

ECONOMY

RETAIL TRADE – Selected Industries

Turnover (original)		2009	2010
Food retailing	\$m	1 174.6	1 142.8
Clothing and soft good retailing	\$m	143.9	148.8
Household good retailing	\$m	498.1	516.9
Cafes, restaurants, takeaway food services	\$m	148.1	202.4
Total all industries¹	\$m	2 631.0	2 685.2

¹ For included industries see *Retail Trade, Australia* (ABS cat. no. 8501.0).

CONSTRUCTION

Building Approvals (original)		2009	2010
Total new houses	no.	882	550
Total new other residential building	no.	405	920
Total residential building	\$m	462	527
Total non-residential building	\$m	508	471
Total building	\$m	970	998

ENVIRONMENT

CLIMATE

		Darwin	Alice Springs
Mean annual rainfall	mm	1 722.6	285.0
Mean annual temperature			
minimum	°C	23.2	13.2
maximum	°C	32.0	28.7
Mean annual relative humidity			
9.00 a.m.	%	71	42
3.00 p.m.	%	54	25

Highest daily rainfall 544.6mm was recorded at Roper Valley on 15 April 1963.

Highest monthly rainfall 1 252.1 mm was recorded at Redbank Mine in January 2003.

Highest daily maximum temperature 48.3 °C was recorded at Finke Post Office on 1 and 2 January 1960.

Lowest daily minimum temperature -7.5 °C was recorded at Alice Springs Airport on 17 July 1976.

Source: Bureau of Meteorology 2011, Darwin, <www.bom.gov.au>

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*fee based service

SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED

km ²	square kilometres	%	per cent
mm	millimetres	°C	degrees Celsius
'000	thousands	\$	dollars
p	preliminary data	\$'000	thousand dollars
no.	number	\$m	million dollars

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- **Training and engagement program.** The ABS employs Indigenous Engagement Managers who visit Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities (both urban and remote) to provide statistical training, facilitate survey and Census activities and return statistical information.
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ABS cat. no. 1304.7

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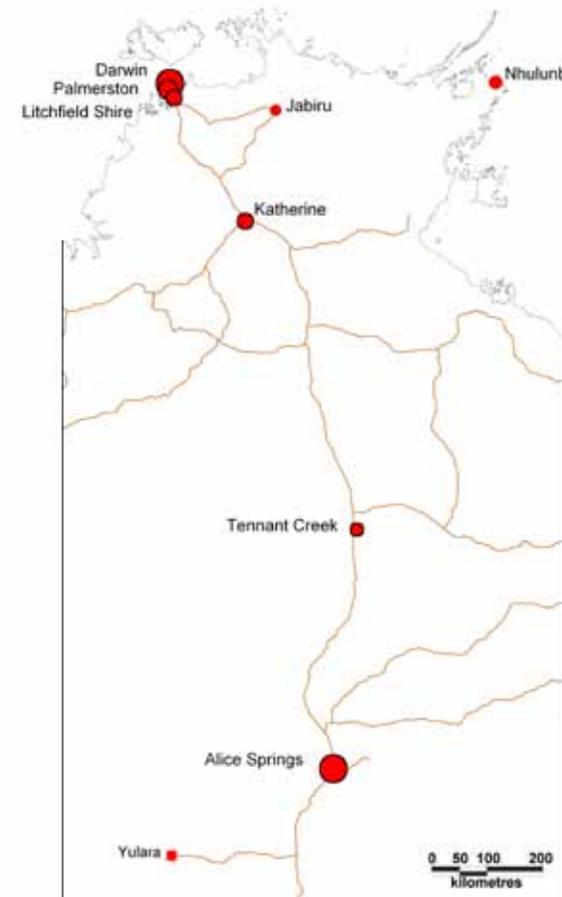
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Cover: Casuarina Coastal Reserve Mangrove Forest, celebrating International Year of Forests.
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The Northern Territory comprises a land area of 1 346 200 km². It is the third largest of the states and territories after Western Australia and Queensland, yet has the smallest population. Compared to other states and territories, the Northern Territory has a relatively young population (median age of 31 compared to the national median age of 37) and the highest proportion of Indigenous people (approximately 30%). The Northern Territory has the highest ratio of males to females of the states and territories, with an estimated 108 males per 100 females.

Darwin is the capital city of the Northern Territory, and is the largest of all the Territory's towns and cities, with an estimated population of 77 290. The second largest is Palmerston, with an estimated population of 30 140, and approximately 16 kilometres south of Darwin. Alice Springs is the third largest population centre, with an estimated population of 27 987.



PEOPLE

DEMOGRAPHY

Estimated Resident Population at 30 June	2009	2010p
Local Government Area		
Alice Springs	no. 27 910	27 987
Barkly ¹	no. 8 086	8 137
Belyuen	no. 205	209
Central Desert	no. 4 749	4 818
Coomalie	no. 1 297	1 322
Darwin	no. 75 998	77 290
East Arnhem	no. 9 898	10 080
Katherine	no. 10 107	10 104
Litchfield	no. 18 869	19 414
MacDonnell	no. 7 151	7 252
Palmerston	no. 29 382	30 140
Roper Gulf	no. 6 913	7 039
Tiwi Islands	no. 2 528	2 534
Victoria–Daly	no. 6 876	7 027
Wagait	no. 332	329
West Arnhem	no. 6 815	6 908
Unincorporated NT ²	no. 9 091	9 121
Northern Territory	no. 226 207	229 711

¹ Includes Tennant Creek with a population of 3 562 in 2009 and 3 560 in 2010.

