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This is the fourth annual *Overview Report for the NSW Public Sector Workforce Profile.* Public sector employment represents about eleven percent of the wider workforce in NSW, and public servants work in health, education, police, emergency services, transport, environmental protection, agriculture, community services and in utilities such as water and energy.

The 2002 Workforce Profile Collection presents statistical tables on key characteristics of the NSW public sector workforce. The data in these tables provides a comprehensive picture of key characteristics of public sector employees and enables the identification of emerging patterns in areas such as age and gender distribution, mobility and remuneration. This data informs and supports the need for strategic workforce planning and benchmarking, both in individual agencies and across the sector. It also provides useful information to interested members of the community and other jurisdictions.

This year the Overview Report has been supplemented for the first time by a separate report, the NSW Public Sector Workforce Profile 2002 Agency Level Report. The Agency Level Report provides information at the level of individual agencies on a range of indicators significantly enhancing the capacity for workforce planning and performance benchmarking. Also in preparation is a Workforce Planning Guide designed to assist the definition of organisational and workforce capabilities to ensure a structured and information-based approach to human resource planning and workforce development.

The Review and Reform Division of the Premier's Department is committed to continuous improvement of the value and quality of Workforce Profile Collection. The Division welcomes feedback on this report, the Agency Level report as well as all suggestions for future development from agencies and other interested parties to ensure the Collection continues to meet user needs.

More information about the Workforce Profile and data relating to previous years' collections can be found on the Premier's Department website at www.premiers.nsw.gov.au (choose "Work & Business", "Working for Government", "Workforce Profile"). The Workforce Profile team can be contacted on telephone (02) 9228 5555 or email: workforceprofile@premiers.nsw.gov.au

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Introduction

About this publication

This publication presents summary results of the NSW Public Sector Workforce Profile collection for the year 2001/02. Employee numbers are reported for budget dependent agencies, non-budget dependent agencies and public trading enterprises. Data is presented on employees categorised by employment arrangements such as permanent, temporary, casual and by gender, age, remuneration level and by region. These data represent a subset of major variables in the collection.

About the Workforce Profile Collection

The NSW Public Sector Workforce Profile collection is an annual census of all public sector employees of NSW Government agencies conducted by the NSW Premier's Department, Review and Reform Division.

Data is collected on over 40 employee related items including demographics, employment arrangements and patterns, leave, remuneration and earnings.

About the 2002 Data

The Workforce Profile 2002 summary tables are based on a database of 430,175 individual unit records provided by all NSW public sector agencies.

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Size of NSW Public Sector

At June 2002, there were 339,372 NSW public sector employees, representing an estimated 10.9 percent of the total number of employed persons in NSW. Over the financial year, 430,175 people were employed in the sector.

Average full-time equivalent (FTE) staffing in the public sector during 2001/02 was estimated to be 284,610. The difference between this FTE figure and the head count figure of 430,175 indicates the extent of part-time, temporary and casual employment arrangements, as well as turnover, across the sector.

Employees working in general government budget dependent agencies represented 86.19 percent of all NSW public sector employees at June 2002.

Employment arrangements

At June 2002, just over 77.7 percent of the public sector workforce were permanent employees and 8.9 percent were in temporary positions.

Casual employees, 97.0 percent of whom worked in budget dependent agencies, accounted for 12.1 percent of the public sector workforce. Casual employees performed an estimated 5 percent of total public sector paid hours during the year.

Remuneration

At June 2002, the average remuneration rate for non-casual employees in the public sector was \$48,181 pa. The average rate for females was \$45,379 and the average for males was \$51,963.

In the budget dependent sector, 31.4 percent of non-casual employees had remuneration rates below \$39,355 (equivalent to minimum Clerical Grade 3) and 3.4 percent of employees had remuneration rates above \$80,499 (equivalent to maximum Clerical Grade 12).

In the public trading enterprise sector, 39.9 percent of non-casual employees had remuneration rates below \$39,355 and 6.5 percent had rates above \$80,499.

Movement

The commencement rate for public service employees during 2001/02 was 12.3 percent of average employee strength during the year. This is slightly greater than the separation rate, which as 10.2 percent, indicating a slight increase in the workforce during the year.

Overall, the public sector workforce showed high stability throughout the year with 91.5 percent of non-casual employees at June 2001 still employed at June 2002. Permanent employees, at 92.7 percent, had the highest stability rate and temporary staff, at 79.6 percent, had the lowest.

Gender

At June 2002, 58.5 percent of public sector employees were female. By comparison, 43.90 percent of the state's employed persons were female.

Women constituted 64.3 percent of the workforce in budget dependent agencies at June 2002, 39.3 percent in general government non-budget dependent agencies, and 20.3 percent in public trading enterprises.

Women constituted 70.5 percent of temporary employees and 66.4 percent of casual employees, 56.4 percent of permanent employees, 22.4 percent of contract executives and 28.2 percent of contract non-executive staff.

At June 2002, women constituted 85.50 percent of the non-casual part-time workforce, with 33.48 percent of all non-casual female employees working part time.

