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MAIN FEATURES

Secured housing finance commitments (excluding alterations and additions) made by significant lenders in September 1987 totalled \$1,552.9 million, \$360.4 million (30.2%) more than August 1987 and \$565.8 million (57.3%) more than September 1986. Seasonally adjusted commitments were up \$182.2 million (14.3%) on August 1987 and \$435.3 million (42.6%) on September 1986. These are the highest monthly values of commitments in original and seasonally adjusted terms since the beginning of the series.

First mortgage or equivalent finance was provided for 30,503 dwelling units, 6,454 dwelling units (26.8%) more than August 1987 and 8,287 dwelling units (37.3%) more than September 1986. The number of dwelling units financed was the highest since May 1985 (seasonally adjusted it was the highest since June 1984).

SUMMARY TABLES

Commitments by purpose (original)

Purpose of Commitment	September 1987 \$ Million	% Change from last month*	% Change from same month last year#
Established Dwellings	1,215.5	28.0	58.6
Construction of Dwellings	246.7	39.9	61.1
Purchase of Newly Erected	90.7	36.7	34.3
Total	1,552.9	30.2	57.3

Commitments by type of lender (original)

Type of lender	September 1987 \$ Million	% Change from last month*	% Change from same month last year#
Savings Banks†	1,073.0	31.9	59.5
Permanent Building Societies†	257.5	18.7	45.8
Trading Banks	146.8	55.6	111.2
Other Lenders	75.6	12.1	10.6
Total	1,552.9	30.2	57.3

Commitments by type of lender (seasonally adjusted)

Type of lender	September 1987 \$ Million	% Change from last month*	% Change from same month last year#
Savings Banks†	968.4	12.5	42.7
Permanent Building Societies†	281.3	18.2	44.2
Trading Banks	132.1	28.7	69.1
Other Lenders	74.6	2.5	7.4
Total	1,456.5	14.3	42.6

Number of dwellings secured by first mortgage (original)

Purpose of Commitment	September 1987 Number	% Change from last month*	% Change from same month last year#
Established Dwellings	23,771	26.0	39.9
Construction of Dwellings	5,046	31.7	35.8
Purchase of Newly Erected	1,686	24.7	11.7
Total	30,503	26.8	37.3

* September 1987 on August 1987

September 1987 on September 1986

† Since September 1986, four Building Societies have become Savings Banks

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication presents statistics of secured housing finance commitments made by significant lenders to individuals for the construction or purchase of dwellings for owner occupation. For detailed information on the scope and coverage of these statistics and definitions of data items refer to the July 1986 issue of this publication.

2. While the statistics are described as being for calendar months, it should be noted that:

- in the case of *trading banks* and some of the larger savings banks, the data relate to a month ending on the last Wednesday; and
- in the case of *other lenders*, some have accounting periods which do not correspond exactly to a calendar month and their figures are used without adjustment.

Seasonal adjustment

3. Details of methods used in seasonally adjusting original series are available on request.

4. Large fluctuations in series as a result of irregular influences are not removed by seasonal adjustment. Particular care should therefore be taken in interpreting individual month-to-month movements.

Unpublished data

5. More detailed classifications of the data in this publication may be made available on request. Generally a charge is made for providing this information. Inquiries should be made to the officer named in the Phone Inquiries section of the inquiries box at the front of this publication or by writing to Private Finance Section, ABS, P.O. Box, 10 Belconnen, A.C.T. 2616.

Revisions

6. This publication incorporates revisions made to statistics for previous periods.

Commitments not advanced at end of period

7. In principle, commitments not advanced at end of period presented in Table 2 are derivable by adding total commitments less cancellations of commitments less commitments advanced during the period to the balance of commitments at the end of the previous period. In practice, however, revisions and other adjustments may mean that such a derivation is inexact.

