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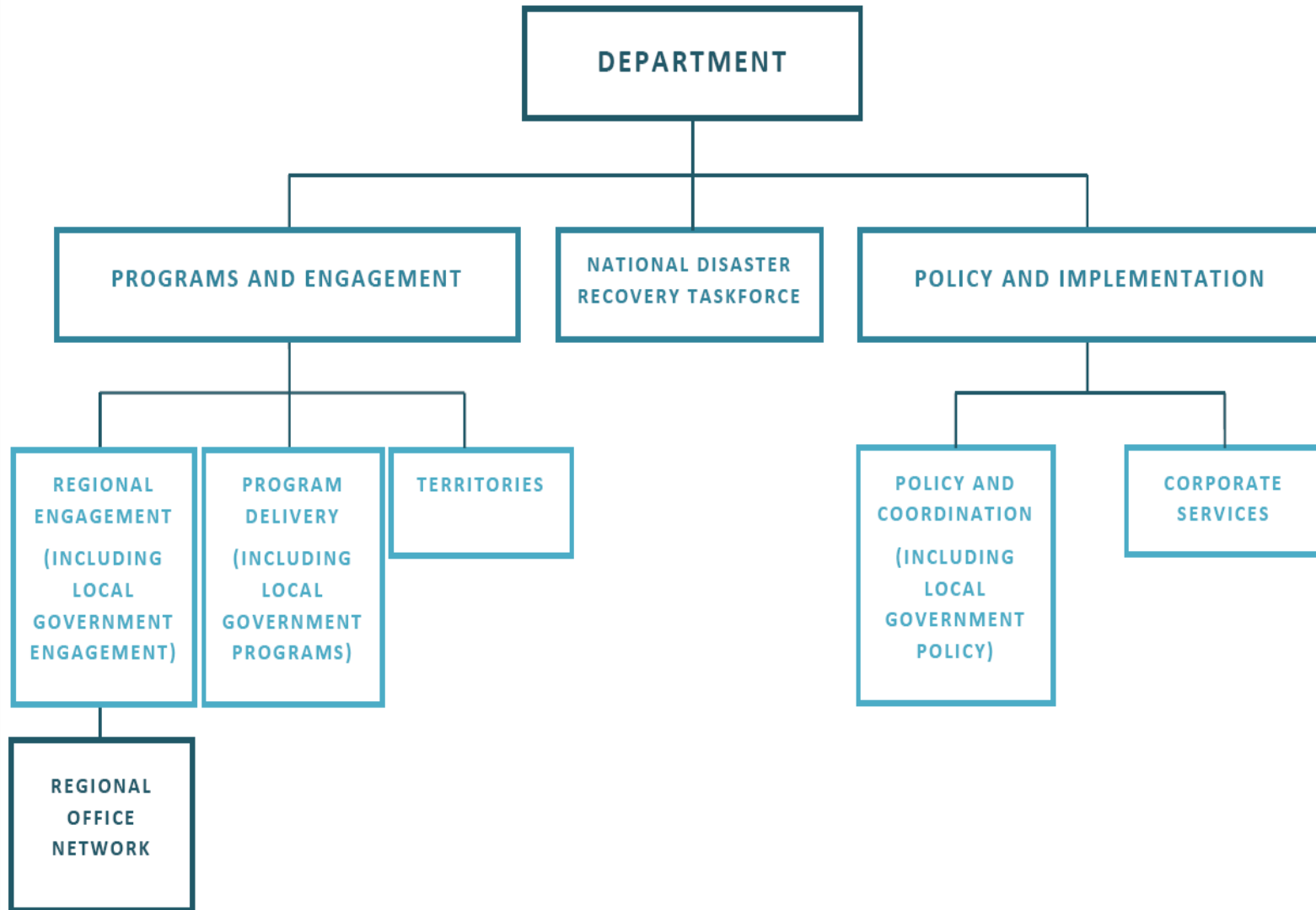
## State of Play

### **Access, Awareness, Alignment and Aspiration = Action**

How we can work together to develop and deliver outcomes for regional Australia.

