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**Analysis of Table 1.1**

The mean population for 1993-94 increased by 21,300 over the previous year. This compares with an increase of 19,900 between 1991-92 and 1992-93.

The mean population for the 1994 calendar year increased by 25,400. This figure was higher than the 1993 increase of 19,100.

In the March quarter 1995, Western Australia's population grew by 9,800 persons to 1,724,200. This increase was the highest recorded since March quarter 1990.

**1.1 ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION**

Period	At end of period			Mean Population
	Males	Females	Persons <sup>1</sup>	
	'000			
<b>Financial years</b>				
1991-92	833.2	824.2	1 657.4	1 647.5
1992-93	842.4	833.9	1 676.3	1 667.4
1993-94	854.6	846.4	1 701.1	1 688.7
<b>Calendar years</b>				
1992	837.7	829.1	1 666.7	1 657.9
1993	847.9	839.5	1 687.4	1 677.0
1994 p	861.1	853.3	1 714.4	1 702.4
<b>Quarters</b>				
Dec 93	847.6	839.6	1 687.3	..
Mar 94	851.7	843.5	1 695.3	..
Jun 94	854.6	846.4	1 701.1	..
Sep 94 p	858.5	850.5	1 709.0	..
Dec 94 p	861.1	853.3	1 714.4	..
Mar 95 p	866.1	858.2	1 724.2	..

<sup>1</sup> All estimates have been finalised using 1991 Census results  
Reference: Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0)

**Analysis of Table 1.2**

In the March quarter 1995 the total increase in population of 9,900 was higher than for any quarter since March 1990. Between December 1994 and March 1995 quarters, all three components of population change increased.

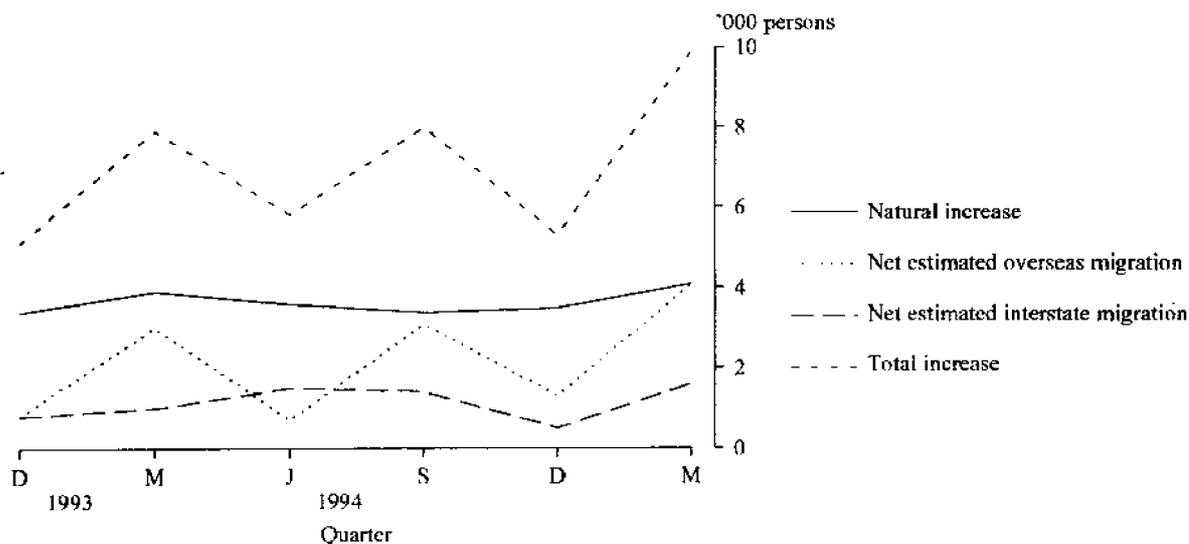
There was no change in the natural increase between 1993 and 1994. However, net estimated overseas migration jumped from 5,500 in 1993 to 8,100 in 1994, and net estimated interstate migration increased from 600 to 4,500 persons.

**1.2 COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE**

Period	Natural increase	Net estimated overseas migration <sup>1</sup>	Net estimated interstate migration	Total increase
			(000)	
<b>Financial years</b>				
1991-92	15.1	7.7	-1.4	21.3
1992-93	14.7	4.6	-0.3	19.0
1993-94 p	14.3	6.7	3.7	24.7
<b>Calendar years</b>				
1992	14.9	5.7	-0.8	19.8
1993	14.4	5.5	0.6	20.5
1994 p	14.4	8.1	4.5	26.9
<b>Quarters</b>				
Dec 93	3.4	0.8	0.8	5.1
Mar 94	3.9	3.0	1.0	7.9
Jun 94	3.6	0.7	1.5	5.8
Sep 94 p	3.4	3.1	1.4	8.0
Dec 94 p	3.5	1.3	0.5	5.3
Mar 95 p	4.1	4.1	1.6	9.9

<sup>1</sup> Includes an adjustment for 'category jumping'  
Reference: Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0)

**COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA**



**Analysis of Table 1.3**

There was a rise of 412 births in March quarter 1995 from December quarter 1994. However, numbers in marriages dropped slightly from December quarter 1994, while the number of divorces declined by 277 and deaths by 223. These falls reflected a similar pattern in March quarter 1994 from December quarter 1993. Infant deaths increased by 8 in March quarter 1995.

**1.3 REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES**

Period	Live births	Infant deaths	Total deaths	Marriages	Divorces
<b>Financial years</b>					
1991-92	24 820	177	9 624	10 241	4 575
1992-93 r	25 080	147	9 998	10 214	4 385
1993-94 p	25 299	148	10 523	10 316	4 934
<b>Calendar years</b>					
1992	25 051	171	9 902	10 118	4 540
1993	25 079	143	10 318	10 382	4 654
1994 p	25 114	138	10 297	10 366	5 024
<b>Quarters</b>					
Dec 93	6 146	40	2 600	3 263	1 360
Mar 94 p	6 408	31	2 428	3 113	1 050
Jun 94 p	6 449	39	2 519	2 486	1 283
Sep 94 p	6 257	39	2 813	1 462	1 333
Dec 94 p	6 000	29	2 537	3 305	1 358
Mar 95 p	6 412	37	2 314	3 247	1 081

Reference: Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0)

**Analysis of Table 1.4**

Rates for Live Births increased in March quarter 1995 from December quarter 1994, but dropped slightly for Deaths and Marriages. The Divorce rate for March quarter 1995 fell sharply from the preceding quarter as it did in March quarter 1994.

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**1.4 RATES OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES**

Period	Live births <sup>1</sup>	Infant deaths <sup>2</sup>	Total deaths <sup>1</sup>	Marriages <sup>1</sup>	Divorces <sup>1</sup>
<b>Financial years</b>					
1991-92	15.06	7.13	5.84	6.22	2.50
1992-93 r	15.04	5.86	5.99	6.13	2.63
1993-94 p	14.98	5.85	6.23	6.10	2.92
<b>Calendar years</b>					
1992	15.11	6.75	6.03	6.12	2.74
1993	14.95	5.70	6.15	6.19	2.78
1994 p	14.75	5.49	6.05	6.09	2.95
<b>Quarters</b>					
Dec 93	14.59	6.51	6.17	7.75	3.22
Mar 94 p	15.15	4.84	5.74	7.36	2.48
Jun 94 p	15.18	6.05	5.93	5.85	3.02
Sep 94 p	14.67	6.23	6.60	3.43	3.13
Dec 94 p	14.01	4.83	5.93	7.72	3.17
Mar 95 p	14.92	5.77	5.38	7.55	2.51

<sup>1</sup> For financial and calendar years the rate is per 1000 mean resident population. For quarters, the mean is averaged between the previous and current quarterly population.

<sup>2</sup> Infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

Reference: Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0)

**Analysis of Table 2.1**

In the June quarter 1995 there were 5,880 long term and permanent arrivals, an increase of 17% compared with the June quarter 1994. Long term departures increased 5% compared with the same period last year.

There were 2,780 permanent settler arrivals to Western Australia in the June quarter 1995. This is an increase of 590 arrivals or 27% compared with the same quarter last year. This follows on a 34% increase for March quarter 1995 compared with March quarter 1994.

The number of long term overseas visitor arrivals (visitors who intend to stay for longer than 12 months) for June quarter 1995 dropped sharply by 2,600 or 66% from the previous quarter. This repeated the pattern of 1994.

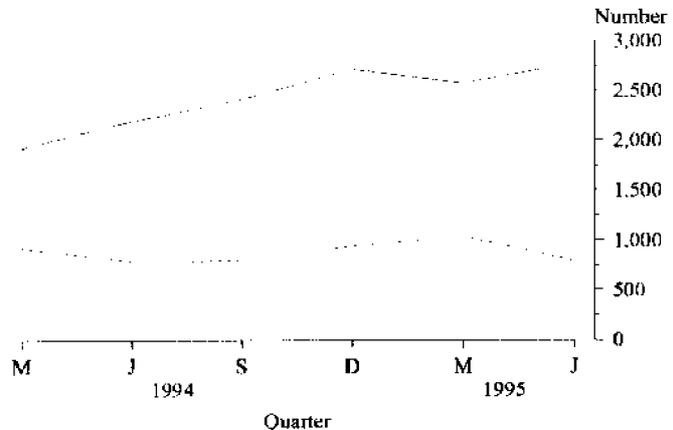
The total of 5,880 permanent and long term arrivals in June quarter 1995 exceeded departures by 2,230 or 61%.

**2.1 PERMANENT AND LONG TERM ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES**

Period	Permanent movement	LONG TERM MOVEMENT		Total movement
		Australian residents	Overseas visitors	
<b>ARRIVALS</b>				
<b>Financial years</b>				
1992-93	7 930	8 260	6 090	<b>22 280</b>
1993-94	7 740	8 900	7 430	<b>24 070</b>
1994-95	10 380	9 070	8 470	<b>27 920</b>
<b>Quarters</b>				
Mar 94	1 920	2 340	3 550	<b>7 810</b>
Jun 94	2 190	1 700	1 150	<b>5 040</b>
Sep 94	2 410	2 120	2 080	<b>6 610</b>
Dec 94	2 720	2 950	1 160	<b>6 830</b>
Mar 95	2 570	2 210	3 910	<b>8 700</b>
Jun 95	2 780	1 790	1 310	<b>5 880</b>
<b>DEPARTURES</b>				
<b>Financial years</b>				
1992-93	3 410	7 180	3 680	<b>14 260</b>
1993-94	3 430	7 340	4 140	<b>14 900</b>
1994-95	3 580	7 560	4 710	<b>15 860</b>
<b>Quarters</b>				
Mar 94	920	2 210	960	<b>4 090</b>
Jun 94	780	1 880	840	<b>3 490</b>
Sep 94	800	1 750	880	<b>3 430</b>
Dec 94	950	1 590	1 730	<b>4 270</b>
Mar 95	1 040	2 390	1 070	<b>4 500</b>
Jun 95	790	1 830	1 030	<b>3 650</b>

Reference: Unpublished table PMTR0001

**PERMANENT SETTLER ARRIVALS AND PERMANENT DEPARTURES  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA : LAST SIX QUARTERS**



Source: Unpublished Table PMTR0001

— Arrivals  
..... Departures

### Analysis of Table 2.2

Short term overseas visitor arrivals for June quarter 1995 increased 13% compared with the same quarter last year. This follows on a 3% increase for March quarter 1995 compared with March quarter 1994. There was a fall of 11,400 or 13% from March quarter 1995.

The number of Australian residents departing on short term overseas journeys in the 1995 June quarter increased by 10,100 or 17% from March quarter 1995 but this was only 1% higher than June quarter 1994.

## 2.2 SHORT TERM OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Period	Australian residents	Overseas visitors	Total
ARRIVALS			
<b>Financial years</b>			
1992-93	261 600	234 000	<b>495 600</b>
1993-94	269 900	297 700	<b>567 600</b>
1994-95	289 200	339 700	<b>628 900</b>
<b>Quarters</b>			
Mar 94	72 400	83 500	<b>155 900</b>
Jun 94	59 100	65 800	<b>124 800</b>
Sep 94	82 300	73 600	<b>155 900</b>
Dec 94	72 300	106 200	<b>178 500</b>
Mar 95	75 900	85 600	<b>161 500</b>
Jun 95	58 700	74 200	<b>132 900</b>
DEPARTURES			
<b>Financial years</b>			
1992-93	269 800	232 500	<b>502 300</b>
1993-94	274 800	290 500	<b>565 300</b>
1994-95	292 300	343 600	<b>635 900</b>
<b>Quarters</b>			
Mar 94	56 400	87 400	<b>143 800</b>
Jun 94	69 800	76 900	<b>146 600</b>
Sep 94	84 200	71 600	<b>155 800</b>
Dec 94	76 900	92 800	<b>169 700</b>
Mar 95	60 500	96 900	<b>157 400</b>
Jun 95	70 600	82 200	<b>152 800</b>

Reference: Unpublished table PMTR0001

### Analysis of Table 2.3

Short term overseas arrivals by air for June quarter 1995 (74,100) were up by 8,400 or 13% compared with June 1994. There was a fall of 11,400 arrivals from March quarter 1995 with the United Kingdom and Ireland recording the biggest drop of 7,800 or 41%. Singapore recorded a jump of 5,500 or 50%.

The major source countries were Singapore (with 22%), the United Kingdom and Ireland (15%), Indonesia (13%), and Malaysia (11%).

During the June quarter 1995, 63% of all short term arrivals by air were from Asia.

## 2.3 SHORT TERM OVERSEAS ARRIVALS BY AIR<sup>1</sup>

Country of residence	Mar 1994	Jun 1994	Sep 1994	Dec 1994	Mar 1995	Jun 1995
('000)						
<b>Asia</b>						
Indonesia	8.6	7.4	8.9	13.1	12.3	9.9
Japan	8.0	5.2	8.4	7.4	7.9	5.2
Malaysia	6.7	7.0	6.9	7.9	7.4	7.9
Singapore	11.3	14.5	10.9	21.4	10.9	16.4
Thailand	2.7	3.3	2.5	2.5	1.6	3.1
Other Asia	4.4	3.6	4.5	3.8	4.7	4.4
<b>Total Asia</b>	<b>41.8</b>	<b>41.0</b>	<b>42.1</b>	<b>56.1</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>46.8</b>
<b>Other</b>						
Germany	3.4	1.6	2.3	4.4	3.3	1.9
New Zealand	4.8	5.8	7.5	6.9	4.7	5.2
U.K. and Ireland	19.8	9.7	10.0	21.0	18.9	11.1
U.S.A.	3.0	1.9	2.4	3.5	2.8	2
Other	10.6	5.6	9.2	14.1	11.0	7.1
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>41.6</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>31.4</b>	<b>49.9</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>27.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>83.4</b>	<b>65.7</b>	<b>73.5</b>	<b>106.0</b>	<b>85.5</b>	<b>74.1</b>

<sup>1</sup> Comprises travellers whose intended or actual stay is less than twelve months.

Reference: Unpublished table PMTR0031

**Analysis of Table 2.4**

In June quarter 1995 there were 74,100 short term overseas arrivals by air. Of these, 58% (42,900 persons) gave the reason for their journey as 'holiday', and a further 25% (18,700) said they were 'visiting friends or relatives'.

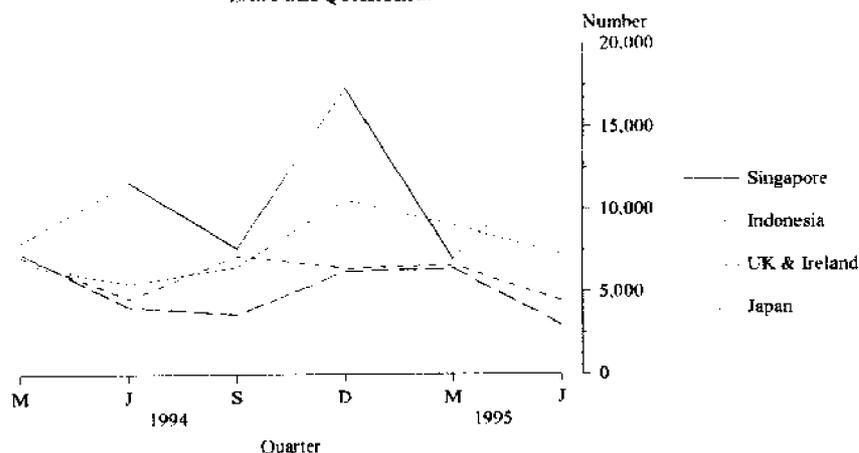
People on holiday were mainly from Singapore (31%), Indonesia (17%), Malaysia (12%) and Japan (10%). People visiting friends or relatives were predominantly from the United Kingdom and Ireland (37%), New Zealand (14%), Singapore (11%) and Malaysia (6%).

**2.4 SHORT TERM OVERSEAS ARRIVALS BY AIR : PURPOSE OF JOURNEY: JUNE QUARTER 1995**

Country of residence	Convention/ business <sup>1</sup>	Visiting friends/ relatives	Holiday	Employment and education	Other and not stated	Total this quarter
('000)						
<b>Asia</b>						
Indonesia	0.6	0.7	7.3	0.7	0.7	<b>9.9</b>
Japan	0.2	0.2	4.4	—	0.3	<b>5.2</b>
Malaysia	0.9	1.2	5.3	0.1	0.3	<b>7.9</b>
Singapore	0.6	2.0	13.2	0.2	0.4	<b>16.4</b>
Thailand	0.2	0.4	2.2	0.2	0.1	<b>3.1</b>
Other Asia	0.6	1.4	1.5	0.3	0.5	<b>4.4</b>
<b>Total Asia</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>33.9</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>46.8</b>
<b>Other</b>						
Germany	0.2	0.3	1.3	—	—	<b>1.9</b>
New Zealand	0.6	2.6	1.6	0.2	0.2	<b>5.2</b>
U.K. and Ireland	0.7	6.9	3.0	0.1	0.4	<b>11.1</b>
U.S.A.	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.2	<b>2.0</b>
Other	1.5	2.1	2.6	0.4	0.5	<b>7.1</b>
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>27.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>74.1</b>

<sup>1</sup> From September 1994 includes convention, conference and business.  
Reference: Unpublished table PMTR0031

**SHORT TERM OVERSEAS ARRIVALS BY AIR:  
FOR HOLIDAYS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA  
LAST SIX QUARTERS**



Source: Unpublished Table: PMTR0031

### Analysis of Table 2.5

In June quarter 1995 there were 70,600 short term resident departures by air, only 900 or 1% more than for the same quarter of 1994.

Of residents departing overseas, 20% were destined for Indonesia and another 19% were headed for the United Kingdom and Ireland. Other common destinations were the United States of America (8%), Singapore (7%) and Malaysia (7%).

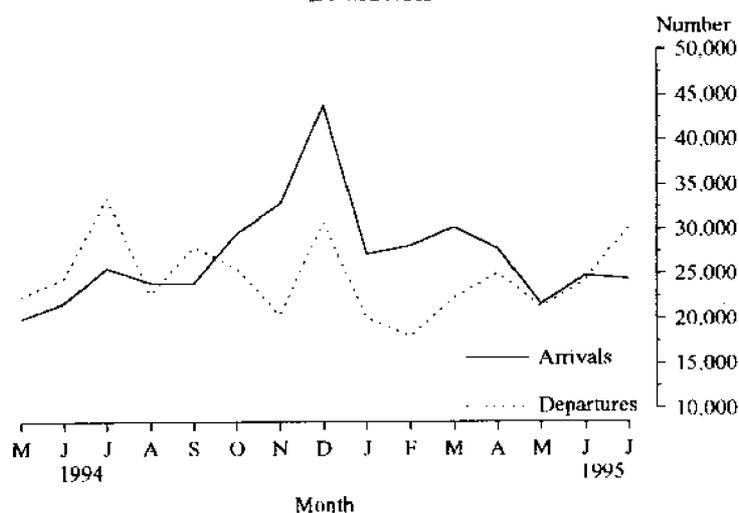
## 2.5 SHORT TERM OVERSEAS RESIDENT DEPARTURES BY AIR

Country departing to	Mar 1994	Jun 1994	Sep 1994	Dec 1994	Mar 1995	Jun 1995
	('000)					
<b>Asia</b>						
Hong Kong	2.2	2.6	3.1	2.6	2.5	2.7
Indonesia <sup>1</sup>	14.0	14.4	21.0	19.4	14.0	13.8
Japan	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7
Malaysia	5.7	5.4	6.5	6.5	5.0	5.1
Singapore	5.2	5.6	7.7	6.9	6.0	5.2
Thailand	2.5	3.9	4.7	4.1	3.2	3.5
Other Asia	5.0	3.8	3.8	5.9	4.9	4.2
<b>Total Asia</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>36.5</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>46.3</b>	<b>36.3</b>	<b>35.1</b>
<b>Other</b>						
Germany	0.3	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.9
Italy	0.7	1.4	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.2
New Zealand	5.4	3.8	6.5	7.6	7.3	4.4
U.K. and Ireland	6.2	12.7	13.3	8.1	6.2	13.2
U.S.A.	2.6	5.0	4.9	4.8	3.4	5.5
Other	5.8	9.4	9.2	8.4	5.8	10.4
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>36.2</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>35.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>56.2</b>	<b>69.7</b>	<b>84.1</b>	<b>76.8</b>	<b>60.3</b>	<b>70.6</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes Bali.

