

# Developments in “Measuring Australia’s Progress”

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## Measures of Australia’s Progress

IS LIFE IN AUSTRALIA GETTING BETTER?

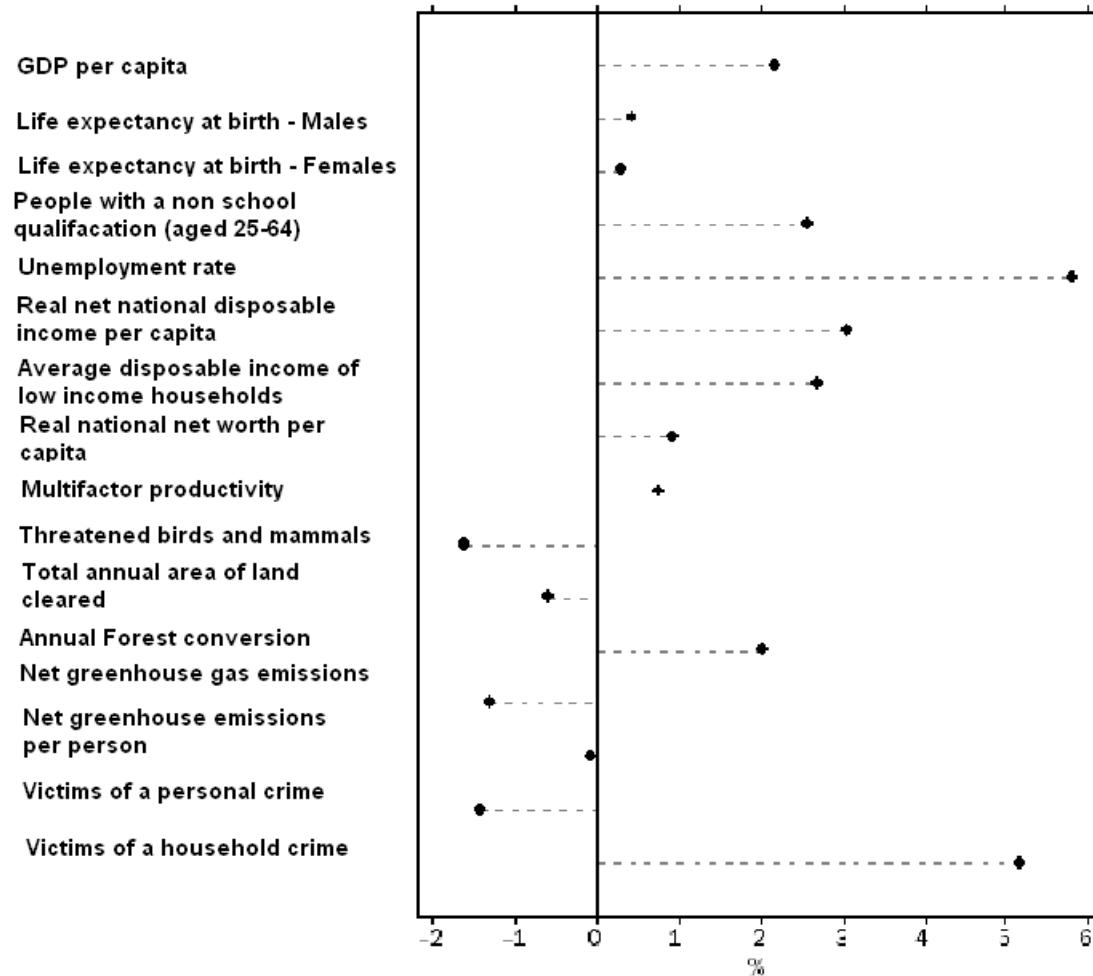
# What is Measures of Australia's Progress (MAP)?

