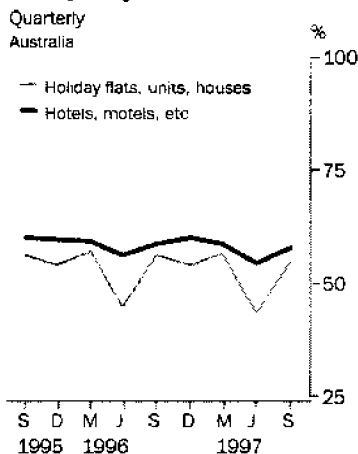


# TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

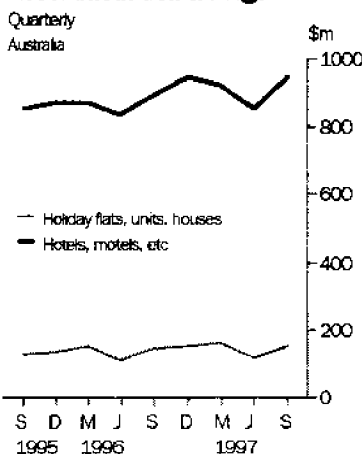
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## Occupancy rates



## Accommodation takings



## SEPTEMBER QTR KEY FIGURES

	Sep Qtr 96	Sep Qtr 97	change
<b>Hotels, motels and guest houses</b>			
Rooms available (no.)	172 421	179 033	3.8 %
Room occupancy rate (%)	58.8	58.0	-0.8pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	897 117	949 679	5.9 %
<b>Holiday flats, units and houses</b>			
Units, etc. available (no.)	40 661	42 196	3.8 %
Unit occupancy rate (%)	56.0	54.9	-1.1pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	143 671	150 104	4.5 %
<b>Caravan parks</b>			
Sites, cabins, etc. available (no.)	287 842	287 121	-0.3 %
Site occupancy rate (%)	44.4	44.8	0.4pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	120 923	129 234	6.9 %
<b>Visitor hostels</b>			
Bed spaces available (no.)	29 551	32 065	8.5 %
Bed occupancy rate (%)	45.0	46.1	1.1pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	16 647	19 748	18.6 %

## SEPTEMBER QTR KEY POINTS

### MIXED OCCUPANCY RESULTS

- Rooms available in hotels, motels and guest houses increased by 3.8% in September quarter 1997 compared with September quarter 1996, while demand in terms of room nights occupied rose by 2.4%. The room occupancy rate recorded a 0.8 percentage point fall to 58.0%.
- Similarly, for holiday flats, units and houses, supply increased by 3.8% while demand in terms of unit nights occupied rose by 1.9%. The unit occupancy rate fell by 1.1 percentage points to 54.9%.
- However, bed spaces available in visitor hostels rose by 8.5% while guest nights rose by 11.4%. The bed occupancy rate increased by 1.1 percentage points to 46.1%. For caravan parks, the site occupancy rate rose slightly to 44.8%, with capacity decreasing marginally and site nights occupied increasing slightly.

### ACCOMMODATION TAKINGS INCREASE

- Takings from accommodation increased for each accommodation type, in September quarter 1997 compared with September quarter 1996. Average takings increased for hotels, motels and guest houses from \$96 to \$100 per room night occupied. For holiday flats, units and houses, average takings per unit night occupied rose from \$69 to \$70.

## INQUIRIES

- For further information about these and related statistics, contact Vern Wills on 07 3222 6215, or any ABS Office.

# NOTES

## FORTHCOMING ISSUES

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## CHANGES TO THE SURVEY AND CESSATION OF STATE PUBLICATIONS

As a result of budget cuts to the ABS, the Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) will be significantly cut back from the March quarter 1998. The State and Territory *Tourist Accommodation* publications (Catalogue Nos. 8635.1 to 8635.8) will be discontinued because of the changes to the Survey of Tourist Accommodation which will be implemented from the March quarter 1998. The December quarter 1997 issues will be the last. There will also be changes to the publication *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Catalogue No. 8635.0) which will no longer contain data on caravan parks, holiday flats, units and houses and visitor hostels. However, it will include serviced apartments as a separate category and will contain State and some regional data.

The ABS has consulted with a number of interested users to determine the future form of the STA. As a result, the future collection strategy for the STA will consist of three major components.

The first component of the STA strategy is an ongoing quarterly survey with a scope of hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities in most rooms, and serviced apartments. Establishments with fewer than 15 rooms or units will be excluded. The first release of this data will be in *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (8635.0) in June 1998 representing data for the March quarter of that year. This publication will contain some regional data as well as data for States, Territories and Australia. Further small geographic area data may be available on request. A charge may be made for this information.

The second component of the strategy is a triennial limited scope collection of significant caravan parks, visitor hostels and remaining holiday flats, units and houses, commencing with a year 2000 reference year.

The third STA component is the compilation and dissemination of annual accommodation counts of number of establishments and capacity data in respect of the current scope of the STA which is:

- hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities with 5 or more rooms,
- holiday flats, units and houses which are operated by owners, managers or real estate agents who have sole letting rights to at least 5 flats, units or houses for short term letting,
- caravan parks, and
- visitor hostels.

The counts are expected to be published in the December quarter issue of *Tourism Indicators, Australia* (Catalogue No. 8634.0).

If you have any queries about the content of these publications, please contact Debra McDonald on telephone: 07-3222-6118, fax: 07-3222-6284 or Internet: [debra.mcdonald@abs.gov.au](mailto:debra.mcdonald@abs.gov.au). For any queries about your subscriptions, please call the Subscription Services Freecall hotline on 1300 366 323.

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TABLE 1 — SUMMARY OF HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		June 1996	September 1996	December 1996	March 1997	June 1997	September 1997	September 1996	September 1997
		<b>LICENSED HOTELS WITH FACILITIES</b>							
Establishments	no.	1,147	1,135	1,140	1,145	1,149	1,163	..	..
Guest rooms	no.	69,785	69,782	71,106	71,810	72,339	73,784	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	186,887	187,114	191,113	192,481	194,630	198,304	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	68,539	69,175	70,591	69,698	69,417	70,941	..	..
Room nights occupied	'000	3,820.9	4,032.1	4,266.4	4,096.0	3,859.7	4,182.3	16,062.5	16,404.4
Room occupancy rate	per cent	60.4	62.9	65.5	63.6	58.8	62.0	63.5	62.5
Guest nights	'000	6,193.5	6,703.8	7,134.5	6,905.3	6,161.3	6,988.3	26,550.3	27,189.4
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	36.5	39.0	40.7	40.0	34.9	38.5	39.3	38.5
Guest arrivals	'000	2,719.8	2,789.9	2,955.4	2,832.2	2,635.3	2,929.7	11,355.8	11,352.5
Average length of stay	days	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.4
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	469,277	496,715	545,699	527,267	486,847	531,603	1,968,828	2,091,417
<b>MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES</b>									
Establishments	no.	3,757	3,748	3,763	3,768	3,778	3,877	..	..
Guest rooms	no.	102,587	102,639	102,770	102,860	103,508	105,249	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	312,012	312,684	313,010	313,751	316,107	321,585	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	38,222	39,095	38,913	38,708	38,707	39,631	..	..
Room nights occupied	'000	4,967.9	5,265.5	5,285.1	5,097.5	4,839.8	5,338.8	20,459.9	20,561.2
Room occupancy rate	per cent	53.3	55.9	56.0	55.2	51.6	55.2	54.9	54.5
Guest nights	'000	8,856.8	9,531.2	9,614.7	9,510.0	8,515.9	9,674.8	37,003.8	37,315.3
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	31.2	33.2	33.4	33.7	29.7	32.7	32.7	32.4
Guest arrivals	'000	4,757.2	5,099.9	5,136.4	4,978.3	4,642.9	5,236.9	19,737.7	19,994.5
Average length of stay	days	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	366,489	400,402	400,410	396,126	366,339	418,076	1,511,167	1,580,951
<b>TOTAL HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES</b>									
Establishments	no.	4,904	4,883	4,903	4,913	4,927	5,040	..	..
Guest rooms	no.	172,372	172,421	173,876	174,670	175,847	179,033	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	498,899	499,798	504,123	506,232	510,737	519,889	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	106,761	108,270	109,504	108,406	108,124	110,572	..	..
Room nights occupied	'000	8,788.8	9,297.6	9,551.6	9,193.5	8,699.4	9,521.2	36,522.5	36,965.7
Room occupancy rate	per cent	56.1	58.8	59.9	58.6	54.6	58.0	58.4	57.8
Guest nights	'000	15,050.4	16,235.0	16,749.2	16,415.3	14,677.2	16,663.0	63,554.2	64,504.6
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	33.2	35.4	36.2	36.1	31.7	34.9	35.2	34.7
Guest arrivals	'000	7,477.0	7,889.9	8,091.8	7,810.5	7,278.2	8,166.5	31,093.5	31,347.0
Average length of stay	days	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	835,766	897,117	946,110	923,394	853,186	949,679	3,479,996	3,672,368

