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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains the results of a survey conducted in June 1986 in conjunction with the monthly Population Survey. The survey, the sixteenth in the series, compared usual residence with that twelve months ago, to determine the number and characteristics of movers and non-movers. Data was also collected on duration of stay at usual residence and reasons for changing usual residence.

2. The surveys in this series have been conducted at approximately annual intervals since 1970. Surveys in recent years have customarily related to the twelve month period ending 30 June, with the exception of the Census years 1981 and 1986 (i.e. this year) when they related to the twelve months ending 31 May.

3. The Censuses of Population and Housing of June 1971, 1976, 1981 and 1986 also contained questions about change of residence. In 1971, the question related to movement during the preceding five years; in 1976, 1981 and 1986 information was obtained about movement in the preceding twelve months as well as five years. Data from the 1971, 1976 and 1981 Censuses are available on request; 1986 Census data are not yet available.

4. Alternative statistics of interstate changes of residence, which are incorporated in the official population estimates for Australia, the States and Territories, are derived from records of interstate transfers of family allowance payments. For a detailed description of the method used in making these estimates see ABS Occasional Paper 1984/2 entitled *Postcensal Interstate Migration Estimates, 1966-1981*. These statistics are published in *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0).

The population survey

5. The survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 33,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information was obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers, the interviews being conducted during the two weeks beginning on Monday, 9 June.

6. The population survey sample is reselected every five years to allow data from the latest census of population and housing to be used to improve the efficiency of the population survey sample design. The latest reselection, which used data from the 1981 Census, was first used for the internal migration survey in 1983.

Scope and definitions

7. The survey is designed to include all persons aged fifteen years and over except:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces;

- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations;

- (c) overseas visitors in Australia;

- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia;

- (e) boarding school pupils, some patients in hospitals and sanatoria, inmates of gaols, reformatories, etc.; and

- (f) persons with no place of usual residence at 31 May 1985 and/or 31 May 1986.

8. For the purposes of the survey, persons were classified as having moved if the address of their usual place of residence was different from that twelve months earlier. Persons whose usual residence was at the same address on both dates, but who moved away and returned during this period, were not counted as movers. No attempt has been made to separately enumerate children under 1 year of age who, by definition, could not have changed usual residence.

9. For the first time the 1982 survey recognised that people do not necessarily have a usual place of residence. Those who had no usual residence at either or both dates are excluded from the published data for the 1982 and subsequent surveys. The statistics shown for these surveys are therefore not strictly comparable with those for earlier surveys. Nevertheless, the exclusion has had minimal effect on the mobility rates. The number of persons aged 15 years and over who were in Australia at both dates but who had no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year was estimated to be 28.5 thousand in 1981/82, 59.3 thousand in 1982/83, 53.7 thousand in 1983/84, 53.9 thousand in 1984/85, and 50.8 thousand in 1985/86.

10. All figures contained in the tables in this publication relate to persons who were in Australia at both the beginning and end of the survey year. Information about persons whose usual residence was overseas at the beginning of the annual period and in Australia at the end of the period is shown in the Appendix.

11. Although information on the movement of children under the age of 15 years is not collected in these surveys, the number of children in each family group is ascertained, thereby making it possible to estimate the number of dependants under 15 whose parents or guardians changed usual residence. These estimates, which are shown in Tables 1-4, are therefore the number of children who would have changed residence if:

- (a) children residing in private dwellings shared the movement characteristics of their parents or guardians (usually the father); and

- (b) children not residing in private dwellings shared the assumed movement characteristics of children in private dwellings.

Results for metropolitan/non-metropolitan areas and other regions

12. In some tables changes of usual residence are shown in terms of movement within metropolitan areas or between metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas. Estimates for metropolitan areas relate to persons residing within the boundaries of the capital city statistical divisions. Non-metropolitan areas comprise all statistical divisions outside the capital city boundaries. The delimitation of these capital city statistical divisions is explained in Australian Bureau of Statistics, *1981 Census: Population and Dwellings in Local Government Areas and Urban Centres* (2401.0-2408.0). Note that the Canberra Statistical Division comprises the whole of the Australian Capital Territory.

13. For the purposes of this survey, Australia is divided into 52 regions which correspond, in whole or in part to individual or groups of statistical divisions. Internal migration data from the 1984, 1985 and 1986 surveys can be made available for these regions on request. In previous surveys limited small-area data were compiled based on groupings of postcode areas or local government areas. These groupings differed from survey to survey and did not necessarily correspond to the current 52 regions.

Estimation

14. Survey estimates relating to persons aged 15 and over are calculated in such a way as to conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population (excluding persons in institutions) aged 15 and over by State, area, age and sex. Estimates for children under 15 are similarly constrained, except that since the survey does not record their sex, they are made to conform to an independently estimated population aged under 15 by State, area and age only. These independent estimates (benchmarks) are necessarily derived from incomplete information about population changes (births, deaths, internal and overseas migration) and can differ from estimates of the population published by the ABS. Survey estimates have not been revised for the small amendments of population benchmarks arising when final data of births, deaths and migration become available. Nor have the survey results for previous years been revised to take account of major revisions of population estimates made retrospectively.

Mobility rates

15. For this publication mobility rates are calculated by relating the number of persons who change their place of residence to the population of movers and non-movers according to place of residence at the survey date. Rates of this kind are more commonly expressed in relation to the population at the beginning of the period or at the mid-point of the period, or the mean population. The populations at the survey date have been chosen as denominator to conform to the retrospective nature of the survey and to avoid any bias which might arise from comparing data from different sources.

Reliability of the estimates

16. Since the estimates in this statement are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. Estimates with a standard error of more than about 30 per cent have not been shown as the degree of sampling variability would seriously detract from their value for most reasonable uses. Although in some cases figures for these small components can be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable. More information on this topic, together with a table showing estimated standard errors is given in the Technical note at the end of this publication.

17. Standard errors in respect of net gains or losses are greater than those for one-way flows. Net migration (inflow minus outflow) for a particular area is generally a small fraction of total gross flows and it has a relatively high sampling error which affects the accuracy of the estimates. This is particularly the case when net migration is derived from two gross flows of small magnitude such as interstate flows of the smaller States and the two Territories. Net migration figures from this survey are therefore inadequate as measures of the volume of net gain or loss of population through migration. They only provide broad indicators of long term trends over a period of time.

18. Differences between survey results on interstate migration and data from alternative sources cannot always be explained by standard errors. That is, the differences are not always due solely to collecting information from occupants of only a sample of dwellings. Other possible causes are the effects of different definitions and the scope of the survey. The exclusion of certain persons and the definitions of a mover, usual residence, etc. could be expected to affect the results of the survey.

Related publications

19. Users may also wish to refer to the following ABS publications which are available on request:

Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0)

Internal Migration in Australia by D.T. Rowland, Census Monograph, Australian Bureau of Statistics and the Department of Demography, Australian National University, 1979 (3409.0)

Postcensal Interstate Migration Estimates 1966-1981 by O. B. Di Iulio, ABS Occasional Paper 1984/2 released in April 1984.

Interstate migration, Australia — Census of Population and Housing, 30 June 1981 (3411.0)

20. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- .. not applicable
- * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses
- n.a. not available

21. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Rates of residential change

The number of people in Australia who changed their place of usual residence during the year ended 31 May 1986 was 2,438,900. The mobility rate was 158 movers per thousand population. This is lower than the rate recorded by the previous survey in this series when, for the year ended 30 June 1985, 2,544,600 persons changed usual residence — a mobility rate of 167 per thousand population.

The following table presents the proportion of the population in each State that changed their usual residence in the twelve months preceding the surveys conducted in years 1980 to 1986. The proportion who move has generally been high in the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia and low in Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania.

MOBILITY RATES: SURVEYS 1980 to 1986
(Movers per thousand population)

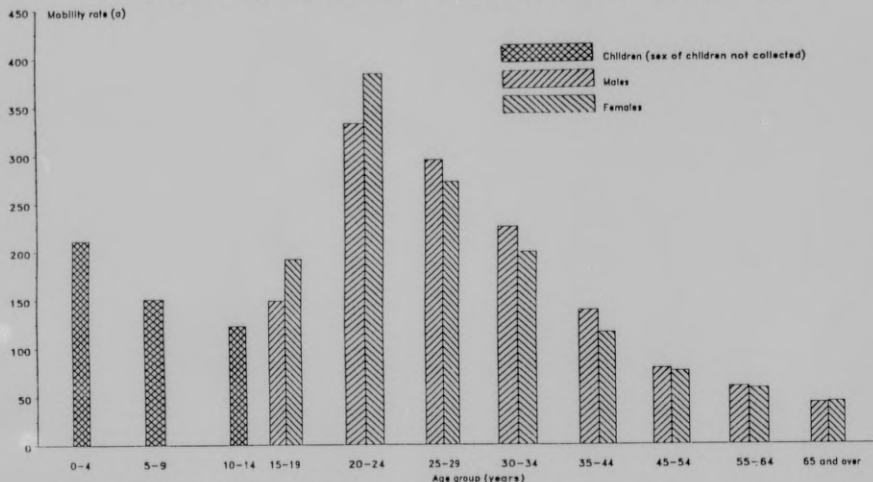
Year ended—	N. S. W.	Vic.	Qld	S. A.	W. A.	Tas.	N. T.	A. C. T.	Aust.
June 1980	162	142	214	147	200	163	281	158	167
May 1981	161	141	222	142	195	157	329	186	168
June 1982	144	134	223	152	191	131	367	166	161
June 1983	143	138	193	129	189	142	245	179	154
June 1984	152	154	208	151	211	154	282	176	168
June 1985	153	140	212	168	214	151	271	154	167
May 1986	146	136	191	154	200	167	236	169	158

For the year ended 31 May 1986, Tasmania experienced its highest level of mobility (167 per thousand) in the 1980's and Queensland its lowest (191 per thousand). With the exception of Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory, all States experienced lower mobility rates than in the previous period surveyed (the year ended 30 June 1985). The population in non-metropolitan areas continues to be more mobile than the metropolitan population.

Characteristics of movers

The pattern of higher mobility rates of the younger age-groups (20-29) and of the unemployed has continued. The highest mobility rate occurs amongst those aged 20-24 (358 movers per thousand population) followed by the 25-29 year olds (284 per thousand). In the 15-19 and 20-24 age groups females are more mobile than males; for all higher ages they are less mobile. The mobility rate for children 0-4 years of age is considerably higher than for those aged 5-9 and 10-14. This indicates that parents are more likely to move before their children reach school age and that their mobility declines as the children's schooling progresses. Mobility rates by age are shown in the following diagram.