Reference: Unpublished table PMTR0031

TOTAL SHORT TERM ARRIVALS OF OVERSEAS VISITORS AND DEPARTURES OF WESTERN AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS BY MONTH



Source: Unpublished table PMTR0013

## Analysis of Table 2.6

The main reasons given for short term resident departures by air in June quarter 1995 were 'holiday' (50%), 'visiting friends or relatives' (23%), and attending 'convention or conference' or 'on business' (19%).

The most popular destinations for residents departing on holiday were Indonesia (28%), and the United Kingdom and Ireland (18%).

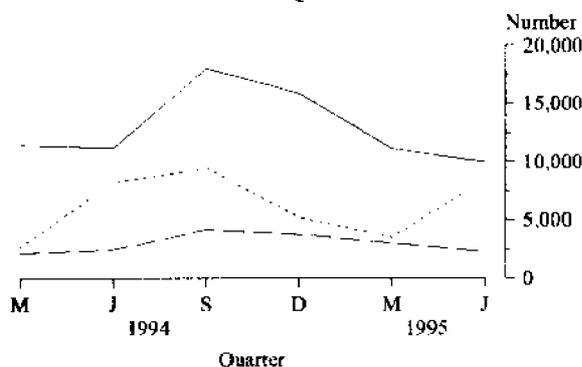
Of those residents departing to visit friends or relatives overseas, 30% went to the United Kingdom and Ireland and a further 11% went to New Zealand.

## 2.6 SHORT TERM OVERSEAS RESIDENT DEPARTURES BY AIR: PURPOSE OF JOURNEY: JUNE QUARTER 1995

Country of residence	Convention/ business <sup>1</sup>	Visiting friends/ relatives	Holiday	Employment and education	Other and not stated	Total this quarter
<b>Asia</b>						
Hong Kong	0.7	0.4	1.3	0.1	0.2	2.7
Indonesia	2.5	0.4	10.0	0.5	0.4	13.8
Japan	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.1	—	0.7
Malaysia	1.2	1.1	2.3	0.2	0.2	5.1
Singapore	1.3	1.0	2.3	0.5	0.2	5.2
Thailand	0.3	0.3	2.7	0.1	0.2	3.5
Other Asia	1.5	1.2	1.1	0.3	0.1	4.2
<b>Total Asia</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>35.1</b>
<b>Other</b>						
Germany	0.3	0.3	0.2	—	0.1	0.9
Italy	0.1	0.4	0.6	—	—	1.2
New Zealand	0.7	1.7	1.5	0.2	0.3	4.4
U.K. and Ireland	1.5	4.9	6.2	0.3	0.3	13.2
U.S.A.	1.3	1.1	2.8	—	0.2	5.5
Other	2.1	3.2	3.9	0.7	0.4	10.4
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>35.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>70.6</b>

<sup>1</sup> From September 1994 includes convention, conference and business.  
Reference: Unpublished table PMTR0031

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Source: Unpublished Table PMTR0031 — Indonesia  
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## 2.7 TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

Period	Hotels, Motels, Guest Houses with facilities			Caravan parks		
	Guest rooms	Room occupancy rates	Guest arrivals	Number of sites	Site occupancy rates	Guest arrivals
	Number	%	'000	Number	%	'000
<b>Financial years</b>						
1991-92	14 624 <sup>1</sup>	52	1 934.7	28 174 <sup>1</sup>	32	1 260
1992-93	14 577 <sup>1</sup>	53	1 965.2	28 308 <sup>1</sup>	38	1 194
1993-94	14 754 <sup>1</sup>	57	2 153.8	29 202 <sup>1</sup>	39	1 250
<b>Months</b>						
Jul 94		57	189		45	131
Aug 94		59	193		45	127
Sept 94	14 733	65	211	29 353	42	117
Oct 94		68	218		39	107
Nov 94		62	180		35	68
Dec 94	14 734	54	182	29 625	37	100
Jan 95		58	192		45	135
Feb 95		60	156		38	70
Mar 95	14 742	60	178	29 480	37	80
Apr 95		59	182		41	116
May 95		57	173		36	79
Jun 95	14 754	57	166	29 554	40	100
Jul 95		n.a.	n.y.a.		n.a.	n.y.a.
Aug 95		n.a.	n.y.a.		n.a.	n.y.a.
Sep 95	n.y.a.	n.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.a.	n.y.a.
<b>Holiday Flats, Units, Houses</b>						
Period	Guest Units	Unit occupancy rates	Unit lettings	Bed Spaces	Visitor Hostels Bed occupancy rates	Bed-nights sold
	Number	%	'000	Number	%	'000
	<b>Financial years</b>					
1991-92	1 895 <sup>1</sup>	53	91	2 683 <sup>1</sup>	34	323
1992-93	1 993 <sup>1</sup>	52	86	3 112 <sup>1</sup>	36	386
1993-94	2 224 <sup>1</sup>	55	96	3 119 <sup>1</sup>	38	416
<b>Months</b>						
Jul 94		58	9		38	36
Aug 94		50	8		34	32
Sept 94	2 255	58	10	3 042	38	34
Oct 94		66	10		39	34
Nov 94		55	9		41	35
Dec 94	2 302	60	10	2 858	42	37
Jan 95		73	10		46	39
Feb 95		58	8		45	35
Mar 95	2 414	56	10	2 794	43	37
Apr 95		63	10		48	40
May 95		45	8		41	36
Jun 95	2 419	45	8	2 834	41	35
Jul 95		n.a.	n.a.		n.a.	n.y.a.
Aug 95		n.a.	n.a.		n.a.	n.y.a.
Sep 95	n.y.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.y.a.	n.a.	n.y.a.

<sup>1</sup> Number at 30 June.

Reference: Tourist Accommodation, Western Australia (8635.5)

For more information regarding this table, please contact Pam Prince on (09) 360 5932

**Analysis of Table 3.1**

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased 0.4 percentage points to 7.7% in November 1995. The trend estimate of unemployment increased 0.1 percentage point.

The seasonally adjusted number of persons unemployed increased by 3 700 to 69 200, while the number of persons employed increased by 3 400 to 832 800.

Western Australia's seasonally adjusted participation rate for November 1995 increased by 0.4 percentage points to 66.7% and continues to be the highest of all states.

### 3.1 LABOUR FORCE STATUS (AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER): SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Employed full-time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemployment rate	Participation rate
	'000	'000	'000	%	%
<b>Males</b>					
Jan 95	416.8	472.5	39.9	7.8	77.5
Feb 95	417.1	466.6	46.0	9.0	77.4
Mar 95	423.2	476.4	37.3	7.3	77.4
Apr 95	426.1	479.3	41.2	7.9	78.3
May 95	426.3	476.6	38.7	7.5	77.3
Jun 95	430.3	477.8	36.1	7.0	77.0
Jul 95	432.4	479.7	33.9	6.6	76.8
Aug 95	426.8	474.8	34.4	6.7	76.0
Sep 95	431.9	478.0	37.4	7.3	76.8
Oct 95	429.8	477.8	36.5	7.1	76.5
Nov 95	428.6	479.8	37.1	7.2	76.8
<b>Females</b>					
Jan 95	183.2	344.4	26.4	7.1	56.6
Feb 95	192.1	349.2	26.0	6.9	56.1
Mar 95	188.3	350.3	26.9	7.1	56.3
Apr 95	196.7	359.0	24.8	6.5	57.2
May 95	194.8	358.5	27.7	7.2	57.5
Jun 95	186.0	351.2	29.2	7.7	56.5
Jul 95	185.2	351.9	32.6	8.6	57.0
Aug 95	192.9	355.8	27.4	7.2	56.7
Sep 95	190.6	349.0	30.8	8.1	56.1
Oct 95	187.5	351.7	29.0	7.6	56.1
Nov 95	189.4	353.1	32.1	8.3	56.7
<b>Persons</b>					
Jan 95	600.0	816.9	66.4	7.5	66.5
Feb 95	609.2	815.8	72.0	8.1	66.7
Mar 95	611.5	826.7	64.2	7.2	66.8
Apr 95	622.8	838.3	66.1	7.3	67.7
May 95	621.0	835.1	66.4	7.4	67.4
Jun 95	616.3	829.0	65.3	7.3	66.7
Jul 95	617.6	831.6	66.5	7.4	66.9
Aug 95	619.7	830.6	61.8	6.9	66.3
Sep 95	622.5	827.0	68.2	7.6	66.4
Oct 95	617.3	829.4	65.5	7.3	66.3
Nov 95	618.0	832.8	69.2	7.7	66.7

Reference: The Labour Force, Australia (6202.0)

## Analysis of Table 3.2

### 3.2 LABOUR FORCE STATUS (AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER): TREND SERIES

For more information regarding these tables, please contact Renae Gibson on (09) 360 5332.

