

# Spatial Analysis & Research

## Census 2006

The national Census of Population and Housing is undertaken by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) every five years. The Census counts reflect the population and housing characteristics of people living in Australia on census night and is vital information used by Governments and the community for planning, policy development, service delivery and research.

## Census data products

Following the release of the Census data in 2007, the Spatial Analysis and Research Branch (SAR) of the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) will incorporate this data into the current range of products and services. Further opportunities to improve products are currently being developed to ensure a full range of small-area data and analyses are available.

Products will be launched in several phases after the two ABS release dates:  
Phase 1 after July 2007 and Phase 2 after November 2007.

## Highlights



'Old favourites' such as *Melbourne in Fact*, *Regional Victoria in Fact*, *Towns in Time*, *Suburbs in Time* and *Know Your Area* will provide key **data**, profiling both metropolitan and regional Victoria, capital cities, states and Australia



*Victoria in Future* population **projections** will be preceded by consultations with all local government and principal users. In response to the greater demands being made for projections, and in partnership with local government, projections for towns and suburbs will be added.



Topic **analyses** will support our understanding of key changes occurring in Victoria including analyses based on the *Towns in Time* and *Suburbs in Time* databases.

Additional analyses include changes on the Victorian coast, Melbourne's peri-urban area, and internal migration, a by-product of population modelling, analysing trends in Victoria's internal population dynamics.



Together with reports and database updates, SAR will also continue to provide a range of services to meet your needs. These will include workshops on regional trends and prospects, enquiry services and customised analyses.

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## Census product schedule

<i>Know Your Area (KYA)</i>	An online service that gives you access to population, employment and housing data in a searchable and downloadable form. KYA will be progressively updated as 2006 census data becomes available. With 1.5 million hits per year, planned future enhancements to KYA will also give it a greater interactive capacity (ONLINE) <b>From July 2007</b>
<i>Melbourne in Fact &amp; Regional Victoria in Fact</i>	These statistical profiles of local government areas provide comparisons with regions, capital cities, states and Australia. These are popular resources which have been published by DSE and its predecessors since 1993 (HARD COPY) <b>February 2008</b>
<i>Towns in Time &amp; Suburbs in Time Data</i>	These are time series profiles of all towns and suburbs and cover the period 1981 to 2006. They are used for local planning, infrastructure and service delivery purposes (ONLINE) <b>January 2008</b>
<i>Towns in Time Analysis</i>	Analysis of change in regional Victoria over 1981–2006 period. Updates 2001 and 1996 census editions (HARD COPY) <b>Late 2008</b>
<i>Suburbs in Time Analysis</i>	As per <i>Towns in Time</i> . The update will be based on the 1996 edition as no 2001 edition was published. This edition will include suburbs in Geelong, Ballarat and Bendigo (HARD COPY) <b>Late 2008</b>
<i>Victoria in Future Population Projections</i>	Updates <i>Victoria In Future 2004</i> based on the 2001 census. Projections incorporate trends in demographic components (birth, deaths, overseas, interstate and within state migration) and extensive consultation with all local governments. Will follow up with regional presentations in latter half of 2008 (HARD COPY & ONLINE) <b>June 2008</b>
<i>Population Projections for Towns and Suburbs</i>	Much in demand. Will be based on new <i>Victoria in Future</i> projections with populations allocated to suburbs and towns within LGAs. In consultation with Local Governments (ONLINE) <b>November 2008</b>
<i>A Coastal Profile</i>	An analytical report looking at the change in coastal populations in non-metro Victoria in response to increasing interest in 'seachange' demographics. Coasts are defined as places within 5 kms of the coast (HARD COPY & ONLINE) <b>Mid-late 2008</b>
<i>Internal Migration in Victoria</i>	An analytical report on long term trends in movements of people, by age and sex within Victoria. Uses data from 1976 to 2006 censuses (HARD COPY & ONLINE) <b>Mid-late 2008</b>
<i>The Peri-Urban Area</i>	An analytical report on changes in the population and its characteristics in the area surrounding Melbourne. In response to the growing interest in this rapidly growing region and its long term future (HARD COPY & ONLINE) <b>Mid-late 2008</b>

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