

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 4 of this document links specific indicators to relativities.

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 twelve month period are a weighted average of the Estimated Resident Populations at the end of the quarter immediately preceding the twelve 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, 1999–2000 to 2004–05

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
New South Wales	6 449 764	6 531 024	6 608 225	6 659 523	6 702 703	6 748 966
Victoria	4 715 311	4 774 024	4 832 118	4 885 191	4 938 730	4 994 789
Queensland	3 531 420	3 594 434	3 669 057	3 757 759	3 845 815	3 925 873
Western Australia	1 863 174	1 888 459	1 913 740	1 936 466	1 964 535	1 994 414
South Australia	1 502 069	1 508 415	1 515 260	1 522 543	1 529 801	1 537 285
Tasmania	471 562	471 541	472 179	474 736	480 174	483 875
Australian Capital Territory(a)	313 782	317 134	320 378	322 557	323 527	324 545
Northern Territory	194 162	196 498	198 139	198 254	198 919	201 072
Australia(b)	19 041 244	19 281 529	19 529 096	19 757 029	19 984 204	20 210 819

(a) Excludes Jervis Bay.

(b) Excludes Jervis Bay and External Territories.

Source: ABS, special data request, December 2005.

Table B-2 State populations as a proportion of Australian population, 1999–2000 to 2004–05

	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
	%	%	%	%	%	%
New South Wales	33.87	33.87	33.84	33.71	33.54	33.39
Victoria	24.76	24.76	24.74	24.73	24.71	24.71
Queensland	18.55	18.64	18.79	19.02	19.24	19.42
Western Australia	9.78	9.79	9.80	9.80	9.83	9.87
South Australia	7.89	7.82	7.76	7.71	7.66	7.61
Tasmania	2.48	2.45	2.42	2.40	2.40	2.39
Australian Capital Territory(a)	1.65	1.64	1.64	1.63	1.62	1.61
Northern Territory	1.02	1.02	1.01	1.00	1.00	0.99
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 were 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 2006 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 2006 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, while ABS publication 3101.0 contains estimates for both Censuses.

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		
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 9.3	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 2.0	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 12.6 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 usually broadly 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.

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
1999-00	35 892	34 570	29 725	37 515	29 175	24 290	41 784	38 066	33 882
2000-01	37 851	36 330	31 241	39 665	31 416	24 640	43 575	44 077	35 751
2001-02	39 391	38 406	33 727	41 489	33 548	26 594	45 905	43 671	37 676
2002-03	41 348	40 380	35 242	44 137	35 227	28 441	49 886	45 608	39 621
2003-04	43 377	42 975	37 626	47 003	37 088	30 810	53 501	47 160	41 946
2004-05	45 254	44 443	40 373	50 584	38 908	33 300	56 392	51 814	44 107
% change	26.1	28.6	35.8	34.8	33.4	37.1	35.0	36.1	30.2
Relative change	0.86	0.95	1.19	1.15	1.11	1.23	1.16	1.20	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, 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
1999-00	39 597	38 183	35 928	38 087	33 181	30 223	71 926	48 763	38 304
2000-01	38 827	38 298	35 248	37 300	33 605	30 653	72 291	48 835	37 889
2001-02	39 170	39 645	36 482	38 501	35 445	33 288	75 258	53 977	39 048
2002-03	40 883	41 584	38 333	40 582	37 705	33 461	81 071	55 111	40 912
2003-04	42 461	43 075	40 764	43 222	39 461	35 593	84 450	57 968	42 801
2004-05	43 577	44 377	42 339	45 065	40 542	37 689	86 937	59 760	44 167
% change	10.1	16.2	17.8	18.3	22.2	24.7	20.9	22.6	15.3
Relative change	0.66	1.06	1.17	1.20	1.45	1.61	1.36	1.47	1.00

(a) Chain volume measures are expressed in the prices of a reference year. The reference year is 2003-04.
Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, 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
1999-00	8 755	8 152	8 415	8 676	7 685	7 071	9 626	8 726	8 423
2000-01	8 765	7 978	8 515	8 391	7 808	7 169	10 199	8 559	8 394
2001-02	9 051	8 530	8 662	8 791	8 483	7 372	10 891	8 835	8 766
2002-03	9 397	8 809	9 040	9 046	8 976	7 667	11 148	9 027	9 100
2003-04	9 830	9 423	9 941	9 651	9 304	8 535	11 411	9 460	9 684
2004-05	10 000	9 706	10 102	10 077	9 491	8 838	11 445	9 853	9 910
% change	14.2	19.1	20.0	16.1	23.5	25.0	18.9	12.9	17.7
Relative change	0.81	1.08	1.14	0.91	1.33	1.42	1.07	0.73	1.00

(a) Chain volume measures are expressed in the prices of a reference year. The reference year is 2003-04.

