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Indicators

Geography and Population 9

	RDA AHF&KI	South Australia
Geography		
Land area - square kilometres ¹	8,752	985,292
Land area as a percentage of the state - per cent	0.9	100
Area of agricultural land (2006) - hectares '000	479	55,408
Demographics		
Total population (2010) - all persons	117,773	1,640,638
Males (2010) - all males	58,732	810,264
Females (2010) - all females	59,041	830,374
Change in population (2001-2010) - per cent change	17.8	9.0
Change in population (2001-2005) - per cent change	8.2	2.8
Change in population (2005-2010) - per cent change	8.9	

Economy 2006/07

	Gross value ² added (\$m)	Gross value added - per cent of total gross regional product
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Supportive Statistics (continued)

	RDA AHF&KI	South Australia
Tourism⁵		
Day visitors (2011)		
Number of domestic day trips – (,000)	3,167	10,472
Total expenditure by day trippers ⁶ – \$m	210	944
Average expenditure by day trippers ⁶ – \$	66	90
Number of overnight visitors (2011)		
Intrastate – (,000)	656	3,150
Interstate – (,000)	154	2,167
Domestic – (,000)	810	5,315
International – (,000)	62	530
Total – (,000)	872	5,845
Number of nights stayed (2011)		

Indicators for local government areas

Figures 5 through 16 show selected indicators for Regional Development Australia Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island (RDA AH F and KI) local government areas taken from

Figure 7: Occupation – Professionals
Per cent of workforce employed as professionals by local government area, 2006

Figure 8: Occupation – Labourers
Per cent of workforce employed as labourers by local government area, 2006

Source: PHIDU InstantAtlas.

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Figure 9: Industry – Agriculture, forestry and fishing
Per cent of workforce employed in agriculture, forestry and fishing, 2006

Figure 10: Income support recipients
Per cent of welfare dependant and other low income families with children, 2009

Source: PHIDU InstantAtlas.

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Residents claiming Centrelink benefits such as inter alia the aged pension and allowances are automatically entitled to a health care card. In Victor Harbor this is 11 per cent of residents followed by Kangaroo Island (10.1 per cent), Yankalilla (9.4 per cent) and Alexandrina (9.3 per cent). Retirees in Victor Harbor account for the high proportion of health care card holders, more advantaged areas have fewer residents receiving Centrelink benefits and f

Figure 11: Health care card holders

About the 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide and Kangaroo Island regional plan

The 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide sets out land-use policies for housing, transport

Region at a glance

The RDA Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island region covers an area of 8,752 square kilometres comprising six local government areas:

- Adelaide Hills Council;
- District Council of Mount Barker;
- Alexandrina Council;
- City of Victor Harbor;
- District Council of Yankalilla; and
- Kangaroo Island Council

Monax mining exploration has found high grade lead and zinc mineralisation near Parndana on Kangaroo Island with test drilling carried out in 2008 and aerial magnetic surveys carried out in 2010, this could potentially revive the mining industry on the island.

B.3 Tourism – Issues identified in RDA Roadmap

Tourism is a significant contributor to gross regional product and employment across the region, Kangaroo Island's comparative advantage lies in its unique natural assets drawing intrastate and interstate tourists looking to enjoy natural environment experiences.

Kangaroo Island is recognised internationally as a tourist destination for its coastlines, wildlife, food, wine, art/culture, walking trails, horse trails and bicycle trails, attracting mostly overnight and long stay visitors, in contrast the Adelaide Hills and Fleurieu attracts mostly day trippers.

Skills shortages of suitably qualified tourism industry workers limit industry growth; one possible solution is to increase the stock of affordable housing available to workers willing to work in tourism.

South Australia's Economic Development Board is targeting a doubling of visitors to Kangaroo Island over the next ten years from the current 185,000, this would increase the value of tourism but would increase the strain on the island's transport, energy, water, waste and tourist infrastructure such as accommodation, requiring careful planning and development to meet the expected demand.

Other methods of increasing revenue from tourism without increasing tourist numbers is to encourage a longer length of stay visitors to spend more through the development of new accommodation, restaurants, attractions etc.

B.4 Agriculture – Issues identified in RDA Roadmap

Primary industries include: agriculture (apples, pears, cherries, berries, market and vegetable gardening, plant and flower nurseries, broadacre crops and forestry), viticulture, animal husbandry (cattle grazing, sheep and lambs, llamas

Priorities	Projects
Transport infrastructure	Improved public transport infrastructure providing “link services” taking commuters from regional centres to commuter hubs on key transport routes e.g. Southern Expressway and South Eastern Freeway is required to support expected population growth.
	Upgrade of major arterial road between Victor Harbor and Seaford to encourage commuters travelling from regional areas to the city to link with the soon to be completed

Adelaide Hills

Project title: Bird in Hand Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade
Organisation: SA Water Corporation
Project details: Increase capacity to cope with population growth and improve the quality of treated wastewater.
Project cost: \$60 million
Estimated completion date: June 2012
Status: In Progress

Project title: Kanmantoo Copper Mine
Organisation: Hillgrove Resources Ltd
Project details: Located 55km from Adelaide s CBD in the Adelaide Hills Kanmantoo Copper mine has an estimated JORC compliant resource of 32,200,000 tonnes at 0.9 per cent copper and 0.2g/t gold. Drilling and exploration within the tenement is ongoing to expand the resource and life of the mine. A mineral lease was obtained in 2008, MARP in April 2009 and financing was obtained in October 2010. Construction of the mine is on time and budget and will begin production in November 2011.
Project cost: \$121 million
Estimated completion date: November 2011
Status: In Progress

South Australian local government capital expenditure for 2011/12

Council	Local government expenditure 2011/12 (\$)
Adelaide Hills Council	8,259,935
District Council of Mount Barker	11,825,000
Alexandrina Council	3,373,000
City of Victor Harbor	7,093,000
District Council of Yankalilla	Not Available
Kangaroo Island Council	1,742,000

Source: South Australian Major Developments Directory 2011

Appendix B

Selected Statistics: Labour market outcomes

Regional Development Australia Adelaide Hills

Population	Adelaide Hills	% of State Total	South Australia
Estimated Resident Population (ERP): June 2010	70,612	4.3%	1,644,582
Net Change in ERP 2009 to 2010	896		