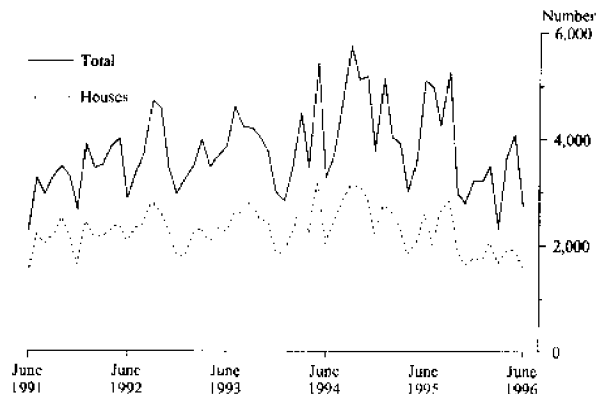


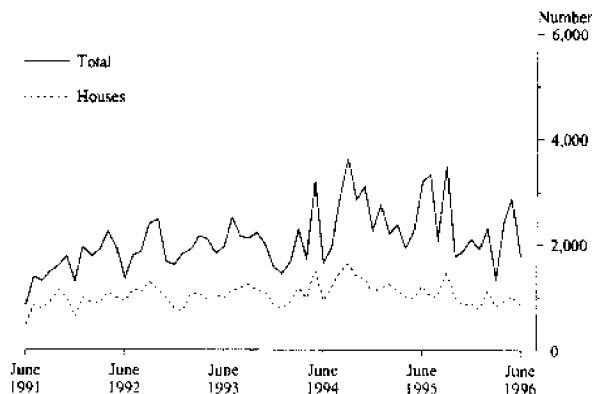
DWELLING UNIT COMMENCEMENTS REPORTED BY APPROVING AUTHORITIES NEW SOUTH WALES, JUNE 1996

MAIN FEATURES

DWELLINGS COMMENCED IN NSW



DWELLINGS COMMENCED IN SYDNEY (SD)



Houses

- There were 1,566 private sector houses reported as commenced during June, of which 848 were located in the Sydney Statistical Division (SSD).
- The number of private sector houses commenced for the 1995-96 Financial Year (23,268) was 23.5% lower than the previous financial year (30,409).

Other residential buildings

- The number of other residential dwelling units that were reported as commenced for June in New South Wales was 1,162.
- For the year ended June 1996, 19,359 other residential dwelling units were commenced, a drop of 12.8% on 1994-95 (22,202).

Total

- The total number of dwelling units reported as commenced in June 1996 was 2,735.
- For the year ended June 1996, 43,031 dwelling units were reported as commenced, a decrease of 18.8% on the previous year (53,020). The SSD reported 1,782 dwelling unit commences in the month of June and 27,320 for 1995-96.

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TABLE 1. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED, NSW
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
1994-95	30,409	21,074	51,483	409	1,128	1,537	30,818	22,202	53,020
1995-96	23,268	17,203	40,471	404	2,156	2,560	23,672	19,359	43,031
<i>1995—</i>									
June	2,574	2,404	4,978	19	116	135	2,593	2,520	5,113
July	1,937	2,195	4,132	78	770	848	2,015	2,965	4,980
August	2,618	1,426	4,044	18	208	226	2,636	1,634	4,270
September	2,808	2,111	4,919	31	312	343	2,839	2,423	5,262
October	1,897	935	2,832	46	95	141	1,943	1,030	2,973
November	1,597	1,159	2,756	36	7	43	1,633	1,166	2,799
December	1,725	1,421	3,146	38	38	76	1,763	1,459	3,222
<i>1996—</i>									
January	1,694	1,406	3,100	29	83	112	1,723	1,489	3,212
February	2,020	1,282	3,302	35	167	202	2,055	1,449	3,504
March	1,622	665	2,287	36	19	55	1,658	684	2,342
April	1,870	1,660	3,530	34	88	122	1,904	1,748	3,652
May	1,914	2,015	3,929	16	135	151	1,930	2,150	4,080
June	1,566	928	2,494	7	234	241	1,573	1,162	2,735