Month	Employed full-time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemployment rate	Participation rate
	000	000	000	%	%
<b>Males</b>					
Jan 95	416.4	470.9	40.5	7.9	77.3
Feb 95	419.2	472.9	40.9	8.0	77.5
Mar 95	422.2	474.7	40.6	7.9	77.6
Apr 95 r	425.1	476.3	39.5	7.7	77.6
May 95 r	427.4	477.3	38.1	7.4	77.4
Jun 95 r	429.0	477.8	36.7	7.1	77.1
Jul 95 r	429.9	477.8	35.9	7.0	76.8
Aug 95 r	430.1	477.7	35.7	7.0	76.6
Sep 95 r	430.1	477.8	35.8	7.0	76.5
Oct 95 r	430.0	478.0	36.0	7.0	76.5
Nov 95	429.8	478.5	36.5	7.1	76.5
<b>Females</b>					
Jan 95	187.8	346.8	26.3	7.1	55.9
Feb 95	189.6	349.9	26.0	6.9	56.2
Mar 95 r	190.9	352.5	26.2	6.9	56.6
Apr 95 r	191.5	354.3	26.9	7.1	56.8
May 95 r	191.4	355.1	27.8	7.3	57.0
Jun 95 r	190.7	354.7	28.7	7.5	56.9
Jul 95 r	189.8	353.7	29.4	7.7	56.8
Aug 95 r	189.2	352.6	29.9	7.8	56.6
Sep 95 r	189.0	352	30.2	7.9	56.4
Oct 95 r	188.9	351.5	30.6	8.0	56.3
Nov 95	189.1	351.5	30.7	8.0	56.2
<b>Persons</b>					
Jan 95 r	604.2	817.7	66.9	7.6	66.6
Feb 95 r	608.8	822.7	66.9	7.5	66.8
Mar 95 r	613.1	827.2	66.8	7.5	67.1
Apr 95 r	616.5	830.6	66.4	7.4	67.1
May 95 r	618.8	832.4	65.9	7.3	67.1
Jun 95 r	619.7	832.5	65.4	7.3	67.0
Jul 95 r	619.6	831.5	65.2	7.3	66.8
Aug 95 r	619.3	830.3	65.6	7.3	66.6
Sep 95 r	619.1	829.7	66.1	7.4	66.4
Oct 95 r	618.9	829.5	66.6	7.4	66.4
Nov 95	618.9	829.9	67.2	7.5	66.3

Reference: The Labour Force, Australia (6202.0)

## Analysis of Table 3.3

The total number of employees rose from 550,500 in March 1994 to 558,800 in March 1995. During this twelve month period, the public sector total number of employees rose by 3,600 to 157,600, and the private sector total number of employees showed an increase of 4,800 to 401,300.

### 3.3 NUMBER OF EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY INDUSTRY AND SECTOR

Particulars	Number of Employees				Gross earnings
	Mar 1994	Sept 1994	Dec 1994	Mar 1995	Mar quarter 1995
	'000	'000	'000	'000	\$m
<b>INDUSTRY</b>					
Mining	20.6	20.7	21.5	23.8	323.5
Manufacturing	58.5	59.7	57.0	56.7	449.9
Electricity, gas and water	8.7	8.4	8.2	8.0	69.1
Construction	28.3	26.0	26.3	28.0	246.6
Wholesale trade	39.9	38.9	38.1	40.0	301.0
Retail trade	78.8	81.8	82.5	80.9	334.9
Transport and storage	22.3	22.2	21.8	21.7	204.5
Communication	8.2	8.5	8.7	8.8	79.4
Finance, property and business	60.8	63.4	66.3	64.2	493.9
Public administration and defence	29.5	29.9	31.7	30.1	226.5
Community services	144.9 <sup>1</sup>	149.1	151.1	152.3	970.9
Recreation, personal and other services	48.4	42.3	44.1	42.8	193.9
<b>Total all industries<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>550.5</b>	<b>552.2</b>	<b>558.8</b>	<b>558.8</b>	<b>3 906.2</b>
<b>SECTOR</b>					
Private	396.5	398.9	398.8	401.3	2 692.4
Government					
Commonwealth	22.0	21.5	22.1	22.3	198.6
State	118.7	118.5	125.3	122.7	937.0
Local	13.3	13.3	12.7	12.6	78.3
Total Government	154.0	153.2	160.1	157.6	1 213.8
<b>Total all sectors</b>	<b>550.5</b>	<b>552.2</b>	<b>558.8</b>	<b>558.8</b>	<b>3 906.2</b>

Particulars	FEBRUARY 1994			FEBRUARY 1995		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
<b>INDUSTRY</b>						
Mining	18.4	2.9	21.3	20.6	3.4	24.0
Manufacturing	46.2	13.7	59.9	44.0	13.2	57.2
Electricity, gas and water	7.8	0.9	8.8	7.0	1.0	8.0
Construction	22.9	5.6	28.5	23.1	4.1	27.2
Wholesale trade	28.1	11.7	39.8	27.5	12.9	40.4
Retail trade	33.0	44.1	77.1	33.4	46.5	80.0
Transport and storage	17.9	4.4	22.3	16.1	5.6	21.7
Communication	5.8	2.4	8.3	6.0	2.7	8.8
Finance, property and business	28.6	32.7	61.2	29.4	34.3	63.7
Public administration and defence	17.9	11.6	29.5	17.7	12.4	30.1
Community services	49.3	92.6	141.9	43.8	101.2	145.0
Recreation, personal and other services	19.7	26.6	46.3	18.1	24.9	43.0
<b>Total all industries<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>296.9</b>	<b>249.7</b>	<b>546.5</b>	<b>287.9</b>	<b>262.6</b>	<b>550.5</b>
<b>SECTOR</b>						
Private	218.2	175.5	393.8	211.8	187.8	399.6
Government						
Commonwealth	13.8	9.0	22.8	13.1	9.1	22.2
State	56.4	60.2	116.6	55.3	61.0	116.2
Local	8.4	4.8	13.3	7.8	4.7	12.5
Total Government	78.6	74.1	152.7	76.1	74.8	150.9
<b>Total all sectors</b>	<b>296.9</b>	<b>249.7</b>	<b>546.5</b>	<b>287.9</b>	<b>262.6</b>	<b>550.5</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes employees of government agencies classified to Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting.

Reference: Employed Wage and Salary Earners (6248.0)

## Analysis of Table 3.4

Over the past twelve months to August 1995, Western Australian average weekly ordinary time earnings for full-time adult persons increased by 6.6% compared with 5.1% for Australia.

Western Australian average weekly total earnings for full-time adult persons in August 1995 were \$702.90, while the comparable Australian average earnings in August 1995 were \$691.20.

## 3.4 AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES

Reference period	Males		All Males Total earnings
	Full Time Adults		
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	
	(dollars)		
20 May 94	663.70	717.00	622.70
19 Aug 94	682.30	734.70	643.80
18 Nov 94	692.40	758.00	663.70
17 Feb 95	695.50	758.60	655.20
19 May 95	701.80	764.20	656.60
18 Aug 95	716.80	776.20	677.00

Reference period	Females		All Females Total earnings
	Full Time Adults		
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	
	(dollars)		
20 May 94	524.10	539.10	384.70
19 Aug 94	515.10	528.10	381.80
18 Nov 94	523.70	538.40	398.50
17 Feb 95	536.90	553.60	405.20
19 May 95	541.80	557.40	403.90
18 Aug 95	555.90	568.70	401.30

Reference period	Persons		All employees Total earnings
	Full Time Adults		
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	
	(dollars)		
20 May 94	612.30	651.50	507.70
19 Aug 94	619.30	656.90	516.20
18 Nov 94	630.10	676.90	538.80
17 Feb 95	637.50	683.60	537.10
19 May 95	645.80	691.90	539.90
18 Aug 95	660.00	702.90	544.40

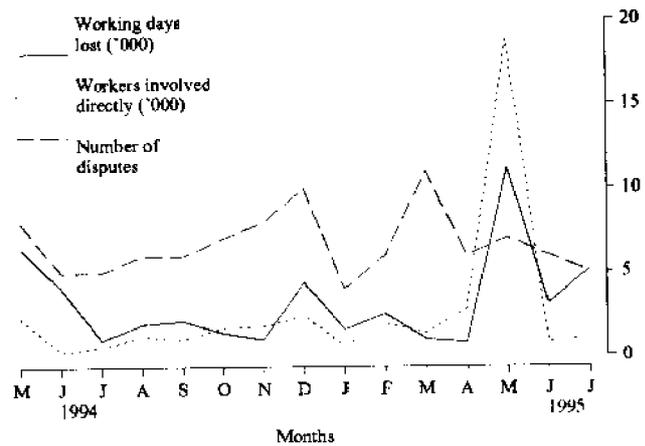
Reference: Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia, (6302.0)

### 3.5 INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK

Period	Number of disputes	Workers Involved		Total	Working days lost
		Directly	Indirectly		
	Number	'000	'000	'000	'000
<b>Calendar year</b>					
1992	134	28.6	0.2	28.8	53.6
1993	111	27.4	0.2	27.6	29.5
1994	82	15.7	0.2	15.9	27.4
<b>Months</b>					
Jun 94	5	0.3	—	0.3	4.1
Jul 94	5	0.6	—	0.6	1.0
Aug 94	6	1.2	—	1.2	1.9
Sep 94	6	1.0	—	1.0	2.1
Oct 94	7	1.7	—	1.7	1.4
Nov 94	8	1.8	—	1.8	1.0
Dec 94	10	2.4	0.1	2.5	4.4
Jan 95	4	0.6	—	0.6	1.6
Feb 95	6	1.9	—	1.9	2.5
Mar 95	11	1.4	—	1.4	1.0
Apr 95	6	2.8	—	2.8	0.8
May 95	7	18.8	—	18.8	11.2
Jun 95	6	0.8	—	0.8	3.1
Jul 95	5	1.1	—	1.1	5.1
Aug 95	6	19.8	—	19.8	9.7

Reference: Industrial Disputes, Australia (8321.0)

#### INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES



Source: Unpublished ABS data

**Analysis of Table 4.1**

**4.1 MONTHLY RETAIL TURNOVER : ORIGINAL ESTIMATES**

Data in this table have been revised and now show data from the redesigned retail Business Survey. see Information Paper (8511.0) issued on 1 December 1994 or Retail Trade Australia (8501.0) for more detail on the survey redesign.

Months	Food	Department stores	Clothing and soft goods stores	Other Household goods	Recreational goods
Oct 94	394.8	95.2	61.9	103.3	51.1
Nov 94	405.9	100.6	67.3	112.0	53.7
Dec 94	481.9	176.7	87.7	143.3	77.1
Jan 95	398.9	76.3	55.8	106.4	48.9
Feb 95	381.2	68.5	48.6	93.2	41.0
Mar 95	418.6	76.2	54.5	101.9	44.4
Apr 95	404.9	91.9	58.7	96.6	45.2
May 95	407.6	99.7	67.8	111.7	46.5
Jun 95	403.5	91.5	63.6	111.3	43.6
Jul 95	414.4	85.9	60.9	106.3	53.0
Aug 95	431.2	89.0	59.1	105.2	53.1
Sep 95	430.0	84.7	61.1	109.4	52.5
Oct 95	436.2	93.2	64.3	122.3	54.2

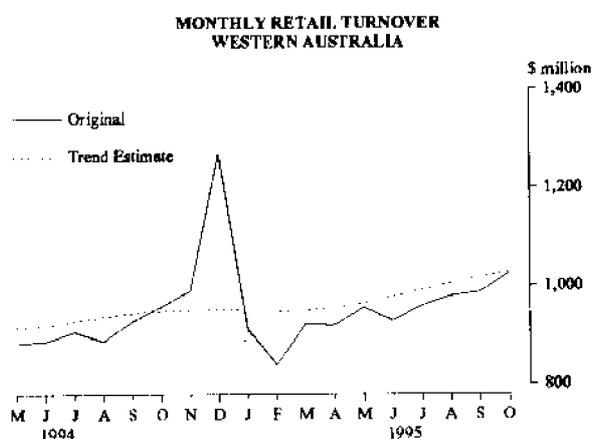
Estimated turnover of Western Australian retail establishments during October 1995 was \$1024.2 million (at current prices), an increase of 3.7% over the previous month. The trend estimates show an increase of 1.0% over the previous month.