The average remuneration rate for women was 87.33 percent of the average for men.

61.87 percent of the 96,013 employees with full-time equivalent annual remuneration rates below \$39,355 were women compared to 32.12 percent of the 31,196 employees with remuneration rates above \$64,400 (equivalent to minimum Clerical Grade 10).

Age

At June 2002, young people aged under 25 years constituted 4.9 percent of the public sector workforce. This compares to the 17.2 percent of all employed persons in the state who were in this age range. Young employees had the highest movement rates during 2001/02 of any age group with a commencement rate of 54.6 percent and a separation rate of 23.1 percent, indicating growth in this segment of the public sector workforce.

Employees aged 45 to 54 years constituted 31.8 percent of the public sector workforce, compared to 21.9 percent of all employed persons in the state. They had low movement rates with a commencement rate of 6.1 percent and a separation rate of 5.4 percent, indicating a slight change in the size of this age group. Overall, 44.5 percent of the public sector workforce is aged 45 years or more and therefore a large proportion of these employees would be expected to retire within the next 10 to 15 years.

Employees aged 55 years or more constituted 12.7 percent of the public sector workforce compared to 11.5 percent of all employed persons. They had the lowest commencement rate and a high separation rate which increased with age, from 11.9 percent for employees aged 55 to 64 years to 22.7 percent for those aged 65 years or more.

Region

At June 2002, 37.23 percent of public sector employees worked outside the Sydney metropolitan region. This compares to 32.82 percent of all employed persons in New South Wales.

Public sector employees constituted an estimated 10.17 percent of all employed persons in the Sydney metropolitan region. In non-metropolitan regions, the percentage of employed persons who were public sector employees ranged from 16.33 percent in the north and north-western regions of the state to 9.95 percent in the southern regions.

1. SIZE OF WORKFORCE DURING YEAR AND AT JUNE 2002¹

Budget sector	Full time equivalent public sector workforce (FTE) ²		Total pub empl	olic sector oyees	Non-casual public sector employees ³		
	Year average	As at June 2002	Total during year ⁴	As at June 2002	Total during year ⁴	As at June 2002	
General government: budget dependent agencies	238,584.32	236,443.19	378,397	292,513	279,384	252,603	
General government: non- budget dependent agencies	5,785.79	5,839.68	6,068	5,270	5,799	5,144	
Public trading enterprises	40,240.05	40,614.08	45,710	41,589	43,328	40,477	
Total public sector	284,610.16	282,896.95	430,175	339,372	328,511	298,224	

General:

Year totals count the number of employees who were employed at any time during the financial year. Employees with multiple periods of employment in a single agency during the year are counted only once by most agencies. However, the payroll systems used by some agencies do not link employment periods and these agencies have reported each period of employment as a separate employee. Employees with periods of employment in different agencies during the year are counted as separate employees in each agency. In the Health sector, this also applies to employees working in more than one Area Health Service.

Both full-time equivalent (FTE) and total employees (headcount) figures are reported because they provide different perspectives of the workforce. Headcount figures pick up all employees who have worked during the period, even if they only worked for one day. FTE translates the headcount figures into a proportion of the hours worked by an equivalent full-time staff member. For example, a person working one day per week would be counted as 1 under headcount and 0.2 under FTE (ie: they work 20 percent of the time a full-time employee would work). Headcount figures therefore give a picture of how many people were employed during the period, whereas FTE is a more accurate indicator of resource levels.

Footnotes

- 1 These data do not include certain categories of human resources used by agencies, such as independent contractors and temporary staff supplied by employment agencies on a fee for service basis. One agency was unable to provide information about the number of employees as at June 2002. This has resulted in an undercount of approximately 2,900 employees at June, approximately 500 of whom were casual.
- 2 Additional information was collected during the 2002 collection to allow for the calculation of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) staffing figures centrally. This has enabled a standard method of calculation to be applied throughout the sector. This differs from previous collections where FTE information was calculated (using different methodologies) and provided in aggregate form by each agency. The FTE figures in this report will therefore differ slightly from FTE figures reported by agencies.
- 3 The non-casual employee category excludes casual employees, sessional or seasonal employees and retained volunteer firefighters.
- 4 See explanation of headcount figures contained above in the section titled "General".

2 PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES AT JUNE 2002: EMPLOYMENT CATEGORY BY GENDER¹

General government: budget dependent agencies

	Ma	Males		nales	То	tal
Employment category	Number	0/0	Number	0/0	Number	%
Permanent	82,467	78.9	139,894	74.5	222,361	76.1
Temporary	7,852	7.5	20,514	10.9	28,366	9.7
Contract: exec	517	0.5	208	0.1	725	0.2
Contract: non-exec	249	0.2	195	0.1	444	0.2
Casual	13,206	12.6	26,704	14.2	39,910	13.7
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	192	0.2	255	0.1	447	0.2
Not recorded	44	_	55	_	99	_
Total	104,527	100.0	187,825	100.0	292,352	100.0