- A publication that provides statistical evidence about whether life in Australia is getting better
- Uses a suite of indicators to describe progress

# Dimensions of MAP

- Health
- Education and Training
- Work
- Culture and Leisure
- Family, community and social cohesion
- Crime
- Democracy, governance and citizenship
- Communication
- Transport
- National Income
- Economic Hardship
- National Wealth
- Housing
- Productivity
- Competitiveness and Openness
- Inflation
- The natural landscape
- The air and atmosphere
- Oceans and Estuaries

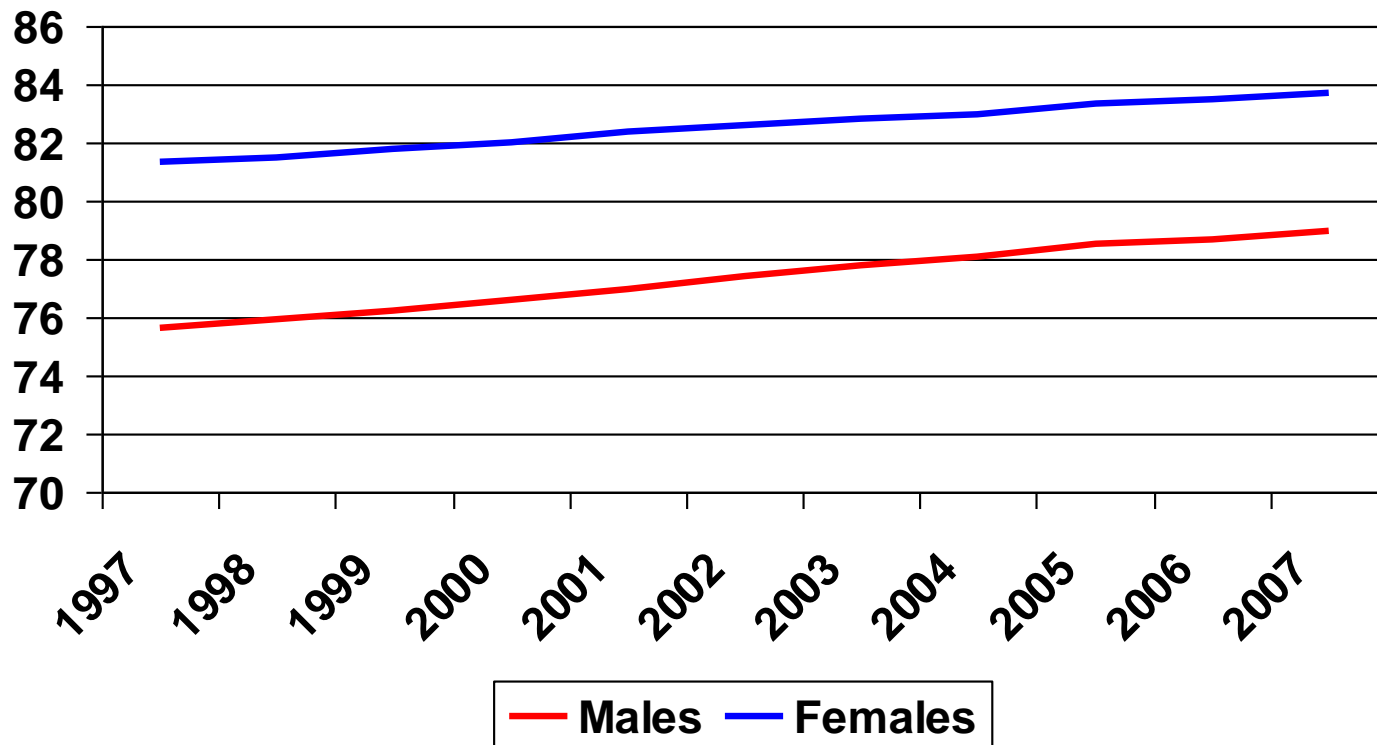
## Selected MAP indicators, average annual rate of change over 10 years- 2009(a)



(a) Most recent period for which data are available. Threatened species based on 8 years and victims of personal and household crime on 7 years.

