic characteristic — 2001 Census

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT(a)	NT	Aust		
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	
Indigenous(c)	135	28	126	66	26	17	4	57	458		
Low English fluency(d)	245	187	42	35	32	2	6	13	561		
Low income(e)	1 929	1 401	1 190	576	515	181	62	56	5 911		
Urban areas(f)	4 397	3 432	2 454	1 333	1 060	233	310	92	13 311		
Age group:											
0-4 yrs	424	301	242	123	90	30	20	17	1 247		
5-14 yrs	894	646	521	271	198	67	44	33	2 675		
15-64 yrs	4 185	3 106	2 354	1 234	967	300	219	134	12 499		
65+ yrs	832	610	413	203	216	64	26	7	2 371		
PROPORTIONS(b)											
	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT(a)	NT	Aust	Range from Aust average	Range between States
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%		
Indigenous(c)	2.13	0.60	3.57	3.60	1.74	3.77	1.26	29.87	2.44	-1.8 to 27.4	29.3
Low English fluency(d)	3.86	4.01	1.18	1.90	2.18	0.42	1.78	6.90	2.98	-2.6 to 3.9	6.5
Low income(e)	30.45	30.04	33.70	31.45	35.03	39.33	20.07	29.61	31.45	-11.4 to 7.9	19.3
Urban areas(f)	69.01	73.89	67.15	71.98	72.25	51.02	99.42	43.63	70.17	-26.5 to 29.3	55.8
Age group:											
0-4 yrs	6.69	6.45	6.86	6.73	6.10	6.59	6.60	8.75	6.64	-0.5 to 2.1	2.7
5-14 yrs	14.11	13.86	14.75	14.80	13.48	14.63	14.30	17.34	14.24	-0.8 to 3.1	3.9
15-64 yrs	66.06	66.61	66.69	67.41	65.76	64.94	70.58	70.13	66.51	-1.6 to 4.1	5.6
65+ yrs	13.13	13.07	11.71	11.07	14.66	13.84	8.53	3.78	12.62	-8.8 to 2.1	10.9

(a) Excludes Jervis Bay and External Territories.

(b) Expressed as proportion of the total estimated resident population from the 2001 Census.

(c) Census count was adjusted for under-enumeration of Indigenous population.

(d) Persons who do not speak English at home and who speak English not well or not at all.

(e) Persons in family households with an annual income less than \$31 200 or in single person households with an annual income of less than \$20 800.

(f) Includes population centres greater than 50 000 persons. Plus urban centres/localities with less than 50 000 population that are adjacent to major urban areas and served by urban transit services.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, unpublished data from the 2001 Census.

10 Table B-4 shows population by age group for Indigenous and non-Indigenous people from the 2001 Census. The population structure of the two groups is different. The Indigenous population is younger. A much smaller proportion of the Indigenous population is over 65 (2.9 per cent compared with 12.9 per cent of the total population). This pattern is also seen in data at the State level.

Table B-4 Population by age group, 2001 Census

	0-4 yrs	5-14 yrs	15-64 yrs	65+ yrs
Non-indigenous	1 187 615	2 555 343	12 233 741	2 357 664
Indigenous	59 812	119 973	265 317	13 185
Total	1 247 427	2 675 317	12 499 058	2 370 849
	%	%	%	%
Non-indigenous	6.5	13.9	66.7	12.9
Indigenous	13.1	26.2	57.9	2.9
Total	6.6	14.2	66.5	12.6

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing.

- 11 To consider the impact of different population distributions on cost, States were divided into five regions based on the State based version of the Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA) developed by the National Key Centre for Social Applications of GIS (GISCA) specifically for Commission purposes. This version of ARIA is referred to as SARIA. Table B-5 shows the usual resident population in the five SARIA categories and Table B-6 contains the proportion of each State's population in each category.

Table B-5 Population by SARIA region, 2001 Census

	Highly Accessible	Accessible	Moderately Accessible	Remote	Very Remote	Total
New South Wales	4 480 911	927 907	838 717	72 269	16 150	6 335 954
Victoria	3 464 183	960 146	232 547	5 685	0	4 662 561
Queensland	1 927 078	882 454	579 754	84 823	55 977	3 530 087
Western Australia	1 311 156	213 484	180 452	40 641	85 487	1 831 221
South Australia	1 071 261	199 347	159 626	27 618	12 966	1 470 817
Tasmania	162 961	262 637	33 127	161	2 542	461 427
Australian Capital Territory	309 553	606	0	0	0	310 159
Northern Territory	94 077	8 158	12 513	33 468	42 208	190 425
Australia	12 821 180	3 454 740	2 036 735	264 665	215 330	18 792 650

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2001, customised data table.

