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Regional Victoria includes all of VIC except the large metropolitan areas of Melbourne and surrounding suburban areas. The Metropolitan areas of Melbourne and surrounding suburbs are reported as urban VIC. In total, 6085 people who live in regional VIC and 1123 who live in urban VIC took part in the 2020 Regional Wellbeing Survey, although not all these people answered every question on the survey.

Queensland

Queensland (QLD) includes all of QLD including the large metropolitan areas of Brisbane and surrounding suburban areas. In total, 3104 people from QLD took part in the 2020 Regional Wellbeing Survey, although not all these people answered every question on the survey.

Regional Queensland includes all of QLD except the large metropolitan areas of Brisbane and surrounding suburban areas. The Metropolitan areas of Brisbane and surrounding suburbs are reported as urban Queensland. In total, 2050 people who live in regional QLD and 1054 who live in urban QLD took part in the 2020 Regional Wellbeing Survey, although not all these people answered every question on the survey.

South Australia

South Australia (SA) includes all of SA including the large metropolitan areas of Adelaide and surrounding suburban areas. In total, 1556 people from SA took part in the 2020 Regional Wellbeing Survey, although not all these people answered every question on the survey.

Regional South Australia includes all of SA except the large metropolitan areas of Adelaide and surrounding suburban areas. The Metropolitan areas of Adelaide and surrounding suburbs are reported as urban South Australia. In total, 1204 people who live in regional SA and 352 who live in urban SA took part in the 2020 Regional Wellbeing Survey, although not all these people answered every question on the survey.

Western Australia

Western Australia (WA) includes all of WA including the large metropolitan areas of Perth and surrounding suburban areas. In total, 1679 people from WA took part in the 2020 Regional Wellbeing Survey, although not all these people answered every question on the survey.

Regional Western Australia includes all of WA except the large metropolitan areas of Perth and surrounding suburban areas. The Metropolitan areas of Perth and surrounding suburbs are reported as urban Western Australia. In total, 1131 people who live in regional WA andstralia

Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

Australian Capital Territory (ACT) includes all of ACT including the city of Canberra and surrounding rural areas. In total, 148 people from Australian Capital Territory took part in the 2020 Regional Wellbeing Survey, although not all these people answered every question on the survey.

3.3 Remoteness

Five groups of remoteness are reported in the 2020 RWS Data Tables based on the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASCS) Remoteness Structure. These include:

- Major cities of Australia (4062 RWS survey respondents in 2020)
- Inner regional Australia (10023 RWS survey respondents in 2020)
- Outer regional Australia (6348 RWS survey respondents in 2020)
- Remote Australia (1002 RWS survey respondents in 2020)
- Very remote Australia (387 RWS survey respondents in 2020)
- Remote and very remote Australia (combines those living in Remote and Very remote regions, and thus dupli

Table 1 Regional Development Areas (RDAs)

	NSW	398	Bathurst
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	VIC	1584	Alpine, Benalla, Greater Shepparton, Indigo, Mansfield, Mitchell, Moira, Murrindindi, Strathbogie, Towong, Wangaratta, Wodonga
	VIC	1216	Buloke, Campaspe, Central Goldfields, Gannawarra, Greater Bendigo, Loddon, Macedon Ranges, Mildura, Mount Alexander, Swan Hill
	VIC	1019	Banyule, Bayside, Boroondara, Brimbank, Cardinia, Casey, Darebin, Frankston, Glen Eira, Greater Dandenong, Hobsons Bay, Hume, Kingston, Knox, Manningham, Maribyrnong, Maroondah, Melbourne, Melton, Monash, Moonee Valley, Moreland, Mornington Peninsula, Nillumbik, Port Phillip, Stonnington, Whitehorse, Whittlesea, Wyndham, Yarra, Yarra Ranges
	QLD	285	Brisbane
	QLD	317	Banana, Barcaldine, Barcoo, Blackall-Tambo, Central Highlands, Diamantina, Gladstone, Livingstone, Longreach, Rockhampton, Winton, Woorabinda
	QLD	692	Balonne, Bulloo, Goondiwindi, Maranoa, Murweh, Paroo, Quilpie, Southern Downs, Toowoomba, Western Downs
	QLD	284	Gold Coast
	QLD	126	Ipswich, Lockyer Valley, Scenic Rim, Somerset
	QLD	133	Logan, Redlands
	QLD	89	Isaac, Mackay, Whitsunday
	QLD	162	Moreton Bay
	QLD	286	Noosa, Sunshine Coast

3.5 Local Government Areas (LGAs)

A Local Government Area (LGA) is an administrative division of a country that a local government is responsible for. In 2020 there were a total of 562 LGAs across Australia, based on the 2020

Western	NSW	West NSW	157
Corangamite	VIC	South VIC	930
East Gippsland	VIC	East VIC	382
Glenelg Hopkins	VIC	South-west VIC	578
Goulburn Broken	VIC	North VIC	920
Mallee	VIC	North-west VIC	314
North Central	VIC	North VIC	928
North East	VIC	North VIC	725
Port Phillip and Western Port	VIC	South VIC	1246
West Gippsland	VIC	East VIC	845
Wimmera	VIC	West VIC	340
Southern Queensland Landscapes (Border Rivers Maranoa-Balonne part)	QLD	South QLD	190
Southern Queensland Landscapes (Condamine part)	QLD	South QLD	409
Burdekin (formerly North Queensland Dry Tropics)	QLD	East QLD	200
Burnett Mary	QLD	South-east QLD	326
Cape York, Northern Gulf, Southern Gulf (grouped)	QLD	North QLD	78
Desert Channels	QLD	West QLD	113
Fitzroy Basin	QLD	East QLD	206
Fitzroy Basin and Reef Catchments (Mackay and Whitsunday)	QLD	East QLD	270
South East Queensland (formerly Healthy Land and Water)	QLD	South-east QLD	1308
Wet Tropics (formerly Terrain NRM)	QLD	North-east QLD	182
Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges	SA	South SA	534
SA Arid Lands and Eyre Peninsula	SA	North-east and South SA	109
Northern and Yorke	SA	South SA	247
Northern and Yorke and Kangaroo Island	SA	South SA	314
South Australian Murray Darling Basin (formerly Murraylands and Riverland)	SA	East SA	424
South East (formerly Limestone Coast)	SA	South-east SA	173
Northern Agricultural	WA	West WA	140
Peel-Harvey	WA	South-west WA	179
Perth	WA	West WA	402
Rangelands	WA	North, North-west and central WA	138
South Coast	WA	South WA	268
South West	WA	South-west WA	394
Wheatbelt	WA	Central-west WA	158
Cradle Coast	Tasmania	West TAS	295
North	Tasmania	North-east TAS	434
South	Tasmania	South-east TAS	836
Northern Territory	NT	All NT	577
ACT	ACT	All ACT	148

3.7 Regional Partnership Regions (Victoria)

4.2 Farmers

Different types of farmers and socio-demographic groups of farmers are reported in the 2020 RWS Data Tables. A person was classified as a farmer if on the 2020 RWS survey form they selected any of the following:

- They own or part-own a farm business
- They manage or co-manage a farm business
- They do administrative work for a farm business

A farmer was classified as an irrigator if they indicated they irrigated all or part of their land from irrigation channels, rivers, lakes or groundwater. A farmer was classified as a dryland farmer if they indicated they are a dryland farmer on part or all of the land they manage.

describes the groups and the responses received for each group.

Table 4 Farmers

	All 2020 RWS participants who were classified as farmers	3506
	All 2020 RWS participants who identified as irrigators	688
	All 2020 RWS participants who identified as dryland farmers	1868
	2020 RWS participants who were farmers and identified as female	1422
	2020 RWS participants who were farmers and identified as male	2027
	2020 RWS participants who were farmers and aged 18 to 39 years old	311
	2020 RWS participants who were farmers and aged 40 to 54 years old	714
	2020 RWS participants who were farmers and aged 55 to 64 years old	959
	2020 RWS participants who were farmers and aged 65 years or older	1440

	2020 RWS participants who were classified as crop growers (indicated crop growing was their most important or a major farm activity, including rice, grain, fodder, sugar or other crops)	1206
	2020 RWS participants who were classified as cotton growers (indicated cotton growing was their most important or a major farm activity)	189
	2020 RWS participants who were classified as graziers (indicated beef or sheep grazing was their most important or major farm activity)	2198
	2020 RWS participants who were classified as fruit, vegetable or winegrape growers 04 Tf1 0 0 1 .04 TJT1 1 .	