From October 1994 to October 1995, trend estimates indicate a national annual growth rate of 7.6%. The annual growth rate for Western Australia for the same period was 8.1%.

The national trend estimates show increases of 0.6%, 0.5% and 0.3% for the months of August, September and October 1995. For the same three months, Western Australia recorded increases of 1.3%, 1.2% and 1.0% respectively.

Months	Other	Hospitality and services	Totals		
			Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimates
Oct 94	81.4	169.1	956.8	952.7	950.0
Nov 94	83.4	166.7	989.6	951.8	951.3
Dec 94	113.4	186.1	1 266.2	950.1	950.8
Jan 95	68.0	156.6	910.9	952.4	949.6
Feb 95	63.1	144.2	839.8	945.7	948.8
Mar 95	69.0	157.4	922.0	949.2	950.6
Apr 95	66.4	155.4	919.1	953.1	956.1
May 95	73.4	149.2	955.9	966.1	965.7
Jun 95	65.3	149.4	928.2	974.2	978.3
Jul 95	70.6	167.9	959.0	984.8	992.2
Aug 95	77.4	163.6	978.6	1 026.8	1 005.5
Sep 95	79.9	169.9	987.5	1 006.7	1 017.4
Oct 95	79.3	174.7	1 024.2	1 034.0	1 027.3

Reference: Retail Trade, Australia (8501.0)



Source: Retail Trade, Australia (8501.0)

**Analysis of Table 4.2**

The All Groups Consumer Price Index (CPI) Perth increased by 0.6% between the June and September quarters 1995.

Major contributors to the increase were transportation (up 1.6%); food (up 0.8%); housing (up 1.0%).

The following sub-groups had a significant impact on the rise from the June quarter 1995 to the September quarter 1995: new motor vehicles; automotive fuel; urban transport fares; cakes and biscuits; local government rates and charges; and beer.

The increase in the CPI from September 1994 to September 1995 was 5.0%. Contributing most to the annual increase were housing (up 13.0%); health and personal care (up 6.3%); tobacco and alcohol (up 5.2%); transportation (up 4.7%); food (up 4.5%); recreation and education (up 4.1%); and household equipment and operation (2.0%). The major offsetting factor in this annual change was a decrease in clothing (down 0.9%).

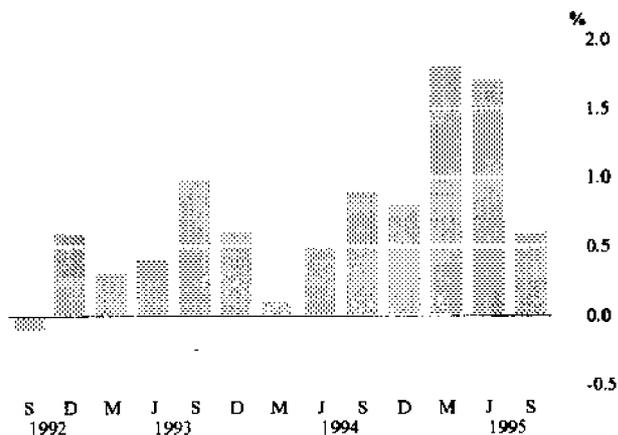
**4.2 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: PERTH**

Period	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation
(Base of each index: Year 1989-90 = 100.0)					
<b>Financial years</b>					
1992-93	108.8	108.6	87.9	107.4	111.2
1993-94	110.0	108.2	87.3	108.2	114.4
1994-95	113.4	107.4	94.0	109.0	119.0
<b>Quarters</b>					
Jun 94	109.9	108.5	87.8	108.1	113.9
Sep 94	111.6	107.9	88.5	107.9	116.0
Dec 94	111.4	107.4	91.8	108.3	117.9
Mar 95	115.1	106.9	96.9	109.0	117.2
Jun 95	115.7	107.5	99.0	108.9	119.3
Sep 95	116.6	106.9	100.0	110.0	121.4

Period	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	All groups
<b>Financial years</b>				
1992-93	114.0	119.8	106.7	106.2
1993-94	128.8	123.8	107.6	108.5
1994-95	136.8	130.4	109.6	112.3
<b>Quarters</b>				
Jun 94	131.8	125.5	107.5	109.1
Sep 94	133.6	127.6	107.7	110.1
Dec 94	135.9	128.4	109.4	111.0
Mar 95	137.7	130.1	109.0	113.0
Jun 95	140.2	135.7	112.3	114.9
Sep 95	140.6	135.7	112.1	115.6

Reference: Consumer Price Index (6401.0)

**CPI ALL GROUPS: PERTH**  
Percentage change from previous quarter



**Analysis of Table 5.1**

The number of houses approved in October 1995 decreased by 9.3% when compared with September 1995 and decreased by 28.8% when compared with October 1994. The number of total dwelling units approved in October 1995 decreased by 10.3% when compared with September 1995 and decreased by 32.6% when compared with October 1994.

The Building Approvals trend series for houses peaked at 1,670 in April 1994 and since that time has steadily declined to a level of 1,015 in October 1995.

For more information about this table, call David Brown on (09) 360 5129

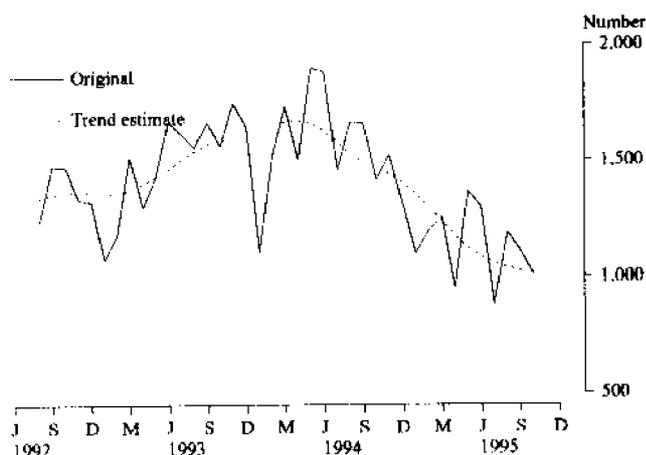
**5.1 NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED**

Period	Houses		Other Residential Buildings		Total <sup>1</sup>	
	Dwelling Units	Value	Dwelling Units	Value	Dwelling Units	Value
	Number	\$m	Number	\$m	Number	\$m
<b>Financial years</b>						
1992-93	16 485	1 173.7	5 994	345.7	22 568	1 519.4
1993-94	19 437	1 503.7	7 144	461.0	26 776	1 964.7
1994-95	16 207	1 354.3	6 105	420.3	22 427	1 774.6
<b>Months</b>						
Aug 94	1 665	134.8	644	42.4	2 320	177.3
Sep 94	1 660	133.6	773	49.2	2 445	182.8
Oct 94	1 415	113.6	453	31.7	1 878	145.3
Nov 94	1 522	129.0	602	40.4	2 149	169.3
Dec 94	1 314	110.1	526	33.3	1 856	143.4
Jan 95	1 100	90.6	431	25.8	1 535	116.4
Feb 95	1 195	102.0	383	26.8	1 586	129.0
Mar 95	1 258	111.0	496	39.0	1 761	150.4
Apr 95	952	81.7	222	16.1	1 180	97.9
May 95	1 367	115.2	426	35.7	1 794	151.0
Jun 95	1 301	109.0	491	35.3	1 795	144.3
Jul 95	883	77.8	316	23.1	1 203	100.9
Aug 95	1 189	104.8	399	30.6	1 596	135.4
Sep 95	1 111	99.2	293	22.9	1 410	122.1
Oct 95	1 008	96.6	253	20.4	1 265	117.0

<sup>1</sup> Includes conversions

Reference: Building Approvals, Western Australia (8731.5)

**NEW HOUSES APPROVED WESTERN AUSTRALIA**



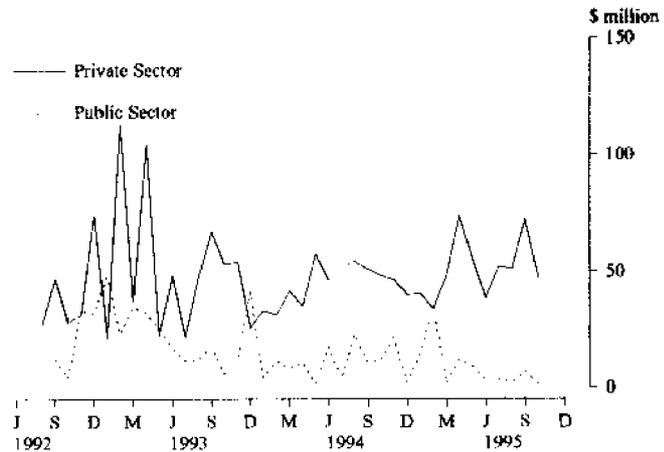
Source: Building Approvals, Western Australia (8731.5)

## 5.2 NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED

Period	Private	Public	Total
	(\$ million)		
<b>Financial years</b>			
1992-93	591.3	298.3	889.6
1993-94	513.1	153.9	667.0
1994-95	580.9	147.3	728.2
<b>Months</b>			
Aug 94	54.2	22.9	77.1
Sep 94	50.9	11.0	61.9
Oct 94	48.3	11.9	60.2
Nov 94	46.4	21.6	68.0
Dec 94	39.9	2.1	42.0
Jan 95	40.5	14.3	54.8
Feb 95	34.2	34.1	68.0
Mar 95	48.2	1.9	50.1
Apr 95	73.6	12.2	85.8
May 95	54.7	8.6	63.3
Jun 95	38.5	3.1	41.6
Jul 95	51.9	3.2	55.1
Aug 95	51.0	2.2	53.2
Sep 95	72.2	6.8	79.0
Oct 95	47.1	1.4	48.5