Source: ABS, *Australian Economic Indicators, December 2005*, Catalogue No. 1350.0, Table 9.3.

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
1999-00	717	1 002	1 377	1 567	1 320	1 720	51	1 107	1 058
2000-01	834	1 319	1 463	1 431	2 245	1 758	57	1 293	1 255
2001-02	990	1 472	1 693	1 939	2 686	2 105	91	1 575	1 484
2002-03	732	1 062	1 330	1 513	2 034	1 986	62	1 054	1 127
2003-04	715	1 266	1 477	2 326	2 272	2 022	28	1 307	1 301
2004-05	738	1 268	1 524	2 087	2 117	2 050	31	1 427	1 286
% change	3.0	26.4	10.7	33.2	60.4	19.2	-39.6	28.9	21.5
Relative change	0.14	1.23	0.50	1.54	2.80	0.89	-1.84	1.34	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, 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
1999-00	2 834	2 223	1 170	1 253	1 468	1 082	1 686	943	2 030
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	3 534	2 932	1 526	1 651	1 853	1 380	1 559	1 049	2 580
2003-04	3 799	3 136	1 657	1 785	1 998	1 556	1 592	1 151	2 771
2004-05	4 004	3 371	1 816	1 784	1 957	1 746	1 876	1 278	2 932
% change	41.3	51.6	55.2	42.5	33.3	61.5	11.3	35.6	44.5
Relative change	0.93	1.16	1.24	0.95	0.75	1.38	0.25	0.80	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, 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
1999-00	549	643	1 583	6 461	716	458	6	7 638	1 417
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	643	555	2 309	8 249	797	409	6	10 083	1 774
2003-04	648	640	2 161	7 732	648	410	6	8 481	1 696
2004-05	802	520	2 967	9 854	820	548	6	9 927	2 119
% change	46.1	-19.1	87.5	52.5	14.5	19.6	-3.3	30.0	49.6
Relative change	0.93	-0.39	1.76	1.06	0.29	0.39	-0.07	0.60	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, 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
1999-00	4 729	4 140	2 632	3 413	2 658	1 192	5 166	2 730	3 801
2000-01	5 245	4 524	2 908	3 678	2 875	1 315	5 780	2 982	4 182
2001-02	5 332	4 564	2 965	3 832	2 999	1 419	5 971	3 381	4 265
2002-03	5 559	4 903	3 197	4 291	3 187	1 544	6 262	3 606	4 536
2003-04	5 837	5 186	3 478	4 713	3 308	1 660	6 819	3 866	4 814
2004-05	6 052	5 319	3 679	5 019	3 465	1 763	7 028	4 168	5 005
% change	28.0	28.5	39.8	47.0	30.3	47.9	36.0	52.7	31.7
Relative change	0.88	0.90	1.26	1.49	0.96	1.51	1.14	1.66	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, 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
1999-00	23 822	22 677	19 562	21 463	20 587	17 249	31 516	21 065	22 198
2000-01	25 769	24 392	20 739	22 039	22 754	18 255	34 875	22 163	23 818
2001-02	26 507	25 119	21 632	23 434	23 911	19 435	36 132	22 989	24 696
2002-03	26 759	25 680	22 037	24 558	24 075	20 441	38 759	23 334	25 181
2003-04	27 649	27 259	23 273	26 248	24 839	21 711	40 896	24 809	26 401
2004-05	28 631	28 506	24 456	27 020	25 516	22 969	43 094	26 727	27 471
% change	20.2	25.7	25.0	25.9	23.9	33.2	36.7	26.9	23.8
Relative change	0.85	1.08	1.05	1.09	1.01	1.40	1.55	1.13	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, 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
1999-00	153.1	144.6	142.2	125.9	123.2	129.0	137.0	199.2	142.3
2000-01	163.8	159.1	149.4	133.9	131.1	134.2	149.1	198.7	152.8
2001-02	192.2	193.7	169.8	145.5	150.1	140.1	173.1	204.2	178.0
2002-03	233.0	216.4	211.8	164.4	182.6	157.1	207.2	218.2	209.9
2003-04	263.5	237.0	279.6	195.0	221.9	187.5	252.4	245.3	244.0
2004-05	264.0	235.3	301.2	215.7	242.5	196.2	258.0	275.1	251.5
% change	72.4	62.7	111.8	71.3	96.8	52.1	88.3	38.1	76.7
Relative change	0.94	0.82	1.46	0.93	1.26	0.68	1.15	0.50	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: 1989-90 = 100.