Table B-6 Proportion of population by SARIA region, 2001 Census

	Highly accessible	Accessible	Moderately accessible	Remote	Very remote	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
New South Wales	70.7	14.6	13.2	1.1	0.3	100.0
Victoria	74.3	20.6	5.0	0.1	0.0	100.0
Queensland	54.6	25.0	16.4	2.4	1.6	100.0
Western Australia	71.6	11.7	9.9	2.2	4.7	100.0
South Australia	72.8	13.6	10.9	1.9	0.9	100.0
Tasmania	35.3	56.9	7.2	0.0	0.6	100.0
Australian Capital Territory	99.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Northern Territory	49.4	4.3	6.6	17.6	22.2	100.0
Australia	68.2	18.4	10.8	1.4	1.1	100.0
	% points	% points	% points	% points	% points	
Range from Australian average	-32.9 to 31.6	-18.2 to 38.5	-10.8 to 5.6	-1.4 to 16.2	-1.1 to 21	
Range between States	64.5	56.7	16.4	17.6	22.2	

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2001, customised data table.

12 Table B-7 and Table B-8 provide details of the Indigenous population classified by SARIA regions.

Table B-7 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population by SARIA region, 2001 Census adjusted^(a)

	Highly Accessible	Accessible	Moderately Accessible	Remote	Very Remote	Total
New South Wales	55 322	34 305	34 976	7 499	2 787	134 888
Victoria	13 957	9 608	4 231	51	0	27 846
Queensland	32 991	24 064	38 377	8 132	22 347	125 910
Western Australia	21 461	4 734	9 562	3 216	26 958	65 931
South Australia	11 687	4 952	3 541	294	5 069	25 544
Tasmania	4 944	10 394	1 846	6	194	17 384
Australian Capital Territory	3 903	6	0	0	0	3 909
Northern Territory	9 927	609	3 534	11 345	31 460	56 875
Australia	154 191	88 673	96 066	30 543	88 814	458 287

(a) Census data have been adjusted upwards on a pro-rata basis to equal the Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population.

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2001, customised data table, and ABS, *Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, 1991 to 1996*, Catalogue No. 3230.0.

Table B-8 Proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population by SARIA region, 2001 Census

	Highly accessible	Accessible	Moderately accessible	Remote	Very remote	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%
New South Wales	41.0	25.4	25.9	5.6	2.1	100.0
Victoria	50.1	34.5	15.2	0.2	0.0	100.0
Queensland	26.2	19.1	30.5	6.5	17.7	100.0
Western Australia	32.6	7.2	14.5	4.9	40.9	100.0
South Australia	45.8	19.4	13.9	1.2	19.8	100.0
Tasmania	28.4	59.8	10.6	0.0	1.1	100.0
Australian Capital Territory	99.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Northern Territory	17.5	1.1	6.2	19.9	55.3	100.0
Australia	33.6	19.3	21.0	6.7	19.4	100.0
	% points	% points	% points	% points	% points	
Range from Australian average	-16.2 to 66.2	-19.2 to 40.4	-21 to 9.5	-6.7 to 13.3	-19.4 to 35.9	
Range between States	82.4	59.6	30.5	19.9	55.3	

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2001, customised data table.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

- 13 Tables B-9 to B-20 contain broad economic indicators. The Commission uses broad economic indicators to check its revenue assessments. Changes in the Commission's revenue assessment reflect changes in the economic circumstances of States. The relative position of States also broadly reflects economic indicators. Having said that, many of the Commission's revenue assessments capture the actual revenue base used by State governments and these can cycle in a different pattern to broad economic indicators.
- 14 In the following tables, ' % change ' shows the percentage change between 2000-01 and 2005-06 and 'Relative change' shows the percentage change for each State divided by the Australian percentage change.

Table B-9 Gross State product at current prices

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	37 741	36 267	31 345	40 098	31 401	24 683	44 187	43 953	35 769
2001-02	39 260	38 316	33 828	41 880	33 574	26 678	46 315	43 709	37 677
2002-03	41 224	40 140	35 312	44 460	35 219	28 390	50 582	45 655	39 574
2003-04	43 511	42 932	37 806	47 066	37 357	30 885	54 152	47 532	42 057
2004-05	45 368	44 515	40 957	51 586	38 696	33 169	56 963	53 072	44 376
2005-06	46 973	46 148	45 369	58 688	40 583	35 253	59 454	59 649	47 181
% change	24.5	27.2	44.7	46.4	29.2	42.8	34.6	35.7	31.9
Relative change	0.77	0.85	1.40	1.45	0.92	1.34	1.08	1.12	1.00

Source: ABS, Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Table 4.