Reference: Building Approvals, Western Australia (8731.5)

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA



Source: Building Approvals, Western Australia (8731.5)

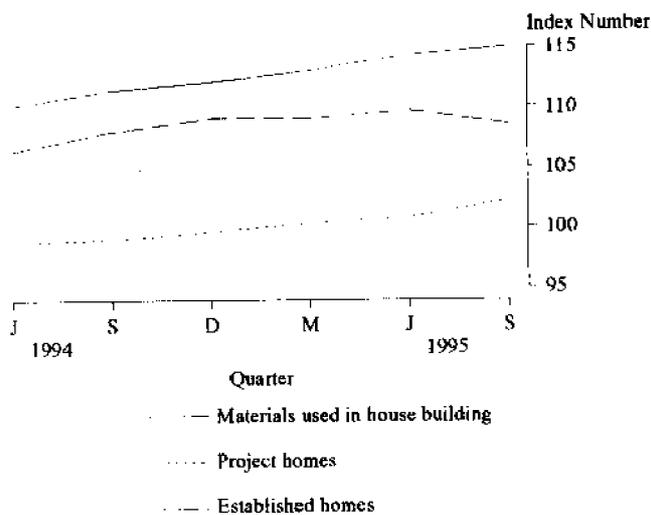
### 5.3 SELECTED HOUSING PRICE INDEXES: PERTH

Period	Materials used in house building <sup>1</sup>	Project Homes	Established homes
(Base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0)			
<b>Financial years</b>			
1992-93	106.9	92.8	98.4
1993-94	109.0	96.2	104.7
1994-95	112.8	100.0	109.0
<b>Quarters</b>			
Jun 94	110.2	98.8	106.4
Sep 94	111.4	99.0	108.0
Dec 94	112.1	99.6	109.1
Mar 95	113.3	100.4	109.1
Jun 95	114.3	100.8	109.7
Sep 95	115.0	102.2	108.6

<sup>1</sup> Materials Used in House Building Index has been converted to a 1989/90 base for comparability purposes of this table.

References: Price Index of Materials Used in House Building, Six State Capital Cities and Canberra (6408.0); House Price Indexes, Eight Capital Cities (6416.0)

HOUSING INDEXES: PERTH

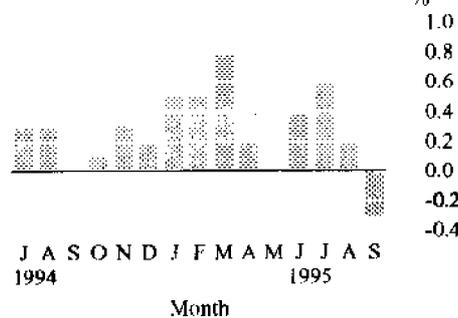


## 5.4 PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING: PERTH

Period	All groups	Special Combinations of Building Materials		
		Electrical materials	Mechanical services	Plumbing materials
(Base of each index 1989-90 = 100)				
<b>Financial years</b>				
1992-93	105.7	105.7	103.7	103.7
1993-94	107.1	101.9	104.2	105.1
1994-95 p	110.1	107.3	106.8	114.4
<b>Months</b>				
Aug 94	108.9	103.7	104.9	110.9
Sep 94	108.9	103.6	105.3	111.2
Oct 94	109.0	103.7	105.5	113.3
Nov 94	109.3	105.2	105.7	116.1
Dec 94	109.5	107.7	105.8	115.0
Jan 95	110.0	109.1	106.1	115.2
Feb 95	110.5	109.4	107.3	115.3
Mar 95	111.4	109.4	108.5	115.5
Apr 95	111.5	110.2	109.0	115.3
May 95	111.6	110.2	108.9	116.8
Jun 95	112.0	112.0	109.3	118.7
Jul 95 p	112.7	112.6	109.9	120.4
Aug 95 p	112.9	113.1	109.8	120.9
Sep 95 p	112.6	113.2	109.8	119.9
Oct 95 p	113.1	112.9	111.5	120.7

PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING ALL GROUPS: PERTH

Percentage change from previous month



Period	Selected Major Building Materials				
	Structural timber	Clay bricks	Ready mixed concrete	Structural steel	Aluminium windows
<b>Financial years</b>					
1992-93	102.7	111.3	115.5	96.3	103.8
1993-94	110.6	113.9	116.6	100.4	104.4
1994-95 p	110.6	118.0	117.8	103.6	112.4
<b>Months</b>					
Aug 94	111.7	117.8	119.3	103.4	108.1
Sep 94	111.7	117.8	119.3	103.4	108.1
Oct 94	111.7	117.8	118.3	103.4	108.8
Nov 94	111.8	117.8	117.8	103.4	109.4
Dec 94	109.7	117.8	117.3	103.4	109.4
Jan 95	109.8	117.8	117.3	103.7	112.3
Feb 95	109.7	117.8	117.2	103.7	112.3
Mar 95	109.7	117.8	117.5	103.7	118.2
Apr 95	109.8	117.8	117.5	103.7	118.2
May 95	110.0	120.2	115.9	103.8	118.2
Jun 95	109.9	120.2	116.0	103.8	118.2
Jul 95 p	109.9	120.2	116.0	105.7	118.2
Aug 95 p	109.7	120.2	117.8	105.9	118.2
Sep 95 p	109.7	120.2	115.0	105.9	118.2
Oct 95 p	109.6	120.2	115.0	106.9	118.2

Reference: Price Index of Materials Used in Building Other Than House Building (6407.0)

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### Analysis of Table 6.1

All livestock slaughterings with the exception of pigs showed a decrease during 1994-95

## 6.1 LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED

Period	Cattle		Total	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
	Bulls, butlocks, steers	Cows, heifers					
'000							
<b>Financial years</b>							
1992-93	272	180	452	5	3 752	1 481	568
1993-94	271	168	439	4	2 952	1 553	550
1994-95p	243	186	430	4	2 392	1 262	603
<b>Months</b>							
Sep 94	21	17	38	—	199	168	47
Oct 94	23	15	38	—	214	163	48
Nov 94	25	16	41	—	196	83	53
Dec 94	26	20	46	—	231	122	49
Jan 95	20	17	37	—	220	91	43
Feb 95	19	17	36	—	217	114	46
Mar 95	23	17	41	—	242	117	53
Apr 95	14	15	29	—	192	98	51
May 95	18	15	33	—	198	96	56
Jun 95	18	10	29	—	145	62	58
Jul 95	17	12	29	—	145	54	53
Aug 95	19	15	34	—	191	92	52
Sep 95	17	18	35	—	162	150	50
Oct 95	22	18	40	—	195	153	51

Reference: Livestock Products (7215.0)

## 6.2 MEAT PRODUCED

Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat
tonnes					
<b>Financial years</b>					
1992-93	100 196	303	76 921	23 395	33 562
1993-94	101 513	296	61 731	24 936	32 423
1994-95p	96 920	285	47 002	19 250	36 914
<b>Months</b>					
Sep 94	8 459	31	4 029	2 589	2 846
Oct 94	8 764	22	4 042	2 499	2 882
Nov 94	9 348	23	3 849	1 220	2 990
Dec 94	10 569	26	4 777	1 866	3 113
Jan 95	8 421	33	4 344	1 437	2 500
Feb 95	8 270	22	4 273	1 834	2 580
Mar 95	9 373	25	4 740	1 717	3 233
Apr 95	6 501	17	3 633	1 480	3 372
May 95	7 332	16	3 880	1 410	3 713
Jun 95	6 179	14	2 891	856	3 835
Jul 95	6 130	17	2 843	925	3 288
Aug 95	7 515	19	3 822	1 609	3 227
Sep 95	7 872	16	3 094	2 494	3 144
Oct 95	9 292	17	3 875	2 438	3 187

Reference: Livestock Products (7215.0)

### Analysis of Table 6.2

Numbers of lambs are declining due to uncertainty regarding future markets.

For more information regarding these tables, please contact Peter Hodgson on (09) 360 5180.

## 6.3 WOOL RECEIVALS<sup>1</sup> and LIVE SHEEP EXPORTS

Period	Receivals of taxable wool by brokers and dealers		Export of live sheep		
			Number	Gross Value	Unit Value
	bales	tonnes	'000	\$'000	\$
<b>Financial years</b>					
1992-93	1 115 307	198 756	3 681.0	89 079	24.20
1993-94	1 196 990	212 670	4 520.9	127 448	28.19 r
1994-95 r	972 837	172 575	3 780.7 r	125 101 r	33.09 r
<b>Months</b>					
Sep 94	164 715	29 327	235.3	7 649	32.51
Oct 94	126 445	22 185	312.9	9 410	30.07
Nov 94	87 127	12 097	347.7	9 578	27.55
Dec 94	31 807	5 522	284.9	9 517	33.40
Jan 95	59 841	10 640	376.4	12 608	33.49
Feb 95	84 274	15 167	345.2	11 816	34.23
Mar 95	90 219	16 114	336.7	11 016	32.72
Apr 95 r	53 151	9 478	496.7	17 622	35.49
May 95	39 129	6 883	282.1	10 428	36.97
Jun 95	30 142	5 333	179.3	6 855	38.22
Jul 95	50 743 r	9 033	515.6	21 397	41.50
Aug 95	125 248 r	22 415 r	426.9 r	17 840 r	41.79
Sep 95	112 523	19 952	417.0 r	16 300 r	39.09 r
Oct 95	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	289.4	9 705	36.02

<sup>1</sup> Source: National Council of Wool Selling Brokers

Reference: FTRACCS Trade Statistics

For more information regarding these tables, please contact Pam Prince on (09) 360 5207

## 6.4 ENERGY PRODUCTION

Period	Coal <sup>1</sup>	Electricity generated	Gas for distribution <sup>2</sup>	Crude oil <sup>3,4</sup>	Natural gas <sup>4</sup>
	'000 tonnes	million kWh	million MJ	mega-litres	million m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Financial years</b>					
1991-92	5 491	14 626	149 534	7 350	10 496
1992-93	5 428	15 007	156 349	6 693	11 923
1993-94	5 151	15 755	172 432	7 639	13 659
<b>Months</b>					
Oct 94	467	1 330	17 189		
Nov 94	508	1 392	15 936		
Dec 94	517	1 472	9 462	3 275	3 898
Jan 95	468	1 511	11 057		
Feb 95	503	1 387	12 900		
Mar 95	555	1 465	13 878	2 918	4 048
Apr 95	580	1 351	13 951		
May 95	518	1 423	14 466		
Jun 95	547	1 389	14 865 r	3 210	3 682
Jul 95	391	1 447	15 564		
Aug 95	368	1 455	15 474		
Sep 95	567	1 370	14 543	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
Oct 95	496	1 399	15 441		

<sup>1</sup> Source: Department of Mines.