Source: ABS, *House Price Indexes, Eight Capital Cities, June Quarter 2005*, Catalogue No. 6416.0, Table 1.
ABS, *Yearbook Australia*, Catalogue No. 1301.0 (for years prior to 2002-03).

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
2000	328.0	253.0	155.0	157.8	135.0	130.0	184.0	190.4
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	495.0	363.0	310.0	297.0	270.0	260.0	352.5	279.8
% change	50.9	43.5	100.0	88.2	100.0	100.0	91.6	47.0

Source: Real Estate Institute of Australia, Residential Property Market Indicators.

Table B-19 Unemployment rates^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	5.8	6.6	7.7	6.2	8.0	8.7	5.2	4.4	6.6
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
Percentage point change	-0.5	-1.0	-2.8	-1.5	-2.5	-2.6	-1.6	1.9	-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, December 2005*, Catalogue No. 1350.0, Table 9.9.

Table B-20 State net lending (+)/borrowing (-)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
1999-00	201	270	-34	-147	-311	407	249	-922	96
2000-01	109	105	-464	-214	-255	305	126	0	-62
2001-02	71	154	-391	-14	-82	388	278	-1686	-24
2002-03	108	125	-38	100	271	447	595	-373	106
2003-04	1	-16	738	285	278	789	-77	-106	203
Net change (\$pc)	-200	-286	772	431	589	382	-326	816	108

Source: ABS *Government Finance Statistics 2003-04*, Catalogue No. 5512.0, Table 19 (General Government).

SELECTED INDICATORS OF THE SIZE OF REVENUE BASES

- 14 Tables B-21 to B-28 contain select 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, 1 July

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
1999	7 129	5 927	4 157	5 834	3 363	2 642	3 971	6 113	5 683
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	5 876	7 104	5 020	2 212	5 284	9 079	8 036
2004	10 381	10 834	7 581	7 552	5 796	2 760	6 122	9 420	9 061
% change	45.6	82.8	82.3	29.4	72.4	4.5	54.2	54.1	59.4
Relative change	0.77	1.39	1.39	0.50	1.22	0.08	0.91	0.91	1.00

Source: State Valuers-General, 2005.

Table B–22 Value of total residential land

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc	\$pc
1999	48 033	38 367	26 835	32 773	19 387	12 247	26 617	15 806	36 387
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	91 652	72 093	63 042	61 347	47 548	21 331	78 621	20 563	72 315
% change	90.8	87.9	134.9	87.2	145.3	74.2	195.4	30.1	98.7
Relative change	0.92	0.89	1.37	0.88	1.47	0.75	1.98	0.30	1.00

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
1999-00	268 238	195 473	133 299	64 662	44 292	13 944	14 834	7 852	742 594
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	308 545	255 919	212 435	95 106	64 049	20 601	14 736	9 289	980 680
% change	15.0	30.9	59.4	47.1	44.6	47.7	-0.7	18.3	32.1
Relative change	0.47	0.96	1.85	1.47	1.39	1.49	-0.02	0.57	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian Economic Indicators*, December 2005, 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
1999-00	10 585	6 551	7 129	8 517	5 927	3 804	8 528	5 779	8 125
2000-01	10 586	6 378	8 589	7 618	5 643	4 212	8 214	4 245	8 235
2001-02	13 987	8 880	12 402	9 478	6 982	5 298	11 493	5 107	11 099
2002-03	15 171	9 192	15 047	11 306	7 613	8 551	12 504	6 346	12 417
2003-04	15 910	10 883	18 823	14 050	9 484	9 072	13 926	8 879	14 287
2004-05	12 304	10 071	17 518	15 434	9 492	9 577	13 571	9 815	12 790
% change	16.2	53.7	145.7	81.2	60.2	151.8	59.1	69.9	57.4
Relative change	0.28	0.94	2.54	1.41	1.05	2.64	1.03	1.22	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
1999-00	18 701	16 893	14 315	15 691	14 851	11 398	25 836	16 661	16 758
2000-01	19 778	17 675	15 084	16 211	15 449	11 706	27 386	17 354	17 597
2001-02	20 409	18 181	15 688	17 100	16 109	12 593	28 591	18 063	18 234
2002-03	20 998	19 194	16 458	18 609	16 861	13 559	30 968	18 597	19 095
2003-04	21 689	20 255	17 506	19 405	17 179	14 568	32 922	19 521	19 949
2004-05	22 943	21 264	18 762	20 465	18 079	15 771	34 615	21 067	21 099
% change	22.7	25.9	31.1	30.4	21.7	38.4	34.0	26.4	25.9
Relative change	0.88	1.00	1.20	1.17	0.84	1.48	1.31	1.02	1.00

Source: ABS, *Australian National Accounts, State Accounts, 2004-05*, Catalogue No. 5220.0, Table 23.