² Includes Nhulunbuy with a population of 5 007 in 2009 and 4 964 in 2010.

Estimated Resident Population by age (years) at 30 June 2010	Male	Female
0–4	no. 9 635	9 140
5–14	no. 17 670	16 656
15–24	no. 19 079	16 781
25–64	no. 65 920	62 146
65+	no. 6 800	5 884
Total	no. 119 104	110 607

Experimental Estimated Resident Indigenous Population by age (years) at 30 June 2006 ¹	Male	Female
0–4	no. 3 982	3 792
5–14	no. 7 547	7 111
15–24	no. 6 368	6 290
25–64	no. 12 915	14 141
65+	no. 702	1 157
Total	no. 31 514	32 491

¹ Final estimates based on 2006 Census.

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Vital Statistics	2008	2009
Indigenous births	no. 1 560	1 523
Total births	no. 3 942	3 819
Rate per 1 000 population	17.9	16.9
Indigenous deaths	no. 467	431
Total deaths	no. 1 041	953
Rate per 1 000 population	4.7	4.2

EDUCATION

	2009	2010
Primary and secondary schools	no. 188	188
Teaching staff (full-time equivalent)	no. 3 284	3 293
Full-time students	no. 38 489	39 331

LABOUR MARKET

Labour Force (trend)	Feb. 2010	Feb. 2011
Employed persons	'000 120.2	123.4
Unemployed persons	'000 4.0	2.8
Unemployment rate	% 3.2	2.3
Labour force	'000 124.2	126.2
Participation rate	% 73.3	73.0
Civilian population aged 15 and over	'000 169.6	173.2

Average Weekly Earnings (trend)	Nov. 2009	Nov. 2010
All males total earnings	\$ 1 150.90	1 226.40
All females total earnings	\$ 876.20	898.00
All employees total earnings	\$ 1 011.20	1 063.90

	Dec. 2009	Dec. 2010
Wage Price Index ¹ (original)	% change 3.4	3.8

¹ Total hourly rates of pay excluding bonuses.

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

	Aug. 2001	Aug. 2006
Commonwealth Government	no. 8 902	8 345
State/Territory Government	no. 13 744	13 711
Local Government	no. 1 127	4 015
Private sector	no. 52 481	59 381

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EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

February 2011 (original)	'000	%
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	2.1	1.8
Mining	4.3	3.5
Manufacturing	4.4	3.5
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	2.2	1.8
Construction	12.8	10.4
Wholesale and retail trade	16.9	13.7
Accommodation and food services	9.5	7.8
Transport, postal and warehousing	4.9	4.0
Information media and telecommunications	1.8	1.4
Finance and insurance services	1.1	0.9
Rental, hiring and real estate services	2.4	1.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	6.1	5.0
Administrative and support services	3.9	3.2
Public administration and safety	18.1	14.8
Education and training	9.3	7.5
Health care and social assistance	14.3	11.6
Arts and recreation services	2.8	2.3
Other services	6.0	4.9
Total	122.9	100.0

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PRICES – Darwin

	Dec. 2009	Dec. 2010
Established House Price Index	% change ¹ 15.9	2.2

Consumer Price Index	Dec. 2009	Dec. 2010
Food	% change ¹ 1.7	1.6
Alcohol and tobacco	% change ¹ 5.8	10.4
Clothing and footwear	% change ¹ 3.2	-3.9
Housing	% change ¹ 7.2	4.8
Household contents and services	% change ¹ 4.3	-0.8
Health	% change ¹ 5.3	4.7
Transportation	% change ¹ -1.1	1.4
Communication	% change ¹ 0.6	0.0
Recreation	% change ¹ 1.8	-4.5
Education	% change ¹ 6.1	3.0
Financial and insurance services	% change ¹ -5.8	4.0
All Groups	% change¹ 3.0	2.4

¹ From corresponding quarter of previous year.

OVERSEAS TRADE

	2009	2010
Total value of NT imports	\$m 3 697	3 479
Total value of NT exports	\$m 5 222	5 407

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AGRICULTURAL & FISHING – Exports

	2009	2010
Live cattle	\$'000 200 165	183 604
Meat	\$'000 1 484.9	1 093.6
Fish	\$'000 132.9	9.4
Hides & skins of saltwater crocodiles	\$'000 8 730.4	8 622.2
Fruit and nuts	\$'000 2 056.2	1 605.8
Vegetables	\$'000 121.2	4.1

MINING

Mineral Commodities	2007-08	2008-09
Total fuel minerals	\$m 3 695	4 401
Crude oil	\$m 720	511
Liquefied natural gas	\$m 1 274	2 306
Total metallic minerals	\$m 1 547	1 455
Gold	\$m 430	320
Uranium oxide	\$m 461	557
Total industrial minerals	\$m 1 040	1 448
Manganese ore	\$m 1 025	1 446
Total mineral commodities	\$m 6 293	7 316

Mineral Exploration Expenditure	2008-09	2009-10
Petroleum exploration	\$m 246.7	152.3
Mineral exploration (other than petroleum)	\$m 146.2	149.4

TRANSPORT

	2009	2010
Sales of new motor vehicles (original)	no. 9 051	10 223

Vehicles Registered at 31 March	2009	2010
Motor vehicles (excludes motor cycles)	no. 123 263	128 764
Motor cycles	no. 5 495	5 936

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

Hotels, Motels and Serviced Apartments (15 or more rooms)	Sep. qtr 2010	Dec. qtr 2010
Establishments	no. 96	97
Persons employed	no. 3 217	3 107
Takings from accommodation	\$m 93.2	58.5
Room occupancy rate	% 79.8	60.5