<sup>2</sup> Available for issue through mains.

<sup>3</sup> Includes condensate.

<sup>4</sup> Source: Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics.

## 6.5 MINERAL EXPLORATION: EXPENDITURE BY TYPE OF MINERAL SOUGHT

For more information regarding these tables, please contact Pam Prince on (09) 360 52067.

Period	Metallic Minerals			Non-Metallic Minerals		Total minerals
	Base metals <sup>1</sup>	Gold	Other	Diamonds	Other	
	(\$ million)					
<b>Financial years</b>						
1991-92	43.9	208.5	51.7	25.1	2.8	<b>331.9</b>
1992-93	60.0	221.2	35.0	29.0	2.9	<b>348.1</b>
1993-94	63.3	310.2	31.5	46.6	2.1	<b>453.7</b>
<b>Quarters</b>						
Jun 94	15.9	90.2	4.2	12.6	0.6	<b>123.4</b>
Sep 94	13.0	94.3	5.5	14.0	0.7	<b>127.5</b>
Dec 94	14.5	97.4	4.9	9.4	0.3	<b>126.4</b>
Mar 95	17.2	79.5	3.4	5.1	0.6	<b>106.3</b>
June 95	14.1	108.2	4.0	5.8	0.6	<b>135.3</b>
Sep 95	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.a.	n.a.	<b>n.y.a.</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes copper, lead, zinc, silver, nickel and cobalt.

Reference: Actual and Expected Private Mineral Exploration Expenditure, Australia (8412.0)

## 6.6 MINERAL PRODUCTION

Period	Iron ore	Bauxite	Gold	Ilmenite	Nickel	Diamonds
	'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes	kg	'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes	'000 carats
<b>Financial years</b>						
1991-92	111 643	25 290	182 043	1 445	52	41424
1992-93	112 259	26 681	179 615	1 706	64	42 199
1993-94	119 689	27 087	193 599	1 612	70	39 909
<b>Quarters</b>						
Jun 94	31 324	6 719	49 665	403	19	8 279
Sep 94	32 781	6 706	47 095	410	20	12 864
Dec 94	32 958	6 761	47 789	386	25	11 292
Mar 95	32 265	6 657	45 395	383	25	10 195
Jun 95	34 739	6 729	47 521	350	30	9 324
Sep 95	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.a.	n.y.a.

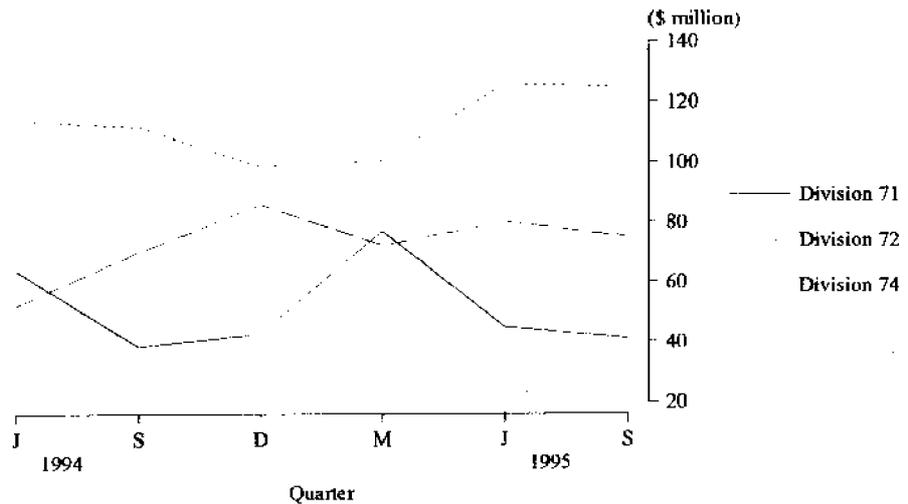
Source: Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics

## 7.1 IMPORTS BY SELECTED DIVISION

Period	33 Petroleum, petroleum products, etc.	71 Power generating equipment and machinery	72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	74 General industrial machinery and equipment	78 Road vehicles
(\$ million)					
<b>Financial years</b>					
1992-93	912.0	172.0	650.2	215.2	538.3
1993-94	678.4	189.7	432.2	254.0	690.0
1994-95	823.8	203.1	436.9	308.7	802.1
<b>Quarters</b>					
Jun 94	151.0	63.8	113.8	52.2	183.1
Sep 94	207.9	38.4	111.6	70.1	168.8
Dec 94	176.0	42.7	98.7	85.9	223.5
Mar 95	187.8	77.0	100.8	72.3	158.1
Jun 95	252.1	45.0	125.8	80.4	251.6
Sep 95	185.3	41.4	124.7	75.2	212.6

Reference: FTRACCS Trade Statistics

IMPORTS BY SELECTED DIVISIONS



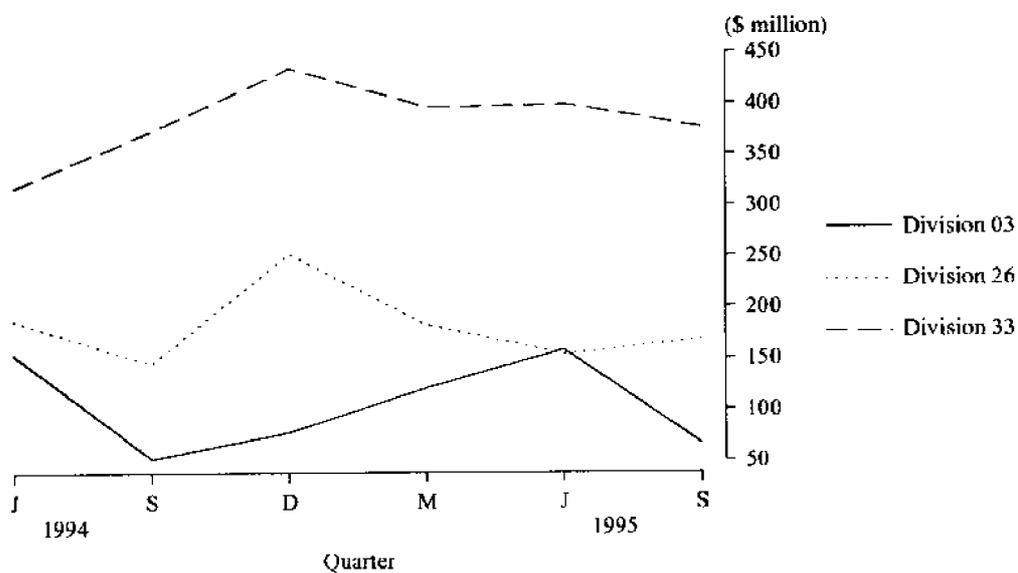
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## 7.2 EXPORTS BY SELECTED DIVISIONS

Period	03 Fish, crustaceans, molluscs, etc	04 Cereals and cereal preparations	26 Textile fibres and waste (excluding yam or fabric)	28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	33 Petroleum, petroleum products etc.
	(\$ million)				
<b>Financial years</b>					
1992-93	359.0	1 294.9	611.4	3 261.1	967.0
1993-94	413.3	1 150.1	656.1	2 999.4	882.9
1994-95	408.6	1 154.3	733.8	3 094.0	1 544.4
<b>Quarters</b>					
Jun 94	154.7	264.0	187.1	717.0	317.0
Sep 94	51.9	255.5	144.5	723.2	372.3
Dec 94	77.4	292.0	252.6	727.9	434.2
Mar 95	120.7	323.4	182.0	752.4	396.4
Jun 95	158.7	283.4	154.1	890.6	398.8
Sep 95	66.1	286.5	169	827.8	379.8

Reference: FTRACCS Trade Statistics

### EXPORTS BY SELECTED DIVISIONS



Source: FTRACCS Trade Statistics

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For more information regarding these tables, please contact Cheryl Smith on (09) 360 5242

## 8.1 NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS<sup>1</sup>

Period	Western Australia				Total	Perth Statistical Division
	Passenger vehicles	Light commercial vehicles	Trucks and buses	Motor cycles and scooters		
<b>Financial years</b>						
1992-93	45 567	9 581	1 975	2 117	59 240	46 593
1993-94	48 589	10 350	2 136	2 103	63 178	49 074
1994-95	51 947	10 782	2 170	2 344	67 243	52 168
<b>Months</b>						
Sep 94	4 317	773	155	191	5 436	4 364
Oct 94	4 379	795	184	223	5 581	4 415
Nov 94	4 659	1 071	199	257	6 186	4 763
Dec 94	4 353	835	191	260	5 639	4 469
Jan 95	4 047	803	166	207	5 223	3 950
Feb 95	3 933	906	171	176	5 189	3 989
Mar 95	4 434	1 006	153	217	5 810	4 597
Apr 95	3 400	785	173	150	4 508	3 332
May 95	5 046	1 076	205	173	6 500	5 040
Jun 95	5 025	1 258	248	159	6 690	4 984
Jul 95	3 704	769	198	156	4 827	3 635
Aug 95	4 395	771	235	192	5 593	4 405
Sep 95	4 021	738	209	187	5 155	4 119
Oct 95	4 111	812	175	201	5 299	4 136

<sup>1</sup> Excludes plant and equipment, caravans and trailers  
Reference: Unpublished statistics

## 8.2 VEHICLE REGISTRATION STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

Period	Passenger Vehicles		Other Vehicles		Total	
	Original	Trend estimate	Original	Trend estimate	Original	Trend estimate
<b>Months</b>						
Sep 94	4 317	4 279	928	1 017	5 245	5 296
Oct 94	4 379	4 329	979	1 044	5 358	5 373
Nov 94	4 659	4 343	1 270	1 069	5 929	5 412
Dec 94	4 353	4 322	1 026	1 080	5 379	5 402
Jan 95	4 047	4 299	969	1 081	5 016	5 380
Feb 95	3 933	4 304	1 077	1 080	5 010	5 387
Mar 95	4 434	4 337 r	1 159	1 085	5 593	5 422 r
Apr 95	3 400	4 374	958	1 099 r	4 358	5 473 r
May 95	5 046	4 385 r	1 281	1 113 r	6 327	5 499 r
Jun 95	5 025	4 350 r	1 270	1 119 r	6 531	5 469 r
Jul 95	3 704	4 282	967	1 108 r	4 671	5 390 r
Aug 95	4 395	4 193 r	1 006	1 084 r	5 401	5 277 r
Sep 95	4 021	4 112 r	947	1 053 r	4 968 r	5 165 r
Oct 95	4 111	4 033	987	1 020	5 098	5 053