DIAGRAM 1. ALL PERSONS : MOBILITY RATES (a) BY AGE, YEAR ENDING 31 MAY 1986



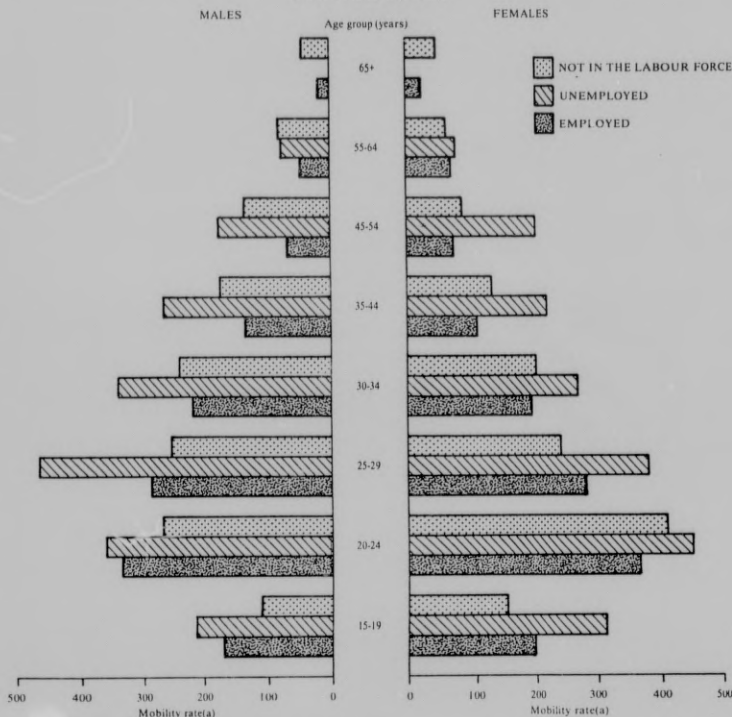
(a) Movers per thousand population of the same age group.

The mobility rate of the unemployed is substantially higher than that of the population as a whole, 294 per thousand compared with 158 per thousand. It should be noted that part of this large difference is due to the difference in the age composition of the two groups. The unemployed group is much younger and to the extent that the younger population tends to be more mobile, the mobility rate for the unemployed is increased. However, analysis by age groups shows that mobility rates for the unemployed are higher in all age groups.

Mobility rates among the younger unemployed are particularly high. In the 20-24 year age group, the rate is 363 per thousand for males and 447 per thousand for females. In the 25-29 year group it is 463 per thousand for males and 382 per thousand for females.

(In interpreting these statistics and the following diagram, note that employment status is ascertained at the time of the survey i.e. at 31 May 1986, and not at the time of moving. For details of people who moved to look for work or for other employment reasons, see below under the heading 'Reasons for moving'.)

DIAGRAM 2. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER: MOBILITY RATES(a) BY AGE, SEX AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986



(a) Moves per thousand population of the same age group, sex and employment status

People born outside Australia who are recent arrivals in this country are more likely to change their place of usual residence than the Australian-born. The mobility rate for the Australian-born aged 15 years and over was 160 movers per thousand population, whereas for the overseas-born who arrived after 1975 the rate was 252. Earlier arrivals had similar mobility patterns to the Australian-born population. The mobility rate for the overseas-born population as a whole, regardless of year of arrival, was 149.

Types of moves

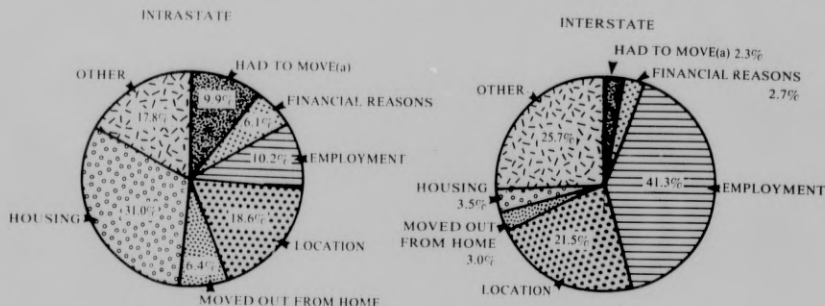
Those people who move, generally tend to do so within the same State and within the same city or general area in which they have been living. In the year ended 31 May 1986 only 10 per cent (252,300 persons) of those who changed their usual residence moved interstate, and only 9 per cent (220,300 persons) moved to or from the metropolitan (Capital city) area of their State. On the other hand 49 per cent (1,195,400 persons) moved within the same metropolitan area in which they had been living and 32 per cent (770,800 persons) moved within the non-metropolitan area of the same State where they had been living.

In the year ended 31 May 1986 the overall effect of internal migration on the distribution of population between metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas was minimal; approximately 167,400 persons moved from metropolitan areas to non-metropolitan areas, while 165,600 persons moved in the opposite direction.

Reasons for moving

Of movers aged 15 years and over (both intra and inter-State movers), 28 per cent gave 'housing' reasons as the main reason for moving, 19 per cent gave 'location' reasons and 13 per cent 'employment' reasons. The majority of those moving for 'housing' reasons were either first home buyers moving to their new home or people who had moved to a larger house because they required more living space. The proportion of moves for 'housing' reasons is significantly higher among intrastate moves than among interstate moves. As the following diagram shows, 31 per cent of the 1,661,900 intrastate moves were for 'housing' reasons but only 4 per cent of the 191,100 interstate moves. Moves for 'location' reasons, for example to be closer to relatives or friends or closer to work, school etc, also tended to be intrastate. On the other hand, 32 per cent of moves for 'employment' reasons were to another State or Territory.

DIAGRAM 3. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER: PROPORTION OF PERSONS WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE BY REASON FOR MOVING AND TYPE OF MOVE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986



(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the mover's control, the principal reason being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of a property and natural calamities.

Duration of stay at usual residence of 30 June 1985

Although the duration of stay at a person's place of usual residence is age-selective and, for the overseas-born, dependent on year of arrival in Australia, it can be used as a good indicator of internal migration over the long term. 74 per cent of people aged 15 years and over had lived at their current usual residence for less than 15 years — that is they had moved at least once during the past 15 years. In the Northern Territory the figure was 89 per cent — higher than any other State or Territory. In the Australian Capital Territory it was 79 per cent, and in Western Australia, 81 per cent. Looking at the shorter term, 43 per cent of people aged 15 and over had lived at their current usual residence for less than 5 years. The corresponding figure for the Northern Territory was 62 per cent, and for Queensland and Western Australia 50 per cent and 51 per cent respectively. The least mobile populations were in New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia.

TABLE 1. ALL PERSONS : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

Age group (years)	Year ended -					
	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	31 May 1986(a)
CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)						
0 - 4	263.2	252.5	248.5	244.8	274.0	256.8
5 - 9	205.4	201.0	185.0	159.4	191.4	183.7
10 - 14	151.6	158.8	164.0	148.0	166.4	171.0
15 - 19	223.0	226.3	225.3	204.8	228.0	218.5
20 - 24	454.7	453.0	454.2	469.3	460.4	462.3
25 - 29	576.7	578.0	334.6	336.3	386.9	386.3
30 - 34			231.5	227.7	247.8	252.9
35 - 44	217.5	231.6	233.1	242.8	239.5	306.9
45 - 54	120.1	134.5	120.5	119.1	130.0	135.1
55 - 64	88.9	106.0	84.5	78.4	105.2	98.0
65 and over	76.0	79.1	67.8	62.9	68.6	73.0
Total	2,377.3	2,420.7	2,348.9	2,293.9	2,548.2	2,544.6
DID NOT CHANGE USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)						
0 - 4	858.0	863.9	880.0	917.5	911.8	929.6
5 - 9	1,068.0	1,048.9	1,028.1	1,039.3	986.5	975.4
10 - 14	1,107.7	1,130.2	1,165.2	1,219.7	1,184.4	1,156.3
15 - 19	1,022.4	1,011.5	996.1	1,022.0	1,015.5	1,041.0
20 - 24	741.6	776.6	806.0	812.5	833.2	815.1
25 - 29	1,692.7	1,729.3	829.3	827.5	851.7	861.5
30 - 34			935.6	989.5	966.5	962.6
35 - 44	1,520.0	1,569.5	1,660.1	1,793.2	1,782.8	1,834.2
45 - 54	1,376.7	1,361.8	1,383.5	1,372.8	1,377.4	1,388.4
55 - 64	1,213.3	1,225.6	1,275.6	1,305.2	1,310.8	1,328.1
65 and over	1,216.9	1,256.3	1,302.4	1,319.1	1,363.4	1,403.0
Total	11,817.3	11,974.0	12,262.0	12,618.2	12,584.1	12,698.2
TOTAL ('000)						
0 - 4	1,121.2	1,116.4	1,128.4	1,162.2	1,185.8	1,186.4
5 - 9	1,273.5	1,249.9	1,213.1	1,198.7	1,177.8	1,159.1
10 - 14	1,259.3	1,259.0	1,329.2	1,367.7	1,350.8	1,327.3
15 - 19	1,245.4	1,237.8	1,221.4	1,226.8	1,243.5	1,259.5
20 - 24	1,196.4	1,229.6	1,260.2	1,282.2	1,293.6	1,280.5
25 - 29	2,269.4	2,307.8	1,163.9	1,163.8	1,238.6	1,247.8
30 - 34			1,167.2	1,217.1	1,214.3	1,215.6
35 - 44	1,737.5	1,801.1	1,893.2	2,036.0	2,072.3	2,141.1
45 - 54	1,496.8	1,496.3	1,504.0	1,491.9	1,507.4	1,523.5
55 - 64	1,302.2	1,331.6	1,360.1	1,383.6	1,416.1	1,426.1
65 and over	1,292.9	1,335.3	1,370.2	1,382.0	1,431.9	1,476.0
Total	14,194.6	14,394.7	14,610.9	14,912.0	15,132.3	15,242.8
MOBILITY RATES(b)						
0 - 4	235	226	220	211	231	216
5 - 9	161	161	152	133	162	158
10 - 14	120	123	123	108	123	129
15 - 19	179	183	184	167	183	173
20 - 24	380	368	360	366	356	361
25 - 29	254	250	287	289	312	310
30 - 34			198	187	204	208
35 - 44	125	129	123	119	140	143
45 - 54	80	90	80	80	86	89
55 - 64	68	80	62	57	74	69
65 and over	59	59	50	46	48	49
Total	167	168	161	154	168	167

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and / or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 population.