Tony Carmichael  
First Assistant Secretary  
Regional Engagement Division

# The Department



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# The Commitment to Regional Australia

- Appointment of a **Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government**
- Established the **Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government**
- Established a **Regional Australia and Regional Development Committee of Cabinet**
- Establish a **Regional Development Policy Centre**
- Established a **House of Representatives Committee on Regional Australia**, and
- Strengthened **Regional Development Australia**.

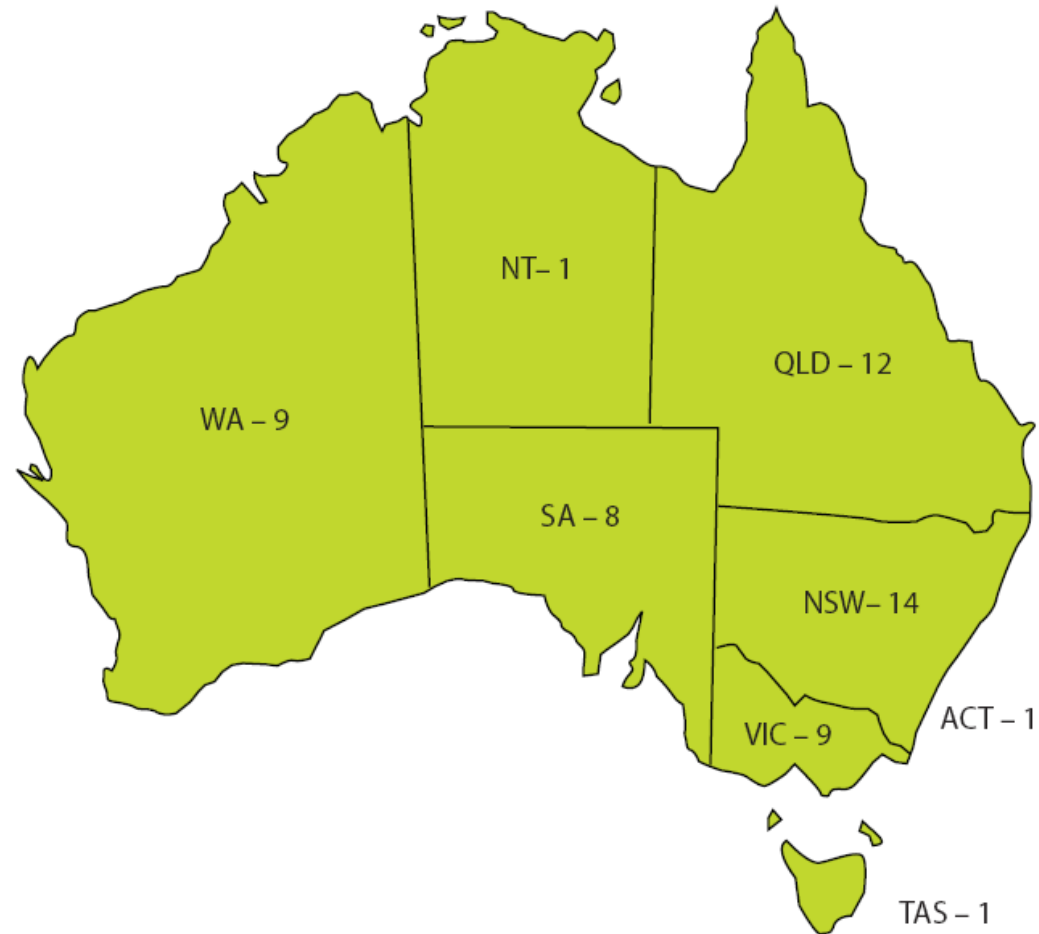


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# Regional Development Australia

