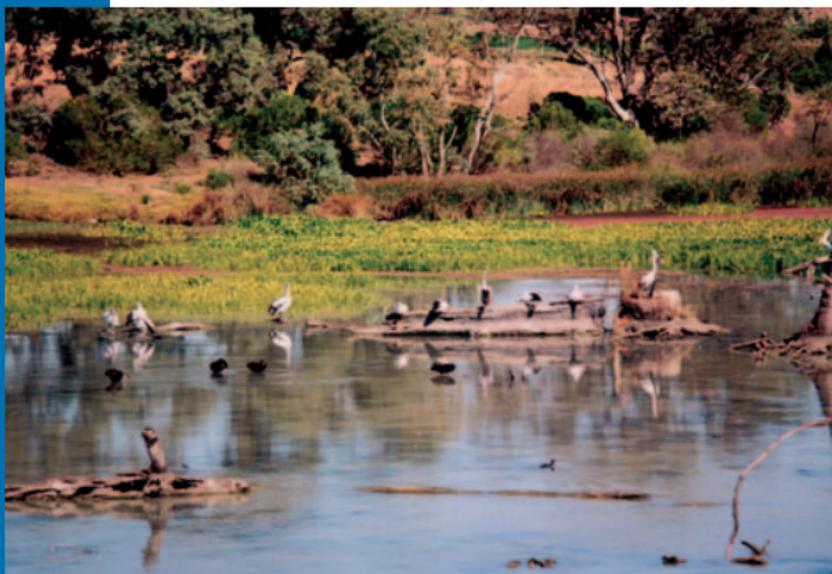




2005 SOUTH AUSTRALIA AT A GLANCE



South Australia has an area of 985,335 square kilometres (12.8% of the total Australian land mass), and is the driest of the Australian states and territories. Water supplies are supplemented with water piped from the River Murray, the only major river in the state.

The population at 30 June 2004 was 1,534,250, less than 8% of the total Australian population. Most South Australians (73%) live in Adelaide, the capital city. South Australians have the highest median age at death of all states and territories.

The Gross State Product of South Australia was \$52,400m in 2003–04, which was 6.7% of Australia’s Gross Domestic Product. The principal items produced are agricultural and horticultural products (including wine), and machinery. The state has 42% of Australia’s vineyard area, and 31% of the barley area. Mineral resources and aquaculture are also significant elements of the economy.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA AS A PROPORTION OF AUSTRALIA

	%
Area	12.8
Population	7.6
Persons aged 65 years and over	8.9
Unemployed persons – trend	7.7
Labour force – trend	7.4
Industrial disputes, days lost	2.6
Manufacturing sales and service income	9.2
Merchandise imports	3.9
Merchandise exports	7.0
New motor vehicles registered	6.7
New dwellings commenced	5.9
Wheat, area for grain	17.5
Barley, area for grain	30.9
Vineyards	42.3
Wool receivals (taxable)	14.3
Gross value of agricultural commodities	12.5
Retail turnover	7.4



POPULATION

		June 2003	June 2004
Estimated resident population			
Males	no.	755 481	759 773
Females	no.	770 820	774 477
Persons	no.	1 526 301	1 534 250
Census of population			
		1996	2001
Distribution (proportion of population)			
Adelaide Statistical Division	%	73.2	73.1
Other Statistical Divisions	%	26.8	26.9
Age groups (proportion of population)			
Under 15 years	%	20.7	19.6
15–64 years	%	65.5	65.9
65 years and over	%	13.9	14.4
Private dwellings			
Occupied	no.	555 834	584 042
Unoccupied	no.	61 373	61 902

DEMOGRAPHY

Vital statistics		2002	2003
Rate per 1,000 population			
Births	no.	11.6	11.4
Deaths	no.	7.9	8.0
Marriages	no.	4.8	5.0
Divorces	no.	2.9	nya
Infant deaths per 1,000 live births	no.	5.1	3.7
Causes of death per 10,000 population			
Ischaemic heart disease	no.	15.6	16.2
Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	no.	21.8	21.9
Cerebrovascular disease (incl. stroke)	no.	7.3	7.3
Expectation of life		2000–2002	2001–2003
Males	years	77.3	77.7
Females	years	82.6	82.7
Health(a)		2002–03	2003–04
Hospitals (excl. CwIth and Public Psychiatric)			
Public	no.	80	80
Private (incl. day surgery facilities)	no.	57	55
Beds available (excl. day surgery facilities)	no.	6 479	6 553
Admissions	no.	554 414	(b)559 568
Mean length of stay (days)	no.	3.5	(b)3.5
Same day admissions	no.	285 520	(b)284 860

(a) Source: Department of Human Services.