General government: non-budget dependent agencies

	Males		Fem	ales	Total		
Employment category	Number	%	Number	0/0	Number	%	
Permanent	2,438	76.7	1,632	79.5	4,070	77.8	
Temporary	398	12.5	223	10.9	621	11.9	
Contract: exec	91	2.9	16	0.8	107	2.0	
Contract: non-exec	120	3.8	101	4.9	221	4.2	
Casual	77	2.4	49	2.4	126	2.4	
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	54	1.7	32	1.6	86	1.6	
Not recorded							
Total	3,178	100.0	2,053	100.0	5,231	100.0	

Public trading enterprises

	Ma	ıles	Fem	ales	То	tal
Employment category	Number	0/0	Number	0/0	Number	%
Permanent	29,947	90.9	6,889	82.4	36,836	89.2
Temporary	677	2.1	552	6.6	1,229	3.0
Contract: exec	333	1.0	48	0.6	381	0.9
Contract: non-exec	844	2.6	180	2.2	1,024	2.5
Casual	562	1.7	549	6.6	1,111	2.7
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	578	1.8	145	1.7	723	1.8
Not recorded	35		14		49	
Total	32,976	100.0	8,377	100.0	41,353	100.0

Total public sector

	Males		Fem	nales	To	tal
Employment category	Number	0/0	Number	0/0	Number	%
Permanent	114,852	81.7	148,415	74.9	263,267	77.7
Temporary	8,927	6.3	21,289	10.7	30,216	8.9
Contract: exec	941	0.7	272	0.1	1,213	0.4
Contract: non-exec	1,213	0.9	476	0.2	1,689	0.5
Casual	13,845	9.8	27,302	13.8	41,147	12.1
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	824	0.6	432	0.2	1,256	0.4
Not recorded	79	_	69	_	148	_
Total	140,681	100.0	198,255	100.0	338,936	100.0

Footnotes:

1 The total number of public sector employees at June 2002, was 339,372. This figure includes 436 employees for whom gender and/or employment category was not reported.

3 NON-CASUAL PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES¹ AT JUNE 2002: EMPLOYMENT ARRANGEMENTS BY GENDER²

General government: budget dependent agencies

	Males		Fem	ales	Total			
Employment arrangement					Number	0/03	Number	0/03
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time		Part-time	
Permanent	75,418	6,997	94,098	45,762	169,516	76.3	52,760	23.7
Temporary	5,732	2,089	10,620	9,784	16,352	57.9	11,873	42.1
Contract: exec	516	1	205	3	721	99.4	4	0.6
Contract: non-exec	111	1	106	12	217	94.3	13	5.7
Other	167	25	139	115	306	68.6	140	31.4
Total	81,944	9,113	105,168	55,676	187,112	74.3	64,790	25.7

General government: non-budget dependent agencies

	Ma	les	Fem	ales	Total		tal	
Employment arrangement					Number	0/03	Number	0/03
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time		Part-time	
Permanent	2,424	14	1,447	185	3,871	95.1	199	4.9
Temporary	394	4	193	30	587	94.5	34	5.5
Contract: exec	90	1	16		106	99.1	1	0.9
Contract: non-exec	120		97	4	217	98.2	4	1.8
Other	54		32		86	100.0		
Total	3,082	19	1,785	219	4,867	95.3	238	4.7

Public trading enterprises

	Males		Fem	Females Total		Total		
Employment arrangement					Number	er % Number		0/0
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time		Part-time	
Permanent	29,416	529	5,768	1,118	35,184	95.5	1,647	4.5
Temporary	650	25	429	119	1,079	88.2	144	11.8
Contract: exec	333		46	2	1,015	99.1	2	0.5
Contract: non-exec	842	2	173	7	379	99.5	9	0.9
Other	575	3	138	7	713	98.6	10	1.4
Total	31,816	559	6,554	1,253	38,370	95.5	1,812	4.5

Total public sector

	Males		Fem	Females		Total		
Employment arrangement					Number	Number % Number		0/0
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time		Part-time	
Permanent	107,258	7,540	101,313	47,065	208,571	79.3	54,605	20.7
Temporary	6,776	2,118	11,242	9,933	18,018	59.9	12,051	40.1
Contract: exec	939	2	267	5	1,206	99.4	7	0.6
Contract: non-exec	1,073	3	376	23	1,449	98.2	26	1.8
Other	796	28	309	122	1,105	88.0	150	12.0
Total	116,842	9,691	113,507	57,148	230,349	77.5	66,839	22.5

General:

In these tables full-time employees are those who work 35 or more hours per week. Part-time employees are those who work fewer than 35 hours per week.

Footnotes:

- 1 Casual employees, sessional or seasonal employees and retained staff are excluded from this table.
- 2 The total number of non-casual public sector employees at June 2002 was **298,224**. This figure includes 1,036 employees for whom gender and/or employment arrangements were not reported.
- 3 Percentage of full-time and part-time employees within each employment category.