TABLE 2. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN SELECTED STATISTICAL DIVISIONS
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1994-95	14,710	15,678	30,388	274	648	922	14,984	16,326	31,310
1995-96	11,544	14,227	25,771	236	1,313	1,549	11,780	15,540	27,320
<i>1995—</i>									
June	1,211	1,920	3,131	12	46	58	1,223	1,966	3,189
July	988	1,818	2,806	40	484	524	1,028	2,302	3,330
August	1,027	934	1,961	9	126	135	1,036	1,060	2,096
September	1,447	1,820	3,267	20	203	223	1,467	2,023	3,490
October	956	721	1,677	37	47	84	993	768	1,761
November	838	1,010	1,848	21	7	28	859	1,017	1,876
December	857	1,189	2,046	24	34	58	881	1,223	2,104
<i>1996—</i>									
January	753	1,101	1,854	19	45	64	772	1,146	1,918
February	1,086	1,067	2,153	32	118	150	1,118	1,185	2,303
March	822	515	1,337	13	6	19	835	521	1,356
April	911	1,461	2,372	10	50	60	921	1,511	2,432
May	1,011	1,819	2,830	7	35	42	1,018	1,854	2,872
June	848	772	1,620	4	158	162	852	930	1,782

TABLE 2. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN SELECTED STATISTICAL DIVISIONS—continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1994-95	3,700	1,550	5,250	40	246	286	3,740	1,796	5,536
1995-96	2,673	869	3,542	65	195	260	2,738	1,064	3,802
1995—									
June	316	86	402	3	44	47	319	130	449
July	275	88	363	12	83	95	287	171	458
August	379	145	524	1	10	11	380	155	535
September	230	83	313	7	46	53	237	129	366
October	214	70	284	—	—	—	214	70	284
November	172	49	221	14	—	14	186	49	235
December	236	93	329	3	—	3	239	93	332
1996—									
January	206	32	238	7	—	7	213	32	245
February	212	51	263	—	—	—	212	51	263
March	171	28	199	11	—	11	182	28	210
April	196	94	290	8	7	15	204	101	305
May	203	89	292	2	21	23	205	110	315
June	179	47	226	—	28	28	179	75	254
ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1994-95	2,874	1,055	3,929	5	65	70	2,879	1,095	3,974
1995-96	2,379	769	3,148	27	285	312	2,405	992	3,397
1995—									
June	135	44	179	—	25	25	135	44	179
July	149	154	303	2	86	88	151	240	391
August	198	57	255	—	16	16	198	57	255
September	438	105	543	—	34	34	438	139	577
October	187	68	255	—	38	38	187	106	293
November	156	32	188	—	—	—	156	32	188
December	129	55	184	1	—	1	130	55	185
1996—									
January	262	126	388	1	46	47	262	126	388
February	209	47	256	1	46	47	210	93	303
March	154	40	194	10	—	10	164	40	204
April	163	22	185	11	4	15	174	26	200
May	184	36	220	—	—	—	184	36	220
June	150	27	177	1	15	16	151	42	193
BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES									
1994-95	9,125	2,791	11,916	90	194	284	9,215	2,985	12,200
1995-96	6,672	1,338	8,010	77	425	502	6,749	1,763	8,512
1995—									
June	912	354	1,266	4	26	30	916	380	1,296
July	525	135	660	24	117	141	549	252	801
August	1,014	290	1,304	8	72	80	1,022	362	1,384
September	693	103	796	4	29	33	697	132	829
October	540	76	616	9	10	19	549	86	635
November	431	68	499	1	—	1	432	68	500
December	503	84	587	10	4	14	513	88	601
1996—									
January	473	147	620	3	38	41	476	185	661
February	513	117	630	2	3	5	515	120	635
March	475	82	557	2	13	15	477	95	572
April	600	83	683	5	27	32	605	110	715
May	516	71	587	7	79	86	523	150	673
June	389	82	471	2	33	35	391	115	506

