

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION  
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2006-2007 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
29<sup>TH</sup> AND 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2006**

**EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation**

**Output Group 3.2: Labour market strategies**

**Output 3.2.1: Labour market analysis**

**Question Number: W128-07**

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked in writing: Please provide statistics on the number of workers employed by motels in regional areas fast-food outlets and cafes and restaurants in regional areas in Australia. Please provide these divided by State and regions.

**Answer:**

The ABS does not produce employment data specifically for motels. However, it does produce quarterly estimates of employment for the broader industry group of accommodation, cafes and restaurants, from the ABS *Labour Force Survey*. These data are provided, by State/Territory and Capital City/Balance of State, in Table 1 below.

**Table 1: Employment in Accommodation, cafes and restaurants, May 2006, by State and Capital City/Balance of State.**

Region	('000)	Region	('000)
<b>New South Wales</b>	168.3	<b>Western Australia</b>	42.7
<i>Sydney</i>	101.8	<i>Perth</i>	31.2
<i>Non-metropolitan New South Wales</i>	66.5	<i>Non-metropolitan Western Australia</i>	11.5
<b>Victoria</b>	101.9	<b>Tasmania</b>	11.1
<i>Melbourne</i>	74.1	<i>Hobart</i>	5.0
<i>Non-metropolitan Victoria</i>	27.8	<i>Non-metropolitan Tasmania</i>	6.1
<b>Queensland</b>	104.7	<b>Northern Territory</b>	7.8
<i>Brisbane</i>	39.4	<b>Australian Capital Territory</b>	8.2
<i>Non-metropolitan Queensland</i>	65.3	<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	480.6
<b>South Australia</b>	35.9		
<i>Adelaide</i>	25.6		
<i>Non-metropolitan South Australia</i>	10.3		

Source: *Labour Force, Australia, Detailed Quarterly*, May 2006 (Cat No: 6291.0.55.003)

The ABS does not produce up-to-date data for the more highly disaggregated sub-industry groups of fast-food retailing or cafes and restaurants. The latest information for these industry categories are from the 2001 Census and are provided in Table 2 below. (The ABS data for fast-food retailing is proxied by the 'Take-away food retailing' industry category.) It should be recognised, however, that labour market conditions have changed significantly since 2001. Accordingly, using the figures in Table 2 to provide an indication of employment in these industry categories in 2006 should be undertaken with a high degree of caution.

**Table 2: Employment in Take-away food retailing and Cafes and restaurants, 2001, by State and Capital City/Balance of State.**

Region	Take Away Food Retailing	Cafes and Restaurants
<b>New South Wales</b>	41 641	62 109
<i>Sydney</i>	24 853	43 062
<i>Non-metropolitan New South Wales</i>	16 788	19 047
<b>Victoria</b>	30 512	47 226
<i>Melbourne</i>	22 078	37 306
<i>Non-metropolitan Victoria</i>	8434	9920
<b>Queensland</b>	27 229	36 196
<i>Brisbane</i>	13 232	17 163
<i>Non-metropolitan Queensland</i>	13 997	19 033
<b>South Australia</b>	9577	12 816
<i>Adelaide</i>	7524	10 643
<i>Non-metropolitan South Australia</i>	2053	2173
<b>Western Australia</b>	14 568	20 817
<i>Perth</i>	11 516	16 701
<i>Non-metropolitan Western Australia</i>	3052	4116
<b>Tasmania</b>	3087	3834
<i>Hobart</i>	1434	1966
<i>Non-metropolitan Tasmania</i>	1653	1868
<b>Northern Territory</b>	1249	1851
<b>Australian Capital Territory</b>	2238	4201
<b>AUSTRALIA (Includes off-shore and undefined)</b>	<b>130 110</b>	<b>189 090</b>

Source: ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing