



## Regional Services Directory

### South Australia

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Based in the Adelaide Office of the ABS, the National Centre's roles are to:

develop and disseminate data that will assist policy analysts and researchers study the underlying causes of change across rural, regional and remote Australia, support the regional priorities of Commonwealth agencies by providing relevant statistical information to assist policy planning and assessment.

The Centre also incorporates the South Australian Regional Statistics Unit (RSU) specialising in the provision of sub-state data for SA. The RSU publishes Regional Statistics, South Australia (Cat. No. 1362.4) annually and provides consultancy services in regional profiling.

**Recent Key Projects:**

RRSNC discussion paper Use of Individual Income Tax Data for Regional Statistics:

*Experimental Estimates for Small Areas, 1995-96 and 1996-97* (Cat. No 5673.0) was released on 26 November 2001. The paper summarises a joint

ABS/ATO project using individual income tax data to provide new measures of regional labour market activity. Tables produced include profiles of wage and salary income, occupation, age and sex by statistical local areas (SLA) in Australia. Work is underway in building this time series through to 1999-2000.

R&R News: RRSNC Newsletter published quarterly. Contact the above to be added to the mailing list.

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**Products and services:**

Regional and Industry Development.  
Public Sector Economics.  
Economic Conditions and Outwork.  
Economic Impact of Gambling.  
Studies into Coastal Growth.  
Economic Evaluation of Water Reuse.  
Innovation.  
Program Evaluation.

**Recent Key Projects:**

'Value of New Zealand Recreational Fishing', New Zealand Ministry of Fisheries.

'Unmet demand for Information Technology and telecommunications courses', Department of

Education, Training and Youth Affairs. 'Economic and Social Impact of Gaming on the Provincial Cities', Provincial Cities Assoc. of SA. 'Labour Market Planning for the Regions'. 'Keeping Pace: A study on the South Coast Region, Fleurieu Regional Development Commission.

Review of Science, Technology and Innovation Program in Victoria.

Investigation into the Impact of Caps on Electronic Gaming Machines and Review of Self-exclusion Programs.

Labour Market Planning and Supply Side Response (NT Government).

Provincial Cities Update 2002 (Provincial Cities Association of SA).

A Series of Regional Economic Reviews, Forecasts and Planning. Extension of 'Keeping Pace: A Study of the South Coast Region' (Fleurieu Regional Development Commission).

Program and Project Evaluations: Cost and Models Analysis for Commonwealth and State Agencies.

## Victoria

### *Peter Tesdorpf & Associates*

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#### **Products and services:**

Regional and local economic development.  
Regional cooperation and intergovernmental relations.

Planning and urban affairs.

Facilitation, consultation, advocacy, negotiations.

Strategy development and policy analysis.

Local government and community affairs.

Project management.

#### **Recent Key Projects:**

Our consultancy is small, innovative and flexible. We can handle small single person assignments right through to large projects where we assemble multi-disciplinary teams. We have successfully completed over 100 assignments spanning a wide range of issues in several States for clients including regional development organisations, Local State and Commonwealth governments, large and small businesses, utility companies, ACCs, peak bodies and private clients.

The Principal, Peter Tesdorpf, has over 28 years

experience including managing delivery of the Commonwealth's regional development program, establishing regional bodies, as Executive Director of one of Australia's most successful regional organisations of Councils and as a local government and consultant planner. He was Victorian President of the Planning Institute of Australia for 2000, 2001 and 2002 and is a past councillor of the Regional Science Association ANZRSAL.

### *Centre of Policy Studies*

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#### **Products and services:**

The Centre of Policy Studies (CoPS) is an acknowledged world leader in computable general equilibrium (CGE) modelling. These models are widely used by government, private and university sectors in Australia and overseas. The Centre has 14 research staff, including three professors, plus 4 support staff.

The Centre operates a number of large-scale multiregional CGE models which it applies to forecasting, policy analysis and historical analysis. CoPS produces forecasts of Australian regional economies at the statistical division level. It also conducts analysis of a wide range of economic questions at the regional level, including regional development, tourism, hallmark events, major projects, energy, the environment, natural resources, labour markets, transport, industry productivity, microeconomic reform and fiscal federalism. Detailed information on the Centre's products and services can be found at our website, or by phoning the CoPS' Director-Consulting, Dr Philip Adams, on (03) 9905 5094.

CoPS provides a post-graduate research programme and conducts a number of short training courses in economic modelling each year. Prospective students should contact Associate Professor John Madden on (03) 9905 9757. The Centre also produces a suite of general-purpose economic modelling (GEMPACK) software especially suitable for general and partial equilibrium models. It can handle a wide range of economic behaviour. GEMPACK is used in over 400 organisations in over 60 countries. Potential subscribers to GEMPACK

should contact Professor Ken Pearson on (03) 9905 5112. Further information on the above services can also be found at the CoPS' website.

**Recent Key Projects:**

CoPS undertakes around 20 major commissioned studies each year. A few recent examples are:

Economic Modelling for The Review of Commonwealth-State Funding.

Tourism Scenarios and Australian Regional Economies.

Economic Impacts of Townsville Power Station Proposal.

Regional Effects of E-commerce.

MMRF-Green Model for Transport Analysis.

Impact of a New Nickel Mine and Refinery in NSW.

Impact of an Outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease.

Geographical Information Systems for Better Water Pricing.

Proposed Canberra-Sydney Fast Rail Link.

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**Products and services:**

Strategic Planning.

Regional Economic Development.

Statutory Planning.

Research - Demographics, Economic.

Rural and Resource Based Research.

Community Consultation.

**Recent Key Projects:**

Regional profiling - Wimmera Development Association and Department of Sustainability and Environment.

Enhancing the capacity of local government to contribute to the management of dryland salinity - Land and Water Australia.

Regional growth centres study - Victorian Department of Infrastructure.

Victorian rural living study - Department of Infrastructure.

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**Products and Services:**

Community facilitation and mediation.

Develop and deliver the education, training and professional development initiative.

Economic and social assessment.

Infrastructure planning and evaluation.

Natural resources and environment management.

Policy formulation and analysis.

Post Graduate Programme in Regional Development

- national and international - occ@ird.uwa.edu.au

Professional development and capacity building for regional development practitioners.

Programme and project planning and evaluation.

Regional advocacy.

Strategic and statutory planning.

Tourism planning: eco and wilderness tourism.

**Recent Key Projects:**

An evaluation of the impacts and implications of environmental initiatives on the maritime transport sector for the Australian Maritime Group of the Australian Transport Council.

Provision of field research and professional inputs for the environmental assessment of the Hydroacoustic Station (HA01) to be located offshore from Cape Leeuwin to monitor illegal nuclear tests.

Specialist input into identification of high priority areas for dedication as no-take marine reserves in the World Heritage Area of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

Specialist input into the resources inventory for the coastal and marine planning strategy and management framework for the Batavia Coast.

The preparation of the Coastal Environs Report for the South West Catchment Council's regional strategic plan.

The provision of specialist consultancy services for community consultation and for the preparation of the Warren Blackwood Development Plan for the South West Development Commission.