Related publications

8. Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

Building Societies, Australia (5637.0)—issued monthly

Banking, Australia (5605.0)—issued quarterly

Savings Banks, Australia (5602.0)—issued monthly

Major Trading Banks, Australia (5603.0)—issued monthly

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- nil or rounded to zero
- break in continuity of series (where a line is drawn between two consecutive figures in the same column, or alongside two or more figures in consecutive columns)
- .. not applicable

10. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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- 11. VIATEL. Key *656# for selected current economic, social and demographic statistics.
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TABLE 1. SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS - SEPTEMBER 1987

Purpose Of Commitment	Banks		Type of Lender				Total Dwelling units	\$m	Total
	Savings	Trading	Permanent building societies		Dwelling units	\$m			
	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m			
AUSTRALIA									
Construction of dwellings -									
Houses -									
By first mortgage	3,659	169.3	308	14.8	617	33.1	325	12.5	4,909
By other security	"	2.2	"	6.4	"	"	"	0.7	"
Other dwellings -									
By first mortgage	62	2.6	73	4.1	2	0.1	-	-	137
By other security	"	0.1	"	0.7	"	"	"	"	"
Purchase of newly erected dwellings -									
Houses -									
By first mortgage	928	46.7	67	3.2	198	12.0	128	5.1	1,321
By other security	"	0.3	"	0.9	"	0.2	"	0.3	"
Other dwellings -									
By first mortgage	225	10.8	60	3.1	68	3.8	12	0.7	365
By other security	"	0.1	"	3.2	"	"	"	0.2	"
Purchase of established dwellings -									
Houses -									
By first mortgage	15,225	746.3	1,088	65.7	3,431	177.3	1,196	50.5	20,940
By other security	"	3.8	"	15.9	"	0.8	"	2.6	"
Other dwellings -									
By first mortgage	1,837	87.8	361	24.8	579	30.2	54	2.6	2,831
By other security	"	2.9	"	3.8	"	"	"	0.4	"
Alterations and additions to dwellings									
		27.9	"	14.6	"	8.2	"	2.8	"
Total commitments	21,936	1100.9	1,957	161.4	4,895	265.7	1,715	78.3	30,503
STATES (a)									
New South Wales	7,308	414.7	1,073	84.9	1,977	118.6	390	22.4	10,748
Victoria	6,068	316.7	267	37.6	836	46.2	383	19.8	7,554
Queensland	3,279	141.5	261	18.0	1,259	59.1	498	17.9	5,297
South Australia	1,482	66.9	70	5.8	340	17.3	92	4.2	1,984
Western Australia	2,503	102.0	194	9.6	348	15.9	207	7.4	3,252
Tasmania	585	20.6	35	1.4	135	8.5	145	6.6	736
Northern Territory	122	5.9	7	0.4	50	3.7	135	1.35	135
Australian Capital Territory	589	32.6	"	"	"	"	"	"	797

(a) Includes alterations and additions.

TABLE 2 - SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS - ALL LENDERS

	Houses			Construction of Dwellings			Other dwellings		
	First mortgage		Other security	First mortgage		Dwelling units	Dwelling units		Other security
	Dwelling units	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m
AUSTRALIA									
YEARS									
1984-1985	61,774	2,320.3	53.1	956	34.5	6.0			
1985-1986	50,545	1,963.0	63.6	1,310	45.6	8.6			
1986-1987	45,303	1,883.9	53.7	1,252	50.3	8.3			
1986									
July	4,129	167.3	4.1	111	4.7	1.1			
August	3,563	144.4	3.9	116	4.9	0.4			
September	3,622	145.6	4.1	94	3.0	0.5			
October	4,296	171.8	5.5	124	5.2	1.1			
November	3,990	147.6	5.1	122	5.1	0.7			
December	4,135	161.6	4.2	132	5.6	0.5			
1987									
January	2,771	118.3	4.1	60	2.1	1.0			
February	3,735	152.8	3.9	82	3.6	0.5			
March	4,014	174.5	4.7	103	4.5	0.5			
April	4,017	173.3	5.7	128	4.8	0.6			
May	3,624	155.8	3.8	69	2.8	0.8			
June	3,907	171.0	4.6	111	4.2	0.5			
July	4,139	180.5	4.7	94	3.5	0.9			
August	3,749	168.2	4.3	83	3.1	0.7			
September	4,909	229.7	9.3	137	6.9	0.8			
STATES - AUGUST 1987									
N.S.W.	1,049	52.3	0.8	18	0.9	0.4			
Vic.	887	42.6	2.0	31	1.2	0.2			
Qld	708	29.4	0.7	17	0.6	-			
S.A.	339	15.1	0.2	4	0.1	-			
W.A.	631	24.1	0.3	8	0.2	-			
Tas.	84	2.7	-	2	-	-			
N.T.	20	0.9	-	-	-	-			
A.C.T.	31	1.3	0.2	3	0.1	-			
STATES - SEPTEMBER 1987									
N.S.W.	1,427	76.8	2.3	62	3.1	0.2			
Vic.	1,178	59.3	4.5	38	2.4	0.2			
Qld	1,055	43.8	1.2	15	0.6	-			
S.A.	336	13.9	0.3	2	-	0.1			
W.A.	712	28.5	0.7	17	0.6	0.1			
Tas.	137	4.5	0.1	2	0.1	-			
N.T.	11	0.5	0.1	-	-	-			
A.C.T.	53	2.4	-	1	0.1	-			