Table B-10 State final demand, chain volume measures^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	39 650	39 047	36 269	38 210	34 257	31 461	74 760	50 550	38 759
2001-02	40 129	40 394	37 447	39 421	36 135	34 159	77 902	56 173	39 963
2002-03	41 791	42 299	39 393	41 500	38 448	34 476	84 078	57 431	41 831
2003-04	43 320	43 696	41 893	44 332	40 308	36 968	87 347	60 799	43 745
2004-05	44 482	45 211	43 586	46 084	41 842	39 170	90 960	63 222	45 251
2005-06	45 090	46 019	45 273	50 166	42 136	40 733	94 701	66 122	46 536
% change	13.7	17.9	24.8	31.3	23.0	29.5	26.7	30.8	20.1
Relative change	0.68	0.89	1.24	1.56	1.15	1.47	1.33	1.54	1.00

(a) Chain volume measures are expressed in the prices of a reference year. The reference year is 2004-05.

Source: ABS, Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Tables 5-21 (odd numbered tables).

Table B–11 Turnover of retail establishments, chain volume measures^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	8 822	7 979	8 562	8 456	7 842	7 224	10 234	8 635	8 434
2001-02	9 110	8 532	8 710	8 859	8 520	7 428	10 928	8 912	8 808
2002-03	9 459	8 811	9 089	9 116	9 016	7 726	11 186	9 106	9 143
2003-04	9 894	9 425	9 995	9 726	9 345	8 600	11 450	9 542	9 730
2004-05	10 070	9 709	10 142	10 154	9 532	8 901	11 477	9 919	9 955
2005-06	10 104	9 755	10 378	10 441	9 492	9 323	11 767	10 016	10 066
% change	14.5	22.3	21.2	23.5	21.0	29.1	15.0	16.0	19.4
Relative change	0.75	1.15	1.10	1.21	1.09	1.50	0.77	0.83	1.00

(a) Chain volume measures are expressed in the prices of a reference year. The reference year is 2004-05.
Source: ABS, *Retail Trade, September 2006*, Catalogue No. 8501.0, Table 15.

Table B–12 Total factor income, agriculture, forestry and fishing, current prices

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	829	1 319	1 463	1 436	2 259	1 769	50	1 293	1 255
2001-02	985	1 471	1 692	1 949	2 703	2 120	72	1 575	1 484
2002-03	761	1 058	1 328	1 499	2 024	1 957	50	1 059	1 132
2003-04	741	1 212	1 457	2 252	2 209	1 951	25	1 332	1 280
2004-05	807	1 230	1 692	1 840	1 893	2 066	28	1 489	1 293
2005-06	772	1 220	1 683	1 825	1 958	2 137	24	1 389	1 282
% change	-6.9	-7.5	15.1	27.1	-13.3	20.8	-51.6	7.5	2.2
Relative change	-3.10	-3.37	6.80	12.25	-6.02	9.41	-23.30	3.38	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06*, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Tables 24 to 32.

Table B–13 Total factor income, finance and insurance, current prices

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	3 068	2 495	1 335	1 409	1 675	1 169	1 725	1 038	2 242
2001-02	3 382	2 847	1 482	1 580	1 849	1 368	1 714	1 014	2 497
2002-03	3 540	2 938	1 530	1 656	1 860	1 384	1 578	1 054	2 586
2003-04	3 845	3 163	1 670	1 794	2 024	1 572	1 617	1 161	2 799
2004-05	4 064	3 421	1 835	1 807	1 996	1 770	1 897	1 290	2 974
2005-06	4 526	3 509	2 103	2 018	2 262	1 883	1 983	1 292	3 243
% change	47.55	40.61	57.55	43.29	35.06	61.13	14.94	24.43	44.66
Relative change	1.06	0.91	1.29	0.97	0.79	1.37	0.33	0.55	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06*, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Tables 24 to 32.

Table B-14 Total factor income, mining, current prices

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	623	695	1 988	8 209	836	424	6	13 506	1 771
2001-02	683	620	2 415	8 056	702	398	6	9 932	1 793
2002-03	644	557	2 315	8 271	799	409	6	10 123	1 779
2003-04	617	614	2 077	7 415	626	400	6	8 415	1 629
2004-05	821	549	3 160	10 563	872	554	6	11 042	2 256
2005-06	1 056	687	5 066	14 670	1 157	681	6	14 693	3 221
% change	69.6	-1.0	154.9	78.7	38.4	60.5	-3.1	8.8	81.9
Relative change	0.85	-0.01	1.89	0.96	0.47	0.74	-0.04	0.11	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06*, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Tables 24 to 32.

Table B-15 Total factor income, property and business services, current prices

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	5 224	4 523	2 954	3 732	2 772	1 281	5 997	2 870	4 182
2001-02	5 305	4 547	3 006	3 920	2 949	1 413	6 009	3 422	4 265
2002-03	5 596	4 865	3 228	4 429	3 188	1 529	6 501	3 692	4 563
2003-04	5 896	5 195	3 510	4 719	3 288	1 649	6 788	3 946	4 841
2004-05	6 158	5 383	3 789	5 088	3 447	1 774	6 953	4 189	5 082
2005-06	6 194	5 667	4 049	5 581	3 488	1 895	6 995	4 339	5 270
% change	18.6	25.3	37.1	49.5	25.8	48.0	16.6	51.2	26.0
Relative change	0.71	0.97	1.42	1.90	0.99	1.84	0.64	1.97	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06*, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Tables 24 to 32.