RDA committees in each state and territory



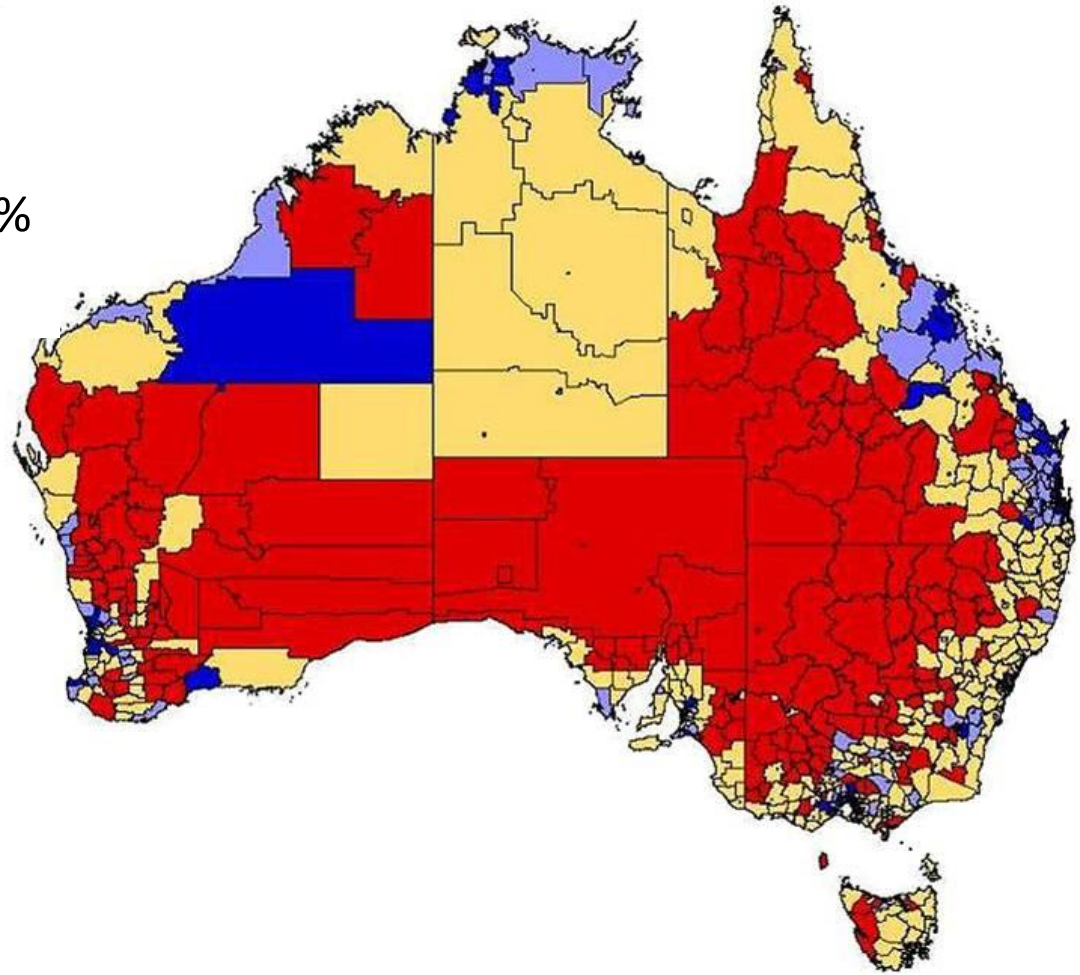
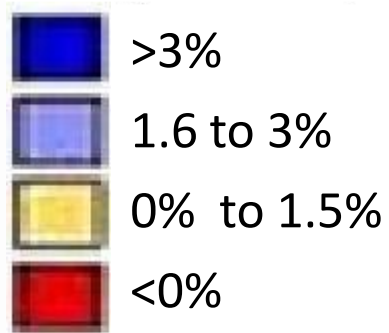
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# The Patchwork Economy

Average Annual Population Growth 2001 to 2009 (%)

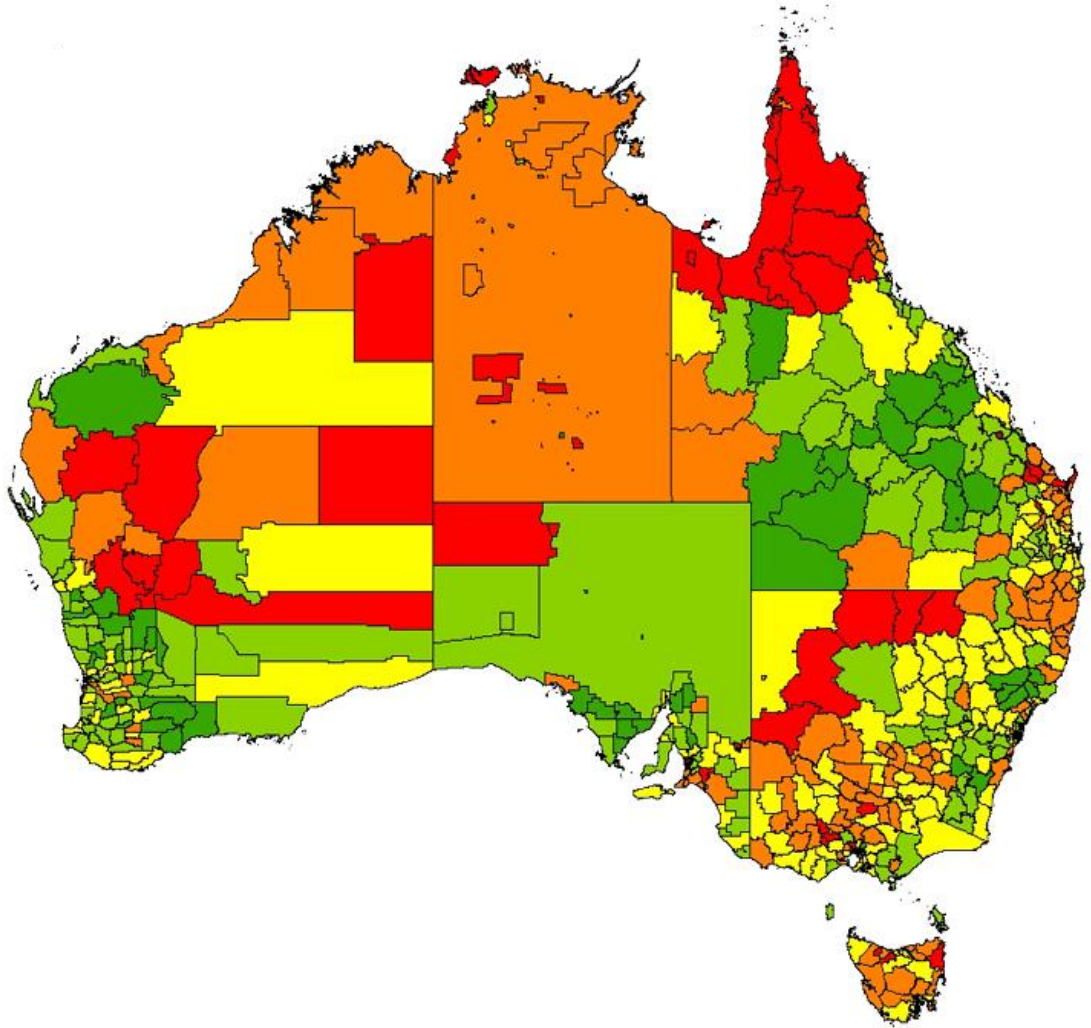
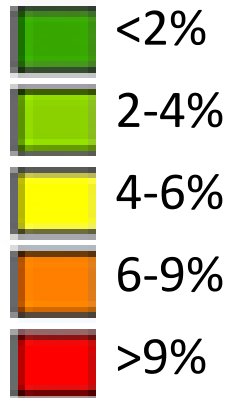


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Unemployment rate, September 2010



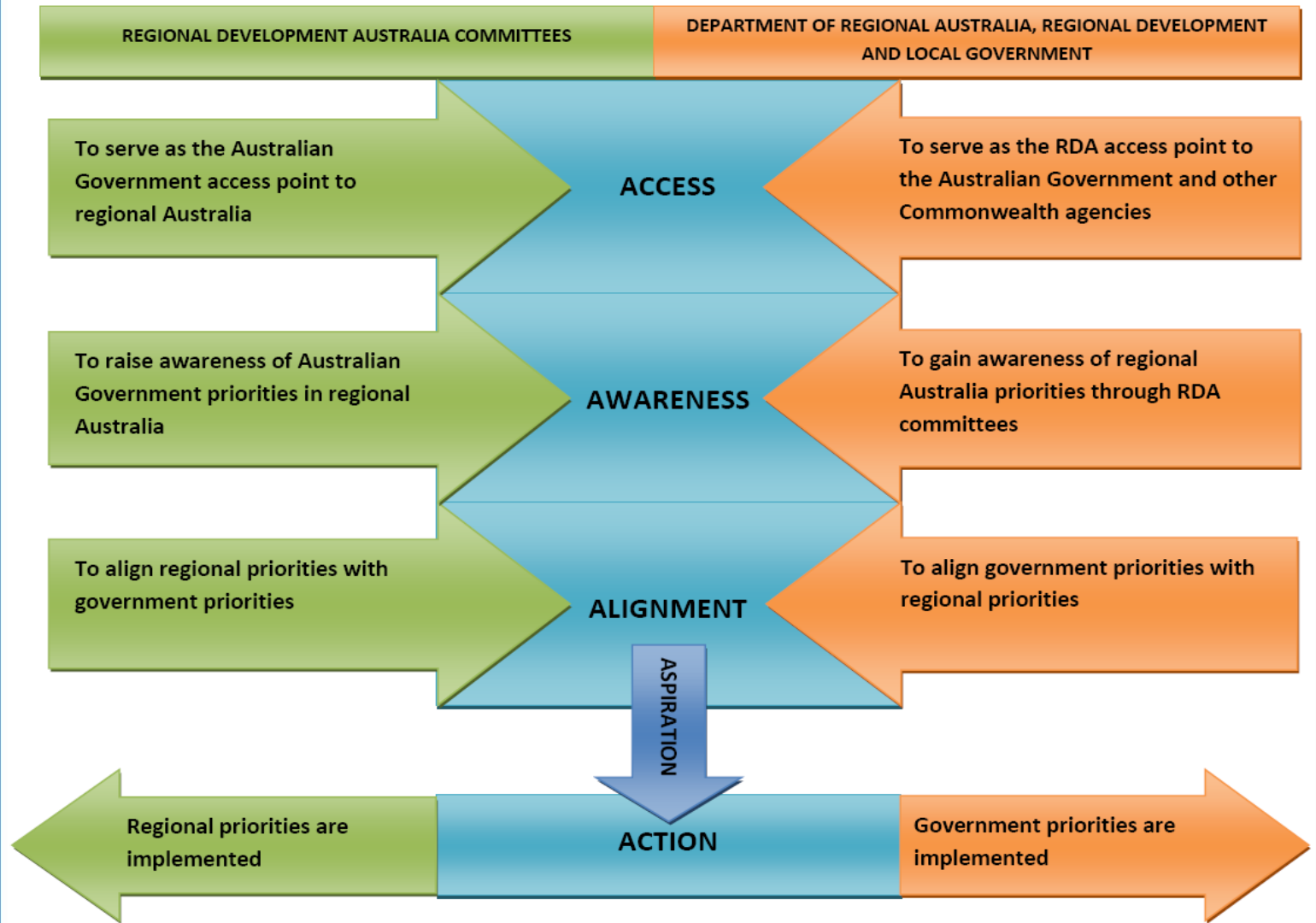
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