4 PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES AT JUNE 2002: AGE BY GENDER¹

General government: budget dependent agencies

	Ma	Males		ales	Total		
Age	Number	0/0	Number	0/0	Number	%	
Under 25	3,881	3.7	9,881	5.3	13,762	4.7	
25-34	21,964	21.0	42,186	22.5	64,150	22.0	
35-44	29,099	27.9	54,572	29.1	83,671	28.6	
45-54	34,126	32.7	59,462	31.7	93,588	32.0	
55-64	13,795	13.2	20,055	10.7	33,850	11.6	
65+	1,618	1.5	1,600	0.9	3,218	1.1	
Not recorded	44		69		113		
Total	104,527	100.0	187,825	100.0	292,352	100.0	

General government: non-budget dependent agencies

	Ma	ıles	Fem	ales	То	tal
Age	Number	0/0	Number	%	Number	0/0
Under 25	151	4.8	157	7.7	308	5.9
25-34	424	13.5	631	30.9	1,055	20.4
35-44	780	24.9	632	31.0	1,412	27.3
45-54	1,204	38.4	497	24.3	1,701	32.9
55-64	553	17.6	122	6.0	675	13.0
65+	24	0.8	3	0.1	27	0.5
Not recorded	42		11		53	
Total	3,178	100.0	2,053	100.0	5,231	100.0

Public trading enterprises

	Males		Fem	ales	Total	
Age	Number	0/0	Number	0/0	Number	0/0
Under 25	1,676	5.1	739	8.8	2,415	5.8
25-34	5,903	17.9	2,695	32.2	8,598	20.8
35-44	9,980	30.3	2,490	29.7	12,470	30.2
45-54	10,625	32.2	1,843	22.0	12,468	30.2
55-64	4,546	13.8	558	6.7	5,104	12.3
65+	238	0.7	50	0.6	288	0.7
Not recorded	8		2		10	
Total	32,976	100.0	8,377	100.0	41,353	100.0

Total public sector

	Males		Fem	nales	Total	
Age	Number	0/0	Number	%	Number	0/0
Under 25	5,710	4.1	10,779	5.4	16,489	4.9
25-34	28,293	20.1	45,514	23.0	73,807	21.8
35-44	39,867	28.3	57,696	29.1	97,563	28.8
45-54	45,968	32.7	61,805	31.2	107,773	31.8
55-64	18,906	13.4	20,736	10.5	39,642	11.7
65+	1,885	1.3	1,653	0.8	3,538	1.0
Not recorded	52		72		124	
Total	140,681	100.0	198,255	100.0	338,936	100.0

Footnotes:

1 The total number of public sector employees at June 2002, was 339,372. This figure includes 436 employees for whom gender and/or employment category was not reported

NSW employed persons

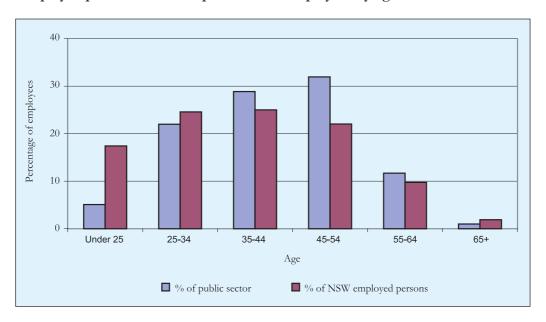
	Males		Fem	ales	Total	
Age	Number	0/0	Number	0/0	Number	0/0
Under 25	271,379	15.6	262,161	19.2	533,540	17.2
25-34	431,588	24.8	328,974	24.1	760,562	24.5
35-44	437,865	25.2	333,392	24.5	771,257	24.9
45-54	373,589	21.5	305,511	22.4	679,100	21.9
55-64	188,411	10.8	114,138	8.4	302,549	9.7
65+	38,052	2.2	18,263	1.3	56,315	1.8
Total	1,740,884	100.0	1,362,439	100.0	3,103,323	100.0

Total public sector

	Males		Fem	ales	Total	
Age	Number	0/0	Number	0/0	Number	0/0
Under 25	5,710	4.1	10,779	5.4	16,489	4.9
25-34	28,293	20.1	45,514	23.0	73,807	21.8
35-44	39,867	28.3	57,696	29.1	97,563	28.8
45-54	45,968	32.7	61,805	31.2	107,773	31.8
55-64	18,906	13.4	20,736	10.5	39,642	11.7
65+	1,885	1.3	1,653	0.8	3,538	1.0
not recorded	52		72		124	
Total	140,681	100.0	198,255	100.0	338,936	100.0

5. NSW EMPLOYED PERSONS AND NSW PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES AT MAY/JUNE 2002: AGE BY GENDER¹

NSW employed persons and NSW public sector employees by age



Footnotes

¹ Figures for public sector employees as at June 2002 (See note to table 4) and figures for employed persons as at June 2002. The figures for NSW employed persons were provided as a result of a special request of ABS. They are presented here to allow comparison with the public sector workforce age distribution.

6 NON-CASUAL PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES¹ AT JUNE 2002: REMUNERATION² BY GENDER³

General government: budget dependent agencies

	Remuneration band									
	<\$26,802	\$26,802- \$39,354	\$39,355- \$49,799	\$49,800- \$64,400	\$64,401- \$80,499	\$80,500- \$104,984	>\$104,985	Not recorded	Total	
Males	589	22,684	19,136	33,906	8,502	3,848	2,346	310	91,321	
Females	5,769	50,058	50,892	45,280	6,498	1,510	825	289	161,121	
Total	6,358	72,742	70,028	79,186	15,000	5,358	3,171	599	252,442	
%	2.5	28.9	27.8	31.4	6.0	2.1	1.3		100.0	

General government: non-budget dependent agencies

	Remuneration band								
	<\$26,802	\$26,802- \$39,354	\$39,355- \$49,799	\$49,800- \$64,400	\$64,401- \$80,499	\$80,500- \$104,984	>\$104,985	Not recorded	Total
Males	26	427	456	1,078	644	348	121	1	3,101
Females	22	431	648	535	224	110	32	2	2,004
Total	48	858	1,104	1,613	868	458	153	3	5,105
%	0.9	16.8	21.6	31.6	17.0	9.0	3.0		100.0

Public trading enterprises

		Remuneration band								
	<\$26,802	\$26,802- \$39,354	\$39,355- \$49,799	\$49,800- \$64,400	\$64,401- \$80,499	\$80,500- \$104,984	>\$104,985	Not recorded	Total	
Males	485	12,395	8,513	5,571	3,118	1,202	1,048	82	32,414	
Females	290	2,837	2,537	1,314	456	196	168	30	7,828	
Total	775	15,232	11,050	6,885	3,574	1,398	1,216	112	40,242	
%	1.9	38.0	27.5	17.2	8.9	3.5	3.0		100.0	

Total public sector

		Remuneration band								
	<\$26,802	\$26,802- \$39,354	\$39,355– \$49,799	\$49,800- \$64,400	\$64,401- \$80,499	\$80,500- \$104,984	>\$104,985	Not recorded	Total	
Males	1,100	35,506	28,105	40,555	12,264	5,398	3,515	393	126,836	
Females	6,081	53,326	54,077	47,129	7,178	1,816	1,025	321	170,953	
Total	7,181	88,832	82,182	87,684	19,442	7,214	4,540	714	297,789	
%	2.4	29.9	27.7	29.5	6.5	2.4	1.5		100.0	

Footnotes:

- 1 Casual employees, sessional or seasonal employees and retained staff are excluded from this table.
- 2 Remmeration describes the full-time annual rate of pay, before tax, at which an employee is contracted to work, irrespective of hours actually worked and not including additional payments such as overtime or allowances.
- 3 The total number of non-casual public sector employees at June 2002 was **298,224**, which includes 435 employees for whom gender was not recorded and 1,069 employees for whom remuneration was not recorded.

7 NON-CASUAL PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES: ¹ MOVEMENT DURING YEAR BY EMPLOYMENT CATEGORY, AGE AND GENDER²

General government: budget dependent agencies

	Separation rate ³	Commencement rate ³	Stability rate ³
Employment category			
Permanent	8.3	8.0	92.4
Temporary	29.5	49.9	80.1
Contract: exec	10.9	11.0	89.5
Contract: non-exec	41.9	58.7	80.5
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	35.9	69.4	63.8
Age			
Under 25	24.1	55.6	80.3
25-34	16.5	20.4	87.1
35-44	8.8	11.1	92.4
45-54	5.6	6.2	95.2
55-64	12.1	5.1	89.0
65+	22.9	5.4	80.0
Gender			
Male	10.3	11.0	91.4
Female	10.8	13.4	91.0
Total	10.6	12.5	91.2

General government: non-budget dependent agencies

	Separation rate ³	Commencement rate ³	Stability rate ³
Employment category			
Permanent	9.9	12.8	91.0
Temporary	28.1	46.5	81.8
Contract: exec	13.0	12.1	88.0
Contract: non-exec	20.0	35.0	83.7
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	11.6	60.9	88.5
Age			
Under 25	24.7	58.7	82.3
25-34	18.8	30.9	85.0
35-44	10.4	18.7	91.2
45-54	8.6	9.8	92.3
55-64	11.8	6.6	89.2
65+	33.3	11.1	73.3
Gender			
Male	10.4	14.5	90.9
Female	15.7	24.2	87.6
Total	12.4	18.2	89.7

Footnotes:

- 1 Casual employees, sessional or seasonal employees and retained staff who receive payment for attendance are excluded from this table.
- 2 This table is based on non-casual employees who were employed at any time during the financial year.
- 3 For a definition of the formulae used to calculate the separation rate, commencement rate or stability rate see Definitions pp.27-30.