TABLE 2—SUMMARY OF CARAVAN PARKS, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		June	September	December	March	June	September	September	September
		1996	1996	1996	1997	1997	1997	1996	1997
<b>SHORT-TERM CARAVAN PARKS</b>									
Establishments	no.	1,713	1,690	1,691	1,694	1,690	1,753	..	..
Capacity									
On-site vans	no.	9,128	8,999	8,946	8,971	8,743	9,156	..	..
Other powered sites	no.	125,370	124,921	124,911	125,373	124,999	127,873	..	..
Unpowered sites	no.	52,114	51,766	51,559	51,612	51,417	52,117	..	..
Cabins, etc.	no.	10,637	10,746	11,141	11,256	11,356	12,135	..	..
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>197,249</i>	<i>196,432</i>	<i>196,557</i>	<i>197,212</i>	<i>196,515</i>	<i>201,281</i>	..	..
Sites occupied by long-term guests	no.	11,439	10,276	10,182	10,388	10,283	10,993	..	..
Other sites permanently reserved	no.	42,981	42,879	43,490	43,792	43,432	43,685	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	6,431	6,532	6,869	6,764	6,634	7,003	..	..
Site nights occupied	'000	7,202.3	7,411.6	7,287.1	7,955.2	7,099.9	7,652.6	29,629.9	29,994.8
Site occupancy rate	per cent	40.2	41.0	40.4	44.8	39.7	41.4	41.2	41.6
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	66,198	71,295	78,416	89,488	66,047	79,315	291,549	313,266
<b>LONG-TERM CARAVAN PARKS</b>									
Establishments	no.	993	1,017	1,010	1,007	1,003	939	..	..
Capacity									
On-site vans	no.	11,495	11,509	11,539	11,505	11,426	10,926	..	..
Other powered sites	no.	57,376	57,728	57,500	57,282	57,106	54,179	..	..
Unpowered sites	no.	14,962	14,811	14,766	14,645	14,893	13,379	..	..
Cabins, etc.	no.	6,909	7,362	7,486	7,582	7,677	7,356	..	..
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>90,742</i>	<i>91,410</i>	<i>91,291</i>	<i>91,014</i>	<i>91,102</i>	<i>85,840</i>	..	..
Sites occupied by long-term guests	no.	34,911	36,337	35,070	35,339	34,843	34,322	..	..
Other sites permanently reserved	no.	2,185	2,304	2,321	2,290	2,389	2,137	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	3,580	3,641	3,625	3,620	3,627	3,418	..	..
Site nights occupied	'000	4,108.6	4,350.7	4,197.4	4,186.9	4,163.6	4,162.2	16,694.6	16,710.0
Site occupancy rate	per cent	49.8	51.7	50.0	51.1	50.2	52.7	49.9	51.0
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	46,173	49,628	49,974	49,677	48,930	49,918	188,003	198,499
<b>TOTAL CARAVAN PARKS</b>									
Establishments	no.	2,706	2,707	2,701	2,701	2,693	2,692	..	..
Capacity									
On-site vans	no.	20,623	20,508	20,485	20,476	20,169	20,082	..	..
Other powered sites	no.	182,746	182,649	182,411	182,655	182,105	182,052	..	..
Unpowered sites	no.	67,076	66,577	66,325	66,257	66,310	65,496	..	..
Cabins, etc.	no.	17,546	18,108	18,627	18,838	19,033	19,491	..	..
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>287,991</i>	<i>287,842</i>	<i>287,848</i>	<i>288,226</i>	<i>287,617</i>	<i>287,121</i>	..	..
Sites occupied by long-term guests	no.	46,350	46,613	45,252	45,727	45,126	45,315	..	..
Other sites permanently reserved	no.	45,166	45,183	45,811	46,082	45,821	45,822	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	10,011	10,173	10,494	10,384	10,261	10,421	..	..
Site nights occupied	'000	11,310.9	11,762.3	11,484.5	12,142.0	11,263.5	11,814.8	46,324.5	46,704.8
Site occupancy rate	per cent	43.3	44.4	43.4	46.8	43.0	44.8	44.0	44.5
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	112,371	120,923	128,390	139,165	114,977	129,234	479,552	511,765

TABLE 3 — SUMMARY OF HOLIDAY FLATS, UNITS AND HOUSES, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		June 1996	September 1996	December 1996	March 1997	June 1997	September 1997	September 1996	September 1997
Letting entities	no.	1,647	1,665	1,689	1,683	1,683	1,703	..	..
Flats, units and houses									
Single bedroom	no.	8,710	8,921	9,116	9,188	9,318	9,476	..	..
Multiple bedroom	no.	31,249	31,740	33,070	33,009	32,445	32,720	..	..
Total flats, units and houses	no.	39,959	40,661	42,186	42,197	41,763	42,196	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	174,380	177,346	184,963	185,017	182,807	184,819	..	..
Employment (persons) (a)	no.	6,052	6,333	6,572	6,521	6,369	6,612	..	..
Unit nights occupied	'000	1,630.3	2,091.2	2,092.5	2,138.9	1,643.4	2,131.7	7,747.7	8,006.4
Unit occupancy rate	per cent	44.9	56.0	54.0	56.4	43.4	54.9	53.0	52.2
Unit lettings	'000	342.2	380.3	426.4	411.8	348.2	398.7	1,491.2	1,585.1
Average length of stay	days	4.8	5.5	4.9	5.2	4.7	5.3	5.2	5.1
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	109,063	143,671	152,936	163,742	114,893	150,104	537,174	581,675

(a) Employment numbers exclude real estate agents and their employees.

TABLE 4 — SUMMARY OF VISITOR HOSTELS, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		June 1996	September 1996	December 1996	March 1997	June 1997	September 1997	September 1996	September 1997
Establishments	no.	456	476	479	494	494	499	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	28,469	29,551	30,208	32,161	31,797	32,065	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	1,846	1,945	2,015	2,095	2,144	2,240	..	..
Guest nights	'000	1,149.2	1,216.3	1,269.7	1,365.5	1,278.9	1,354.6	4,741.2	5,268.7
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	44.7	45.0	46.4	47.8	44.4	46.1	46.3	46.2
Guest arrivals	'000	445.8	480.1	477.6	516.8	484.3	544.1	1,830.7	2,022.8
Average length of stay	days	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	15,552	16,647	17,791	19,178	18,204	19,748	63,920	74,921

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING  
NEW SOUTH WALES

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	264	1,462	55	440	854	125	15	237	1,726
Guest rooms	19,270	38,441	958	8,682	25,916	12,300	3,646	6,209	57,711
Bed spaces	47,824	119,272	2,706	27,511	78,104	33,595	8,075	17,105	167,096
Employment (persons)	16,577	15,036	459	3,437	10,443	9,629	3,756	3,889	31,613
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	270	1,498	70	380	858	140	14	306	1,768
Guest rooms	20,307	38,756	1,461	7,779	25,453	12,245	3,602	8,523	59,063
Bed spaces	50,452	120,356	5,253	23,704	76,387	33,652	7,911	23,901	170,808
Employment (persons)	17,448	14,746	691	3,205	10,153	8,947	4,029	5,169	32,194
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>1,209.4</i>	<i>1,914.0</i>	<i>40.0</i>	<i>365.5</i>	<i>1,377.7</i>	<i>829.6</i>	<i>235.5</i>	<i>275.2</i>	<i>3,123.4</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	411.8	630.8	19.6	112.2	441.2	273.3	73.4	122.9	1,042.6
August	418.3	605.3	20.9	106.0	423.1	267.4	77.4	128.8	1,023.6
September	396.1	651.6	17.9	115.1	449.2	254.8	75.5	135.1	1,047.7
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>1,226.1</i>	<i>1,887.7</i>	<i>58.4</i>	<i>333.3</i>	<i>1,313.5</i>	<i>795.5</i>	<i>226.3</i>	<i>386.8</i>	<i>3,113.8</i>
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>68.3</i>	<i>54.4</i>	<i>45.3</i>	<i>45.8</i>	<i>57.9</i>	<i>73.3</i>	<i>70.2</i>	<i>49.8</i>	<i>59.1</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	66.2	52.6	43.3	46.6	55.9	72.0	65.7	48.2	57.2
August	67.3	50.4	46.1	44.0	53.6	70.4	69.3	50.5	56.2
September	65.1	56.0	40.9	49.4	58.8	69.3	69.9	52.9	59.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>66.2</i>	<i>53.0</i>	<i>43.5</i>	<i>46.6</i>	<i>56.1</i>	<i>70.6</i>	<i>68.3</i>	<i>50.5</i>	<i>57.5</i>
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>1,971.5</i>	<i>3,547.5</i>	<i>83.2</i>	<i>709.1</i>	<i>2,469.7</i>	<i>1,372.8</i>	<i>361.5</i>	<i>522.6</i>	<i>5,519.0</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	679.4	1,184.9	48.6	211.4	796.3	451.5	118.1	238.4	1,864.4
August	678.8	1,093.4	51.2	192.8	732.2	425.8	127.0	243.4	1,772.2
September	638.9	1,208.6	41.5	215.4	798.2	411.6	123.7	256.9	1,847.5
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>1,997.1</i>	<i>3,486.9</i>	<i>141.3</i>	<i>619.6</i>	<i>2,326.7</i>	<i>1,289.0</i>	<i>368.8</i>	<i>738.7</i>	<i>5,484.1</i>
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>44.9</i>	<i>32.5</i>	<i>33.4</i>	<i>28.0</i>	<i>34.4</i>	<i>44.4</i>	<i>48.7</i>	<i>34.0</i>	<i>36.0</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	43.9	31.8	29.8	28.9	33.6	43.3	48.2	33.1	35.4
August	43.8	29.3	31.4	26.3	30.9	40.8	51.8	33.7	33.6
September	42.2	33.5	26.4	30.3	34.8	40.8	52.1	35.9	36.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>43.3</i>	<i>31.5</i>	<i>29.2</i>	<i>28.5</i>	<i>33.1</i>	<i>41.6</i>	<i>50.7</i>	<i>34.2</i>	<i>35.0</i>
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>797.1</i>	<i>2,064.9</i>	<i>39.1</i>	<i>434.4</i>	<i>1,426.0</i>	<i>595.3</i>	<i>149.7</i>	<i>217.5</i>	<i>2,862.0</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	276.2	699.8	21.1	130.0	468.4	209.2	49.6	97.7	976.0
August	284.9	648.6	22.1	119.8	433.1	204.1	55.4	99.0	933.5
September	271.9	714.2	18.5	133.8	477.7	197.3	53.3	105.6	986.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>833.0</i>	<i>2,062.7</i>	<i>61.7</i>	<i>383.6</i>	<i>1,379.2</i>	<i>610.5</i>	<i>158.3</i>	<i>302.3</i>	<i>2,895.7</i>
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>2.5</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>2.3</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>1.9</i>
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>2.3</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>2.3</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>1.9</i>
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>164,790</i>	<i>149,480</i>	<i>2,664</i>	<i>21,789</i>	<i>109,734</i>	<i>103,067</i>	<i>45,182</i>	<i>31,833</i>	<i>314,270</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	57,905	50,738	1,343	6,782	36,601	35,280	14,727	13,909	108,643
August	59,897	49,030	1,327	6,386	35,159	34,880	15,244	15,729	108,927
September	56,514	51,162	1,289	6,737	36,152	32,806	15,471	15,221	107,677
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>174,316</i>	<i>150,930</i>	<i>4,160</i>	<i>19,905</i>	<i>107,912</i>	<i>102,967</i>	<i>45,443</i>	<i>44,860</i>	<i>325,246</i>

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued  
VICTORIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
<b>ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	194	819	15	295	541	103	9	50	1,013
Guest rooms	10,060	19,817	196	5,248	13,528	7,281	2,474	1,150	29,877
Bed spaces	24,730	58,118	488	14,991	39,758	18,774	5,409	3,428	82,848
Employment (persons)	10,129	6,931	170	2,757	5,070	5,026	3,245	792	17,060
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	196	850	10	232	548	123	11	122	1,046
Guest rooms	10,514	20,285	131	3,894	13,585	7,968	2,987	2,234	30,799
Bed spaces	26,344	59,446	370	11,153	39,728	20,660	7,328	6,551	85,790
Employment (persons)	10,493	7,354	94	2,029	5,345	5,411	3,602	1,366	17,847
<b>ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	575.6	852.0	2.4	171.8	596.1	455.8	157.1	44.5	1,427.7
<i>1997—</i>									
July	207.4	303.5	0.7	45.3	208.4	167.1	62.9	26.5	511.0
August	203.7	286.0	0.8	42.4	193.6	162.9	64.2	25.8	489.7
September	199.6	304.4	0.8	46.2	212.5	157.9	60.9	25.7	504.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	610.8	893.9	2.2	133.9	614.6	487.9	187.9	78.1	1,504.7
<b>ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	62.2	46.8	13.5	35.6	47.9	68.1	69.0	42.1	52.0
<i>1997—</i>									
July	63.7	48.3	16.5	37.5	49.6	67.7	67.9	38.4	53.6
August	62.5	45.6	19.5	35.2	46.1	65.9	69.3	37.3	51.4
September	63.3	50.0	19.8	39.7	52.1	66.1	67.9	38.4	54.6
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	63.2	48.0	18.6	37.5	49.2	66.6	68.4	38.0	53.2
<b>GUEST NIGHTS ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	888.9	1,500.8	3.5	316.8	1,054.8	703.2	216.0	95.6	2,389.8
<i>1997—</i>									
July	327.2	542.4	1.0	81.1	379.5	270.6	89.8	47.6	869.6
August	314.0	496.0	1.1	74.7	344.6	252.7	90.9	45.9	810.0
September	308.7	544.1	1.1	83.4	387.6	250.8	84.3	45.5	852.8
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	949.9	1,582.5	3.3	239.2	1,111.8	774.1	265.0	139.0	2,532.4
<b>BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	39.1	28.1	7.8	23.0	28.8	40.8	43.4	30.3	31.4
<i>1997—</i>									
July	40.1	29.5	8.7	23.5	30.9	42.3	39.5	23.5	32.7
August	38.5	27.0	10.0	21.7	28.0	39.5	40.0	22.6	30.5
September	39.1	30.5	10.3	25.0	32.5	40.5	38.3	23.2	33.2
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	39.2	29.0	9.6	23.4	30.5	40.7	39.3	23.1	32.1
<b>GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	410.1	840.0	1.8	183.5	598.1	337.6	88.4	40.6	1,250.2
<i>1997—</i>									
July	146.4	296.9	0.6	46.8	207.8	128.9	37.6	21.6	443.3
August	143.5	275.1	0.6	43.9	192.0	121.2	38.9	21.9	418.6
September	144.8	303.0	0.6	49.7	216.2	123.1	36.7	21.5	447.8
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	434.6	875.0	1.8	140.4	616.0	373.2	113.2	65.0	1,309.6
<b>AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	2.2	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.4	1.9
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	2.2	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.1	1.9
<b>TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	75,009	66,768	60	9,881	44,413	54,746	27,875	4,802	141,778
<i>1997—</i>									
July	30,475	25,593	20	2,774	16,406	22,011	12,642	2,214	56,067
August	29,249	24,312	22	2,689	15,388	20,872	12,188	2,402	53,561
September	29,208	24,845	23	2,784	16,477	20,453	12,182	2,134	54,053
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	88,932	74,749	65	8,247	48,271	63,337	37,012	6,750	163,681

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued  
QUEENSLAND

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	269	859	24	378	456	75	13	182	1,128
Guest rooms	20,053	23,459	375	6,891	16,342	10,853	3,571	5,480	43,512
Bed spaces	61,527	72,719	968	20,878	50,311	35,813	10,690	15,586	134,246
Employment (persons)	22,803	8,784	162	2,798	7,912	10,164	6,686	3,865	31,587
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	273	897	28	355	481	99	17	190	1,170
Guest rooms	21,418	24,754	443	6,655	17,097	12,418	4,024	5,535	46,172
Bed spaces	65,824	77,463	1,154	20,335	52,850	40,186	12,201	16,561	143,287
Employment (persons)	23,492	9,119	205	2,699	8,148	11,054	7,467	3,038	32,611
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	1,189.1	1,428.0	16.1	370.9	1,018.0	699.8	217.1	295.3	2,617.2
<i>1997—</i>									
July	405.1	506.6	7.8	123.7	354.2	258.1	76.7	91.3	911.8
August	420.2	498.7	7.2	116.7	344.1	265.8	87.8	97.4	918.9
September	418.8	477.2	6.9	114.1	342.0	248.1	85.7	99.2	896.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	1,244.2	1,482.6	22.0	354.5	1,040.3	772.0	250.2	287.9	2,726.7
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	64.5	66.3	47.9	58.7	67.7	70.2	66.1	58.8	65.5
<i>1997—</i>									
July	62.2	66.0	57.1	59.9	66.8	67.0	61.5	57.4	64.3
August	64.3	65.0	52.3	56.6	64.9	69.0	70.4	60.4	64.7
September	65.2	64.3	52.2	57.2	66.7	66.6	71.0	59.7	64.7
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	63.9	65.1	53.9	57.9	66.1	67.6	67.6	59.2	64.5
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	2,232.9	2,601.6	26.2	662.8	1,889.7	1,296.3	401.2	558.1	4,834.4
<i>1997—</i>									
July	774.5	932.5	12.6	215.8	669.5	496.7	140.8	171.6	1,707.0
August	790.3	908.8	11.6	203.6	637.0	511.1	154.6	181.2	1,699.1
September	796.2	880.2	11.3	201.6	645.9	475.1	155.2	187.2	1,676.4
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	2,361.1	2,721.5	35.6	621.1	1,952.4	1,482.9	450.6	540.0	5,082.5
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	39.5	39.0	30.0	34.6	40.8	39.4	40.8	39.1	39.2
<i>1997—</i>									
July	38.7	38.8	35.3	34.2	40.9	39.9	37.2	36.3	38.8
August	39.4	37.9	32.4	32.3	38.9	41.0	40.9	37.7	38.5
September	40.3	37.9	32.7	33.1	40.7	39.4	42.4	37.7	39.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	39.5	38.2	33.5	33.2	40.2	40.1	40.1	37.2	38.8
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	772.7	1,224.3	13.1	368.1	862.8	446.1	121.6	185.4	1,997.1
<i>1997—</i>									
July	281.5	455.4	6.0	121.1	312.6	183.7	43.4	70.2	736.9
August	287.7	442.8	6.1	114.8	296.4	190.2	47.5	75.5	730.5
September	285.2	433.7	5.7	111.3	301.0	174.0	48.1	78.8	718.9
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	854.4	1,331.9	17.8	347.2	910.0	548.0	138.9	224.4	2,186.3
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	2.9	2.1	2.0	1.8	2.2	2.9	3.3	3.0	2.4
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	2.8	2.0	2.0	1.8	2.1	2.7	3.2	2.4	2.3
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	149,766	103,178	564	19,024	79,823	82,154	42,200	29,179	252,944
<i>1997—</i>									
July	49,024	37,107	290	6,266	27,853	29,129	15,113	7,480	86,131
August	53,074	37,109	265	6,116	27,069	30,733	17,544	8,457	90,183
September	52,343	35,412	255	6,090	27,050	29,319	16,634	8,407	87,756
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	154,441	109,628	809	18,472	81,972	89,181	49,292	24,343	264,069



TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—*continued*  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	113	238	13	121	160	28	3	26	351
Guest rooms	4,357	6,522	159	2,446	4,929	1,811	1,081	453	10,879
Bed spaces	10,900	19,948	374	6,834	14,405	5,714	2,171	1,350	30,848
Employment (persons)	5,071	2,646	172	1,837	2,714	1,332	1,050	612	7,717
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	111	237	14	117	159	29	3	26	348
Guest rooms	4,362	6,523	166	2,360	4,902	1,892	1,083	482	10,885
Bed spaces	11,061	20,136	392	6,655	14,422	6,106	2,188	1,434	31,197
Employment (persons)	5,118	2,680	174	1,770	2,706	1,463	1,086	599	7,798
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	202.2	287.3	3.8	92.1	217.8	99.6	61.8	14.6	489.6
<i>1997—</i>									
July	71.0	98.5	1.3	29.6	73.9	36.7	21.9	6.2	169.5
August	71.5	96.3	1.3	28.5	73.7	36.8	22.0	5.6	167.8
September	76.1	109.0	1.3	33.8	82.4	37.6	23.8	6.0	185.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	218.6	303.8	4.1	91.9	229.9	111.1	67.7	17.7	522.4
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	50.5	47.9	25.7	40.9	48.0	59.8	62.1	35.1	48.9
<i>1997—</i>									
July	52.5	48.7	24.4	40.4	48.7	62.6	65.3	41.2	50.3
August	52.9	47.7	25.5	38.9	48.6	62.9	65.5	37.2	49.8
September	58.2	55.7	29.9	47.8	56.0	66.3	73.4	41.2	56.7
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	54.5	50.7	26.6	42.3	51.0	63.9	68.0	39.9	52.2
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	295.5	488.1	6.9	152.0	361.2	159.3	79.4	24.8	783.6
<i>1997—</i>									
July	105.3	168.1	2.0	49.5	126.3	56.1	28.5	10.9	273.4
August	102.8	158.1	2.1	46.2	119.9	54.7	29.2	8.8	260.9
September	109.9	184.3	2.4	55.6	136.1	59.2	30.6	10.3	294.2
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	318.1	510.5	6.6	151.2	382.3	170.1	88.3	30.1	828.6
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	29.5	26.6	19.9	24.2	27.3	30.3	39.7	19.9	27.6
<i>1997—</i>									
July	30.7	26.9	16.7	24.0	28.3	29.7	42.0	24.5	28.3
August	30.0	25.4	17.5	22.4	26.8	28.9	43.1	19.9	27.0
September	33.1	30.5	20.7	27.8	31.4	32.3	46.7	24.1	31.4
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	31.3	27.6	18.3	24.7	28.8	30.3	43.9	22.8	28.9
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	156.0	280.6	3.2	88.6	220.2	70.4	37.6	16.5	436.6
<i>1997—</i>									
July	54.2	94.3	1.1	29.6	70.7	26.3	13.3	7.6	148.5
August	50.1	89.5	1.4	27.5	67.8	25.0	12.2	5.7	139.7
September	55.5	104.9	1.5	33.4	78.9	26.2	13.3	7.0	160.4
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	159.8	288.7	4.0	90.4	217.4	77.5	38.8	20.3	448.6
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	1.9	1.7	2.1	1.7	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.5	1.8
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.3	1.5	1.8
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	17,989	19,579	111	4,107	14,375	10,558	7,621	795	37,567
<i>1997—</i>									
July	6,379	7,049	45	1,386	5,054	3,797	2,812	334	13,427
August	6,645	6,896	48	1,297	5,000	3,953	2,941	302	13,541
September	7,041	7,713	53	1,596	5,628	3,998	3,154	325	14,754
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	20,065	21,657	146	4,279	15,682	11,748	8,907	961	41,722

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—*continued*  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
<b>ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	157	176	12	109	150	20	6	36	333
Guest rooms	8,721	6,675	207	2,799	7,581	2,065	1,866	878	15,396
Bed spaces	21,749	18,694	403	6,754	20,822	5,208	4,843	2,413	40,443
Employment (persons)	7,266	2,749	136	1,743	3,779	1,784	2,149	424	10,015
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	167	178	11	85	146	20	8	75	345
Guest rooms	9,503	6,772	185	2,088	7,396	1,963	1,925	2,718	16,275
Bed spaces	23,324	18,881	354	5,029	20,093	4,953	5,124	6,652	42,205
Employment (persons)	7,501	2,706	80	1,246	3,501	1,620	2,112	1,648	10,207
<b>ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	498.9	374.3	5.3	135.3	434.0	135.1	122.7	40.8	873.3
<i>1997—</i>									
July	165.3	113.1	1.3	29.9	126.6	36.7	39.6	44.1	278.3
August	168.5	111.3	1.5	29.8	126.6	36.2	41.9	43.8	279.8
September	178.3	126.7	1.3	32.3	144.1	40.3	42.2	44.8	304.9
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	512.0	351.1	4.2	92.0	397.4	113.2	123.7	132.7	863.0
<b>ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	62.8	61.0	27.9	52.6	62.3	74.0	71.4	50.5	62.0
<i>1997—</i>									
July	56.4	54.6	23.4	46.3	55.8	60.4	66.4	53.8	55.7
August	57.2	53.4	26.1	46.0	55.5	59.4	70.2	52.2	55.6
September	62.5	62.5	24.2	51.5	65.1	68.4	73.0	55.0	62.5
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	58.7	56.8	24.6	47.9	58.7	62.7	69.8	53.6	57.9
<b>GUEST NIGHTS ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	758.1	651.7	7.0	208.9	730.8	208.1	181.6	73.3	1,409.7
<i>1997—</i>									
July	249.4	199.3	1.6	47.1	216.2	54.9	61.6	67.2	448.7
August	246.8	183.6	2.0	45.4	204.7	53.2	58.1	67.0	430.4
September	266.8	221.4	2.0	52.4	242.1	62.4	60.4	68.9	488.2
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	763.0	604.3	5.6	144.9	663.0	170.4	180.1	203.2	1,367.3
<b>BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	38.2	37.9	18.9	33.7	38.2	44.9	40.8	33.0	38.1
<i>1997—</i>									
July	34.8	34.5	14.8	30.2	35.1	35.8	38.8	33.8	34.7
August	34.1	31.6	18.2	29.1	33.0	34.6	36.6	32.7	33.0
September	38.1	39.2	18.6	34.7	40.2	42.0	39.3	34.6	38.6
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	35.7	35.1	17.2	31.3	36.1	37.4	38.2	33.7	35.4
<b>GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	346.5	289.3	4.1	106.3	325.9	91.7	73.6	34.3	635.8
<i>1997—</i>									
July	106.0	87.3	0.9	23.0	94.4	21.7	21.9	31.3	193.2
August	111.3	86.8	0.9	23.9	96.1	20.8	23.4	33.1	198.1
September	117.1	106.8	1.0	28.4	114.4	23.7	23.7	32.7	223.9
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	334.4	280.9	2.8	75.3	304.9	66.2	69.0	97.0	615.2
<b>AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	2.2	2.3	1.7	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.2
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	2.3	2.2	2.0	1.9	2.2	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.2
<b>TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	51,385	29,390	192	7,291	32,895	17,402	19,584	3,411	80,774
<i>1997—</i>									
July	17,294	9,017	62	1,649	9,874	4,413	6,045	4,269	26,311
August	17,614	8,677	50	1,616	9,656	4,301	6,433	4,235	26,291
September	18,567	9,753	51	1,775	10,851	4,740	6,571	4,332	28,320
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	53,475	27,447	164	5,040	30,380	13,454	19,049	12,836	80,923

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued  
TASMANIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading			Total
			1, 2 and ungraded	3	4 and 5	
<b>ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>						
Establishments	92	96	66	84	38	188
Guest rooms	3,510	2,094	1,224	2,562	1,818	5,604
Bed spaces	9,817	6,384	3,425	7,632	5,144	16,201
Employment (persons)	3,475	787	834	1,282	2,146	4,262
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>						
Establishments	97	115	75	81	56	212
Guest rooms	3,517	2,246	1,298	2,418	2,047	5,763
Bed spaces	9,812	6,885	3,597	7,263	5,837	16,697
Employment (persons)	3,266	880	871	1,134	2,141	4,146
<b>ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	129.6	69.7	28.2	86.6	84.6	199.4
<i>1997—</i>						
July	39.2	23.6	10.1	23.3	29.5	62.8
August	42.2	24.6	10.9	24.5	31.5	66.8
September	48.9	30.8	12.4	32.1	35.1	79.7
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	130.3	79.0	33.3	79.9	96.1	209.3
<b>ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	40.1	36.2	25.0	36.7	50.6	38.7
<i>1997—</i>						
July	36.0	33.9	25.0	31.0	46.5	35.2
August	38.7	35.5	27.0	32.6	49.8	37.4
September	46.3	45.7	31.8	44.3	57.2	46.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	40.3	38.3	27.9	35.9	51.1	39.5
<b>GUEST NIGHTS ('000)</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	202.2	122.1	48.7	150.1	125.6	324.3
<i>1997—</i>						
July	60.1	39.5	16.6	39.0	43.9	99.6
August	66.2	41.9	18.0	41.0	49.0	108.1
September	82.3	55.8	22.0	58.6	57.5	138.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	208.5	137.2	56.6	138.7	150.4	345.7
<b>BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	22.4	20.8	15.4	21.4	26.5	21.8
<i>1997—</i>						
July	19.8	18.5	14.9	17.3	24.3	19.2
August	21.8	19.7	16.2	18.2	27.2	20.9
September	27.9	27.0	20.4	26.9	32.8	27.6
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	23.1	21.7	17.1	20.8	28.0	22.5
<b>GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	109.5	73.1	28.5	89.5	64.6	182.6
<i>1997—</i>						
July	32.9	23.8	10.3	24.2	22.3	56.7
August	33.7	24.6	10.5	24.8	23.0	58.3
September	43.1	33.6	13.7	35.2	27.9	76.8
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	109.7	82.0	34.5	84.2	73.1	191.8
<b>AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.8
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.6	2.1	1.8
<b>TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)</b>						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	9,784	4,578	1,694	5,321	7,348	14,362
<i>1997—</i>						
July	3,335	1,627	619	1,456	2,888	4,962
August	3,649	1,675	676	1,501	3,147	5,323
September	4,301	2,140	777	2,067	3,598	6,442
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	11,285	5,442	2,072	5,023	9,633	16,727