Table B-16 Gross household disposable income

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	25 767	24 295	20 666	21 990	22 616	18 007	33 853	21 797	23 738
2001-02	26 500	24 913	21 679	23 516	23 917	19 217	34 949	23 166	24 637
2002-03	26 501	25 444	22 162	24 751	24 104	20 295	37 457	23 979	25 063
2003-04	27 747	27 035	23 469	26 718	25 125	21 648	40 355	25 362	26 480
2004-05	29 110	28 501	24 984	27 613	25 947	23 489	43 015	27 976	27 846
2005-06	30 237	29 993	26 709	29 011	27 220	25 010	45 415	30 468	29 256
% change	17.3	23.5	29.2	31.9	20.4	38.9	34.2	39.8	23.2
Relative change	0.75	1.01	1.26	1.37	0.88	1.67	1.47	1.71	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06*, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Table 33.

Table B-17 Established house price index, capital cities^(a)

	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Perth	Adelaide	Hobart	Canberra	Darwin	Aust
2000-01	62.8	63.2	53.1	68.7	59.7	58.9	59.5	79.9	63.0
2001-02	73.7	74.2	62.3	74.7	68.3	61.5	69.0	82.0	73.4
2002-03	89.3	89.9	75.5	84.4	83.1	69.0	82.7	87.7	86.6
2003-04	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2004-05	96.1	101.9	104.2	114.4	106.5	111.8	99.9	115.9	101.2
2005-06	93.1	106.3	108.4	145.6	111.4	119.5	103.4	137.8	105.0
% change	48.3	68.1	104.2	111.9	86.6	102.7	73.9	72.5	66.6
Relative change	0.73	1.02	1.56	1.68	1.30	1.54	1.11	1.09	1.00

(a) These indexes show price movements in each city. They do not measure differences in price levels between cities. The base for the indexes is: 2003-04 = 100.

Source: ABS, *House Price Indexes, Eight Capital Cities, September Quarter 2006*, Catalogue No. 6416.0, Table 1.

Table B-18 Median house prices, at June quarter of year

	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Perth	Adelaide	Hobart	Canberra	Darwin
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2001	312.0	291.0	160.0	165.7	148.2	120.3	203.0	187.0
2002	398.0	327.5	185.0	185.7	170.0	130.0	227.6	200.0
2003	460.0	359.0	240.0	210.3	220.0	180.0	305.0	206.0
2004	515.0	357.9	308.0	240.4	250.0	252.0	361.5	255.0
2005	527.0	360.0	315.0	295.0	275.0	260.0	325.5	279.8
2006	523.0	375.0	326.0	395.0	286.5	277.0	380.0	350.0
% change	67.6	28.9	103.8	138.4	93.3	130.3	87.2	87.2

Source: Real Estate Institute of Australia, *Real Estate Market Facts*.

Table B-19 Unemployment rates^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	5.5	6.0	8.0	6.4	7.2	8.7	4.7	5.6	6.4
2001-02	6.3	6.4	8.0	6.6	7.1	8.9	4.6	6.8	6.7
2002-03	6.0	5.8	7.2	6.0	6.3	8.8	4.3	5.8	6.2
2003-04	5.6	5.6	6.2	5.7	6.4	6.9	3.9	5.2	5.8
2004-05	5.3	5.6	4.9	4.7	5.5	6.1	3.6	6.3	5.3
2005-06	5.3	5.3	5.0	4.1	5.0	6.5	3.2	5.7	5.1
Percentage point change	-0.2	-0.7	-3.0	-2.3	-2.2	-2.2	-1.5	0.1	-1.3

(a) Unemployment rate: the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. Average over financial year.

Source: ABS, *Australian Economic Indicators, August 2006*, Catalogue No. 1350.0, Table 9.10.

Table B–20 State net lending (+) or borrowing (-)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	109	105	-464	-214	-255	305	126	0	-70
2001-02	71	154	-391	-14	-82	388	278	-1686	-23
2002-03	108	125	-38	100	271	447	595	-373	101
2003-04	1	-16	738	285	278	789	-77	-106	204
2004-05	-30	68	731	455	78	434	-515	-269	198
Net change (\$pc)	-139	-37	1195	670	333	129	-641	-269	268

Source: ABS, *Government Finance Statistics*, Catalogue No. 5512.0, Table 19 (General Government).