TABLE 2. ALL PERSONS : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY AGE BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 31 MAY 1986, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Age group (years)	State of usual residence at 31 May 1986 -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)									
0 - 4	79.8	53.9	51.5	22.2	27.8	8.5	3.7	3.6	250.9
5 - 9	52.5	39.1	34.4	14.2	21.4	6.3	3.3	4.4	175.5
10 - 14	48.9	36.2	32.9	12.1	20.1	4.8	2.5	1.9	159.5
15 - 19	66.3	41.7	52.1	19.9	27.9	6.9	3.7	3.6	222.1
20 - 24	147.7	109.2	87.7	36.2	46.4	11.3	6.7	9.7	455.0
25 - 29	128.0	82.8	60.2	31.7	39.2	9.1	4.0	5.7	360.8
30 - 34	86.4	66.2	43.6	21.0	27.2	7.5	3.9	5.6	261.4
35 - 44	87.7	61.4	57.6	23.4	33.6	9.9	4.1	5.0	282.7
45 - 54	34.8	25.5	26.1	11.1	16.9	3.0	1.3	1.3	119.9
55 - 64	24.7	19.8	20.7	7.0	8.2	3.4	*	1.4	85.3
65 and over	22.4	15.2	12.2	7.6	5.9	2.1	*	*	65.8
Total	779.2	551.1	478.9	206.5	274.6	72.9	33.3	42.3	2,438.9
DID NOT CHANGE USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)									
0 - 4	327.0	242.7	152.0	76.0	84.5	26.9	11.7	18.3	939.1
5 - 9	343.0	255.7	163.8	79.1	88.3	27.8	11.1	18.0	986.7
10 - 14	390.0	297.5	191.3	92.6	98.0	32.0	12.4	22.4	1,136.1
15 - 19	364.1	310.2	164.8	91.3	90.6	31.3	9.0	19.5	1,080.8
20 - 24	285.1	231.0	113.8	74.0	68.1	25.7	5.8	11.7	815.2
25 - 29	311.0	250.1	142.0	79.0	76.0	27.4	10.5	14.6	910.7
30 - 34	335.0	254.3	153.0	85.3	90.6	27.1	10.5	16.5	972.2
35 - 44	684.2	513.6	299.0	164.3	170.6	49.6	17.7	36.1	1,935.0
45 - 54	515.5	383.9	216.7	121.3	120.7	38.4	10.2	22.5	1,429.1
55 - 64	497.2	366.2	200.9	129.2	104.6	35.8	5.3	16.2	1,355.6
65 and over	519.8	395.9	231.8	138.7	106.3	41.0	3.4	12.4	1,449.3
Total	4,571.9	3,501.1	2,029.0	1,130.7	1,098.3	362.8	107.7	208.3	13,009.8
TOTAL ('000)									
0 - 4	406.8	296.6	203.5	98.2	112.2	35.4	15.4	21.9	1,190.0
5 - 9	395.6	294.8	198.1	93.3	109.6	34.1	14.3	22.4	1,162.3
10 - 14	438.8	333.7	224.2	104.7	118.2	36.8	14.9	24.3	1,295.6
15 - 19	430.4	352.0	216.9	111.1	118.6	38.2	12.7	23.1	1,302.9
20 - 24	432.8	340.2	201.5	110.3	114.5	37.0	12.5	21.4	1,270.2
25 - 29	439.0	333.0	202.2	110.8	115.2	36.5	14.5	20.3	1,271.5
30 - 34	421.5	320.5	196.6	106.3	117.8	34.6	14.4	22.1	1,233.6
35 - 44	771.9	575.0	356.6	187.7	204.2	59.4	21.8	41.0	2,217.7
45 - 54	550.2	409.4	242.8	132.4	137.6	41.3	11.5	23.8	1,549.1
55 - 64	522.0	386.0	221.6	136.2	112.9	39.2	5.3	17.6	1,440.8
65 and over	542.2	411.1	244.0	146.3	112.2	43.1	3.6	12.6	1,515.1
Total	5,351.1	4,052.2	2,507.9	1,337.2	1,372.9	435.7	141.0	250.6	15,448.6
MOBILITY RATES(a)									
0 - 4	196	182	253	226	247	241	240	163	211
5 - 9	133	133	173	152	195	185	227	196	151
10 - 14	111	109	147	116	170	130	167	79	123
15 - 19	154	119	240	179	236	181	293	155	170
20 - 24	341	321	435	329	405	307	537	452	358
25 - 29	292	249	298	286	340	249	276	280	284
30 - 34	205	207	222	198	231	218	273	252	212
35 - 44	114	107	161	125	165	166	186	121	127
45 - 54	63	62	107	84	123	71	113	55	77
55 - 64	47	51	93	51	73	87	*	78	59
65 and over	41	37	50	52	53	49	*	*	43
Total	146	136	191	154	200	167	236	169	158

(a) Movers per 1,000 State population.

TABLE 3. ALL PERSONS WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATES AND TERRITORIES, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Type of move	('000)									Aust.
	State of usual residence -									
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.		
Moved within the same metropolitan area	399.4	332.4	134.7	116.4	151.9	21.3	12.5	26.9	1,195.4	
Moved from metropolitan area of State -										
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	27.1	23.9	27.4	11.8	15.9	2.8	"	"	109.9	
Interstate	39.4	32.1	18.5	17.6	11.5	6.7	5.1	16.2	147.1	
Total	66.5	56.0	45.9	29.4	27.4	9.5	6.1	16.2	257.0	
Moved to metropolitan area of State -										
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	34.4	22.5	20.0	9.0	19.8	3.5	1.2	"	110.4	
Interstate	27.9	26.6	26.6	13.2	18.6	3.0	8.6	15.4	144.9	
Total	62.3	49.0	46.6	27.3	38.4	6.5	9.7	15.4	255.2	
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	261.4	131.0	230.5	45.6	60.9	35.5	5.9	"	770.8	
Moved from non-metropolitan area of State -										
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	34.4	22.5	20.0	9.0	19.8	3.5	1.2	"	110.4	
Interstate	38.8	16.7	30.1	2.7	4.0	6.0	6.9	"	105.2	
Total	73.2	39.1	50.1	11.8	23.8	9.5	8.1	"	215.6	
Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -										
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	27.1	23.9	27.4	11.8	15.9	2.8	"	"	109.9	
Interstate	29.0	14.9	39.7	5.4	7.5	6.8	4.2	"	107.4	
Total	56.1	38.8	67.1	17.3	23.4	9.6	5.2	"	217.4	
Total moved into State	56.9	41.4	66.3	23.7	26.1	9.8	12.7	15.4	252.3	
Total moved out of State	78.2	48.8	48.6	20.3	15.6	12.7	12.9	16.2	252.3	
Total moved within State	722.3	509.7	412.7	182.8	248.5	63.1	20.6	26.9	2,186.6	

TABLE 4. ALL PERSONS WHO MOVED INTERSTATE : STATES AND TERRITORIES OF ORIGIN AND DESTINATION, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

State of destination - (usual residence at 31 May 1986)	('000)								Aust.
	State of origin (usual residence at 31 May 1985) -								
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
New South Wales	"	15.3	17.6	*	3.9	3.4	3.3	11.0	56.9
Victoria	16.9	"	12.6	4.5	4.5	*	*	*	41.4
Queensland	39.1	11.6	"	5.2	*	4.5	*	2.9	66.3
South Australia	6.0	7.5	3.4	"	2.7	*	2.8	*	23.7
Western Australia	5.2	5.0	5.9	4.1	"	2.0	2.7	*	26.1
Tasmania	2.5	4.1	.9	1.2	*	"	*	*	9.8
Northern Territory	2.7	1.9	4.3	1.7	2.1	*	"	*	12.7
Australian Capital Territory	5.8	3.4	3.9	1.1	*	*	*	"	15.4
Total Australia	78.2	48.8	48.6	20.3	15.6	12.7	12.0	16.2	252.3

TABLE 5. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

Type of move	Year ended -						
	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)	31 May 1986(a)
MALES ('000)							
Changed usual residence	879.7	912.2	878.7	878.4	955.5	965.9	925.2
Did not change usual residence	4,337.2	4,408.2	4,536.4	4,668.0	4,673.6	4,739.0	4,907.1
Total	5,217.0	5,320.4	5,415.1	5,546.4	5,629.1	5,705.0	5,832.4
FEMALES ('000)							
Changed usual residence	877.3	896.2	872.8	863.3	960.9	967.2	927.8
Did not change usual residence	4,446.4	4,522.8	4,652.3	4,773.7	4,827.8	4,897.9	5,040.6
Total	5,323.6	5,419.1	5,525.1	5,637.0	5,788.7	5,865.0	5,968.4
PERSONS ('000)							
Changed usual residence	1,757.0	1,808.5	1,751.5	1,741.7	1,916.4	1,933.1	1,853.0
Did not change usual residence	8,783.6	8,931.0	9,188.7	9,441.7	9,501.4	9,636.9	9,947.8
Total	10,540.6	10,739.5	10,940.2	11,183.4	11,417.8	11,570.0	11,800.8
MOBILITY RATES(b)							
Males	169	171	162	158	170	169	159
Females	165	165	158	153	166	165	155
Persons	167	168	160	156	168	167	157

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and / or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 population.