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—*continued*  
NORTHERN TERRITORY

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4 and 5			
<b>ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	31	68	14	30	31	6	18	99	
Guest rooms	2,045	3,663	328	1,336	2,548	1,063	433	5,708	
Bed spaces	5,822	11,120	952	3,991	7,888	2,849	1,262	16,942	
Employment (persons)	2,328	1,437	171	675	1,245	1,479	195	3,765	
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	34	69	8	26	30	8	31	103	
Guest rooms	2,399	3,803	122	1,165	2,428	1,118	1,369	6,202	
Bed spaces	6,865	11,374	340	3,451	7,430	2,965	4,053	18,239	
Employment (persons)	2,073	1,414	83	537	1,162	1,183	522	3,487	
<b>ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	131.5	238.1	16.7	79.4	184.1	63.3	26.0	369.6	
<i>1997—</i>									
July	51.8	85.8	1.8	24.0	60.1	23.9	27.8	137.6	
August	52.4	81.3	1.6	22.7	58.9	23.8	26.6	133.7	
September	42.1	67.1	1.2	18.0	49.5	20.5	20.1	109.2	
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	146.3	234.1	4.6	64.6	168.6	68.2	74.5	380.4	
<b>ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	69.9	70.7	55.4	64.6	78.5	64.8	65.3	70.4	
<i>1997—</i>									
July	69.7	72.7	47.0	66.4	79.9	68.9	65.5	71.5	
August	70.5	68.9	43.0	62.9	78.3	68.7	62.7	69.5	
September	58.5	58.8	31.5	51.4	68.0	61.0	48.9	58.7	
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	66.3	66.9	40.6	60.3	75.5	66.3	59.2	66.7	
<b>GUEST NIGHTS ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	219.8	435.1	29.9	147.1	339.5	100.8	37.8	653.0	
<i>1997—</i>									
July	90.4	159.0	3.1	44.5	113.6	40.9	47.3	249.4	
August	90.0	142.5	2.8	41.4	106.0	39.6	42.8	232.5	
September	68.2	118.8	1.9	31.4	90.5	31.7	31.5	187.0	
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	248.6	420.3	7.8	117.3	310.0	112.2	121.5	668.8	
<b>BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	41.0	42.5	34.1	40.1	46.8	38.4	32.5	42.0	
<i>1997—</i>									
July	42.5	45.1	29.8	41.6	49.3	44.5	37.6	44.1	
August	42.3	40.4	26.1	38.7	46.0	43.1	34.0	41.1	
September	33.1	34.8	18.9	30.3	40.6	35.6	25.9	34.2	
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	39.4	40.2	25.0	36.9	45.4	41.1	32.6	39.9	
<b>GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	118.6	232.1	18.2	85.4	173.4	53.8	19.9	350.7	
<i>1997—</i>									
July	43.3	79.3	1.6	24.7	57.9	19.0	19.5	122.6	
August	44.5	72.4	1.5	22.2	56.4	19.5	17.3	116.9	
September	35.8	60.8	1.1	16.4	48.5	16.6	14.0	96.6	
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	123.6	212.6	4.2	63.3	162.8	55.0	50.7	336.1	
<b>AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	2.0	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.4	2.0	
<b>TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>									
	17,160	20,087	801	5,603	19,228	10,045	1,570	37,247	
<i>1997—</i>									
July	6,406	7,458	92	1,789	6,330	3,212	2,440	13,864	
August	6,651	7,230	85	1,724	6,344	3,317	2,411	13,881	
September	5,063	5,483	54	1,231	4,943	2,629	1,689	10,546	
<i>September quarter 1997</i>									
	18,120	20,171	231	4,745	17,617	9,158	6,540	38,291	

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING —continued  
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading			Total
			1, 2 and ungraded	3	4 and 5	
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT						
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>						
Establishments	15	30	13	23	9	45
Guest rooms	1,766	1,968	528	1,943	1,263	3,734
Bed spaces	4,745	6,429	1,853	5,916	3,405	11,174
Employment (persons)	1,526	725	171	829	1,251	2,251
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>						
Establishments	15	33	14	24	10	48
Guest rooms	1,764	2,110	658	2,023	1,193	3,874
Bed spaces	4,622	7,044	2,420	5,847	3,399	11,666
Employment (persons)	1,550	732	217	1,022	1,043	2,282
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	95.7	101.9	21.9	100.0	75.8	197.6
<i>1997—</i>						
July	29.5	32.9	9.2	31.3	21.9	62.5
August	29.2	31.6	9.4	29.4	21.9	60.8
September	35.4	42.2	12.8	39.3	25.4	77.5
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	94.1	106.7	31.5	100.1	69.2	200.8
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	58.9	56.3	45.0	55.9	65.2	57.5
<i>1997—</i>						
July	54.0	50.3	45.2	50.0	59.2	52.0
August	53.4	48.3	46.3	47.0	59.2	50.6
September	66.9	66.6	65.0	64.7	71.1	66.7
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	58.0	55.0	52.0	53.8	63.1	56.3
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	134.9	184.3	48.1	167.1	104.0	319.2
<i>1997—</i>						
July	45.9	64.8	20.2	54.6	35.9	110.7
August	41.7	61.2	20.5	48.0	34.5	103.0
September	54.3	85.6	29.5	68.6	41.9	140.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	142.0	211.7	70.2	171.1	112.3	353.7
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	30.9	31.2	28.2	30.7	33.2	31.1
<i>1997—</i>						
July	32.0	29.7	27.0	30.1	34.1	30.6
August	29.1	28.0	27.4	26.5	32.7	28.5
September	39.2	40.5	40.6	39.1	41.1	40.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	33.4	32.7	31.6	31.8	35.9	33.0
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	79.4	95.6	23.0	88.6	63.4	175.0
<i>1997—</i>						
July	25.6	30.2	7.9	28.1	19.8	55.8
August	24.7	31.5	9.4	26.3	20.4	56.1
September	29.8	41.4	13.3	34.6	23.4	71.3
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	80.1	103.1	30.6	89.0	63.6	183.2
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	1.7	1.9	2.1	1.9	1.6	1.8
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	1.8	2.1	2.3	1.9	1.8	1.9
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)						
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	10,831	7,342	1,395	7,468	9,311	18,173
<i>1997—</i>						
July	3,383	2,473	712	2,562	2,582	5,856
August	3,439	2,375	735	2,435	2,645	5,814
September	4,148	3,202	928	3,321	3,101	7,350
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	10,970	8,050	2,374	8,318	8,328	19,020

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued  
AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	1,135	3,748	134	1,426	2,299	401	49	574	4,883
Guest rooms	69,782	102,639	2,315	28,569	75,349	37,961	13,131	15,096	172,421
Bed spaces	187,114	312,684	6,444	84,135	224,836	109,327	32,363	42,693	499,798
Employment (persons)	69,175	39,095	1,302	13,890	33,274	32,108	17,589	10,107	108,270
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	1,163	3,877	142	1,244	2,327	482	56	789	5,040
Guest rooms	73,784	105,249	2,598	25,001	75,302	40,352	14,113	21,667	179,033
Bed spaces	198,304	321,585	8,454	73,452	224,020	116,594	35,916	61,453	519,889
Employment (persons)	70,941	39,631	1,359	12,081	33,171	32,194	18,964	12,803	110,572
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	4,032.1	5,265.5	88.1	1,246.4	4,014.1	2,417.9	819.8	711.4	9,297.6
<i>1997—</i>									
July	1,381.2	1,794.8	33.5	374.6	1,319.0	838.5	283.2	327.0	3,175.9
August	1,405.9	1,735.2	34.5	356.2	1,274.0	837.0	302.5	337.0	3,141.1
September	1,395.2	1,808.9	31.5	373.0	1,351.1	810.6	297.2	340.7	3,204.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	4,182.3	5,338.8	99.5	1,103.8	3,944.2	2,486.1	883.0	1,004.7	9,521.2
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	62.9	55.9	41.5	47.5	58.0	69.4	67.9	52.0	58.8
<i>1997—</i>									
July	61.0	55.1	41.6	48.4	56.6	67.0	64.7	50.5	57.5
August	62.0	53.3	42.8	46.0	54.6	66.9	69.1	51.7	56.8
September	63.0	57.3	40.5	49.8	59.8	67.0	70.2	52.5	59.7
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	62.0	55.2	41.6	48.0	57.0	67.0	68.0	51.5	58.0
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	6,703.8	9,531.2	171.1	2,251.9	7,162.9	4,035.0	1,274.7	1,339.3	16,235.0
<i>1997—</i>									
July	2,332.3	3,290.5	72.8	668.1	2,395.0	1,438.8	450.7	597.4	5,622.7
August	2,330.7	3,085.4	75.5	622.7	2,233.0	1,408.1	472.2	604.3	5,416.1
September	2,325.2	3,298.9	67.8	666.0	2,427.6	1,377.6	466.8	618.3	5,624.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	6,988.3	9,674.8	216.1	1,956.8	7,055.9	4,224.6	1,389.7	1,820.0	16,663.0
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	39.0	33.2	28.9	29.1	34.7	40.2	42.8	34.5	35.4
<i>1997—</i>									
July	38.3	33.1	27.8	29.4	34.5	39.8	40.5	32.5	35.1
August	38.2	31.0	28.8	27.4	32.2	39.0	42.4	32.6	33.7
September	39.1	34.2	26.7	30.2	36.1	39.4	43.3	33.6	36.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	38.5	32.7	27.8	29.0	34.3	39.4	42.1	32.9	34.9
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	2,789.9	5,099.9	86.3	1,297.2	3,784.5	1,703.8	490.0	528.1	7,889.9
<i>1997—</i>									
July	966.0	1,767.1	32.4	385.4	1,264.0	624.7	172.0	254.6	2,733.1
August	980.5	1,671.2	35.0	362.7	1,193.0	617.8	183.9	259.4	2,651.7
September	983.2	1,798.5	32.5	387.1	1,306.6	605.7	181.4	268.4	2,781.7
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	2,929.7	5,236.9	99.8	1,135.2	3,763.6	1,848.1	537.2	782.5	8,166.5
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	2.4	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.9	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	2.4	1.8	2.2	1.7	1.9	2.3	2.6	2.3	2.0
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	496,715	400,402	4,512	69,396	313,256	291,570	145,523	72,859	897,117
<i>1997—</i>									
July	174,200	141,061	1,894	21,213	106,135	102,067	52,586	31,366	315,261
August	180,218	137,303	2,062	20,399	102,551	102,490	55,708	34,311	317,521
September	177,186	139,711	1,799	20,981	106,488	99,279	55,378	32,971	316,897
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	531,603	418,076	5,755	62,593	315,174	303,836	163,672	98,649	949,679

