

APPENDIX A: PARAMETERS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

Parameter estimates used in this Budget Paper

Table A1 sets out the population series used in this Budget Paper.

Table A1: Population by State

Millions	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2006-07	6.864	5.128	4.090	2.073	1.562	0.490	0.331	0.208	20.746
2007-08	6.929	5.198	4.166	2.114	1.574	0.493	0.334	0.211	21.020

The state populations for 2006-07 and 2007-08 are projections of the population of each State on 31 December in the respective year constructed using the latest demographic data available and Australian Treasury assumptions. Broadly, these assumptions are in respect of fertility, mortality, net overseas migration and interstate migration.

There is a risk that the population projection for 2006-07 may differ materially from the population to be determined by the Australian Statistician in June 2007. This is because the 2007 determination will take account of new information from the 2006 Census of Population and Housing and a new net overseas migration estimation methodology.

Table A2 sets out the parameters used in this paper, rounded to the nearest quarter.

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Per cent growth	CPI(a)	Population
2006-07	3 1/2	1 1/2
2007-08	2 1/4	1 1/4

(a) Defined in section 8 of the *A New Tax System (Commonwealth-State Financial Arrangements) Act 1999*.

Some data presented in this paper are drawn from the Commonwealth Grants Commission's *Report on State Revenue Sharing Relativities – 2007 Update*, 2006-07 state mid-year budget updates and 2007-08 state budgets where available.

Further information

Several publications of the Australian Bureau of Statistics also provide information that is relevant to analysing federal financial relations, including:

- Taxation Revenue, Australia (cat. no. 5506.0);
- Government Finance Statistics, Australia (cat. no. 5512.0);
- Australian System of Government Finance Statistics – Concepts, Sources and Methods (cat. no. 5514.0);

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- Information Paper: Developments in Government Finance Statistics (cat. no. 5516.0); and
- Information Paper: Accruals-Based Government Finance Statistics (cat. no. 5517.0).