TABLE 6. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER: PLACE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 31 MAY 1986 BY CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Place of usual residence at 31 May 1986	('000)											
	Changed usual residence			Did not change usual residence			Total			Mobility rates(a)		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Persons
New South Wales												
Metropolitan	184.4	179.5	363.8	1,070.5	1,131.3	2,201.8	1,254.8	1,310.8	2,565.6	147	137	142
Ex-metropolitan	118.8	115.4	234.2	653.3	656.8	1,310.0	772.1	772.2	1,544.3	154	149	152
Total	303.2	294.9	598.1	1,723.8	1,788.1	3,511.9	2,026.9	2,083.0	4,109.9	150	142	146
Victoria												
Metropolitan	149.4	151.6	300.9	946.8	984.7	1,931.4	1,096.1	1,136.2	2,232.4	136	133	135
Ex-metropolitan	55.3	65.7	121.0	386.4	387.4	773.8	441.7	453.1	894.8	125	145	135
Total	204.7	217.2	421.9	1,333.1	1,372.1	2,705.2	1,537.8	1,589.3	3,127.1	133	137	135
Queensland												
Metropolitan	65.9	74.2	140.2	355.9	372.0	727.9	421.8	446.2	868.0	156	166	161
Ex-metropolitan	115.6	104.5	220.0	398.2	395.9	794.1	513.8	500.4	1,014.2	225	209	217
Total	181.5	178.7	360.2	754.1	767.9	1,522.0	935.6	946.6	1,882.2	194	189	191
South Australia												
Metropolitan	53.9	57.3	111.2	313.9	335.3	649.1	367.8	392.5	760.3	147	146	146
Ex-metropolitan	24.3	22.5	46.8	119.4	114.5	233.9	143.7	137.0	280.7	169	164	167
Total	78.2	79.7	157.9	433.3	449.8	883.0	511.5	529.5	1,041.0	153	151	152
Western Australia												
Metropolitan	70.8	74.5	145.4	291.9	304.7	596.6	362.8	379.2	742.0	195	197	196
Ex-metropolitan	32.3	27.7	60.0	122.8	108.1	231.0	155.1	135.9	291.0	208	204	206
Total	103.1	102.2	205.3	414.7	412.8	827.6	517.9	515.1	1,032.9	199	198	199
Tasmania												
Metropolitan	10.1	10.9	21.0	55.4	57.6	113.0	65.5	68.6	134.0	154	159	157
Ex-metropolitan	15.6	16.6	32.3	82.2	80.9	163.1	97.8	97.5	195.3	160	171	165
Total	25.7	27.6	53.2	137.6	138.5	276.1	163.3	166.1	329.4	157	166	162
Northern Territory												
Metropolitan	9.3	7.8	17.1	24.7	22.0	46.7	34.0	29.8	63.8	273	261	267
Ex-metropolitan	3.3	3.5	6.8	13.1	12.6	25.7	16.4	16.1	32.5	202	217	209
Total	12.6	11.3	23.9	37.8	34.6	72.5	50.5	45.9	96.3	250	246	248
Australian Capital Territory												
Metropolitan	16.2	16.2	32.4	72.7	76.8	149.5	89.0	93.0	181.9	183	174	178
Ex-metropolitan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	16.2	16.2	32.4	72.7	76.8	149.5	89.0	93.0	181.9	183	174	178
Australia												
Metropolitan	560.0	571.9	1,131.9	3,131.8	3,284.4	6,416.2	3,691.8	3,856.3	7,548.1	152	148	150
Ex-metropolitan	365.2	355.9	721.1	1,775.4	1,756.2	3,531.6	2,140.6	2,112.1	4,252.7	171	168	170
Total	925.2	927.8	1,853.0	4,907.1	5,040.6	9,947.8	5,832.4	5,968.4	11,800.8	159	155	157

(a) Movers per 1,000 population of the area

TABLE 7. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :
AGE AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

AGE AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986								
Age group (years)	Employment status(a)							
	Males				Females			
	Employed	Unemployed (b)	Not in the labour force	Total	Employed	Unemployed (b)	Not in the labour force	Total
NUMBER ('000)								
15 - 19	55.4	14.6	28.5	98.5	62.5	22.6	38.4	123.6
20 - 24	177.0	19.6	14.9	211.4	160.3	17.8	65.5	243.6
25 - 29	162.1	18.5	6.3	187.3	104.9	9.8	58.7	173.5
30 - 34	122.4	10.4	6.0	138.7	66.3	6.7	49.7	122.7
35 - 44	135.2	11.5	8.6	155.3	70.0	9.3	48.1	127.4
45 - 54	47.4	5.8	9.1	62.4	27.1	3.3	27.1	57.5
55 - 64	20.1	*	21.1	43.0	9.6	*	32.4	42.3
65 and over	*	*	27.3	28.6	*	*	36.7	37.2
Total	720.7	82.2	122.3	925.2	501.2	69.9	356.7	927.8
MOBILITY RATES(c)								
15 - 19	166	214	111	149	198	313	151	192
20 - 24	337	363	268	333	368	447	409	384
25 - 29	286	463	253	295	283	382	244	272
30 - 34	218	343	239	225	193	271	200	199
35 - 44	132	267	170	139	104	220	126	116
45 - 54	69	174	132	79	68	201	79	76
55 - 64	47	*	80	60	64	*	57	58
65 and over	*	*	45	43	*	*	44	44
Total	172	282	91	159	185	309	118	155

(a) Employment status at the time of the survey.

(b) Includes those persons looking for their first job and those looking for part-time work.

(c) Movers per 1,000 population of the same sex, age group, and employment status.

TABLE 8. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :
AGE BY SEX BY REASON FOR MOVING, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

('000)																
Reason for moving -																
Age group (years)	Had to move out (forced move)(a)	Finan- cial reasons	Employ- ment	----- Closer to work, school etc	Location Better area	----- Closer to family/ friends	----- Total	Moved out from home/to be inde- pendent	----- Larger house	Housing To buy own home	----- Other	Total	Marital status change	Retire- ment/ health	Other	Total
	MALES															
15 - 19	9.3	5.7	16.3	13.6	4.8	7.8	26.2	10.1	6.5	5.2	7.0	18.7	*	*	10.0	98.5
20 - 24	20.2	13.0	30.9	18.9	8.8	11.1	38.8	31.1	13.7	16.9	8.2	38.9	19.4	*	18.5	211.4
25 - 29	17.4	12.0	27.2	14.3	12.1	5.5	32.0	11.8	11.2	31.1	12.0	54.3	20.7	*	10.8	187.3
30 - 34	12.4	7.7	25.0	7.1	10.0	5.0	22.1	3.0	15.2	23.6	11.9	50.7	9.4	*	7.4	138.7
35 - 44	13.3	8.5	29.3	10.7	12.3	3.4	26.4	*	19.6	21.1	12.7	53.4	13.2	*	9.3	155.3
45 - 54	5.6	3.7	10.5	4.0	5.9	3.1	13.0	*	5.5	8.2	4.8	18.5	3.8	*	4.7	62.4
55 - 64	4.2	*	3.8	*	6.8	*	11.0	*	*	3.1	6.5	10.4	*	8.6	*	43.0
65 and over	*	*	*	*	2.7	3.5	7.0	*	*	*	6.4	9.3	*	5.9	*	28.6
Total	84.2	53.3	143.1	71.1	63.4	41.9	176.5	57.6	73.1	111.5	69.4	254.0	71.2	20.7	64.6	925.2
FEMALES																
15 - 19	11.2	5.6	11.2	16.2	5.1	10.7	32.1	19.5	11.3	3.7	7.2	22.2	5.4	*	16.3	123.6
20 - 24	24.6	16.9	27.0	13.6	10.8	13.1	37.4	24.1	16.3	26.0	15.7	58.0	35.2	*	19.5	243.6
25 - 29	14.2	9.7	21.7	10.2	10.2	7.0	27.4	7.1	15.0	32.1	14.1	61.2	19.4	*	12.0	173.5
30 - 34	10.6	7.6	17.7	7.1	10.7	5.0	22.8	*	15.6	19.7	8.4	43.6	8.7	*	10.1	122.7
35 - 44	11.1	7.4	18.8	9.0	11.1	2.7	22.8	*	13.5	17.1	11.4	42.0	10.8	*	11.5	127.4
45 - 54	6.2	3.3	5.2	4.4	6.0	3.5	13.9	*	3.6	6.0	6.9	16.4	3.9	4.1	4.2	57.5
55 - 64	4.5	*	*	*	4.9	4.4	11.1	*	*	*	6.9	10.5	*	7.4	*	42.3
65 and over	2.9	*	*	*	2.9	6.6	10.5	*	*	*	6.8	10.1	*	8.0	2.9	37.2
Total	85.3	54.0	103.6	63.3	61.7	53.0	178.1	54.6	78.1	108.6	77.4	264.1	86.5	23.4	78.4	927.8
PERSONS																
15 - 19	20.5	11.3	27.5	29.8	9.9	18.5	58.2	29.5	17.8	8.8	14.2	40.9	7.5	*	26.3	222.1
20 - 24	44.7	29.9	57.9	32.5	19.6	24.2	76.3	55.2	30.0	42.9	23.9	96.8	54.6	*	38.0	455.0
25 - 29	31.5	21.7	48.9	24.6	22.4	12.5	59.4	18.8	26.2	63.2	26.1	115.6	40.1	*	22.8	360.8
30 - 34	23.0	15.3	42.7	14.2	20.6	10.1	44.9	4.0	30.8	43.3	20.2	94.4	18.1	*	17.4	261.4
35 - 44	24.4	15.9	48.1	19.7	23.4	6.1	49.1	*	33.1	38.2	24.1	95.3	24.1	*	20.8	282.7
45 - 54	11.8	7.0	15.7	8.3	12.0	6.6	26.9	*	9.0	14.2	11.7	34.9	7.6	6.2	8.9	119.9
55 - 64	8.7	3.5	5.7	3.6	11.7	6.8	22.1	*	*	5.3	13.4	20.9	4.1	16.0	3.6	85.3
65 and over	4.9	2.7	*	*	5.6	10.2	17.5	*	*	4.1	13.2	19.4	*	13.9	5.2	65.8
Total	169.5	107.3	246.6	134.4	125.1	94.9	354.5	112.2	151.2	220.0	146.8	518.1	157.7	44.1	143.0	1,853.0

(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the mover's control, the principal reasons being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, a lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of properties and natural calamities.