TABLE 6—HOLIDAY FLATS, UNITS AND HOUSES BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
LETTING ENTITIES, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Letting entities	437	219	710	86	126	57	12	18	1,665
Flats, units and houses									
Single bedroom	2,163	1,203	3,907	292	721	240	159	236	8,921
Multiple bedroom	9,325	2,442	15,482	1,134	1,984	618	160	595	31,740
<i>Total flats, units and houses</i>	<i>11,488</i>	<i>3,645</i>	<i>19,389</i>	<i>1,426</i>	<i>2,705</i>	<i>858</i>	<i>319</i>	<i>831</i>	<i>40,661</i>
Bed spaces	54,181	15,929	79,283	7,242	12,514	3,800	1,224	3,173	177,346
Employment (persons) (a)	1,393	872	2,604	289	639	322	69	145	6,333
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Letting entities	444	216	735	85	132	62	13	16	1,703
Flats, units and houses									
Single bedroom	2,350	1,237	4,191	276	762	262	163	235	9,476
Multiple bedroom	9,530	2,482	16,072	1,189	2,156	654	171	466	32,720
<i>Total flats, units and houses</i>	<i>11,880</i>	<i>3,719</i>	<i>20,263</i>	<i>1,465</i>	<i>2,918</i>	<i>916</i>	<i>334</i>	<i>701</i>	<i>42,196</i>
Bed spaces	56,357	16,594	83,106	7,404	13,477	4,021	1,287	2,573	184,819
Employment (persons) (a)	1,416	955	2,720	272	701	328	70	150	6,612
UNIT NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>406.9</i>	<i>145.1</i>	<i>1,258.5</i>	<i>46.0</i>	<i>136.3</i>	<i>28.0</i>	<i>24.1</i>	<i>46.2</i>	<i>2,091.2</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	147.6	51.8	440.4	16.7	49.3	8.7	8.8	15.0	738.2
August	130.0	46.6	435.0	14.0	41.9	9.6	7.9	13.6	698.5
September	139.5	50.4	403.0	16.6	50.0	13.0	6.3	16.1	694.9
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>417.1</i>	<i>148.7</i>	<i>1,278.4</i>	<i>47.4</i>	<i>141.1</i>	<i>31.3</i>	<i>23.1</i>	<i>44.7</i>	<i>2,131.7</i>
UNIT OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>38.6</i>	<i>43.3</i>	<i>70.7</i>	<i>35.1</i>	<i>54.9</i>	<i>35.5</i>	<i>82.2</i>	<i>60.5</i>	<i>56.0</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	40.1	44.9	70.1	36.8	54.5	30.5	85.4	69.0	56.5
August	35.3	40.4	69.3	30.9	46.3	33.8	76.1	62.5	53.4
September	39.2	45.1	66.3	37.7	57.1	47.3	63.2	76.7	54.9
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>38.2</i>	<i>43.5</i>	<i>68.6</i>	<i>35.1</i>	<i>52.6</i>	<i>37.1</i>	<i>75.1</i>	<i>69.3</i>	<i>54.9</i>
UNIT LETTINGS ('000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>83.0</i>	<i>34.6</i>	<i>190.5</i>	<i>9.8</i>	<i>33.9</i>	<i>13.4</i>	<i>6.2</i>	<i>8.8</i>	<i>380.3</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	28.1	14.0	66.0	3.2	12.2	3.7	2.5	2.3	132.1
August	26.6	12.7	64.5	2.7	11.5	4.0	2.5	2.1	126.6
September	30.0	14.3	68.1	3.4	13.8	5.7	1.8	3.0	140.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>84.7</i>	<i>41.0</i>	<i>198.6</i>	<i>9.3</i>	<i>37.5</i>	<i>13.5</i>	<i>6.8</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>398.7</i>
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>4.9</i>	<i>4.2</i>	<i>6.6</i>	<i>4.7</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>3.9</i>	<i>5.3</i>	<i>5.5</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	5.3	3.7	6.7	5.3	4.0	2.3	3.5	6.6	5.6
August	4.9	3.7	6.7	5.1	3.7	2.4	3.2	6.5	5.5
September	4.6	3.5	5.9	4.9	3.6	2.3	3.6	5.4	5.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>4.9</i>	<i>3.6</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>5.1</i>	<i>3.8</i>	<i>2.3</i>	<i>3.4</i>	<i>6.1</i>	<i>5.3</i>
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>28,026</i>	<i>13,760</i>	<i>80,759</i>	<i>2,885</i>	<i>9,823</i>	<i>1,922</i>	<i>2,214</i>	<i>4,282</i>	<i>143,671</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	10,189	5,220	27,606	1,006	3,685	584	809	1,357	50,456
August	9,383	4,976	26,909	888	3,061	630	770	1,238	47,855
September	10,494	4,812	28,663	1,069	3,824	873	535	1,523	51,793
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>30,065</i>	<i>15,008</i>	<i>83,178</i>	<i>2,964</i>	<i>10,570</i>	<i>2,087</i>	<i>2,115</i>	<i>4,118</i>	<i>150,104</i>

(a) Employment numbers exclude real estate agents and their employees.

TABLE 7 — CARAVAN PARKS BY TYPE AND BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	New South Wales			Victoria			Queensland		
	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total
<b>ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	493	298	791	441	157	598	266	364	630
Capacity									
On-site vans	3,403	3,495	6,898	2,095	1,739	3,834	1,223	4,633	5,856
Other powered sites	44,326	18,344	62,670	37,171	7,947	45,118	12,624	19,385	32,009
Unpowered sites	15,363	4,114	19,477	12,440	2,038	14,478	8,773	4,539	13,312
Cabins, flats, etc.	3,413	2,036	5,449	2,520	1,321	3,841	1,627	2,520	4,147
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>66,505</i>	<i>27,989</i>	<i>94,494</i>	<i>54,226</i>	<i>13,045</i>	<i>67,271</i>	<i>24,247</i>	<i>31,077</i>	<i>55,324</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	3,765	11,420	15,185	1,817	4,736	6,553	2,062	13,650	15,712
Other sites permanently reserved	21,906	1,160	23,066	15,188	351	15,539	808	437	1,245
Employment (persons)	2,127	1,106	3,233	1,428	479	1,907	1,030	1,268	2,298
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	510	280	790	442	152	594	289	327	616
Capacity									
On-site vans	3,303	3,427	6,730	1,931	1,781	3,712	1,587	4,184	5,771
Other powered sites	45,132	17,423	62,555	36,797	7,711	44,508	14,300	17,261	31,561
Unpowered sites	15,277	3,999	19,276	12,331	1,956	14,287	9,238	3,618	12,856
Cabins, flats, etc.	3,894	1,995	5,889	2,814	1,334	4,148	1,926	2,434	4,360
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>67,606</i>	<i>26,844</i>	<i>94,450</i>	<i>53,873</i>	<i>12,782</i>	<i>66,655</i>	<i>27,051</i>	<i>27,497</i>	<i>54,548</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	3,947	10,793	14,740	1,857	4,693	6,550	2,445	12,312	14,757
Other sites permanently reserved	22,057	1,137	23,194	15,531	386	15,917	937	291	1,228
Employment (persons)	2,227	1,055	3,282	1,493	443	1,936	1,168	1,197	2,365
<b>SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>3,064.7</i>	<i>1,347.0</i>	<i>4,411.7</i>	<i>1,787.8</i>	<i>529.3</i>	<i>2,317.2</i>	<i>1,037.7</i>	<i>1,661.2</i>	<i>2,698.9</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	1,016.3	438.7	1,455.1	612.3	177.8	790.2	423.3	523.2	946.5
August	1,011.1	437.5	1,448.5	606.6	176.2	782.8	402.1	515.5	917.6
September	1,024.1	435.9	1,460.0	628.7	178.8	807.5	335.8	479.2	815.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>3,051.5</i>	<i>1,312.1</i>	<i>4,363.6</i>	<i>1,847.6</i>	<i>532.8</i>	<i>2,380.4</i>	<i>1,161.2</i>	<i>1,517.8</i>	<i>2,679.0</i>
<b>SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>50.1</i>	<i>52.3</i>	<i>50.7</i>	<i>35.8</i>	<i>44.1</i>	<i>37.4</i>	<i>46.6</i>	<i>58.1</i>	<i>53.1</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	48.5	52.7	49.7	36.8	44.9	38.3	50.5	61.4	56.0
August	48.2	52.6	49.5	36.4	44.5	38.0	48.2	60.5	54.4
September	50.5	54.1	51.5	38.9	46.6	40.4	41.6	58.1	49.9
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>49.1</i>	<i>53.1</i>	<i>50.2</i>	<i>37.3</i>	<i>45.3</i>	<i>38.9</i>	<i>46.8</i>	<i>60.0</i>	<i>53.5</i>
<b>TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>25,504</i>	<i>15,176</i>	<i>40,681</i>	<i>12,239</i>	<i>5,554</i>	<i>17,793</i>	<i>14,438</i>	<i>18,136</i>	<i>32,575</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	9,116	5,222	14,339	4,492	1,907	6,400	6,195	6,083	12,278
August	8,552	5,102	13,655	3,736	1,893	5,629	5,719	5,883	11,602
September	9,766	5,321	15,087	5,284	1,982	7,266	5,326	5,578	10,905
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>27,434</i>	<i>15,646</i>	<i>43,080</i>	<i>13,513</i>	<i>5,781</i>	<i>19,294</i>	<i>17,240</i>	<i>17,544</i>	<i>34,785</i>