7 NON-CASUAL PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES: ¹ MOVEMENT DURING YEAR BY EMPLOYMENT CATEGORY, AGE AND GENDER² (continued)

Public trading enterprises

	Separation rate ³	Commencement rate ³	Stability rate ³
Employment category			
Permanent	5.8	6.4	94.8
Temporary	50.0	89.2	65.3
Contract: exec	8.7	15.7	91.3
Contract: non-exec	7.8	24.0	92.2
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	11.5	66.3	94.7
Age			
Under 25	17.4	48.6	89.1
25-34	8.8	16.1	92.7
35-44	5.5	7.8	95.3
45-54	4.2	5.2	96.2
55-64	10.5	2.8	90.4
65+	20.3	2.9	82.4
Gender			
Male	6.2	8.2	94.7
Female	10.9	17.0	91.2
Total	7.1	9.9	94.0

Total public sector

	Separation rate ³	Commencement rate ³	Stability rate ³
Employment category			
Permanent	8.0	7.9	92.7
Temporary	30.3	51.3	79.6
Contract: exec	10.4	12.6	89.9
Contract: non-exec	18.5	34.7	88.0
Trainee/cadet/apprentice	20.8	67.1	81.5
Age			
Under 25	23.1	54.6	81.7
25-34	15.6	20.0	87.8
35-44	8.4	10.7	92.8
45-54	5.4	6.1	95.3
55-64	11.9	4.8	89.2
65+	22.7	5.2	80.2
Gender			
Male	9.2	10.4	92.3
Female	10.9	13.7	91.0
Total	10.2	12.3	91.5

Footnotes

- 1 Casual employees, sessional or seasonal employees and retained staff who receive payment for attendance are excluded from this table.
- 2 This table is based on non-casual employees who were employed at any time during the financial year.
- 3 For a definition of the formulae used to calculate the separation rate, commencement rate or stability rate see Definitions pp.27-30.

8 SIZE OF WORKFORCE AT JUNE 2002: PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES, EMPLOYED PERSONS, LABOUR FORCE AND WORKING AGE POPULATION IN EACH REGION^{1, 2}

	Public sector employees		NSW employed persons ⁴	
Region ³	Number	0/0	Number	%
Hunter	28,972	8.58	223,102	7.19
Illawarra and South Eastern	27,206	8.06	270,840	8.73
Murray-Murrumbidgee	14,402	4.27	144,763	4.66
Northern, Far West, and North-Western	32,344	9.58	198,001	6.38
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast	22,459	6.65	181,934	5.86
Sydney	212,222	62.86	2,084,683	67.18
Outside NSW	317	_		
Not recorded	1,450	_	_	
Total	339,372	100	3,103,323	100.00

	NSW labour force ⁴		NSW working age population ⁴	
Region	Number	0/0	Number	%
Hunter	246,106	7.45	451,902	8.58
Illawarra and South Eastern	290,925	8.81	488,438	9.28
Murray-Murrumbidgee	154,198	4.67	227,844	4.33
Northern, Far West, and North-Western	213,066	6.45	359,208	6.82
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast	199,920	6.06	363,377	6.90
Sydney	2,197,489	66.56	3,373,145	64.08
Total	3,301,704	100.00	5,263,914	100.00

Footnotes:

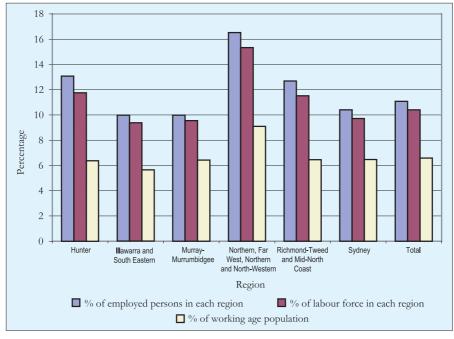
- 1 Figures for NSW employed persons, labour force and population are presented to allow comparison with the regional distribution of public sector employees.
- 2 Percentages exclude the 317 public sector employees who were recorded as working outside NSW and the 1,450 for whom location was not reported.
- 3 Regions are statistical regions as defined the Australian Bureau of Statistics (See ABS Cat. No. 6201.1). The number of public sector employees in each region at June 2002 was compiled from the postcode of each employee's work location.
- 4 Figures for NSW employed persons and the NSW labour force as at June 2002 were provided by the ABS as a result of a special request (see Definitions p.28-29).

Total public sector

	NSW Public Sector Employees as a percentage of:					
Region	Employed persons	Labour force	Working age population			
Hunter	12.99	11.77	6.41			
Illawarra and South Eastern	10.04	9.35	5.57			
Murray-Murrumbidgee	9.95	9.34	6.32			
Northern, Far West, and North-Western	16.33	15.18	9.00			
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast	12.53	11.41	6.28			
Sydney	10.17	9.65	6.28			
Total	10.88	10.23	6.42			

9 SIZE OF WORKFORCE AT JUNE 2002: NSW PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES AS A PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYED PERSONS, LABOUR FORCE AND WORKING AGE POPULATION IN EACH REGION

Public Sector Employees as a percentage of employed persons, labour force and working age population in each region of NSW



Notes: See notes 1-4 on p24.

Explanatory Notes

Scope

All employees of NSW Government public sector agencies who are paid through agency payroll systems.

Certain categories of human resources used by agencies are not included, such as independent contractors and temporary staff supplied by employment agencies on a fee for service basis.