TABLE 9. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :
TYPE OF MOVE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

Type of move	(000)						
	Year ended -						
	30 June 1980(a)	31 May 1981(a)	30 June 1982(b)	30 June 1983(b)	30 June 1984(b)	30 June 1985(b)	31 May 1986(b)
MALES							
Moved intrastate -							
Within metropolitan area	439.6	460.9	426.0	466.4	505.6	494.1	462.2
Within non-metropolitan area	256.3	268.6	263.1	243.4	279.8	292.0	281.7
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	49.5	49.4	42.2	41.2	46.2	47.6	42.6
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	39.7	36.0	41.3	39.2	38.6	42.1	42.4
Total	785.6	814.8	772.6	790.2	870.2	875.7	828.9
Moved interstate -							
Between metropolitan areas	25.3	25.6	29.7	35.2	32.9	30.4	33.5
Between non-metropolitan areas	27.0	30.8	28.0	18.2	17.5	21.7	20.7
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	22.1	21.9	27.0	14.9	18.5	17.1	20.2
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	19.7	19.1	21.4	19.7	16.4	21.0	21.9
Total	94.1	97.4	106.1	88.0	85.3	90.2	96.3
Total movement -							
Within or between metropolitan areas	464.9	486.5	455.7	501.7	538.5	524.5	495.7
Within or between non-metropolitan areas	283.0	299.4	291.1	261.5	297.3	313.8	302.4
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas	71.6	71.3	69.3	56.1	64.8	64.6	62.8
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas	59.4	55.1	62.7	58.9	54.9	63.1	64.3
Total	879.7	912.2	878.7	878.2	955.5	965.9	925.2
FEMALES							
Moved intrastate -							
Within metropolitan area	445.8	463.7	431.2	462.7	526.2	511.1	470.2
Within non-metropolitan area	251.5	251.4	249.0	241.0	268.4	269.5	275.9
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	47.4	45.6	46.8	39.4	44.8	49.6	41.4
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	41.1	39.1	43.5	35.6	41.0	40.3	45.5
Total	785.8	799.8	770.6	778.7	880.5	871.0	833.0
Moved interstate -							
Between metropolitan areas	28.2	28.9	28.8	34.9	35.1	37.7	34.9
Between non-metropolitan areas	25.4	27.8	24.3	14.7	12.7	18.7	16.0
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	20.5	21.3	29.9	15.5	18.2	17.2	22.5
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	17.3	18.5	19.2	19.4	14.3	22.5	21.3
Total	91.4	96.5	102.2	84.5	80.4	96.1	94.7
Total movement -							
Within or between metropolitan areas	474.1	492.6	460.0	497.6	561.3	548.7	505.1
Within or between non-metropolitan areas	277.0	279.2	273.3	255.7	281.1	288.2	292.0
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas	67.3	66.9	76.7	55.0	63.1	66.8	63.9
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas	58.4	57.6	62.7	55.1	55.4	63.4	66.8
Total	877.3	896.2	872.8	863.3	960.9	967.2	927.8
PERSONS							
Moved intrastate -							
Within metropolitan area	885.4	924.6	857.2	929.1	1,031.9	1,005.1	932.4
Within non-metropolitan area	508.4	520.0	512.1	484.3	548.2	561.6	557.6
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	96.9	95.0	89.1	80.7	91.1	97.2	84.0
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	80.8	75.0	84.8	74.8	79.6	82.9	87.9
Total	1,571.5	1,614.6	1,543.2	1,568.9	1,730.7	1,746.8	1,661.9
Moved interstate -							
Between metropolitan areas	53.5	54.4	58.4	70.1	68.0	68.1	68.4
Between non-metropolitan areas	52.4	58.6	52.4	32.8	30.2	40.4	36.7
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	42.6	43.2	36.9	30.4	36.7	34.3	42.7
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	37.1	37.7	40.6	39.1	30.7	43.5	43.2
Total	185.6	193.8	208.3	172.5	165.7	186.3	191.1
Total movement -							
Within or between metropolitan areas	938.9	979.0	915.6	999.2	1,099.3	1,073.2	1,000.8
Within or between non-metropolitan areas	560.8	578.6	564.5	517.2	578.4	602.0	594.3
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas	139.5	138.2	146.0	111.1	127.8	131.4	126.8
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas	117.8	112.7	125.4	114.0	110.3	126.5	126.1
Total	1,757.0	1,808.5	1,751.5	1,741.5	1,916.4	1,933.1	1,853.0

(a) Canberra and Darwin statistical divisions classified as non-metropolitan

(b) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and / or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

TABLE 10. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :
TYPE OF MOVE BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986
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Type of move	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
AUSTRALIAN-BORN									
Moved within the same metropolitan area	213.7	172.7	81.1	60.7	73.2	14.0	6.9	15.7	638.0
Moved from metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	16.6	12.2	18.1	7.0	9.9	1.8	*	..	66.5
Interstate	20.4	18.8	11.0	10.0	6.2	3.4	3.3	9.3	82.3
Total	37.0	31.0	29.1	17.0	16.1	5.2	4.1	9.3	148.9
Moved to metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	23.3	17.5	12.4	5.6	11.6	1.7	*	..	73.0
Interstate	17.3	14.9	13.4	10.1	10.0	2.0	5.8	9.0	82.5
Total	40.6	32.4	25.8	15.6	21.6	3.6	6.9	9.0	155.5
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	169.6	84.0	146.7	28.1	34.7	22.5	2.8	..	488.3
Moved from non-metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	23.3	17.5	12.4	5.6	11.6	1.7	*	..	73.0
Interstate	23.6	11.0	20.2	*	2.6	2.9	3.8	..	65.9
Total	46.9	28.5	32.6	7.3	14.2	4.5	4.8	..	138.9
Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	16.6	12.2	18.1	7.0	9.9	1.8	*	..	66.5
Interstate	20.7	9.8	22.0	3.4	4.0	3.7	2.0	..	65.8
Total	37.4	22.0	40.2	10.4	14.0	5.5	2.8	..	132.3
Total moved into State	38.0	24.7	35.4	13.5	14.0	5.7	7.9	9.0	148.2
Total moved out of State	44.0	29.8	31.2	11.8	8.8	6.3	7.1	9.3	148.2
Total moved within State	423.2	286.4	258.3	101.3	129.3	40.1	11.6	15.7	1,265.9
OVERSEAS-BORN									
Moved within the same metropolitan area	101.3	86.7	24.4	29.9	42.9	1.8	2.0	5.4	294.4
Moved from metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	3.9	4.8	2.9	2.8	2.6	*	*	..	17.5
Interstate	8.1	6.0	2.7	4.1	3.3	*	*	2.7	28.8
Total	12.0	10.8	5.6	6.9	5.8	*	*	2.7	46.3
Moved to metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	3.6	*	3.3	1.9	2.7	1.0	*	..	14.9
Interstate	4.6	7.0	5.6	3.0	5.0	*	1.1	2.4	29.1
Total	8.3	9.1	8.9	4.9	7.7	1.5	1.3	2.4	44.0
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	19.5	9.0	24.2	5.0	7.8	3.0	*	..	69.3
Moved from non-metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	3.6	*	3.3	1.9	2.7	1.0	*	..	14.9
Interstate	4.9	2.2	3.6	*	*	*	*	..	14.0
Total	8.5	4.4	6.8	2.3	3.2	2.2	*	..	28.9
Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	3.9	4.8	2.9	2.8	2.6	*	*	..	17.5
Interstate	3.9	*	6.1	*	*	0.9	*	..	13.7
Total	7.8	5.9	9.0	3.2	3.6	1.2	*	..	31.2
Total moved into State	8.5	8.1	11.7	3.5	5.9	1.3	1.4	2.4	42.8
Total moved out of State	13.0	8.2	6.3	4.5	3.7	2.0	2.5	2.7	42.8
Total moved within State	128.3	102.7	54.8	39.6	56.0	6.2	3.0	5.4	396.1
ALL BIRTHPLACES									
Moved within the same metropolitan area	315.0	259.4	105.4	90.6	116.1	15.8	8.9	21.0	932.4
Moved from metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	20.5	17.0	21.0	9.8	12.5	2.2	*	..	84.0
Interstate	28.5	24.8	13.7	14.1	9.4	4.3	4.4	11.9	111.1
Total	49.0	41.8	34.7	23.9	22.0	6.5	5.3	11.9	195.2
Moved to metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	26.9	19.7	15.7	7.4	14.3	2.7	1.2	..	87.9
Interstate	21.9	21.8	19.0	13.1	15.0	2.4	7.0	11.4	111.6
Total	48.8	41.5	34.7	20.5	29.3	5.1	8.1	11.4	199.5
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	189.1	93.0	170.9	33.1	42.5	25.5	3.5	..	557.6
Moved from non-metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	26.9	19.7	15.7	7.4	14.3	2.7	1.2	..	87.9
Interstate	28.5	13.2	23.8	2.2	3.1	4.0	5.2	..	79.9
Total	55.4	32.9	39.5	9.6	17.4	6.7	6.4	..	167.8
Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -									
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	20.5	17.0	21.0	9.8	12.5	2.2	*	..	84.0
Interstate	24.6	11.0	28.1	3.9	5.0	4.6	2.3	..	79.5
Total	45.2	28.0	49.1	13.6	17.5	6.8	3.3	..	163.5
Total moved into State	46.6	32.8	47.1	17.0	20.0	7.0	9.3	11.4	191.1
Total moved out of State	57.0	38.0	37.4	16.3	12.5	8.3	9.6	11.9	191.1
Total moved within State	551.5	389.1	313.1	141.0	185.4	46.2	14.6	21.0	1,661.9

TABLE 11. METROPOLITAN MOBILITY RATES (a) OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER :TYPE OF MOVE
BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Type of move	State of usual residence -							
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.
AUSTRALIAN-BORN								
Moved within the same metropolitan area	121	116	118	120	160	124	157	126
Moved from metropolitan area of State -								
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	9	8	26	14	22	16	*	..
Interstate	12	13	16	20	14	30	75	75
Total	21	21	42	33	35	46	94	75
Moved to metropolitan area of State -								
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	13	12	18	11	25	15	*	..
Interstate	10	10	19	20	21	18	124	69
Total	23	22	38	30	46	33	146	69
OVERSEAS-BORN								
Moved within the same metropolitan area	124	117	133	120	154	78	110	104
Moved from metropolitan area of State -								
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	5	6	16	11	9	*	*	..
Interstate	10	8	15	17	12	*	*	51
Total	15	15	31	28	21	*	*	51
Moved to metropolitan area of State -								
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	4	*	17	7	9	46	*	..
Interstate	5	9	29	12	17	*	62	42
Total	10	12	46	19	26	65	69	42
ALL BIRTHPLACES								
Moved within the same metropolitan area	122	116	121	120	158	116	144	120
Moved from metropolitan area of State -								
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	8	8	24	13	17	16	*	..
Interstate	11	11	16	19	13	32	70	68
Total	19	19	40	32	30	47	86	68
Moved to metropolitan area of State -								
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	10	9	18	10	19	20	18	..
Interstate	8	10	22	17	20	18	106	61
Total	19	18	39	27	39	38	124	61

(a) Movers per 1,000 metropolitan population.