TABLE 7 — CARAVAN PARKS BY TYPE AND BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA—continued

Particulars	South Australia			Western Australia			Tasmania		
	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total
<b>ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	171	44	215	203	116	319	57	16	73
Capacity									
On-site vans	776	253	1,029	1,129	1,014	2,143	235	135	370
Other powered sites	12,135	2,684	14,819	12,885	6,793	19,678	2,839	662	3,501
Unpowered sites	5,824	915	6,739	4,447	1,842	6,289	1,691	438	2,129
Cabins, flats, etc.	1,512	363	1,875	1,069	811	1,880	356	135	491
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>20,247</i>	<i>4,215</i>	<i>24,462</i>	<i>19,530</i>	<i>10,460</i>	<i>29,990</i>	<i>5,121</i>	<i>1,370</i>	<i>6,491</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	706	1,276	1,982	1,409	4,048	5,457	202	240	442
Other sites permanently reserved	1,659	38	1,697	2,239	280	2,519	1,072	35	1,107
Employment (persons)	673	145	818	793	449	1,242	201	63	264
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	177	39	216	216	104	320	57	16	73
Capacity									
On-site vans	799	224	1,023	1,186	935	2,121	220	136	356
Other powered sites	12,472	2,430	14,902	13,232	6,777	20,009	2,798	682	3,480
Unpowered sites	5,956	692	6,648	4,168	1,786	5,954	1,671	429	2,100
Cabins, flats, etc.	1,617	311	1,928	1,182	939	2,121	399	140	539
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>20,844</i>	<i>3,657</i>	<i>24,501</i>	<i>19,768</i>	<i>10,437</i>	<i>30,205</i>	<i>5,088</i>	<i>1,387</i>	<i>6,475</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	751	1,314	2,065	1,446	4,022	5,468	206	225	431
Other sites permanently reserved	1,758	30	1,788	2,297	241	2,538	1,096	36	1,132
Employment (persons)	682	123	805	905	415	1,320	201	59	260
<b>SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>391.2</i>	<i>147.4</i>	<i>538.5</i>	<i>748.0</i>	<i>494.9</i>	<i>1,242.9</i>	<i>140.5</i>	<i>28.7</i>	<i>169.2</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	137.3	47.9	185.2	264.2	160.9	425.1	46.5	10.0	56.5
August	135.4	47.2	182.6	267.5	163.3	430.8	46.8	10.7	57.5
September	153.1	47.7	200.8	246.1	160.7	406.8	50.5	10.9	61.4
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>425.8</i>	<i>142.8</i>	<i>568.6</i>	<i>777.8</i>	<i>484.9</i>	<i>1,262.7</i>	<i>143.8</i>	<i>31.6</i>	<i>175.4</i>
<b>SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>									
September quarter 1996	21.0	38.0	23.9	41.6	51.4	45.0	29.8	22.8	28.3
<i>1997—</i>									
July	21.3	42.2	24.4	43.1	49.7	45.4	29.5	23.3	28.2
August	21.1	41.7	24.2	43.6	50.5	46.0	29.7	24.9	28.6
September	24.6	43.4	27.5	41.5	51.3	44.9	33.1	26.1	31.6
September quarter 1997	22.3	42.4	25.3	42.8	50.5	45.4	30.7	24.8	29.4
<b>TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)</b>									
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>4,735</i>	<i>1,425</i>	<i>6,160</i>	<i>9,538</i>	<i>7,006</i>	<i>16,545</i>	<i>878</i>	<i>331</i>	<i>1,209</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
July	1,709	443	2,152	3,627	2,427	6,054	268	113	381
August	1,544	432	1,976	3,448	2,417	5,864	294	113	407
September	2,019	466	2,485	3,324	2,421	5,746	487	138	625
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>5,273</i>	<i>1,341</i>	<i>6,613</i>	<i>10,399</i>	<i>7,265</i>	<i>17,664</i>	<i>1,050</i>	<i>364</i>	<i>1,413</i>

TABLE 7—CARAVAN PARKS BY TYPE AND BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA *continued*

Particulars	Northern Territory		Australian Capital Territory		Australia		
	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total
<b>ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT</b>							
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>							
Establishments	59	17	76	5	1,690	1,017	2,707
Capacity							
On-site vans	138	178	316	62	8,999	11,509	20,508
Other powered sites	2,941	1,428	4,369	485	124,921	57,728	182,649
Unpowered sites	3,228	506	3,734	419	51,766	14,811	66,577
Cabins, flats, etc.	249	82	331	94	10,746	7,362	18,108
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>6,556</i>	<i>2,194</i>	<i>8,750</i>	<i>1,060</i>	<i>196,432</i>	<i>91,410</i>	<i>287,842</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	315	699	1,014	268	10,276	36,337	46,613
Other sites permanently reserved	7	3	10	—	42,879	2,304	45,183
Employment (persons)	280	95	375	36	6,532	3,641	10,173
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>							
Establishments	62	17	79	4	1,753	939	2,692
Capacity							
On-site vans	130	176	306	63	9,156	10,926	20,082
Other powered sites	3,142	1,437	4,579	458	127,873	54,179	182,052
Unpowered sites	3,476	480	3,956	419	52,117	13,379	65,496
Cabins, flats, etc.	303	109	412	94	12,135	7,356	19,491
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>7,051</i>	<i>2,202</i>	<i>9,253</i>	<i>1,034</i>	<i>201,281</i>	<i>85,840</i>	<i>287,121</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	341	712	1,053	251	10,993	34,322	45,315
Other sites permanently reserved	9	16	25	—	43,685	2,137	45,822
Employment (persons)	327	82	409	44	7,003	3,418	10,421
<b>SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)</b>							
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>241.8</i>	<i>106.8</i>	<i>348.5</i>	<i>35.4</i>	<i>7,411.6</i>	<i>4,350.7</i>	<i>11,762.3</i>
<i>1997—</i>							
July	104.6	39.5	144.1	11.0	2,604.6	1,409.1	4,013.7
August	83.2	36.5	119.7	9.6	2,552.6	1,396.4	3,949.0
September	57.1	29.3	86.4	14.2	2,495.3	1,356.7	3,852.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>244.9</i>	<i>105.4</i>	<i>350.3</i>	<i>34.8</i>	<i>7,652.6</i>	<i>4,162.2</i>	<i>11,814.8</i>
<b>SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)</b>							
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>40.1</i>	<i>52.9</i>	<i>43.3</i>	<i>36.3</i>	<i>41.0</i>	<i>51.7</i>	<i>44.4</i>
<i>1997—</i>							
July	48.7	57.9	50.9	34.4	41.8	53.0	45.1
August	38.1	53.5	41.7	29.9	41.0	52.5	44.4
September	27.0	44.4	31.1	45.8	41.4	52.7	44.8
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>38.0</i>	<i>52.0</i>	<i>41.3</i>	<i>36.6</i>	<i>41.4</i>	<i>52.7</i>	<i>44.8</i>
<b>TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)</b>							
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	<i>3,962</i>	<i>1,357</i>	<i>5,319</i>	<i>642</i>	<i>71,295</i>	<i>49,628</i>	<i>120,923</i>
<i>1997—</i>							
July	1,891	505	2,396	216	27,298	16,917	44,215
August	1,404	451	1,855	166	24,698	16,456	41,153
September	1,112	345	1,457	294	27,320	16,546	43,865
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>4,407</i>	<i>1,301</i>	<i>5,708</i>	<i>676</i>	<i>79,315</i>	<i>49,918</i>	<i>129,234</i>