Employees of commonwealth or local government agencies and employees of universities are out of scope.

Data Collection

Data is supplied annually by all agencies in the form of unit records to the Review and Reform Division, NSW Premier's Department. Each record represents a separate employee. All individual records are anonymous and confidential according to The Privacy Code of Practice for the NSW Public Sector Workforce Profile, NSW Premier's Department, 1999.

Employee Counts

Most tables in this report are based on a count of public sector employees working during the last pay period of June 2002 (casual employees who did not work during the last pay period are excluded). Table 3, which reports part-time and full-time working arrangements, Table 6, which reports remuneration rates, and Table 7, which reports employee movement rates, exclude casual employees.

Table 7 is based on all non-casual employees commencing, separating or continuing to work during the year.

Casual Employees

NSW government agency employees who work for an hourly rate (rather than an annual remuneration rate), sessional workers such as HSC examination markers, seasonal workers such as swimming instructors, and retained volunteer fire-fighters. Casual employees are paid through an agency's payroll system.

Commencement Rate

The number of people starting work with an agency as a proportion of the average number of people employed in the agency over a given time period. The commencement rate was calculated for non-casual employees for a 12 month period. The formula used for 2001/02 rates was: (Number of employees commencing with agencies between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2002 x 100) ÷ average of (number of employees at 1 July 2001 and number of employees at 30 June 2002).

Contract (Executive) Employees

Executive staff who are employed on the basis of fixed term individual contracts. These include Senior Executive Service officers in budget dependent agencies and contract staff whose salary is equivalent to a minimum SES salary or higher and who have primarily management responsibilities in non-budget dependent agencies.

Contract (Non-Executive) Employees

All non-executive staff who are employed on the basis of fixed term individual contracts.

Employment Arrangement

A non-casual employee's employment category classified by full-time or part-time status.

Employment Category

The nature of an employee's employment contract with an agency, categorised as permanent, temporary, contract, casual or trainee/cadet/apprentice.

Full-time Employees

Employees who are considered to be full-time if they work 35 hours a week or more.

Full-time equivalent (FTE) Workforce

A standardised way of describing the size of the workforce based on the total number of ordinary time paid hours worked (ie, excluding overtime and unpaid work). The full time equivalent workforce describes the total number of full-time employees required to account for all paid ordinary time paid hours work. It is not a count of the number of employees. For example, two employees, both working half the standard number of full-time hours for their position, will together be counted as one full-time equivalent employee.

FTE workforce can be measured as an average during a period or at a particular point in time (such as the last pay period during the financial year).

General Government Budget Dependent Agencies

Government agencies which do not have a commercial charter and which receive an appropriation in the Annual Appropriation Act. They rely predominantly on the Consolidated Fund for direct funding (i.e. 50 percent or more of their total expenditure is provided by parliamentary appropriations). NSW general government budget dependent agencies are listed at the back of this report.

General Government Non-Budget Dependent Agencies

Government agencies that do not have a commercial charter but do not rely on the Consolidated Fund for ongoing financial support. These agencies usually have a regulatory function and collect taxes, fees and fines. They rely on retained revenue to fund their ongoing operations. NSW general government non-budget dependent agencies are listed at the back of this report.

Non-Casual Employees

All persons engaged to work and paid through a NSW government agency's payroll system (see Scope), excluding casual employees (i.e. employees working for an hourly rate, including sessional and seasonal workers, and retained volunteer fire-fighters).

NSW Employed Persons

All full-time and part-time employed persons in NSW, including those working for themselves and those working for profit, commission or payment in kind. (See ABS Cat. No. 6201.1.)

NSW Labour Force

All persons in NSW who are contributing to, or willing to contribute to, the supply of labour at a point in time. The labour force includes employed persons as well as those looking for work (i.e. those designated as unemployed). (See ABS Cat. No.6201.1.)

NSW Working Age Population

All NSW residents who are aged over 15 years.

NSW Public Sector Employees

All persons engaged to work for public sector agencies and paid through an agency's payroll system (see Scope on p26).

Part-time

Employees are considered to be part-time if they work less than 35 hours a week.

Permanent Employees

Permanent employees are employed on a continuing basis to perform ongoing functions.

Public Trading Enterprises

Government agencies which have a commercial charter, charge fees for services provided and are largely self-sufficient. However, they may receive funding for social programs (non-commercial activities). Public trading enterprises are listed at the back of this report.

Region

Grouping of statistical divisions as defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) in *Labour Force, New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory* (ABS Cat.No.6201.1). Region classifications for public sector employees were obtained from postcodes using the ABS Postcode to Statistical Local Area Concordance Database, and the ABS National Localities Index.

Remuneration Rate

This refers to the full-time annual rate of pay, before tax, at which the employee is contracted to work, not actual earnings during the period. It does not include additional payments such as overtime or allowances.

Separation Rate

The number of employees separating from their agency as a proportion of the average number of people employed in the agency over a given time period. The separation rate was calculated for non-casual employees for a 12 month period. The formula used for 2001/02 rates was: (Number of employees separating from agencies between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2002×100) \div average of (number of employees at 1 July 2001 and number of employees at 30 June 2002).