TABLE 2 - SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS - ALL LENDERS (continued)

	Purchase of newly erected dwellings					
	Houses			Other dwellings		
	First mortgage	Other security	\$m	First mortgage	Dwelling units	\$m
Dwelling units						
AUSTRALIA						
YEARS						
1984-1985	19,068	769.2	20.6	2,696	113.9	10.4
1985-1986	16,954	709.5	18.7	2,917	116.8	11.6
1986-1987	15,338	706.8	13.0	2,426	107.5	14.4
1986						
July	1,520	66.4	1.5	203	9.2	1.6
August	1,191	54.3	1.0	211	8.2	0.7
September	1,291	56.0	1.4	218	9.5	0.5
October	1,429	64.0	1.3	251	12.1	1.0
November	1,201	55.6	1.3	191	8.2	0.9
December	1,235	56.3	1.2	168	7.8	2.2
1987						
January	1,053	48.1	0.5	170	6.9	1.9
February	1,252	58.3	1.3	198	9.5	1.0
March	1,244	57.7	0.8	200	8.6	0.9
April	1,396	65.9	1.3	202	8.7	1.0
May	1,329	65.7	0.7	174	8.0	1.4
June	1,197	58.4	0.8	240	10.7	1.3
July	1,298	61.7	1.6	270	13.0	0.8
August	1,126	54.0	1.3	226	10.4	0.8
September	1,321	66.9	1.8	365	18.5	3.5
STATES AUGUST 1987						
N.S.W.	204	104	0.3	82	3.8	0.4
Vic.	512	26.0	0.6	68	3.1	0.3
Qld	163	6.7	-	33	1.5	-
S.A.	31	1.1	0.1	8	0.4	-
W.A.	108	4.0	0.1	24	0.9	-
Tas.	20	0.9	-	2	0.1	-
N.T.	3	0.1	-	2	0.1	0.1
A.C.T.	85	4.7	0.1	7	0.4	-
STATES SEPTEMBER 1987						
N.S.W.	280	15.2	0.4	133	7.5	1.2
Vic.	496	27.1	0.3	85	4.3	1.4
Old	253	10.7	0.4	67	3.4	0.5
S.A.	38	1.5	0.2	12	0.5	-
W.A.	137	5.3	0.2	42	1.5	0.2
Tas.	4	0.1	-	4	0.2	-
N.T.	2	0.1	-	2	0.1	0.1
A.C.T.	111	7.0	0.1	20	1.0	0.1

TABLE 2 - SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS - ALL LENDERS (continued)