TABLE 12. NON-METROPOLITAN MOBILITY RATES(a) OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Type of move	State of usual residence -						
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.
AUSTRALIAN-BORN							
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	126	108	171	116	151	130	121
Moved from non-metropolitan area of State -							
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	17	22	14	23	50	10	*
Interstate	17	14	23	*	12	17	166
Total	35	37	38	30	62	26	212
Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -							
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	12	16	21	29	43	11	*
Interstate	15	13	25	14	17	21	95
Total	28	28	46	43	61	32	134
OVERSEAS-BORN							
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	102	75	171	122	128	141	64
Moved from non-metropolitan area of State -							
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	19	*	23	46	45	50	*
Interstate	26	*	25	*	*	*	*
Total	45	36	48	55	52	102	*
Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -							
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	20	39	19	69	41	*	*
Interstate	20	*	40	*	*	41	*
Total	40	49	60	79	57	56	*
ALL BIRTHPLACES							
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	123	103	171	117	146	131	102
Moved from non-metropolitan area of State -							
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	17	22	16	26	49	14	34
Interstate	18	15	24	8	11	20	151
Total	36	37	39	34	60	34	185
Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -							
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	13	19	21	35	43	11	*
Interstate	16	12	27	14	17	23	69
Total	29	31	48	48	60	34	99

(a) Movers per 1,000 non-metropolitan population.

TABLE 13. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :
TYPE OF MOVE BY BIRTHPLACE BY YEAR OF ARRIVAL, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Birthplace, year of arrival	('000)										
		Moved	Intrastate				Moved	Interstate			
	Within metro- politan area	Within non- metro- politan area	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan area	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan area	Total	Between metro- politan areas	Between non- metro- politan areas	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan areas	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan areas	Total	Total(a)
Born in Australia	638.0	488.3	66.5	73.0	1,265.9	49.8	33.3	32.5	32.6	148.2	1,414.1
Born outside Australia -											
Arrived before 1966	74.1	27.2	8.9	5.7	116.0	5.1	*	3.0	4.1	14.6	130.6
Arrived 1966 - 1975	105.0	20.6	5.2	6.6	137.5	6.5	*	3.2	3.9	14.1	151.6
Arrived 1976 - 1985	115.3	21.4	3.3	*	142.6	7.0	*	4.0	2.7	14.1	156.7
Total overseas-born	294.4	69.3	17.5	14.9	396.1	18.6	3.5	10.2	10.6	42.8	438.9
Total	932.4	557.6	84.0	87.9	1,661.9	68.4	36.7	42.7	43.2	191.1	1,853.0

(a) Corresponding mobility rates were: Australian-born, 160 per 1,000 population; overseas-born, 93, 163, 252 and 149 respectively, total all birthplaces, 157.

TABLE 14. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :
TYPE OF MOVE BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

	('000)										
	-----	Moved	Intrastate	-----	-----	Moved	Interstate	-----	-----		
Age group (years)	Within metro- politan area	Within metro- politan area	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan area	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan area	Total	Between metro- politan areas	Between non- metro- politan areas	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan areas	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan areas	Total	Total
Males -											
15 - 19	44.0	32.5	4.7	8.7	89.8	*	*	*	3.2	8.7	98.5
20 - 24	103.3	66.4	7.8	8.9	186.3	7.8	6.5	5.1	5.7	25.1	211.4
25 - 29	100.8	55.1	6.4	7.5	169.9	6.6	3.6	3.4	3.9	17.4	187.3
30 - 34	72.9	39.2	7.3	5.0	124.5	6.7	*	3.1	*	14.3	138.7
35 - 44	79.9	45.3	5.6	7.1	137.9	7.0	3.1	3.6	3.7	17.4	155.3
45 - 54	28.9	21.1	4.2	*	56.6	*	*	*	*	5.8	62.4
55 - 64	18.5	12.8	5.3	*	38.1	*	*	*	*	4.8	43.0
65 and over	13.9	9.4	*	*	25.8	*	*	*	*	2.8	28.6
Total	462.2	281.7	42.6	42.4	828.9	33.5	20.7	20.2	21.9	96.3	925.2
Females -											
15 - 19	54.2	44.4	4.8	10.2	113.6	2.8	*	*	*	3.4	123.6
20 - 24	127.6	72.3	8.9	11.4	220.2	8.4	3.9	6.0	5.1	23.4	243.6
25 - 29	94.4	44.5	7.8	8.6	155.3	8.5	*	3.5	3.4	18.2	173.5
30 - 34	60.1	37.1	5.9	5.5	108.7	6.1	*	3.2	3.2	14.0	122.7
35 - 44	65.0	36.9	4.3	5.1	111.3	5.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	16.0	127.4
45 - 54	27.8	17.2	4.3	*	51.6	*	*	*	*	5.9	57.5
55 - 64	20.6	12.7	2.7	*	37.3	*	*	*	*	5.0	42.3
65 and over	20.4	10.8	2.7	*	35.0	*	*	*	*	*	37.2
Total	470.2	275.9	41.4	45.5	833.0	34.9	16.0	22.5	21.3	94.7	927.8
Persons -											
15 - 19	98.1	76.9	9.5	18.9	203.4	5.4	3.7	3.0	6.6	18.7	222.1
20 - 24	230.9	138.7	16.7	20.3	406.6	16.2	10.4	11.1	10.8	48.4	455.0
25 - 29	195.3	99.6	14.2	16.1	325.2	15.0	6.1	7.1	7.3	35.6	360.8
30 - 34	133.1	76.3	13.2	10.6	233.2	12.8	3.5	6.3	5.6	28.3	261.4
35 - 44	144.9	82.2	9.9	12.3	249.3	12.5	6.1	7.1	7.7	33.5	282.7
45 - 54	56.7	38.4	8.5	4.6	108.2	3.3	2.7	3.1	2.7	11.7	119.9
55 - 64	39.1	25.5	7.9	2.9	75.4	*	2.8	3.7	*	9.9	85.3
65 and over	34.3	20.1	4.0	*	60.8	*	*	*	*	5.0	65.8
Total	932.4	557.6	84.0	87.9	1,661.9	68.4	36.7	42.7	43.2	191.1	1,853.0

TABLE 15. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :
TYPE OF MOVE BY REASON FOR MOVING, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Reason for moving	('000)									
	Moved	Intrastate	From non-metro-politan to metro-politan area	Total	Moved	Interstate	From non-metro-politan to metro-politan area	Total	Total	
	Within metro-politan area	Within non-metro-politan area	From metro-politan to non-metro-politan area	From non-metro-politan to metro-politan area	Between metro-politan areas	Between non-metro-politan areas	From metro-politan to non-metro-politan areas	From non-metro-politan to metro-politan areas	Total	Total
Had to move out/forced move(a)	114.4	47.3	*	*	165.1	*	*	*	4.4	169.5
Financial reasons	56.8	38.4	5.1	*	102.1	*	*	*	5.2	107.3
Employment -										
Moved with same employer	3.9	19.2	9.1	9.3	41.5	13.4	*	3.8	4.7	65.8
To begin new job	8.5	29.7	10.8	11.0	60.0	8.0	4.9	4.0	4.3	81.1
To look for work	*	10.8	*	10.1	25.9	2.8	3.7	*	6.2	40.4
To transfer or establish own business	*	15.7	4.2	4.1	26.4	5.6	*	*	11.7	38.0
Other	3.7	6.9	*	*	13.9	3.4	*	*	7.4	21.2
Total	21.0	82.3	27.7	36.7	167.6	33.2	14.9	12.5	79.0	246.6
Location -										
Closer to work/school etc	61.5	38.1	5.8	17.5	123.0	5.4	*	*	4.0	134.4
Better area	72.1	30.9	11.8	*	117.0	*	*	4.7	*	125.1
Closer to family/friends	34.7	22.6	5.5	6.8	69.6	9.9	5.1	5.1	5.2	94.9
Total	168.4	91.6	23.2	26.5	309.6	16.5	8.0	10.7	9.7	354.5
Moved out from home/to be independent	67.7	35.5	*	*	106.3	*	*	*	5.8	112.2
Housing -										
Larger house	103.4	45.9	*	*	151.2	*	*	*	*	151.2
Smaller house	19.0	4.7	*	*	24.8	*	*	*	*	24.8
Other features	33.6	13.0	*	*	47.3	*	*	*	*	47.6
To buy own home	144.9	69.1	3.3	*	218.3	*	*	*	*	220.0
Other	40.2	32.4	*	*	74.2	*	*	*	*	74.5
Total	341.1	165.1	6.1	3.4	515.7	*	*	*	*	518.1
Marital status change	88.5	48.2	4.9	6.0	147.7	*	*	3.7	10.0	157.7
Retirement/health	10.9	13.7	7.7	*	34.7	*	2.9	5.1	9.4	44.1
Other	63.7	35.6	5.4	8.4	113.1	10.5	5.9	5.2	8.3	143.0
Total	932.4	557.6	84.0	87.9	1,661.9	68.4	36.7	42.7	43.2	1,853.0

(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the mover's control, the principal reasons being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, a lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of properties and natural calamities.