(b) Estimates may be revised.

SOCIAL

Law and order		2002–03	2003–04
Police (active) at 30 June(a)	no.	3 928	3 910
Prisoners at 30 June	no.	1 455	nya

(a) Source: South Australia Police.

SOCIAL *continued*

Education

		2002	2003
Schools	no.	810	809
Teachers (full-time equivalent)	no.	16 847	17 094
Pupils (full-time)	no.	248 611	248 815
Students enrolled			
Universities(a)	no.	60 459	63 035
Publicly-funded vocational education and training programs(b)	no.	127 600	112 700
		2002-03	2003-04
Household expenditure on education services	\$m	832	905

(a) Source: Commonwealth Department of Education, Science and Training.

(b) Source: National Centre for Vocational and Educational Research.

LABOUR

Labour force – trend

		Nov 2003	Nov 2004
Employed persons	'000	715.7	725.0
Unemployed persons	'000	49.9	42.4
Unemployment rate	%	6.5	5.5

Vacancies

		Aug 2003	Aug 2004
Job vacancies	'000	6.4	7.0

Average weekly earnings

		Aug 2003	Aug 2004
All males	\$	773.80	785.50
All females	\$	504.50	526.70
All employees	\$	643.20	662.50

Industrial disputes

		2002-03	2003-04
Number of disputes	no.	32	26
Working days lost	'000	8.7	14.4

INTERNET ACTIVITY

		Mar qtr 2003	Mar qtr 2004
Internet service providers	no.	57	60
Subscribers	'000	347	360
Data downloaded by subscribers	mill. Mb	193	572

PRICES, Adelaide

		2002-03	2003-04
Consumer Price Index(a)			
All groups		142.7	147.0
House price index(a)			
Established house		182.6	221.9
Project home		155.9	165.9
Average retail prices (cents)		June 2003	June 2004
Milk	1 L	157	162
Margarine, polyunsaturated	500 g	221	222
Bread, white loaf, sliced	650 g	268	246
Eggs (carton)	600 g	308	306
Coffee, instant	150 g	557	511

(a) Base year: 1989-90 = 100.0.

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHING

		2001-02	2002-03
Gross value of			
Wheat for grain	\$m	1 309.6	543.6
Wool	\$m	321.6	403.9
Grapes	\$m	693.5	597.0
Livestock slaughtered etc.	\$m	833.4	846.7
Total agriculture	\$m	5 205.8	4 078.9
Wheat produced for grain	'000 t	4 778	2 072
Barley produced for grain	'000 t	2 782	1 440
Area of			
Establishments	'000 ha	53 505	54 139
Cereal crops	'000 ha	3 536	3 599
Vineyards	'000 ha	67.0	66.7
Livestock (at 30 June)		2002	2003
Cattle	'000	1 381	1 401
Sheep and lambs	'000	13 043	13 059
Pigs	'000	410	381
Livestock products		2002-03	2003-04
Beef and veal	t	88 704	77 204
Mutton and lamb	t	91 006	85 762
Pig meat	t	64 146	57 960
Wool (taxable) receivals	t	65 054	66 982
Wild fisheries and aquaculture(a)		2001-02	2002-03
Catch	t	35 193	44 402
Value	\$m	492.1	498.9
Wine produced	'000 L	588 697	541 607
State forests(b)		2003	2004
Area of plantations (at 30 June)	ha	81 755	81 126

(a) Source: SA Research and Development Institute.

(b) Source: ForestrySA.