SELECTED INDICATORS OF THE SIZE OF REVENUE BASES

- 15 Tables B-21 to B-28 contain indicators of the size of actual revenue bases used by States. Changes over time and differences between States help explain the assessed relativities and changes in these relativities over time.

Table B–21 Value of commercial/industrial land ^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000	7 173	6 120	4 272	6 008	3 505	2 294	4 008	6 875	5 796
2001	7 559	6 726	4 860	6 178	3 720	2 203	4 239	6 965	6 223
2002	8 047	7 146	5 488	7 396	4 171	2 197	5 050	8 059	6 785
2003	10 562	8 297	5 740	7 104	5 020	2 212	5 284	9 079	8 009
2004	10 387	10 834	7 569	7 552	5 796	2 759	6 119	9 400	9 059
2005	11 518	11 440	7 466	8 707	6 536	3 408	7 584	9 588	9 773
% change	60.6	86.9	74.8	44.9	86.5	48.6	89.2	39.5	68.6
Relative change	0.88	1.27	1.09	0.65	1.26	0.71	1.30	0.57	1.00

(a) At 1 July each year

Source: State Valuers-General, 2006.

Table B–22 Value of total residential land^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000	52 035	42 822	27 329	35 637	22 229	12 108	33 414	17 496	39 576
2001	55 572	47 175	30 193	39 259	24 545	12 516	39 194	17 513	43 024
2002	65 312	50 910	36 173	46 114	29 730	13 363	56 236	18 326	49 717
2003	81 955	59 969	44 112	52 141	37 873	14 406	69 737	18 720	60 483
2004	91 704	72 095	62 948	61 344	47 546	21 321	78 572	20 520	72 305
2005	95 893	74 699	64 620	76 225	54 412	31 583	77 445	21 400	76 863
% change	84.3	74.4	136.5	113.9	144.8	160.8	131.8	22.3	94.2
Relative change	0.89	0.79	1.45	1.21	1.54	1.71	1.40	0.24	1.00

(a) Value is usually taken at a particular point during the year, but this may vary from State to State.

Source: Land consultants' report, various years; State data returns, Commission estimates.

Table B–23 Number of new vehicle sales

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	284 835	224 424	140 309	72 756	49 588	14 637	14 611	7 525	808 685
2001-02	280 252	221 198	144 445	71 946	50 756	14 762	13 713	7 499	804 571
2002-03	290 212	234 751	164 695	76 673	56 610	15 401	14 460	7 744	860 546
2003-04	308 266	246 748	193 246	86 730	63 106	18 777	14 854	8 397	940 124
2004-05	308 763	256 330	212 716	95 200	64 136	20 612	14 739	9 295	981 791
2005-06	296 976	250 189	212 797	105 354	62 423	19 576	14 741	9 295	971 351
% change	4.3	11.5	51.7	44.8	25.9	33.7	0.9	23.5	20.1
Relative change	0.21	0.57	2.57	2.23	1.29	1.68	0.04	1.17	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian Economic Indicators, August 2006 and November 2006*, Catalogue No 1350.0, Table 9.6.

Table B–24 Conveyances (value of transactions)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	10 352	6 378	8 573	7 582	5 643	4 172	8 971	4 146	8 160
2001-02	13 689	8 880	12 381	9 428	6 983	5 277	10 982	4 986	10 979
2002-03	15 413	9 192	14 162	11 708	7 666	6 991	12 630	6 176	12 336
2003-04	15 831	10 883	18 167	13 865	9 506	9 063	14 034	8 571	14 116
2004-05	12 434	10 071	17 050	15 152	9 333	8 791	12 460	9 721	12 666
2005-06	13 252	11 564	19 297	23 508	9 771	9 268	13 544	13 459	14 687
% change	28.0	81.3	125.1	210.0	73.2	122.1	51.0	224.7	80.0
Relative change	0.35	1.02	1.56	2.63	0.91	1.53	0.64	2.81	1.00

Source: State data returns.

Table B–25 Gross compensation of employees, current prices

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	19 778	17 675	15 084	16 211	15 449	11 706	27 386	17 354	17 597
2001-02	20 408	18 181	15 687	17 101	16 110	12 595	28 585	18 068	18 234
2002-03	20 896	19 101	16 384	18 521	16 783	13 504	30 891	18 537	19 006
2003-04	21 725	20 232	17 526	19 439	17 421	14 603	32 980	19 470	19 982
2004-05	23 000	21 382	18 817	20 590	18 427	15 873	34 763	21 172	21 201
2005-06	23 983	22 618	20 587	22 198	19 470	17 126	36 388	22 609	22 483
% change	21.3	28.0	36.5	36.9	26.0	46.3	32.9	30.3	27.8
Relative change	0.77	1.01	1.31	1.33	0.94	1.67	1.18	1.09	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2005-06*, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Table 23.