TABLE 16. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTRASTATE :
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

State of usual residence at 31 May 1986	Year ended -						
	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)	31 May 1986(a)
	NUMBER ('000)						
New South Wales	538.8	561.4	505.2	536.1	561.5	575.4	551.5
Victoria	374.5	382.5	369.4	383.4	437.7	395.2	389.1
Queensland	287.1	306.7	303.9	292.6	336.0	343.5	313.1
South Australia	130.5	123.5	127.4	113.9	141.5	155.4	141.0
Western Australia	165.7	161.0	165.1	166.5	193.2	199.2	185.4
Tasmania	43.4	43.1	35.8	38.8	42.4	43.2	46.2
Northern Territory	13.6	17.5	18.0	15.4	16.3	16.2	14.6
Australian Capital Territory	17.8	18.9	18.3	22.2	21.9	18.8	21.0
Total Australia	1,571.5	1,614.6	1,543.2	1,568.9	1,750.7	1,746.8	1,661.9
	MOBILITY RATES(b)						
New South Wales	144	148	131	136	140	142	134
Victoria	132	133	126	129	144	130	124
Queensland	182	186	179	168	186	187	166
South Australia	135	127	130	114	139	151	135
Western Australia	184	178	177	173	196	197	179
Tasmania	141	139	113	122	132	131	140
Northern Territory	186	224	213	180	187	173	152
Australian Capital Territory	117	124	120	138	131	108	116
Total Australia	149	150	141	140	153	151	141

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and / or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 State population

TABLE 17. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTRASTATE :
AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Age group (years)	State of usual residence -							Aust.	
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.		A.C.T.
NUMBER ('000)									
Males									
15 - 19	27.3	16.7	21.4	8.6	11.2	2.2	1.7	*	89.8
20 - 24	60.3	45.5	38.3	13.7	19.7	3.9	1.6	3.3	186.3
25 - 29	64.8	36.2	28.4	14.5	17.3	4.4	2.2	2.1	169.9
30 - 34	44.6	32.2	18.5	10.0	12.9	3.2	*	2.1	124.5
35 - 44	45.7	31.2	26.4	11.0	17.0	4.2	1.2	1.2	137.9
45 - 54	17.5	10.6	12.0	5.5	8.7	1.4	*	*	56.6
55 - 64	10.5	8.8	8.7	3.7	4.0	1.9	*	*	38.1
65 and over	8.1	6.9	4.7	3.0	2.1	.9	*	*	25.8
Total	278.8	188.0	158.3	70.0	93.0	22.1	8.3	10.3	828.9
Females									
15 - 19	34.2	21.3	26.9	9.6	15.1	4.1	*	1.4	113.6
20 - 24	73.9	55.3	40.8	18.0	20.6	6.1	2.4	3.3	220.2
25 - 29	56.3	40.3	22.5	13.3	17.0	3.4	*	1.9	155.3
30 - 34	35.2	28.7	18.6	8.3	11.6	3.1	1.5	1.7	108.7
35 - 44	35.7	24.2	21.9	9.8	13.6	3.7	*	1.4	111.3
45 - 54	14.2	13.1	10.6	4.8	7.1	1.3	*	*	51.6
55 - 64	10.7	10.1	7.4	3.1	4.0	1.4	*	*	37.3
65 and over	12.4	8.0	6.0	4.0	3.5	.9	*	*	35.0
Total	272.7	201.0	154.8	71.0	92.4	24.1	6.3	10.7	833.0
Persons									
15 - 19	61.5	38.0	48.3	18.2	26.2	6.3	2.7	2.2	203.4
20 - 24	134.2	100.8	79.1	31.7	40.3	10.0	4.0	6.6	406.6
25 - 29	121.1	76.5	50.9	27.8	34.3	7.8	2.7	4.0	325.2
30 - 34	79.8	60.9	37.1	18.3	24.6	6.3	2.3	3.8	233.2
35 - 44	81.4	55.4	48.2	20.8	30.6	7.9	2.2	2.6	249.3
45 - 54	31.7	23.7	22.6	10.3	15.8	2.7	*	*	108.2
55 - 64	21.2	18.9	16.1	6.8	8.0	3.3	*	0.9	75.4
65 and over	20.5	14.9	10.7	7.0	5.6	1.8	*	*	60.8
Total	551.5	389.1	313.1	141.0	185.4	46.2	14.6	21.0	1,661.9
MOBILITY RATES(a)									
Males									
15 - 19	126	93	192	153	189	114	254	*	136
20 - 24	278	268	384	248	342	210	257	310	293
25 - 29	298	219	279	262	298	240	311	206	268
30 - 34	211	203	188	189	218	187	*	200	202
35 - 44	117	108	147	117	162	140	106	61	123
45 - 54	62	51	96	83	123	66	*	*	72
55 - 64	41	46	79	55	70	99	*	*	53
65 and over	35	39	42	47	41	47	*	*	39
Total	138	122	169	137	180	136	164	116	142
Females									
15 - 19	161	123	255	175	253	219	*	125	177
20 - 24	343	325	401	327	361	332	385	303	347
25 - 29	255	240	225	240	297	188	*	188	244
30 - 34	168	177	190	156	199	179	209	148	176
35 - 44	93	85	124	105	137	127	*	65	101
45 - 54	53	65	90	73	106	64	*	76	68
55 - 64	41	52	66	45	72	72	*	*	52
65 and over	40	34	45	49	57	37	*	*	41
Total	131	126	163	134	179	145	138	115	140
Persons									
15 - 19	143	108	223	164	221	165	211	95	156
20 - 24	310	296	393	287	352	271	320	307	320
25 - 29	276	230	252	251	298	214	186	197	256
30 - 34	189	190	189	172	209	183	159	172	189
35 - 44	105	96	135	111	150	134	102	63	112
45 - 54	58	58	93	78	115	65	*	*	70
55 - 64	41	49	73	50	71	85	*	54	52
65 and over	38	36	44	48	50	41	*	*	40
Total	134	124	166	135	179	140	152	116	141

(a) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.

TABLE 18. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE :
AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986							
Age group (years)	Year ended -						
	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)	31 May 1986(a)
NUMBER ('000)							
15 - 19	18.6	20.0	22.6	18.5	14.6	18.5	18.7
20 - 24	45.6	45.8	55.6	44.1	42.7	42.5	48.4
25 - 29	65.1	62.3	39.7	38.8	33.4	37.9	35.6
30 - 34			31.3	23.6	19.7	26.5	28.3
35 - 44	26.2	27.3	30.8	27.3	27.2	33.6	33.5
45 - 54	11.1	13.4	12.5	7.9	10.1	12.3	11.7
55 - 64	10.9	13.7	10.9	5.8	9.3	7.7	9.9
65 and over	8.2	11.4	4.9	6.7	8.7	7.4	5.0
Total	185.6	193.8	208.3	172.5	165.7	186.3	191.1
MOBILITY RATES(b)							
15 - 19	15	16	19	15	12	15	14
20 - 24	38	37	44	34	33	33	38
25 - 29	29	27	34	33	27	30	28
30 - 34			27	19	16	22	23
35 - 44	15	16	16	13	13	16	15
45 - 54	7	9	8	5	7	8	8
55 - 64	8	10	8	4	7	5	7
65 and over	6	9	4	5	6	5	3
Total	18	18	19	15	15	16	16

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and / or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.

TABLE 19. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE :
STATES AND TERRITORIES OF ORIGIN AND DESTINATION, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

State of destination (usual residence at 31 May 1986) -	('000)								Aust.
	State of origin (usual residence at 31 May 1985) -								
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
New South Wales	..	13.3	14.2	..	3.3	..	..	8.3	46.6
Victoria	12.9	..	10.1	4.3	3.8	..	..	..	32.8
Queensland	26.7	9.1	..	3.9	..	2.7	..	..	47.1
South Australia	4.2	5.1	2.8	..	1.7	..	2.3	..	17.0
Western Australia	4.1	4.4	4.2	2.7	..	1.4	2.3	..	20.0
Tasmania	2.1	2.4	..	0.9	..	..	..	..	7.0
Northern Territory	2.2	1.6	2.6	1.3	1.5	..	..	..	9.3
Australian Capital Territory	4.6	2.2	2.8	..	..	..	..	..	11.4
Total Australia	57.0	38.0	37.4	16.3	12.5	8.3	9.6	11.9	191.1

TABLE 20. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE :
STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986

Age group (years)	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
	NUMBER ('000)								
Moved into State -									
15 - 19	4.7	3.8	3.8	1.7	1.7	*	*	1.4	18.7
20 - 24	13.5	8.5	8.6	4.5	6.1	1.3	2.7	3.1	48.4
25 - 29	6.9	6.3	9.3	3.9	4.9	1.3	1.3	1.7	35.6
30 - 34	6.6	5.3	6.5	2.7	2.6	1.2	1.6	1.8	28.3
35 - 44	6.3	6.0	9.4	2.6	3.0	1.9	1.8	2.4	33.5
45 - 54	*	*	3.5	*	*	*	*	*	11.7
55 - 64	3.5	*	4.6	*	*	*	*	*	9.9
65 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.0
Total Persons	46.6	32.8	47.1	17.0	20.0	7.0	9.3	11.4	191.1
Males	24.4	16.6	23.2	8.2	10.1	3.5	4.3	5.9	96.3
Females	22.2	16.2	23.9	8.7	9.8	3.5	4.9	5.4	94.7
Moved out of State -									
15 - 19	5.3	3.5	4.6	*	*	*	*	*	18.7
20 - 24	14.1	7.3	11.2	3.6	3.7	2.2	2.4	4.0	48.4
25 - 29	11.1	6.8	6.8	3.0	2.3	1.6	2.5	*	35.6
30 - 34	7.8	5.4	5.1	4.0	*	*	*	*	28.3
35 - 44	11.0	7.4	5.1	2.1	2.4	*	2.0	*	33.5
45 - 54	3.2	3.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	11.7
55 - 64	3.3	2.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.9
65 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.0
Total Persons	57.0	38.0	37.4	16.3	12.5	8.3	9.6	11.9	191.1
Males	28.0	20.0	19.0	7.6	5.8	3.8	5.6	6.5	96.3
Females	29.0	18.1	18.4	8.7	6.7	4.4	4.0	5.5	94.7
MOBILITY RATES(a)									
Moved into State -									
15 - 19	11	11	18	15	15	*	*	59	14
20 - 24	31	25	43	41	53	36	217	145	38
25 - 29	16	19	46	35	42	35	90	83	28
30 - 34	16	17	33	25	22	35	114	79	23
35 - 44	8	10	26	14	15	33	84	58	15
45 - 54	*	*	14	*	*	*	*	*	8
55 - 64	7	*	21	*	*	*	*	*	7
65 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	3
Total Persons	11	10	25	16	19	21	96	62	16
Males	12	11	25	16	20	22	86	67	17
Females	11	10	25	17	19	21	108	59	16
Moved out of State -									
15 - 19	12	10	21	*	*	*	*	*	14
20 - 24	32	22	55	33	33	58	200	179	38
25 - 29	25	20	34	27	21	43	161	*	28
30 - 34	18	17	26	37	*	*	*	*	23
35 - 44	14	13	14	11	12	*	90	*	15
45 - 54	6	9	*	*	*	*	*	*	8
55 - 64	6	7	*	*	*	*	*	*	7
65 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	3
Total Persons	14	12	20	16	12	25	99	65	16
Males	14	13	20	15	11	23	108	72	17
Females	14	11	20	16	13	27	88	59	16

(a) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.