TABLE 8 — VISITOR HOSTELS BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	New South Wales (a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australia
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT								
<i>September quarter 1996—</i>								
Establishments	93	55	141	50	57	46	34	476
Bed spaces	6,081	3,377	9,397	2,344	3,172	2,096	3,084	29,551
Employment (persons)	358	212	724	196	157	130	168	1,945
<i>September quarter 1997—</i>								
Establishments	104	57	146	53	59	46	34	499
Bed spaces	6,984	3,773	10,083	2,607	3,295	2,040	3,283	32,065
Employment (persons)	452	242	890	186	171	126	173	2,240
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)								
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	268.4	100.9	490.7	53.8	111.7	17.8	172.9	1,216.3
<i>1997—</i>								
July	118.2	34.4	192.5	20.9	36.7	4.3	66.5	473.5
August	112.6	34.8	178.7	18.4	34.6	4.8	63.1	447.1
September	118.2	37.9	160.0	22.2	36.8	6.8	52.1	434.0
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	349.0	107.1	531.2	61.5	108.1	15.9	181.7	1,354.6
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)								
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	48.0	32.6	57.5	25.1	38.3	9.2	61.0	45.0
<i>1997—</i>								
July	56.0	29.4	62.0	25.8	35.9	6.9	65.4	48.0
August	52.0	29.8	57.5	22.8	33.9	7.5	62.0	45.1
September	56.4	33.5	52.9	28.4	37.2	11.2	52.9	45.1
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	54.8	30.9	57.5	25.7	35.7	8.5	60.2	46.1
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)								
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	88.3	44.5	183.6	30.3	36.0	11.7	85.7	480.1
<i>1997—</i>								
July	41.0	17.1	70.4	10.9	12.0	2.7	37.6	191.7
August	38.6	17.3	65.3	8.7	11.3	3.3	34.6	179.0
September	40.9	18.4	57.0	11.0	12.3	4.2	29.5	173.4
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	120.4	52.7	192.7	30.6	35.7	10.2	101.7	544.1
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)								
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	3.0	2.3	2.7	1.8	3.1	1.5	2.0	2.5
<i>1997—</i>								
July	2.9	2.0	2.7	1.9	3.1	1.6	1.8	2.5
August	2.9	2.0	2.7	2.1	3.0	1.5	1.8	2.5
September	2.9	2.1	2.8	2.0	3.0	1.6	1.8	2.5
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	2.9	2.0	2.8	2.0	3.0	1.6	1.8	2.5
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)								
<i>September quarter 1996</i>	4,065	1,676	6,410	565	1,335	207	2,388	16,647
<i>1997—</i>								
July	1,907	566	2,678	223	457	50	989	6,871
August	1,853	600	2,454	209	436	61	939	6,551
September	1,910	611	2,205	250	479	79	791	6,326
<i>September quarter 1997</i>	5,670	1,778	7,337	682	1,372	191	2,719	19,748

(a) Including Australian Capital Territory establishments.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

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### INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication contains data, for Australia and each State and Territory, from a quarterly survey of tourist accommodation establishments.

### SCOPE

**2** Tourist accommodation establishments currently included in the survey comprise two groups:

- Establishments which provide predominantly short-term accommodation (i.e. for periods of less than 2 months) to the general public. These include:
  - *Hotels, motels and guest houses, with facilities* being hotels licensed to operate a public bar and motels, private hotels and guest houses all of which provide a bath (or shower) and toilet in most guest rooms and have breakfast available for guests. NOTE: From December quarter 1993, hotel, motel and guest house establishments with fewer than five rooms have been formally excluded from the scope of this statistical collection.
  - *Holiday flats, units and houses* (excluding establishments predominantly operated on a time share basis) which are operated by owners, managers or real estate agents who have sole letting rights to at least five flats, units or houses for short-term letting. They are mainly self-contained in terms of cooking, bath (or shower) and toilet facilities and do not have breakfast available for guests. Data for holiday flats, units and houses include short-term owner occupation as well as paying guest occupation.
  - *Visitor hostels* which provide accommodation to visitors on a bed basis (rather than by the room). This category does not include establishments providing charity type accommodation (e.g. Salvation Army hostels) nor hotels, motels and guest houses without in-room facilities which provide accommodation on a per room basis.
  - *Caravan parks* which provide either predominantly short-term (i.e. for periods of less than 2 months) or predominantly long-term (i.e. for periods of 2 months or more) accommodation to the general public and which provide powered sites for caravans and toilet, shower and laundry facilities for guests.

**3** Data collected and published for each type of establishment (other than holiday flats, units and houses) include both long-term and short-term guests at these establishments.

**4** Establishments which provide more than one type of accommodation (e.g. a motel with attached caravan park) are treated as two or more separate establishments. However, self-contained units, flats, cabins, etc. attached to hotels, motels or to caravan parks are included in the capacity for those establishments and not treated as separate holiday flat, unit or house establishments.

### UNPUBLISHED STATISTICS

**5** The ABS may make available on request certain unpublished tourist accommodation statistics. A charge may be made for this information.

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### RELATED PUBLICATIONS

**6** Publications for Australia, and each State and Territory, are released by the respective offices of the ABS. Tourist accommodation statistics for past quarters are available on request. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

- *Directory of Tourism Statistics* (1130.0) (irregular: latest issue; 1997)
- *Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia* (3401.0) (issued monthly)
- *Tourism Indicators, Australia* (8634.0) (issued quarterly)

**7** Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (1101.0). The ABS also issues the *Release Advice* (1105.0) on Tuesdays and Fridays which lists publications to be released in the next few days. Both the *Catalogue* and *Release Advice* are available from any ABS office.

### EFFECTS OF ROUNDING

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

### SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

- .. not applicable
- nil or rounded to zero
- n.a. not available
- n.p. not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
- r revised

## G L O S S A R Y

<b>Average length of stay</b>	Average length of stay is expressed in numbers of days and calculated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ for hotels, motels and guest houses, by dividing <i>Guest nights</i> by <i>Guest arrivals</i> and</li> <li>▪ for holiday flats, units and houses, by dividing <i>Unit nights occupied</i> by <i>Unit lettings</i>.</li> </ul>
<b>Bed spaces</b>	Three-quarter beds are counted as one bed space; double beds as two bed spaces. Cots are excluded.
<b>Capacity</b>	Capacity in terms of <i>Guest rooms</i> , <i>Bed spaces</i> , <i>Holiday units</i> or <i>Caravan park sites</i> , etc. is the maximum number available to accommodate paying guests during the survey period. Capacity closed temporarily for seasonal reasons is included.
<b>Caravan park capacity</b>	The total number of <i>On-site vans</i> , <i>Other powered sites</i> , <i>Unpowered sites</i> and <i>Cabins</i> , etc.
<b>Employment</b>	The number of persons working at accommodation establishments at the end of the survey period (including working proprietors and those working on other than accommodation activities).
<b>Establishments</b>	For hotels, motels and guest houses, caravan parks and visitor hostels, the number of establishments within the scope of the survey which operated for any part of the survey period, or which closed temporarily for the quarter for seasonal reasons.
<b>Guest arrivals</b>	The total number of paying guests counted only on the first night they stayed at the accommodation establishment.
<b>Letting entities</b>	For holiday flats, units and houses, the number of owners, managers or real estate agents within the scope of the survey who operated for any part of the survey period.
<b>Occupancy</b>	Occupancy in terms of <i>Room nights</i> , <i>Unit nights</i> or <i>Site nights occupied</i> refers to the total number of nights each guest room, holiday unit or caravan park site, etc. was occupied during the survey period. NOTE: From September quarter 1992, caravan park sites, etc. permanently reserved for 2 months or more at the end of the survey period but only casually occupied by their tenants have been recorded continuously as <i>Site nights occupied</i> irrespective of whether the tenants of individual sites were in residence on any particular night.  Occupancy in terms of <i>Guest nights</i> refers to the total number of nights each paying guest stayed during the survey period.
<b>Occupancy rates</b>	<i>Occupancy rates</i> represent occupancy expressed as a percentage of total capacity available during the survey period, e.g.

$$\text{Room occupancy rate (\% for the period)} = \frac{\text{Room nights occupied}}{(\text{Guest rooms}) \times (\text{No. of days in the period})} \times 100$$

providing that, for establishments closing (other than for seasonal reasons) or opening during the survey period, the denominator of the above expression includes only operating periods.

## GLOSSARY

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- Other sites permanently reserved** The total number of powered and unpowered sites, on-site vans and cabins, etc. continuously let for 2 months or more by the end of the survey period to tenants who occupy the sites only on a casual or sporadic basis. Separate data for this item are available only from September quarter 1992.
- Room nights available** The number of guest rooms available multiplied by the number of days for which they were available during the survey period. For establishment closing (other than seasonal reasons) or opening during this period, operating periods only are included.
- Sites occupied by long-term guests** The total number of sites, etc. occupied at the end of the survey period by guests who have stayed continuously for 2 months or more.
- Star grading** The grading of hotels and motels with facilities based on the classification system used by members of the Australian Automobile Association (AAA). The gradings are allocated according to a points system based on the amenities and facilities available to guests. Details of the grading scheme are contained in the RACV-RAASA members' publication *Accommodation Australia*, or the individual tour guides produced by members of the AAA. For the purpose of classifying establishments to a star grading in this publication, 'half' star gradings are ignored (e.g. a two and a half star grading has been shown as two star).
- Takings from accommodation** Revenue received from the provision of accommodation. Takings from meals are excluded. Takings from accommodation for each month generally represent the takings received during that month. Where payments are received in advance of, or after, the provision of accommodation to guests, the monthly figure for takings from accommodation may not necessarily bear a direct relationship to the number of guests accommodated during the month. Rental and storage fees paid to caravan parks for the keeping of private vans in parks are included in the takings of the month they are received.
- Unit lettings** The total number of times a holiday flat, unit or house was occupied by a new tenant, counted only on the first night it was occupied by the new tenant.



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