TABLE 3. HOUSES COMMENCED, BY MATERIAL OF OUTER WALLS, NSW

<i>Period</i>	<i>Double brick (a)</i>	<i>Brick veneer</i>	<i>Fibre cement</i>	<i>Timber</i>	<i>Other and not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
PRIVATE SECTOR						
1994-95	4,067	22,700	1,054	1,829	759	30,409
1995-96	3,028	16,509	837	1,248	1,646	23,268
<i>1995—</i>						
June	431	1,811	90	179	63	2,574
July	274	1,469	45	108	41	1,937
August	434	1,910	73	134	67	2,618
September	354	2,065	108	149	132	2,808
October	272	1,355	77	112	81	1,897
November	212	1,107	67	89	122	1,597
December	249	1,126	82	115	153	1,725
<i>1996—</i>						
January	197	1,181	52	101	163	1,694
February	223	1,396	71	111	219	2,020
March	215	1,106	60	78	163	1,622
April	211	1,298	80	106	175	1,870
May	216	1,342	62	70	224	1,914
June	171	1,154	60	75	106	1,566
PUBLIC SECTOR						
1994-95	39	356	3	2	9	409
1995-96	40	339	6	5	14	404
<i>1995—</i>						
June	9	9	1	--	--	19
July	10	64	--	2	2	78
August	3	14	1	--	--	18
September	5	25	--	1	--	31
October	4	38	1	1	2	46
November	2	34	--	--	--	36
December	2	35	1	--	--	38
<i>1996 -</i>						
January	4	24	--	--	1	29
February	3	31	--	--	1	35
March	7	27	1	1	--	36
April	--	27	--	--	7	34
May	--	15	1	--	--	16
June	--	5	1	--	1	7
TOTAL						
1994-95	4,106	23,056	1,057	1,831	768	30,818
1995-96	3,068	16,848	843	1,253	1,660	23,672
<i>1995—</i>						
June	440	1,820	91	179	63	2,593
July	284	1,533	45	110	43	2,015
August	437	1,924	74	134	67	2,636
September	359	2,090	108	150	132	2,839
October	276	1,393	78	113	83	1,943
November	214	1,141	67	89	122	1,633
December	251	1,161	83	115	153	1,763
<i>1996—</i>						
January	201	1,205	52	101	164	1,723
February	226	1,427	71	111	220	2,055
March	222	1,133	61	79	163	1,658
April	211	1,325	80	106	182	1,904
May	216	1,357	63	70	224	1,930
June	171	1,159	61	75	107	1,573

(a) Includes house constructed with outer walls of stone or concrete.

TABLE 4. HOUSES COMMENCED IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Statistical division	May 1996						June 1996					
	Double brick (a)	Brick veneer	Fibre cement	Timber	Other and not stated	Total	Double brick (a)	Brick veneer	Fibre cement	Timber	Other and not stated	Total
PRIVATE SECTOR												
Sydney	141	660	7	26	177	1,011	112	635	9	23	69	848
Hunter	12	159	4	12	16	203	14	137	10	5	13	179
Illawarra	7	162	4	5	6	184	3	127	7	7	6	150
Richmond — Tweed	3	60	1	8	1	73	4	45	1	6	3	59
Mid-North Coast	6	90	11	6	8	121	6	86	5	11	4	112
Northern	6	31	2	3	2	44	3	19	3	3	4	32
North Western	4	20	8	—	2	34	5	16	7	—	—	28
Central West	13	46	11	3	2	75	6	29	7	2	1	45
South Eastern	10	54	9	5	4	82	14	31	8	13	1	67
Murrumbidgee	11	26	4	2	4	47	3	18	3	3	3	30
Murray	3	34	1	—	2	40	1	11	—	2	2	16
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	216	1,342	62	70	224	1,914	171	1,154	60	75	106	1,566
PUBLIC SECTOR												
Sydney	—	6	1	—	—	7	—	4	—	—	—	4
Hunter	—	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Illawarra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Richmond — Tweed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mid-North Coast	—	4	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northern	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1
North Western	—	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Eastern	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Murrumbidgee	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Murray	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	—	15	1	—	—	16	—	5	1	—	1	7
TOTAL												
Sydney	141	666	8	26	177	1,018	112	639	9	23	69	852
Hunter	12	161	4	12	16	205	14	137	10	5	13	179
Illawarra	7	162	4	5	6	184	3	128	7	7	6	151
Richmond — Tweed	3	60	1	8	1	73	4	45	1	6	3	59
Mid-North Coast	6	94	11	6	8	125	6	86	5	11	4	112
Northern	6	32	2	3	2	45	3	19	4	3	4	33
North Western	4	22	8	—	2	36	5	16	7	—	—	28
Central West	13	46	11	3	2	75	6	29	7	2	1	45
South Eastern	10	54	9	5	4	82	14	31	8	13	1	67
Murrumbidgee	11	26	4	2	4	47	3	18	3	3	3	30
Murray	3	34	1	—	2	40	1	11	—	2	3	17
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	216	1,357	63	70	224	1,930	171	1,159	61	75	107	1,573

(a) Includes houses constructed with outer walls of stone or concrete.

**TABLE 5. NEW DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, BY TYPE IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS
JUNE 1996**

Statistical division	Semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, etc. of			Flats, units or apartments in a building of			Unknown or not stated	Total	
	1 storey	2 or more storeys	Total	1-2 storeys	3 storeys	4 or more storeys			Total
NUMBER									
Sydney	128	126	254	143	209	324	676	—	930
Hunter	29	16	45	17	—	13	30	—	75
Illawarra	10	—	10	32	—	—	32	—	42
Richmond - Tweed	14	2	16	14	—	—	14	—	30
Mid North Coast	10	2	12	39	—	—	39	—	51
Northern	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North Western	2	—	2	3	—	—	3	—	5
Central West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Eastern	11	—	11	3	—	—	3	—	14
Murrumbidgee	15	—	15	—	—	—	—	—	15
Murray	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	219	146	365	251	209	337	797	—	1,162
VALUE (\$'000)									
Sydney	10,677	12,464	23,141	10,855	16,655	41,392	68,902	—	92,043
Hunter	2,364	1,285	3,649	1,115	—	6,550	7,665	—	11,314
Illawarra	861	—	861	2,147	—	—	2,147	—	3,009
Richmond - Tweed	881	195	1,076	2,030	—	—	2,030	—	3,106
Mid North Coast	752	215	967	2,406	—	—	2,406	—	3,373
Northern	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North Western	150	—	150	129	—	—	129	—	279
Central West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Eastern	944	—	944	180	—	—	180	—	1,124
Murrumbidgee	1,200	—	1,200	—	—	—	—	—	1,200
Murray	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	17,829	14,159	31,989	18,862	16,655	47,942	83,459	—	115,448