<sup>1</sup> Other vehicles excludes motor cycles, plant and equipment, caravans and trailers.  
Reference: Unpublished statistics

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## 9.1 PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY SELECTED INDUSTRY GROUPS (ORIGINAL SERIES)

Period	Selected Industry			Total	
	Mining	Manu- facturing	Other selected industries	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	(\$ million)				
<b>Financial Years</b>					
1993-94	3 619	529	1 823	5 972	5 957
1994-95	3 898	603	2 449	6 951	6 964
<b>Quarters</b>					
Mar 94	748	106	360	1 213	1 265
Jun 94	897	131	581	1 609	1 717
Sep 94	766	122	421	1 309	1 303
Dec 94	1 118	156	918	2 192	2 020
Mar 95	982 r	141 r	500 r	1 623 r	1 692 r
Jun 95	1 032	184	610	1 826	1 950

Reference: State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure (5646.0)

### Analysis of Table 9.2

After moderate growth in the first two quarters of 1994-95, GSP increased 1.6% and 1.9% in March and June quarters 1995, respectively. The rate of growth in wages, salaries and supplements has increased since September quarter 1994, with a rise of 2.2% in this aggregate in June Quarter 1995. Indirect taxes less subsidies increased 0.9% in June quarter, following two quarters during which little growth was recorded.

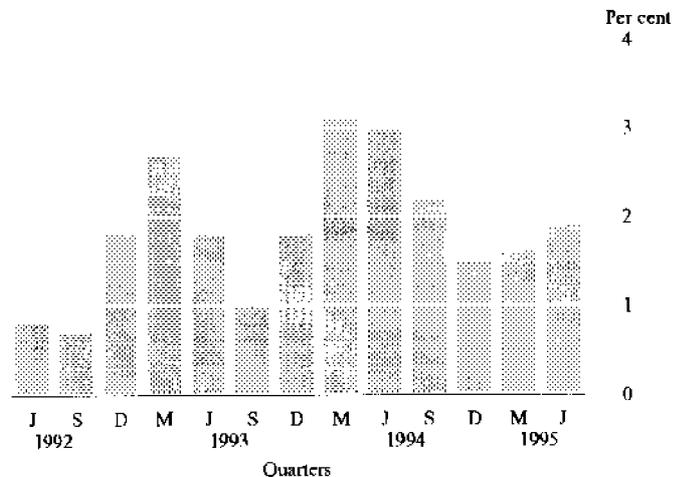
For more information about this table, call Vic Nowotny (09) 360 5333

## 9.2 STATE FINAL DEMAND AND PRODUCTION ACCOUNT TREND DATA AT CURRENT PRICES

Period	Wages salaries and supplements	Gross operating surplus	Indirect taxes less subsidies	GSP (income based)
	(\$ million)			
<b>Quarters</b>				
Dec 92	4 516	4 777	1 068	10 361
Mar 93	4 613	4 916	1 080	10 609
Jun 93	4 763	4 915	1 111	10 789
Sep 93	4 903	4 848	1 139	10 890
Dec 93	5 001	4 845	1 180	11 026
Mar 94	5 058	4 997	1 241	11 296
Jun 94	5 095	5 184	1 308	11 587
Sep 94	5 129	5 280	1 342	11 751
Dec 94	5 198	5 314	1 346	11 858
Mar 95	5 304	5 392	1 349	12 045
Jun 95	5 423	5 486	1 361	12 270

Reference: State Accounts (5242.0)

### PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN GSP(A) - TREND WESTERN AUSTRALIA



(A) Gross State Product at current prices  
Source: State Accounts 5242.0

# 10.1 STATISTICAL SUMMARY

							Western Australia
Indicator	Period	Unit	Current Australian figure	Current figure	Change from last period(%)	Figure one year ago	Change from one year ago (%)
<b>POPULATION</b>							
Estimated resident population	Jun qtr 94	'000	17 843.3	1 701.9	0.4	1 676	1.5
Natural increase	Jun qtr 94	No.	35 358	3 940	-1.1	3 778	4.3
Net estimated migration gain	Jun qtr 94	No.	5 576	2 321	-46.9	394	589.1
<b>TOURISM</b>							
<i>Hotels and motels, etc with facilities</i>							
Guest arrivals	Jun qtr 95	'000	7 301.7	521.1	-1.0	503.4	3.5
Guest rooms available	Jun qtr 95	No.	167 752	14 754	0.1	14 754	0.0
Room occupancy rates	Jun qtr 95	%	56.1	57.4	-3.0	54.7	4.9
<i>Overseas visitors</i>							
Long-term Arrivals	Jun qtr 95	No.	12 400	1 310	-66.5	1 150	13.9
Short-term Arrivals	Jun qtr 95	No.	800 400	74 200	-13.3	65 800	12.8
<i>Resident Departures</i>							
Long-term Departures	Jun qtr 95	No.	16 100	1 830	-23.4	1 880	2.7
Short-term Departures	Jun qtr 95	No.	645 700	70 600	16.7	69 800	1.1
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>							
Employed persons (Trend)	Nov 95	'000	8 284.6	829.9	0	808.7	2.6
<i>Unemployed persons</i>							
Looking for work (Original)	Nov 95	'000	736.8	64.6	4.5	63.9	1.1
Job vacancies	Aug 95	'000	62.0	4.9	-21.5 r	5.9	-16.8 r
<i>Participation rate</i>							
Original	Nov 95	%	63.8	66.1	0.3	65.7	0.6
Trend	Nov 95	%	63.8	66.3	0.1	66.1	0.3
<i>Unemployment rate</i>							
Original	Nov 95	%	8.1	7.2	4.3	7.3	-1.4
Trend	Nov 95	%	8.6	7.5	1.3	7.7	-2.6
<i>Full-time average weekly earnings</i>							
Males	Aug 95	\$	746.90	776.20	1.6	734.70	5.7
Females	Aug 95	\$	593.00	568.70	2.0	528.10	7.7
Persons	Aug 95	\$	691.20	702.90	1.6	656.90	7.0
All employees total earnings	Aug 95	\$	547.80	544.40	0.8	516.20	5.5
<i>Average weekly overtime hours</i>							
Per employee	Aug 95	hours	1.1	1.3	5.5	1.4	-9.3
Per employee working overtime	Aug 95	hours	6.8	8.0	-1.1	8.1	-1.8
Employees working overtime	Aug 95	%	16.0	16.1	6.6	17.4	-7.6
<i>Industrial disputes in progress (working days lost)</i>							
Total	Aug 95	'000	43.3	9.7	90.2	1.9	410.5
Per '000 employees year ended	Aug 95	days	86.0	66.0	22.2	39.0	69.2
<b>RETAIL</b>							
<i>Monthly Retail Turnover</i>							
Original	Oct 95	\$m	9 934.8	1 024.2	3.7	956.8	7.0
Trend estimate	Oct 95	\$m	9 936.2	1 027.3	1.0	950.0	8.1
Consumer Price Index	Sep 95	Index No.	117.6	115.6	0.6	110.1	5.0

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Indicator	Period	Unit	Current Australian figure	Current figure	Change from last period (%)	Figure one year ago	Change from one year ago (%)
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>							
<i>Building Approvals</i>							
Dwelling Units	Oct 95	No.	10 348	1 265	-10.3	1 878	-32.6
Value of all building	Oct 95	\$m	2 374.4	177.4	7.3	220.1	-19.4
<i>Building Commencements</i>							
Dwelling Units	Jun qtr 95	No.	35 647	4 642	-5.1	6 744	-31.2
Value of all building	Jun qtr 95	\$m	6 040.6	653.2	5.8	731.4	-10.7
<i>Total Building</i>							
Value of work done during	Jun qtr 95	\$m	5 995.1	669.7	-3.8	750.9	-10.8
Value of work yet to be done	Jun qtr 95	\$m	7 916.6	642.2	-0.7	734.9	-12.6
<i>Engineering Construction</i>							
Value of work commenced	Jun qtr 95	\$m	2 930.0	472.0	-33.6	685.1	-31.1
Value of work done during	Jun qtr 95	\$m	3 713.9	485.9	30.1	470.7	3.2
Value of work yet to be done	Jun qtr 95	\$m	4 787.8	1 156.6	0.5	786.6	47.0
<i>Housing Price Indexes</i>							
Materials used in house building	Sep qtr 95	Index No.	116.6	114.3	0.9	110.2	3.7
Project Homes	Sep qtr 95	Index No.	108.7	100.8	0.4	98.8	2.0
Sales of established houses	Sep qtr 95	Index No.	112.4	109.7	0.5	106.4	3.1
<b>MINERAL EXPLORATION</b>							
Gold	Jun qtr 95	\$m	158.6	108.2	36.1	90.2	19.9
Other minerals	Jun qtr 95	\$m	86.0	27.1	1.1	33.2	-18.4
<b>OVERSEAS TRADE</b>							
Imports	Oct 95	\$m	6 955.6	733.0	47.7	433.3	69.2
Exports	Oct 95	\$m	5 818.7	1 560.0	-3.9	1 381.5	12.9
<b>TRANSPORT</b>							
<i>Passenger vehicles registrations</i>							
Original	Oct 95	No.	45 193	4 111	2.2	4 379	-6.1
Trend	Oct 95	No.	42 462	4 033	-2.2	4 329	-6.8
<i>Total registrations</i>							
Original	Oct 95	No.	53 460	5 098	2.6	5 358	-4.8
Trend	Oct 95	No.	50 614	5 053	-3.0	5 373	-5.9
<b>FINANCE</b>							
<i>Private New Capital Expenditure</i>							
Original	Jun qtr 95	\$m	9 519	1 826	12.5	1 609	13.5
Seasonally adjusted	Jun qtr 95	\$m	9 387	1 950	15.2	1 717	13.6
<i>Gross State Product (Income based)</i>							
Current prices	Jun qtr 95	\$m	114 566	11 768	3.0	11 061	6.4
State Final Demand at average 1989-90 prices	Jun qtr 95	\$m	105 617	10 569	7.0	10 360	2.0



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