Table B–26 Average weekly earnings^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
May-01	703.50	644.10	636.20	638.90	628.90	576.60	758.00	679.00	662.60
May-02	719.60	694.10	647.80	668.60	649.90	579.10	749.80	671.80	686.90
May-03	769.60	741.70	661.30	707.20	653.40	619.30	834.10	725.30	724.90
May-04	793.60	755.30	692.50	740.20	647.50	672.50	864.80	718.00	746.30
May-05	836.10	794.10	740.90	787.40	694.60	707.80	947.60	789.40	789.70
May-06	856.30	822.90	806.00	808.70	756.30	723.20	1013.60	844.40	826.90
% change	21.7	27.8	26.7	26.6	20.3	25.4	33.7	24.4	24.8
Relative change	0.88	1.12	1.08	1.07	0.82	1.03	1.36	0.98	1.00

(a) Average Weekly Earnings in all jobs, including State and Australian public sectors, Original series.

Source: ABS, *Average Weekly Earnings, Australia*, Catalogue No. 6302.0.

Table B-27 Private sector wages and salaries

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
2000-01	10 917	12 239	9 152	10 923	8 550	6 850	8 510	10 584	10 588
2001-02	12 876	12 278	9 728	11 175	9 815	6 891	9 935	7 777	11 488
2002-03	13 298	12 727	10 242	11 954	10 296	7 271	10 525	8 287	11 972
2003-04	13 929	13 490	11 050	12 371	10 563	8 149	11 022	9 325	12 624
2004-05	14 485	13 986	11 778	12 989	11 594	9 130	10 504	11 960	13 250
2005-06	15 099	14 900	13 097	14 230	11 809	9 976	10 906	12 221	14 104
% change	38.3	21.7	43.1	30.3	38.1	45.6	28.1	15.5	33.2
Relative change	1.15	0.65	1.30	0.91	1.15	1.37	0.85	0.47	1.00

Source: For 2000-01: ABS, *Wage and Salary Earners*, Catalogue No. 6248.0 (cash based data). For 2001-02 onwards: ABS, *Business Indicators, June quarter 2006*, Catalogue No. 5676.0 (accruals based data), and unpublished data.

Table B-28 Proportion of private renters, by State ^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	0.214	0.179	0.282	0.212	0.140	0.157	0.160	0.280	0.210
2001-02	0.214	0.179	0.282	0.212	0.140	0.157	0.160	0.280	0.211
2002-03	0.234	0.199	0.265	0.201	0.155	0.163	0.204	0.282	0.220
2003-04	0.224	0.179	0.256	0.219	0.162	0.164	0.198	0.209	0.212
2004-05	0.224	0.179	0.256	0.219	0.162	0.164	0.198	0.209	0.212
2005-06	0.224	0.179	0.256	0.219	0.162	0.164	0.198	0.209	0.212
% change	4.7	0.0	-9.2	3.3	15.7	4.5	23.8	-25.4	0.7
Relative change	6.29	0.00	-12.42	4.45	21.16	6.00	31.98	-34.15	1.00

(a) Data for 2001-02, 2004-05 and 2005-06 not available. 2000-01 proportions used for 2001-02 and 2003-04 proportions used for 2004-05 and 2005-06.

Sources: ABS, *Australian Social Trends, 2000, 2001, 2002*, Catalogue No. 4102.0. ABS, *Household Income and Income Distribution, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04*, Catalogue No. 6523.0.

SELECTED INDICATORS OF THE SIZE OF THE SERVICE POPULATION

16 Tables B-29 to B-39 contain broad indicators that help explain the pattern in the Commission's expense assessments. Most of these indicators are broad measures of the size of the population that accesses services provided by States. Changes over time and differences between States help explain the assessed relativities and changes in these relativities over time. Many of the Commission's expense assessments use more detailed data on the service population and take account of the differences in costs that States face in providing services. The tables below therefore do not fully explain the Commission's assessments.

Table B–29 State area and population density

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
Area (thousand sq km)	801	227	1 731	2 530	983	68	2	1 349	7 692
Length of coastline (kms)	2 194(a)	2 512	13 347	20 781	5 067	4 882	0	10 953	59 736
Population density (per sq km)	8.49	22.24	2.32	0.80	1.57	7.13	134.66	0.15	2.66

(a) Includes Jarvis Bay.

Sources: For area and coastline: ABS, *Yearbook Australia, 2006*, Catalogue No. 1301.0, Table 1.1. For population: ABS, Special data request for mean resident population 2005-06.