Stability Rate

Measures the proportion of employees at a given point in time who remain employed at some point in time later. The stability rate was calculated for non-casual employees for a 12 month period. The formula used for 2001/02 rates was: (number of employees reported as continuously employed $2001/02 \times 100$) ÷ (number of employees at 1 July 2001).

Temporary Employees

Non-casual employees who do not have permanent conditions of employment, do not have individual employment contracts and who are employed for a specific period of time.

Trainees, Cadets and Apprentices

Staff whose employment conditions require them to undergo a designated probation or training period as part of their vocational development.

Agencies Included

Agencies included in the Workforce Profile 2002 Collection

General Government: Budget Dependent

Aboriginal Affairs, Department of

Ageing, Disability and Home Care, Department of

Agriculture, Department of

Art Gallery of NSW

Arts, Ministry for the

Attorney General's Department

Australian Museum

Board of Studies, Office of the

Cabinet Office

Casino Control Authority

Centennial Park & Moore Park Trust

Children's Guardian, Office of the

Coal Compensation Board

Commission for Children and Young People

Community Relations Commission For a multicultural NSW

Community Services Commission

Community Services, Department of

Corrective Services, Department of

Crime Commission, NSW

Director of Public Prosecutions, Office of The

Education and Training, Department of

Energy and Utilities, Ministry of

Environment Protection Authority

Fair Trading, Department of

Film and Television Office

Fire Brigades, NSW

Fisheries NSW

Gaming and Racing, Department of

Health - Ambulance Service of NSW

Health - Central Coast Area Health Service

Health - Central Sydney Area Health Service

Health - Corrections Health Service

Health - Far West Area Health Service

Health - Greater Murray Area Health Service

Health - Health Care Complaints Commission

Health - Health, Department of

Health - Hunter Area Health Service

Health - Illawarra Area Health Service

Health - Macquarie Area Health Service

Health - Mid North Coast Area Health Service

Health - Mid Western Area Health Service

Health - New Children's Hospital, Westmead

Health - New England Area Health Service

Health - Northern Rivers Area Health Service

Health - Northern Sydney Area Health Service

Health - South Eastern Sydney Area Health Service

Health - South Western Sydney Area Health Service

Health - Southern Area Health Service

Health - St Vincent's Hospital

Health - Wentworth Area Health Service

Health - Western Sydney Area Health Service

Heritage Office

Historic Houses Trust of NSW

Independent Commission Against Corruption

Independent Pricing And Regulatory Tribunal

Industrial Relations, Department of

Information, Technology and Management, Department of

Judicial Commission of NSW

Juvenile Justice, Department of

Land and Water Conservation, Department of

Legal Aid Commission of NSW

Local Government, Department of

Lord Howe Island Board

Mineral Resources, Department of

Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences

National Parks and Wildlife Service

Olympic Co-ordination Authority

Ombudsman's Office

Parliament of NSW - Legislative Assembly

Parliament of NSW - Legislative Council

Parliamentary Counsel's Office

Planning NSW

Police - Police NSW

Police Integrity Commission

Premier's Department

Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW

Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust

Rural Assistance Authority

Rural Fire Service, Department of

Sport and Recreation, Department of

State and Regional Development NSW, Department of

State Electoral Office

State Emergency Service

State Library of NSW

State Records of NSW

Sustainable Energy Development Authority

Tourism NSW

Transport, Department of

Treasury - State Revenue, Office of

Waterways Authority

Women, Department for

General government: non-budget dependent

Aboriginal Housing Office

Audit Office of New South Wales

Building and Construction Industry Long Service Payments Cor

Greyhound Racing Authority

Harness Racing NSW

Hunter Catchment Management Trust

Institute of Sport

Internal Audit Bureau of NSW

Mines Rescue Board

Mines Subsidence Board

Motor Accident Authority

Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Council

Pillar Administration

Public Trust Office

Public Works And Services, Department of

Resource NSW

Safe Food Production NSW

SAS Trustee Corporation

State Sports Centre Trust

Sydney Olympic Park Authority

Tow Truck Authority of NSW

Upper Parramatta River Catchment Management Trust

Workcover Authority

Public trading enterprises

Australian Inland

Country Energy

Delta Electricity

Energy Australia

Eraring Energy

Housing - Housing, Department of

Hunter Water Corporation

Integral Energy

Jenolan Caves Reserve Trust

Landcom

Lotteries Corporation

Macquarie Generation

Newcastle Port Corporation

Pacific Power

Parramatta Stadium Trust

Port Kembla Port Corporation

Rail Infrastructure Corporation

State Forests of NSW

State Rail Authority of NSW

State Transit Authority of NSW

Sydney Catchment Authority

Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust

Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority

Sydney Opera House Trust

Sydney Ports Corporation

Sydney Water Corporation

Teacher Housing Authority of NSW

TransGrid

Treasury Corporation

Waste Service NSW

Wollongong Sportsground Trust

Zoological Parks Board of NSW