Table B-26 Average weekly earnings^(a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
May-00	673.00	626.30	603.90	605.50	585.90	558.10	742.90	667.30	634.70
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
% change	24.2	26.8	22.7	30.0	18.6	26.8	27.6	18.3	24.4
Relative change	0.99	1.10	0.93	1.23	0.76	1.10	1.13	0.75	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
1999-00	10 532	11 277	8 711	10 146	8 003	6 706	7 569	9 685	9 990
2000-01	10 917	12 239	9 152	10 923	8 550	6 850	8 510	10 584	10 588
2001-02	13 146	12 621	9 968	11 175	9 884	6 891	9 935	7 777	11 714
2002-03	13 736	13 380	10 665	11 946	10 377	7 775	10 457	9 004	12 385
2003-04	14 457	14 221	11 474	12 384	10 684	7 897	10 670	9 185	13 061
2004-05	14 488	13 985	11 796	13 040	11 625	9 190	10 535	12 115	13 266
% change	37.6	24.0	35.4	28.5	45.3	37.1	39.2	25.1	32.8
Relative change	1.14	0.73	1.08	0.87	1.38	1.13	1.19	0.76	1.00

Source: For 1999-00 and 2000-01: ABS, *Wage and Salary Earners*, Catalogue No. 6248.0 (cash based data).

For 2001-02 onwards: ABS, *Business Indicators, June quarter 2005*, Catalogue No. 5676.0 (accruals based data).

Table B-28 Proportion of private renters, by State

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	0.210	0.170	0.247	0.200	0.167	0.170	0.194	0.224	0.201
2000-01	0.214	0.179	0.282	0.212	0.140	0.157	0.160	0.280	0.210
2001-02(a)	0.214	0.179	0.282	0.212	0.140	0.157	0.160	0.280	0.210
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	0.209	0.198	0.212
2004-05(a)	0.224	0.179	0.256	0.219	0.162	0.164	0.209	0.198	0.212
% change	6.7	5.3	3.6	9.5	-3.0	-3.5	7.7	-11.6	5.5
Relative change	1.22	0.97	0.67	1.74	-0.55	-0.64	1.41	-2.12	1.00

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

Sources: ABS, *Australian Social Trends, 2000, 2001, 2003*, Catalogue No. 6523.0.

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

15 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)	8.43	21.96	2.27	0.79	1.56	7.07	133.50	0.15	2.63

(a) Includes Jervis Bay.

Sources: For area and coastline: ABS, *Yearbook Australia, 2005*, Catalogue No. 1301.0, Table 1.1 (data as at August 2003).

For population: ABS, Special data request for mean resident population 2004-05.

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

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	268	284	292	253	323	364	182	201	279
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	314	360	172	229	271
2004-05	251	263	262	238	301	340	165	228	259
% change	-6.5	-7.3	-10.3	-5.7	-6.8	-6.6	-9.4	13.8	-7.3
Relative change	0.89	1.00	1.41	0.77	0.92	0.90	1.28	-1.89	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
1999	119	112	126	128	115	133	120	154	120
2000	117	112	125	125	114	132	118	151	118
2001	115	111	124	123	112	131	115	147	117
2002	113	109	122	120	110	129	112	146	115
2003	112	108	120	118	108	128	110	146	114
2004	111	107	118	115	106	126	108	144	112
% change	-6.7	-4.5	-6.4	-10.2	-7.9	-5.1	-9.6	-5.9	-6.5
Relative change	1.03	0.69	0.98	1.55	1.21	0.78	1.48	0.90	1.00

(a) Students for government education are based on student numbers as published by the ABS in *Schools, Australia* (Catalogue No. 4221.0), supplemented by data supplied by 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
1999-00	0.700	0.663	0.713	0.708	0.699	0.754	0.641	0.801	0.696
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
% change	-3.9	-1.2	-2.8	-5.2	-5.4	-1.9	-6.5	-1.9	-3.2
Relative change	1.20	0.36	0.86	1.60	1.68	0.58	2.02	0.60	1.00

