Appendix 1

Region Conversion

New Region to Old Region Conversion 2
Old Region to New Region Conversion 3

VTAC has redefined the regions that are used in many of the tables, for the 2012-13 Annual Statistics. The regions used in this VTAC Annual Statistics are different to those used in past VTAC Annual Statistics.

VTAC has adopted the Statistical Local Area 4, of the Australian Statistical Geography Standard, as the definition of region within Victoria. Outside of Victoria, region continued to be defined as State.

For each applicant, their region was based on their residential postcode. The conversion table from postcode to SLA4 was taken from ABS catalogue number 1270.0.55.006, released in July 2012. Where a single postcode mapped to multiple SLA4 regions, the region with the higher residential population was allocated.

The tables in this appendix allow (approximate) conversion from New Regions to Old Regions, and from Old Regions to New Regions.
For example, the new Region of Hume is approximately 40% Goulburn and approximately 60% Ovens-Murray, in terms of the old Regions. So, if there were 1400 applicants from Hume in 2012-13, 40% of 1400 = 560 were from Goulburn and 60% of 1400 = 840 were from Ovens Murray. In order to estimate the total number of applicants from Goulburn, sum 40% of Hume, 100% of Shepparton and 2% of Melbourne North East.
For example, the old Region of Wimmera is approximately 98% North West and approximately 2% Ballarat, in terms of new Regions. So, if there were 400 applicants from Wimmera in 2011-12, 98% of 400 = 392 were from North West and 2% of 400 = 8 were from Ballarat. In order to estimate the total number of applicants from North West, sum 985 of Wimmera, 100% of Mallee and 5% of Central Highlands.