MINING

		2001-02	2002-03
Persons employed(a)	'000	2.2	4.0
Wages and salaries	\$m	193.5	173.7
Value of mineral production(b)		2002-03	2003-04
Copper	\$m	476.6	514.6
Uranium oxide	\$m	153.4	131.3
Opal (estimate)	\$m	35.9	33.0
Natural gas	\$m	353.1	336.1
Crude oil	\$m	144.9	192.5
LPG	\$m	115.9	67.2
Other condensates	\$m	88.1	47.8
Construction materials	\$m	99.7	95.7
Industrial materials	\$m	52.4	46.1
Total resources value	\$m	1 692.4	1 655.2

(a) Excludes Services to mining.

(b) Source: Department of Primary Industries and Resources SA.

CONSTRUCTION

Commenced		2002-03	2003-04
New houses	no.	8 263	8 058
Total dwelling units	no.	10 283	10 070
Value of work done			
New residential building	\$m	1 303.6	1 522.4
Non-residential building	\$m	886.4	1 038.8
Engineering construction	\$m	1 766.4	1 727.4

MANUFACTURING

		2001–02	2002–03
Persons employed	'000	95.3	95.8
Wages and salaries(a)	\$m	3 702.0	4 094.4
Sales and service income	\$m	27 494.5	28 434.9

(a) Includes provision for employee entitlements.

RETAIL TRADE

		2002–03	2003–04
Retail turnover	\$m	13 561	14 224
Food retailing	\$m	5 470	5 683
Household good retailing	\$m	2 003	2 137
Hospitality and services	\$m	2 312	2 448

MERCHANDISE TRADE

		2002–03	2003–04
Imports from			
European Union	\$m	1 049	1 038
Japan	\$m	1 083	891
Middle East	\$m	846	669
United States of America	\$m	756	652
Total imports	\$m	5 724	5 163
Exports to			
Japan	\$m	932	695
New Zealand	\$m	627	557
United States of America	\$m	1 403	1 390
Total exports	\$m	8 366	7 608
Principal export groups			
Metals and metal manufactures	\$m	867	799
Fish and crustaceans	\$m	449	400
Road vehicles, parts etc.	\$m	1 413	1 277
Meat and meat preparations	\$m	317	299
Wine	\$m	1 455	1 398
Wheat	\$m	776	693

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION(a)

		June qtr 2003	June qtr 2004
Hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments			
Number at 30 June		249	247
Guest rooms at 30 June	no.	11 764	11 910
Guest arrivals	'000	456.4	453.5
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	56 754	60 907

(a) Establishments containing 15 or more beds.

TRANSPORT

		2002–03	2003–04
New motor vehicle sales – all vehicles	no.	56 610	63 106
Metropolitan passenger journeys – total patronage (initial plus transfer boardings), bus, tram and train(a)	mill.	60.1	60.2

(a) Source: Office of Public Transport.

PUBLIC FINANCE

State Non-financial Public Sector		2002–03	2003–04
Net debt	\$m	2 696	nya

PRIVATE FINANCE

Secured housing finance

2002–03 2003–04

Loans approved for

Construction of dwellings	\$m	734	805
Purchase of newly erected dwellings	\$m	203	260
Purchase of established dwellings	\$m	5 594	6 545
Total dwellings	no.	53 118	54 682

Other

Commercial finance commitments	\$m	11 067	13 103
Personal finance commitments	\$m	4 668	5 073
Private new capital expenditure	\$m	4 006	3 948

STATE ACCOUNTS

2002–03 2003–04

State Final Demand(a)	\$m	55 241	58 072
Final consumption expenditure	\$m	43 467	45 181
Gross fixed capital formation	\$m	11 774	12 891
Gross State Product(a)	\$m	50 249	52 400
Per head of mean population	\$	32 996	34 217
Percentage of Australian total	%	6.6	6.7
Annual growth rate	%	1.4	4.3
Gross household disposable income (per head of mean population)	\$	22 752	23 852

(a) Chain volume measures, reference year 2002–03.

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\$m	– million dollars	incl.	– including
'000	– thousand	L	– litre
\$'000	– thousand dollars	mill.	– million
Cwth	– Commonwealth	no.	– number
excl.	– excluding	nya	– not yet available
g	– gram	%	– per cent
ha	– hectare	qtr	– quarter
Mb	– Megabyte	t	– tonne

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