

Australia's States & Territories — Knowledge Organiser

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The six states

- New South Wales — capital Sydney.
- Victoria — capital Melbourne.
- Queensland — capital Brisbane.
- South Australia — capital Adelaide.
- Western Australia — capital Perth.
- Tasmania — capital Hobart (an island state).

The two territories

- Australian Capital Territory (ACT) — contains Canberra, the national capital.
- Northern Territory — capital Darwin; includes Uluru and the Red Centre.

Key vocabulary

- State — a region with its own government within the country.
- Territory — a region governed more directly by the national government.
- Capital city — the city where a government is based.
- Continent — a very large landmass; Australia is both a country and a continent.

Did you know?

Canberra, not Sydney or Melbourne, is Australia's capital. It was specially built as the capital because Sydney and Melbourne could not agree which should be chosen!