(a) Student numbers are based on data as published by the ABS in *Schools, Australia* (Catalogue No. 4221.0), supplemented by data supplied by 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
2000	793 361	578 183	459 943	246 219	178 254	60 845	41 741	28 389	2 386 935
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	800 179	590 704	497 467	248 804	177 042	60 275	41 285	27 925	2 443 681
% change	0.9	2.2	8.2	1.0	-0.7	-0.9	-1.1	-1.6	2.4
Relative change	0.36	0.91	3.43	0.44	-0.29	-0.39	-0.46	-0.69	1.00

(a) Calendar year.

Source: ABS, *Schools, Australia*, Catalogue No. 4221.0; State returns for latest year.

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

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	7.01	6.76	7.11	6.92	6.91	7.62	6.55	10.39	6.98
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	6.09	5.89	6.26	5.76	5.85	6.85	5.27	8.52	6.05
% change	-13.1	-12.9	-12.0	-16.8	-15.3	-10.1	-19.5	-18.0	-13.3
Relative change	0.99	0.97	0.90	1.26	1.15	0.76	1.47	1.35	1.00

(a) Standardised death rate.

Source: ABS, *Australian Demographic Statistics, June 2005*, 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
2001-02	188.6	222.5	192.5	190.7	229.7	165.0	216.3	394.3	202.8
2002-03	190.2	231.3	189.4	195.4	231.0	164.5	219.7	422.5	205.7
% change	2.5	13.9	-4.8	0.8	1.9	5.8	4.1	17.3	4.2
Relative change	0.60	3.30	-1.14	0.18	0.44	1.38	0.97	4.11	1.00

Source: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, *Australian Hospital Statistics, 1999-00, 2001-02, 2002-03*, Table 6.2. 1999-00 data were used for 1999-00 and 2000-01; 2001-02 data were used for 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04. 2003-04 data were used for 2004-05.**Table B-36 Prisoners per 1 000 population**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	171.8	86.2	166.2	224.6	113.0	111.2	101.4	467.3	149.7
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
% change	9.2	9.3	6.3	2.1	9.0	34.8	8.9	23.2	8.6
Relative change	1.08	1.09	0.74	0.24	1.06	4.07	1.04	2.71	1.00

Source: ABS, *Prisoners in Australia, 2005*, Catalogue No. 4517.0, Table 15.

Table B-37 Court appearances per 1 000 population^(a)

	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	21.10	17.89	53.02	98.95	46.79	304.27	17.89	219.51	44.85
2000-01	20.83	17.67	52.09	97.62	46.60	304.28	17.70	216.90	44.29
2001-02	20.59	17.46	51.03	96.33	46.38	303.87	17.52	215.11	43.73
2002-03	20.43	17.27	49.83	95.20	46.16	302.24	17.40	214.98	43.23
2003-04	20.01	17.95	46.99	95.71	43.57	171.23	16.40	212.78	39.43
2004-05	19.87	17.75	46.03	94.28	43.36	169.92	16.35	210.50	38.99
% change	-2.1	4.0	-5.7	0.5	-5.6	-43.3	-5.7	-1.0	-8.8
Relative change	0.24	-0.45	0.65	-0.06	0.64	4.94	0.65	0.12	1.00

(a) 2002-03 court appearances used for 1999-00, 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-03. 2003-04 court appearances used for 2003-04 and 2004-05. Therefore, the % change shows changes between 2002-03 and 2003-04 only.

Source: State returns.

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

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
1999-00	11.17	10.03	11.62	23.39	13.41	11.67	6.28	37.15	12.54
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	10.67	9.47	10.45	21.85	13.11	11.37	6.07	35.87	11.81
% change	-4.4	-5.6	-10.0	-6.6	-2.3	-2.5	-3.3	-3.4	-5.8
Relative change	0.77	0.97	1.74	1.14	0.40	0.44	0.57	0.59	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
1999	574	693	659	723	692	701	635	535	647
2001	575	689	652	720	700	704	649	522	645
2002	578	701	663	731	699	708	643	520	652
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
% change	7.5	5.1	6.4	5.5	4.3	6.6	6.3	1.7	6.0
Relative change	1.24	0.84	1.06	0.92	0.72	1.09	1.05	0.28	1.00

(a) 31 March each year.

(b) Motor Vehicle Census was not conducted in 2000 resulting in no data for 2000 being shown.

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