Table B–30 Pensioner concession and health care card holders per 1 000 population

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	266	283	295	258	326	369	178	216	280
2001-02	265	279	293	261	323	368	176	225	278
2002-03	264	277	287	259	319	367	176	227	276
2003-04	261	273	279	252	313	360	172	228	271
2004-05	248	260	257	235	298	336	158	225	256
2005-06	239	251	242	220	288	322	152	227	245
% change	-10.1	-11.1	-17.7	-14.7	-11.7	-12.6	-14.7	4.8	-12.5
Relative change	0.81	0.89	1.42	1.18	0.94	1.01	1.18	-0.38	1.00

Sources: Department of Family and Community Services and Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Table B–31 Government school students^(a) per 1 000 population

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	117	112	125	125	114	132	118	151	118
2001-02	115	111	124	123	112	131	115	147	117
2002-03	113	109	122	120	110	129	112	146	115
2003-04	112	108	120	118	108	128	110	146	114
2004-05	111	107	118	115	106	126	108	144	112
2005-06	110	106	116	113	105	125	106	142	111
% change	-6.2	-5.1	-7.5	-9.8	-7.8	-5.4	-9.8	-6.0	-6.7
Relative change	0.93	0.76	1.12	1.47	1.16	0.81	1.47	0.90	1.00

(a) Students for government education are based on student numbers as published by the ABS in *Schools, Australia* (Catalogue 4221.0), supplemented by data supplied by the Department of Education, Science and Technology, State education authorities and adjustments applied by the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

Table B–32 Proportion of students^(a) who attend government schools

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	0.693	0.662	0.710	0.701	0.693	0.752	0.634	0.797	0.691
2001-02	0.687	0.660	0.708	0.694	0.685	0.750	0.624	0.791	0.687
2002-03	0.682	0.658	0.705	0.687	0.676	0.748	0.614	0.788	0.682
2003-04	0.677	0.657	0.700	0.679	0.668	0.744	0.607	0.786	0.678
2004-05	0.673	0.655	0.693	0.672	0.661	0.740	0.599	0.786	0.673
2005-06	0.670	0.653	0.686	0.666	0.655	0.735	0.594	0.785	0.669
% change	-3.4	-1.4	-3.3	-5.0	-5.4	-2.2	-6.4	-1.5	-3.2
Relative change	1.06	0.44	1.03	1.56	1.68	0.69	1.98	0.47	1.00

(a) Students for government education are based on student numbers as published by the ABS in *Schools, Australia* (Catalogue 4221.0), supplemented by data supplied by the Department of Education, Science and Technology, State education authorities and adjustments applied by the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

Table B–33 Compulsory school age population^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2001	798 490	583 240	467 737	246 298	178 376	60 684	42 253	27 977	2 405 055
2002	801 286	585 682	475 217	246 580	178 009	60 038	41 901	27 671	2 416 384
2003	802 974	588 463	483 413	247 211	177 673	60 445	41 827	27 829	2 429 835
2004	801 909	589 392	491 569	247 715	177 099	60 426	41 568	27 906	2 437 584
2005	800 049	590 707	497 152	249 182	177 050	60 279	41 294	27 928	2 443 641
2006	798 718	590 108	502 087	251 477	177 070	59 902	40 987	27 821	2 448 170
% change	0.0	1.2	7.3	2.1	-0.7	-1.3	-3.0	-0.6	1.8
Relative change	0.02	0.66	4.10	1.17	-0.41	-0.72	-1.67	-0.31	1.00

(a) Calendar year.

Source: ABS, *Schools, Australia*, Catalogue No. 4221.0; Department of Education, Science and Technology and State returns for latest year.

Table B-34 Mortality rate per 1 000 population^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	6.87	6.59	6.80	6.27	6.90	7.63	6.26	9.76	6.77
2001-02	6.57	6.45	6.75	6.44	6.65	7.46	6.25	9.52	6.61
2002-03	6.51	6.37	7.57	6.23	6.64	7.52	5.93	9.26	6.51
2003-04	6.38	6.19	6.49	6.11	6.39	7.33	5.94	8.23	6.36
2004-05	6.10	5.87	6.24	5.80	6.15	6.90	5.55	8.66	6.08
2005-06	5.97	5.64	5.99	5.88	6.16	6.83	5.58	8.64	5.93
% change	-13.1	-14.4	-11.9	-6.2	-10.7	-10.5	-10.9	-11.5	-12.4
Relative change	1.06	1.16	0.96	0.50	0.86	0.85	0.88	0.92	1.00

(a) Standardised death rate.

