

## ISSP Characteristics of National Population – Australia (S&L 2007)

Each ISSP member is asked to include to the documentation the following information about known characteristics of its national population, from census or the best available estimates from government surveys or other high-quality data-sources:

- sex distribution of the population
- age distribution of the population
- education (years of schooling) of the population
- employment rate of the population

Source no. 1	Source no. 2	Source no. 3	Source no. 4
Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS)			

### SEX

Male	49.4			
Female	50.6			

Source Details: Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2006 Census of Population and Housing, QuickStats:Australia Online: <http://www.censusdata.abs.gov.au/>

### AGE (groups)

18-34	30.2			
35-49	29.1			
50-64	23.3			
65 and over	17.5			

Source Details Australian Bureau of Statistics Pub. No.2068.0 – 2006 Census Tables, 2006 Census of Population and Housing: AGE BY SEX

### YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups)

Bachelor or higher	20.6			
Certificate or diploma	30.8			
Year 12 or less	47.6			

Source Details Australian Bureau of Statistics Pub. No. 6227.0 *Education and Work* (May 2007), Table 7 - 2006 data  
\* for ages 15-64

### EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Employed	65.2			
Unemployed	34.8			
Not in labor force	4.3			

Source Details Australian Bureau of Statistics Pub. No. 6202.0 *Labour Force Australia, January 2008* Table, January Key Figures, Figures for December 2007