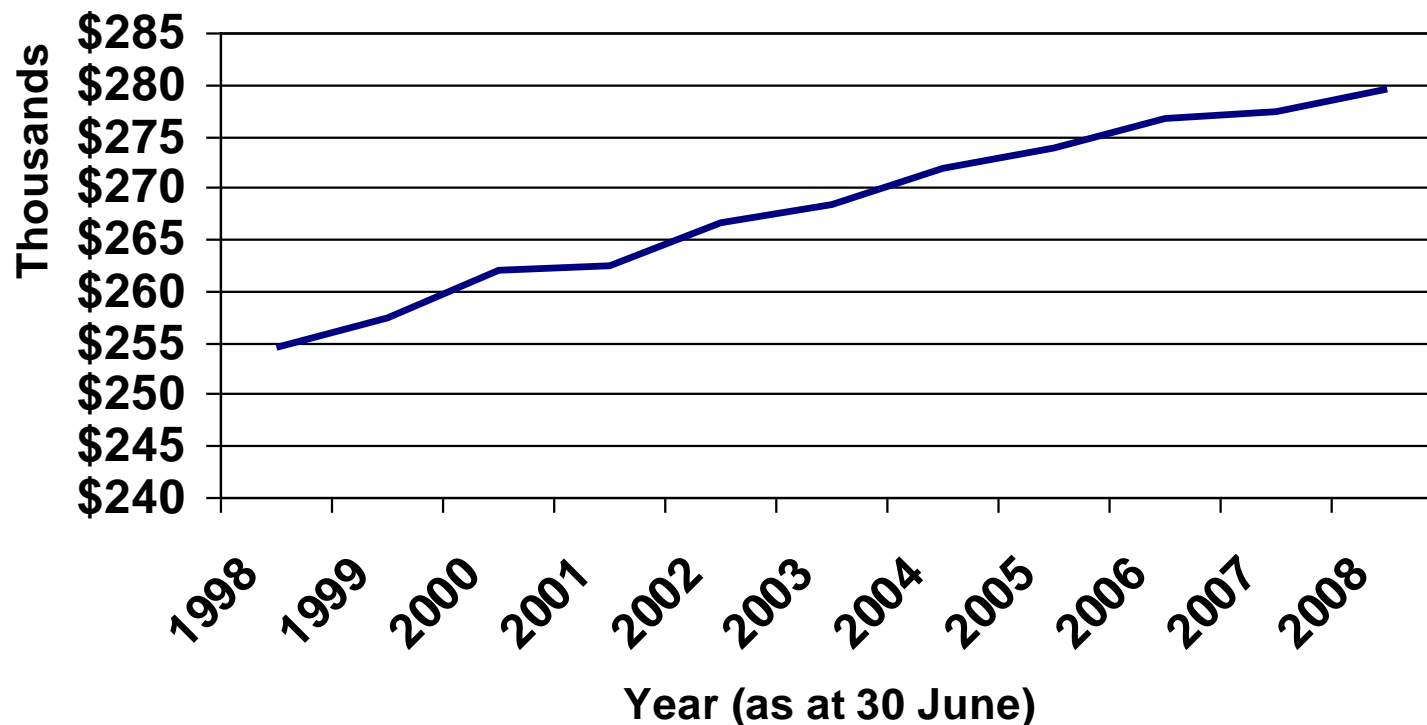
# 2009 MAP indicator results

## Health- Life expectancy



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## Real national net worth per person



# Enhancing Measure's of Australia's Progress

Transforming MAP into a dynamic electronic product on the ABS website

- Rebranding MAP on the ABS website
- Improved data visualisation
- Interactive graphs and user defined tables
- State and Territory, and sub state data support

# Enhancing Measure's of Australia's Progress *(cont)*

## Continual review and evaluation of MAP

- Identifying conceptual areas for further development
- Refining existing concepts
- Expert reference group



# Timetable

## April 30, 2009

- Release of 2009 MAP on ABS website [www.abs.gov.au](http://www.abs.gov.au)

## June- September 2009

- Conceptual development
- Expert reference group meetings
- Development of improved electronic product

## October 2009

- 3rd OECD World Forum on "Statistics, Knowledge and Policy"
- Prototype ready of improved electronic product

## Early 2010

- New dynamic MAP product released

# Questions?

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