YEARS	Purchase of established dwellings					
	Houses			Other dwellings		
	Dwelling units	First mortgage	Other security	Dwelling units	First mortgage	Other security
AUSTRALIA						
1984-1985	218,735	8,579.4	165.0	20,264	818.2	34.9
1985-1986	186,704	7,639.2	194.9	17,431	717.0	45.1
1986-1987	197,492	9,011.3	150.1	17,527	796.9	33.8
1986						
July	17,054	735.4	12.7	1,475	65.3	2.8
August	14,450	637.9	10.6	1,303	57.7	2.3
September	15,559	688.6	12.8	1,432	62.7	2.3
October	18,530	822.7	11.5	1,764	80.4	3.7
November	16,131	743.6	13.6	1,406	63.7	2.4
December	17,488	801.7	16.2	1,324	58.6	2.3
1987						
January	13,743	624.4	11.1	1,067	48.7	1.9
February	17,032	791.1	11.0	1,519	69.3	3.9
March	17,180	804.8	13.0	1,541	70.8	3.7
April	17,548	823.8	12.0	1,554	72.4	3.8
May	16,433	761.0	12.9	1,536	71.3	2.1
June	16,344	776.4	13.0	1,606	76.1	2.5
July	18,393	876.4	15.8	2,312	107.3	4.6
August	16,611	822.3	13.1	2,254	109.8	4.6
September	20,940	1,039.9	23.0	2,831	145.4	7.1
STATES - AUGUST 1987						
N.S.W.	5,857	342.3	4.5	1,403	75.0	1.7
Vic.	4,450	220.1	3.2	400	17.5	1.0
Qld	2,352	95.5	1.7	153	6.2	0.5
S.A.	1,326	58.0	1.4	106	4.3	0.5
W.A.	1,721	69.1	0.8	136	4.4	0.6
Tas.	405	13.3	-	3	0.1	0.1
N.T.	83	3.7	0.3	10	0.3	0.2
A.C.T.	417	20.4	1.3	43	2.0	-
STATES - SEPTEMBER 1987						
N.S.W.	7,208	411.4	7.8	1,638	88.7	2.4
Vic.	5,308	273.5	7.2	449	23.9	3.2
Qld	3,615	151.6	4.0	292	13.5	0.6
S.A.	1,458	65.8	0.9	138	6.7	0.2
W.A.	2,116	83.4	1.4	228	8.5	0.4
Tas.	579	19.8	0.2	10	0.3	0.1
N.T.	89	4.5	0.5	31	1.3	0.2
A.C.T.	567	30.0	1.0	45	2.6	0.1

TABLE 2 - SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS - ALL LENDERS (continued)

YEARS	Alterations and additions to dwellings \$ m	Total dwelling units	Total commitments \$ m	Cancellations of commitments \$ m	Commitments advanced during period \$ m		Commitments not advanced at end of period \$ m
					AUSTRALIA	STATES - AUGUST 1987	
1984-1985	596.6	323,493	13,522.1	(a)505.4	(a)11,951.4	1,244.2	(a)5,594.3
1985-1986	507.2	275,861	12,040.9	507.7	11,919.0	800.5	2,217.4
1986-1987	498.5	279,338	13,328.6	465.9	12,599.0	294.1	2,481.0
1986							
July	42.8	24,492	1,114.9	46.7	1,055.7	2,189.7	
August	38.9	20,834	965.0	32.8	937.7	2,184.2	
September	42.0	22,216	1,029.1	46.0	967.8	2,199.5	
October	47.4	26,394	1,227.5	40.2	1,087.8	2,320.0	
November	41.5	22,541	1,089.2	40.7	1,011.0	2,357.5	
December	42.4	24,482	1,160.7	36.7	1,342.3	2,139.1	
1987							
January	28.8	18,864	897.8	29.8	823.6	2,202.6	
February	45.4	23,818	1,151.5	34.6	1,051.0	2,268.4	
March	44.5	24,282	1,188.9	37.0	1,031.4	2,388.9	
April	43.8	24,845	1,217.0	36.8	1,149.7	2,418.5	
May	41.1	23,165	1,127.4	37.3	1,065.7	2,444.1	
June	40.0	23,405	1,159.5	47.4	1,075.2	2,481.0	
July	44.4	26,506	1,315.3	41.5	1,274.4	2,480.3	
August	40.7	24,049	1,233.1	41.3	1,041.5	2,630.6	
September	53.4	30,503	1,606.3	48.5	1,372.5	2,815.9	
N.S.W.	15.3	8,613	508.1	22.9	380.0	1,122.2	
Vic.	10.4	6,348	328.1	7.3	310.3	773.5	
Old S.A.	4.7	3,426	147.7	3.9	120.1	264.5	
W.A.	4.0	1,814	85.2	3.2	78.1	144.4	
Tas.	3.0	2,628	107.6	1.1	101.1	220.3	
N.T.	1.6	516	18.7	0.5	18.6	29.8	
A.C.T.	0.1	118	5.8	1.0	5.5	22.6	
	1.6	586	32.0	1.4	27.9	53.2	

(a) Prior to January 1985, excludes Trading Banks.