Source: ABS, *Australian Demographic Statistics, June 2006*, Catalogue No. 3101.0, Table 11.**Table B-35 Public hospital separations per 1 000 population**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	185.5	203.1	198.9	193.9	226.8	155.5	211.1	360.3	197.4
2000-01	181.7	204.5	189.4	191.4	223.1	145.7	209.4	360.3	193.9
2001-02	188.2	222.5	192.5	190.7	229.7	165.0	216.3	394.3	202.6
2002-03	190.2	231.3	189.4	195.4	231.0	164.5	219.7	422.5	205.7
2003-04	192.9	235.0	189.3	191.0	235.9	162.8	235.6	428.9	207.7
2004-05	193.3	238.3	188.1	195.2	225.3	172.6	214.4	456.2	208.1
% change	4.2	17.3	-5.4	0.7	-0.7	11.0	1.6	26.6	5.4
Relative change	0.78	3.20	-1.00	0.12	-0.12	2.03	0.29	4.91	1.00

Source: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, *Australian Hospital Statistics, 1999-00, 2001-02, 2002-03*, Table 6.2; *2003-04*, Table 7.2; and *2004-05*, Table 7.3. 2005-06 data not yet available. Data shown in this table are adjusted by the Commission in the assessments to take account of under-enumeration of the Indigenous population.**Table B-36 Prisoners per 100 000 population**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	175.7	91.3	164.2	224.0	120.0	98.3	87.9	520.7	152.5
2001-02	171.8	94.0	167.2	194.5	125.2	120.6	98.8	479.8	150.3
2002-03	172.4	98.3	180.7	197.5	123.5	126.1	101.5	524.3	154.9
2003-04	179.7	93.6	177.0	212.6	125.3	122.9	112.6	512.6	157.1
2004-05	187.6	94.2	176.7	229.3	123.2	149.9	110.4	575.5	162.5
2005-06	185.6	99.7	179.0	227.2	129.8	137.9	86.4	542.1	163.4
% change	5.6	9.2	9.0	1.4	8.2	40.3	-1.7	4.1	7.1
Relative change	0.79	1.29	1.26	0.20	1.14	5.64	-0.24	0.58	1.00

Source: ABS, *Prisoners in Australia, 2006*, Catalogue No. 4517.0, Table 15.

Table B-37 Court appearances per 1 000 population

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	18.18	17.65	33.10	27.77	22.91	35.12	12.44	49.45	22.78
2001-02	17.97	17.44	32.43	27.41	22.80	35.07	12.31	49.04	22.49
2002-03	17.83	17.25	31.66	27.09	22.69	34.88	12.23	49.01	22.23
2003-04	22.44	18.86	35.34	31.18	28.89	98.42	16.25	36.72	27.26
2004-05	24.30	20.33	35.64	31.50	29.32	96.15	14.56	45.77	28.39
2005-06	24.10	20.07	34.89	30.93	29.11	95.46	14.44	44.96	28.03
% change	32.5	13.7	5.4	11.4	27.1	171.8	16.1	-9.1	23.1
Relative change	1.41	0.59	0.23	0.49	1.17	7.45	0.70	-0.39	1.00

Source: ABS, *Criminal Courts, Australia*, Catalogue 4513.0. 2002-03 court appearances applied to 2000-01 and 2001-02 as no previous ABS data are available. 2004-05 court appearances applied to 2005-06 because 2005-06 ABS data not yet available. Tasmanian data are Higher Courts plus Lower Tasmanian Criminal Magistrates Court data only. This catalogue includes Higher Court and experimental Magistrates Court data as an attachment.

Table B-38 Arterial road length (lane metres per capita)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000-01	11.03	9.90	11.41	23.08	13.36	11.67	6.21	36.71	12.38
2001-02	10.90	9.78	11.18	22.78	13.30	11.65	6.15	36.40	12.23
2002-03	10.82	9.68	10.92	22.51	13.23	11.59	6.10	36.38	12.09
2003-04	10.75	9.57	10.67	22.19	13.17	11.46	6.09	36.26	11.95
2004-05	10.68	9.47	10.43	21.85	13.11	11.37	6.06	35.80	11.81
2005-06	10.59	9.35	10.22	21.46	13.01	11.29	6.01	35.16	11.66
% change	-4.0	-5.6	-10.5	-7.0	-2.6	-3.3	-3.1	-4.2	-5.8
Relative change	0.68	0.96	1.80	1.21	0.44	0.56	0.54	0.72	1.00

Source: State data returns and Austroads' *RoadFacts* publications. Lane metres have been held constant for each year; changes in the per capita values are the result of population changes only.

Table B-39 Registered motor vehicles per 1 000 population^{(a)(b)}

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2001	575	689	652	720	700	704	649	522	645
2002	581	704	663	732	701	709	647	524	654
2003	590	709	676	747	705	711	659	529	662
2004	605	718	687	749	715	727	666	532	675
2005	617	728	701	763	722	747	675	544	686
2006	626	737	718	784	733	767	683	554	699
% change	8.9	7.0	10.1	8.9	4.7	8.9	5.2	6.1	8.4
Relative change	1.06	0.83	1.21	1.06	0.56	1.07	0.63	0.73	1.00

(a) 31 March each year.

(b) Motor Vehicle Census was not conducted for 2000.

Source: ABS, *Motor Vehicle Census, Australia, 2006*, Catalogue No. 9309.0, Table 2.