TABLE 21. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE: TYPE OF MOVE BY REASON FOR MOVING BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1986 ('000)

Type of move and reason for moving	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
Moved within State									
Had to move out/forced move(a)	56.4	45.0	26.5	11.9	16.4	5.4	1.1	2.3	165.1
Financial reasons	39.8	18.1	21.5	6.2	11.1	1.7	1.4	2.2	102.1
Employment -									
Moved with same employer	12.1	6.5	11.3	3.8	5.7	1.5	*	*	41.5
To begin new job	16.6	12.1	15.0	4.9	9.9	0.8	*	*	60.0
To look for work	9.4	*	7.9	1.8	4.2	*	*	*	25.9
To transfer or establish own business	9.0	3.9	7.4	1.8	2.7	1.0	*	*	26.4
Other	4.5	*	2.6	*	3.0	*	*	*	13.9
Total	51.6	26.5	44.2	13.3	25.4	4.6	1.9	*	167.6
Location -									
Closer to work/school etc	41.7	29.3	24.9	10.0	13.5	2.2	*	*	123.0
Better area	45.7	24.3	22.3	7.1	9.9	3.9	2.3	1.5	117.0
Closer to family/friends	23.1	17.5	14.9	6.6	5.4	1.3	*	*	69.6
Total	110.6	71.0	62.1	23.7	28.8	7.4	2.5	3.6	309.6
Moved out from home to be independent	37.6	23.0	20.3	9.4	10.7	3.2	*	1.9	106.3
Housing -									
Larger house	42.9	44.8	20.3	15.5	18.8	4.9	1.8	2.3	151.2
Smaller house	10.3	3.4	3.0	2.8	3.2	1.5	*	*	24.8
Other features	14.0	9.8	10.5	3.8	7.2	1.5	*	*	47.3
To buy own home	71.0	60.1	32.0	19.8	24.7	5.4	1.8	3.4	218.3
Other	24.6	12.6	15.2	6.3	10.7	2.4	*	1.5	74.2
Total	162.9	130.7	81.1	48.2	64.6	15.7	4.4	8.1	515.7
Marital status change	50.6	37.4	25.8	15.4	11.5	4.4	1.2	1.4	147.7
Retirement/health	11.9	6.2	7.0	4.1	4.3	0.9	*	*	34.7
Other	30.0	31.2	24.5	8.7	12.7	2.8	1.9	1.3	113.1
Total	551.5	389.1	313.1	141.0	185.4	46.2	14.6	21.0	1,661.9
Moved into State									
Had to move out/forced move(a)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.4
Financial reasons	*	*	2.6	*	*	*	*	*	5.2
Employment -									
Moved with same employer	5.5	5.7	4.5	2.5	2.0	*	1.5	1.9	24.4
To begin new job	5.1	3.9	2.3	1.4	2.4	0.8	2.0	3.2	21.2
To look for work	*	3.5	3.2	1.4	1.7	*	*	*	14.5
To transfer or establish own business	3.4	*	2.5	*	*	*	*	*	11.7
Other	*	*	2.6	*	*	*	*	*	7.4
Total	18.0	17.3	15.2	7.1	7.2	2.7	5.2	6.4	79.0
Location -									
Closer to work/school etc	*	2.8	2.3	*	*	*	*	*	11.5
Better area	*	*	3.4	*	*	*	*	*	8.1
Closer to family/friends	7.2	4.9	4.7	3.2	2.8	1.3	*	1.0	25.4
Total	10.9	8.6	10.4	5.1	4.1	2.4	1.2	2.2	44.9
Moved out from home to be independent	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.8
Housing -									
Marital status change	3.4	*	2.6	*	*	*	*	*	10.0
Retirement/health	3.1	*	5.4	*	*	*	*	*	9.4
Other	4.9	2.9	8.9	2.4	6.0	1.1	2.5	1.3	29.9
Total	46.6	32.8	47.1	17.0	20.0	7.0	9.3	11.4	191.1
Moved out of State									
Had to move out/forced move(a)	1.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.4
Financial reasons	3.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.2
Employment -									
Moved with same employer	6.9	6.6	2.7	2.9	2.1	*	*	*	24.4
To begin new job	3.9	4.1	6.7	*	*	*	*	*	21.2
To look for work	7.4	*	3.0	*	*	*	*	*	14.5
To transfer or establish own business	3.0	2.6	1.8	*	*	*	*	*	11.7
Other	2.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7.4
Total	24.0	15.7	14.7	6.4	6.2	3.2	4.8	4.0	79.0
Location -									
Closer to work/school etc	4.2	2.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	11.5
Better area	2.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	8.1
Closer to family/friends	6.4	6.3	5.6	*	2.0	*	*	*	25.4
Total	12.9	10.5	7.4	4.5	3.2	*	2.4	2.8	44.9
Moved out from home to be independent	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.8
Housing -									
Marital status change	2.6	*	3.5	*	*	*	*	*	10.0
Retirement/health	3.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.4
Other	7.7	6.0	5.9	4.2	2.2	*	*	*	29.9
Total	57.0	38.0	37.4	16.3	12.5	8.3	9.6	11.9	191.1

(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the mover's control, the principal reasons being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, a lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of properties and natural calamities.

TABLE 22. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER : DURATION OF STAY AT USUAL RESIDENCE OF 31 MAY 1986 BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE

Duration of stay at usual residence of 31 May 1986	State of usual residence at 31 May 1986 -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
	('000)								
Less than 1 year:									
1 - 12 weeks	154.9	93.8	91.5	39.2	51.6	15.0	7.1	8.6	461.7
13 - 25 weeks	147.0	103.8	94.0	32.1	52.4	10.0	7.1	8.3	454.7
26 - 38 weeks	174.2	123.6	97.5	49.7	57.8	16.9	5.0	8.8	533.6
39 - 51 weeks	101.8	87.1	68.8	31.2	37.8	9.9	2.4	4.6	343.5
Total	577.8	408.3	351.8	152.2	199.6	51.8	21.7	30.3	1,793.5
1 - 4 years	1,089.8	842.5	591.6	270.8	328.5	89.6	38.1	56.0	3,307.0
5 - 9 years	799.4	564.5	333.2	179.6	165.2	55.1	17.1	35.1	2,149.2
10 - 14 years	502.2	411.3	197.5	132.6	138.8	41.1	9.0	22.3	1,454.9
15 - 19 years	417.0	331.6	153.1	105.6	75.1	32.5	8.4	21.9	1,145.2
20 - 24 years	260.8	204.7	80.4	71.3	47.8	22.8	1.7	9.2	698.7
25 years or more	462.8	364.2	174.5	128.8	77.9	36.4	*	7.1	1,252.2
Total	4,109.9	3,127.1	1,882.2	1,041.0	1,032.9	329.4	96.3	181.9	11,800.8

APPENDIX
ALL PERSONS WHOSE USUAL RESIDENCE WAS OVERSEAS AT 31 May 1985 (a) :
AGE BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 31 May 1986

('000)									
Age group (years)	State of usual residence at 31 May 1986								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
0 - 4	4.3	3.8	2.0	*	*	*	*	*	12.2
5 - 9	4.9	*	2.6	*	*	*	*	*	12.6
10 - 14	3.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7.6
15 - 19	4.6	5.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	14.5
20 - 24	1.7	6.4	4.3	1.5	3.1	*	*	*	23.8
25 - 29	9.6	6.0	5.3	*	3.9	*	*	1.5	28.0
30 - 34	7.0	4.4	2.7	*	1.9	*	*	1.0	17.6
35 - 44	9.4	5.7	3.5	1.7	2.2	*	*	*	24.0
45 - 54	*	*	*	*	1.5	*	*	*	7.0
55 - 64	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.2
65 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	3.7
Total	56.0	38.7	25.2	8.8	18.1	2.3	2.0	4.1	155.2

(a) Non-institutionalised civilians aged 15 years and over with usual residence in Australia at the end of the survey year but who were overseas at the beginning of the survey year, and their dependants aged 0-14 years.

TECHNICAL NOTE

Reliability of the estimates

Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings (or about two thirds of one per cent of the Australian population), they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. These differences are called *sampling errors*. One measure of sampling error is the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. The standard error can also be expressed as a percentage of the estimate, and this is known as the *relative standard error*.

2. Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. A table of standard errors for general application to sample estimates is given below in which States denote State of residence at the time of the survey i.e. apply to estimates of movement within or into the State. For movement out of the State, Australian standard errors should be used. The figures will not give a precise measure of the standard error of a particular estimate since they are averages based on calculations for a limited number of past surveys over a wide range of characteristics. However, they will provide an indication of the magnitude of the standard error of any estimate for any particular survey. Estimates relating to children under 15 will generally have standard errors slightly higher than those given in the table. An example of the use of the table is as follows—Table 1 shows that, at the Australian level, the estimated number of persons aged 15-19 who moved was 222,100. Since this estimate is between 200,000 and 300,000 in the standard error table, the standard error for Australia will be between 5,000 and 5,800 and can be approximated as 5,200 (rounded to the nearest 100). Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 216,900 to 227,300 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range 211,700 to 232,500.

3. As the standard errors in the table below show, the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. Estimates with a standard error of more than 30 per cent have not been shown in this publication. Although they can in some cases be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable.

4. Proportions and percentages (for example, mobility rates) formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling error. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and denominator. The formula for the relative standard error (RSE) of a proportion is given below:

$$RSE(x/y) = \sqrt{[RSE(x)]^2 + [RSE(y)]^2}$$

5. Continuing the example in paragraph 2 above from Table 1 the mobility rate for the 15-19 age group was 170 per thousand. This figure was derived by dividing the estimated number of movers (222,100) by the estimated population, the total of movers plus non-movers, in the same age group (1,302,900). The standard error of 222,100 is approximately 5,200 so the relative standard error is 2.3 per cent. The standard error of 1,302,900 is 9,500, so the relative standard error is 0.7 per cent.

Applying the above formula, the relative standard error of the mobility rate (170) is $\sqrt{(2.3)^2 + (0.7)^2}$ or 2.2 per cent, giving a standard error of 4. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the mobility rate of persons aged 15-19 is between 166 per thousand and 174 per thousand and nineteen chances in twenty that the proportion is within the range 162 per thousand and 178 per thousand.

6. Published figures may also be used to estimate the difference between two survey estimates (of numbers or percentages). Such a figure is itself an estimate and is therefore subject to sampling error. The sampling error of the difference between two estimates depends on their standard errors and the relationship (correlation) between them. An approximate standard error (SE) of the difference between two estimates (x-y) may be calculated by the following formula:

$$SE(x-y) = \sqrt{[SE(x)]^2 + [SE(y)]^2}$$

While this formula will only be exact between separate and uncorrelated characteristics or subpopulations it is expected to provide a good approximation for all differences likely to be of interest in this publication.

7. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error* and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

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