TABLE 3 - SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS - ALL LENDERS - ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED(a)

	Construction of dwellings		Purchase of newly erected dwellings		Purchase of established dwellings		Total	
	Dwelling units	\$ m	Dwelling units	\$ m	Dwelling units	\$ m	Dwelling units	\$ m
1986								
July	4,240	177.2	1,723	78.8	18,529	816.1	24,492	1,072.1
August	3,679	153.4	1,402	64.3	15,753	708.4	20,834	926.1
September	3,716	153.2	1,509	67.5	16,991	766.4	22,216	987.1
October	4,420	183.5	1,680	78.4	20,294	918.3	26,394	1,180.2
November	3,612	158.5	1,392	65.9	17,537	823.3	22,541	1,047.8
December	4,267	171.9	1,403	67.5	18,812	878.8	24,482	1,118.2
1987								
January	2,831	125.4	1,223	57.4	14,810	686.2	18,864	869.0
February	3,817	160.8	1,450	70.0	18,551	875.2	23,818	1,106.1
March	4,117	184.2	1,444	68.1	18,721	892.2	24,282	1,144.4
April	4,145	184.4	1,598	76.8	19,102	911.9	24,845	1,173.2
May	3,693	163.2	1,503	75.8	17,969	847.4	23,165	1,086.4
June	4,018	180.3	1,437	71.1	17,950	868.1	23,405	1,119.5
July	4,233	189.6	1,568	77.1	20,705	1004.1	26,506	1,270.8
August	3,832	176.3	1,352	66.4	18,865	949.8	24,049	1,192.5
September	5,046	246.7	1,686	90.7	23,771	1215.5	30,503	1,552.9

(a) Excludes alterations and additions.

TABLE 4 - SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS - TYPE OF LENDER - ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED(a)

	Banks		Permanent Building Societies				Other Lenders	
	Savings		Trading		Dwelling units		Dwelling units	Dwelling units
	Dwelling units	\$ m	Dwelling units	\$ m	Dwelling units	\$ m	Dwelling units	\$ m
ORIGINAL								
1986								
July	17,381	749.7	1,961	89.8	3,360	156.6	1,790	76.0
August	13,828	607.3	1,776	84.6	3,578	166.4	1,652	67.8
September	15,443	672.6	1,369	69.5	3,747	176.6	1,657	68.3
October	18,988	830.3	1,599	83.9	4,062	192.6	1,745	73.3
November	15,985	734.9	1,497	81.5	3,458	163.9	1,601	67.4
December	18,230	810.8	1,543	88.8	3,136	152.6	1,573	66.1
1987								
January	13,521	617.7	1,175	61.2	2,716	133.2	1,452	56.9
February	17,264	790.0	1,521	81.0	3,356	166.5	1,677	68.6
March	17,803	833.3	1,374	73.2	3,308	162.4	1,797	75.5
April	18,138	846.5	1,630	84.5	3,354	167.0	1,723	75.3
May	16,615	769.3	1,340	74.7	3,415	169.1	1,795	73.2
June	16,411	768.2	1,493	90.6	3,865	192.0	1,636	68.7
July	19,119	902.5	1,766	101.6	3,789	190.9	1,832	75.8
August	16,796	813.7	1,600	94.3	4,099	217.0	1,554	67.4
September	21,936	1073.0	1,957	146.8	4,895	257.5	1,715	75.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								
1986								
July	15,385	679.0	1,842	84.5	3,360	155.6	1,804	74.7
August	14,487	630.5	1,904	92.1	3,838	179.6	1,751	72.8
September	15,382	678.5	1,510	78.1	4,077	195.1	1,695	69.5
October	16,906	726.7	1,429	73.1	3,958	189.7	1,639	71.0
November	16,092	730.7	1,575	86.5	3,387	162.7	1,544	65.5
December	18,051	791.6	1,406	83.2	3,168	152.9	1,664	69.9
1987								
January	15,341	718.7	1,411	73.7	3,059	149.3	1,606	63.6
February	17,335	831.8	1,450	74.8	3,283	163.2	1,722	70.9
March	17,501	817.2	1,257	64.1	2,844	139.4	1,641	67.3
April	18,146	868.2	1,445	79.6	3,305	162.2	1,697	75.8
May	16,389	777.8	1,508	84.6	3,321	162.2	1,661	68.2
June	17,574	815.4	1,739	105.2	4,001	201.2	1,731	68.9
July	17,267	808.2	1,672	96.2	3,792	188.1	1,825	75.4
August	17,751	860.8	1,717	102.7	4,421	237.9	1,644	72.8
September	20,353	968.4	1,734	132.1	5,317	281.3	1,735	74.6

(a) Excludes alterations and additions.