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses												Other residential buildings												Total	
	1996						1996						1996						1996							
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.		
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION																										
Botany (A)	3	—	3	1	—	—	12	—	10	42	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	13	43	—	—	—	—
Leichhardt (A)	6	10	—	4	64	3	110	—	6	20	37	32	32	116	10	6	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Marrickville (A)	1	—	3	—	—	—	12	7	—	—	30	—	—	13	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Sydney (C)	—	5	2	—	3	1	32	31	2	83	128	20	32	36	4	83	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sydney (C) — Inner & Remainder	—	—	—	—	—	—	237	—	—	421	554	214	237	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inner Sydney SSD	10	15	8	5	67	4	403	38	18	566	749	266	413	53	36	571	816	370	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Randwick (A)	8	7	4	6	7	4	63	52	71	111	98	79	71	59	75	117	105	83	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Waverley (A)	2	1	4	1	1	3	2	4	2	—	—	2	4	5	6	1	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Woollahra (A)	1	3	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	3	1	12	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eastern Suburbs SSD	11	11	9	9	9	8	65	56	73	121	98	81	76	67	82	130	107	89	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hurstville (C)	6	10	8	9	17	5	42	64	10	55	52	91	48	74	18	64	69	96	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kogarah (A)	6	6	5	9	6	4	4	8	—	11	6	6	10	14	5	20	10	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rockdale (A)	11	7	15	4	12	4	5	32	15	15	19	4	16	39	30	19	31	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sutherland Shire (A)	21	83	30	15	33	47	7	140	39	94	54	27	28	223	69	109	87	74	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
St George Sutherland SSD	44	106	58	37	68	60	58	244	64	173	131	128	102	350	122	212	199	188	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bankstown (C)	26	25	33	18	28	8	56	49	53	32	29	14	82	74	86	50	57	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canterbury (A)	21	—	—	8	2	6	96	—	—	42	7	17	117	—	—	50	9	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canterbury — Bankstown SSD	47	25	33	26	30	14	152	49	53	74	36	31	199	74	86	100	66	45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fairfield (C)	17	12	3	29	19	25	24	52	7	18	10	4	41	64	10	47	29	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Liverpool (C)	158	173	140	147	175	177	39	24	34	40	28	41	197	197	174	187	203	218	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fairfield — Liverpool SSD	175	185	143	176	194	202	63	76	41	58	38	45	238	361	184	234	232	247	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Camden (A)	64	63	32	46	48	34	2	—	2	12	—	—	66	63	34	58	48	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Campbelltown (C)	27	13	37	46	50	46	4	9	2	5	—	19	31	22	39	51	50	65	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wollondilly (A)	11	21	19	15	29	25	—	15	—	—	4	2	11	36	19	15	33	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Outer South Western Sydney SSD	102	97	88	107	127	105	6	24	4	17	4	21	108	121	92	124	131	126	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ashfield (A)	—	—	2	1	3	2	—	—	—	17	2	5	—	—	2	18	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burwood (A)	3	2	—	2	2	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	2	—	4	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Concord (A)	1	1	1	2	2	—	30	28	—	14	25	—	31	31	1	16	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drummoyne (A)	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	—	26	9	36	—	4	2	27	11	37	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Strathfield (A)	3	6	6	13	4	—	12	—	—	10	—	—	15	6	6	23	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inner Western Sydney SSD	9	13	10	20	12	5	44	28	26	52	63	5	53	41	36	72	75	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses												Other residential buildings												Total
	1996												1996												
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.							
RICHMOND—TWEED STATISTICAL DIVISION																									
Tweed (A) Pt A	27	15	16	18	8	8	44	80	15	12	2	4	71	95	31	30	10	12							
Tweed Heads SSD	27	15	16	18	8	8	44	80	15	12	2	4	71	95	31	30	10	12							
Ballina (A)	14	12	12	18	19	13	4	4	4	14	30	9	18	16	16	32	49	22							
Byron (A)	8	25	22	17	21	17	—	—	20	—	10	7	8	25	42	17	31	24							
Casino (A)	2	6	3	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	4	6	6	3	—	—	6							
Kyogle (A)	3	2	3	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	3	6	2	3							
Lismore (C)	37	12	15	14	7	6	5	—	—	2	—	—	42	12	15	16	7	6							
Richmond River (A)	2	4	7	4	6	6	—	2	—	—	4	6	2	6	7	4	10	12							
Tweed (A) Pt B	16	5	6	11	10	4	—	—	3	6	—	—	16	5	9	17	10	4							
Richmond Tweed SD Balance SSD	82	66	68	70	65	51	13	6	27	22	44	26	95	72	95	92	109	77							
RICHMOND—TWEED SD	109	81	84	88	73	59	57	86	42	34	46	30	166	167	126	122	119	89							
MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL DIVISION																									
Bellingen (A)	11	5	1	8	4	8	—	—	—	—	—	2	11	5	1	8	4	10							
Coffs Harbour (C)	31	29	21	37	18	26	8	2	5	—	6	37	39	31	26	37	24	63							
Copmanhurst (A)	2	3	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	3	—	3	—	3							
Grafton (C)	5	6	1	3	3	1	7	—	5	—	2	—	12	6	6	3	5	1							
Maclean (A)	11	12	9	16	17	11	—	—	—	—	2	—	11	12	9	16	19	11							
Nambucca (A)	6	8	6	16	9	9	—	—	—	—	2	—	6	8	6	16	11	9							
Nymboida (A)	3	—	1	8	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	8	3	2							
Ullmarra (A)	2	4	4	3	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	4	3	4	3							
Clarence SSD	71	67	43	92	58	63	15	2	10	2	12	39	86	69	53	94	70	102							
Greater Taree (C)	7	17	17	14	15	8	2	4	3	—	—	—	9	21	20	14	15	8							
Hastings (A)	25	30	39	54	47	30	34	2	9	6	22	6	59	32	48	60	69	36							
Kempsey (A)	10	11	16	9	5	11	—	2	3	3	4	6	10	13	16	12	9	17							
Hastings SSD	42	58	72	77	67	49	36	8	12	9	26	12	78	66	84	86	93	61							
MID—NORTH COAST SD	113	125	115	169	125	112	51	10	22	11	38	51	164	135	137	180	163	163							

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses						Other residential buildings						Total					
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.
NORTHERN STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Barraba (A)	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
Bingara (A)	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Gunnedah (A)	1	—	1	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2
Inverell (A) Pt A	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manilla (A)	1	1	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	3
Nundle (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Parry (A)	1	4	6	—	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	6	—	—	6
Quirindi (A)	1	1	—	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	2
Tamworth (C)	1	2	7	4	9	6	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	2	7	4	11	6
Yallaroo (A)	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
<i>Northern Slopes SSD</i>	5	8	17	8	18	20	—	—	—	2	—	—	5	8	17	8	20	20
Armidale (C)	17	6	4	4	10	2	12	2	—	—	—	—	29	8	4	5	10	2
Dumaresq (A)	—	1	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	5	1
Glen Innes (A)	—	1	2	1	4	1	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	1	2	1	10	1
Guyra (A)	1	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—
Inverell (A) Pt B	3	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	—	—	—
Severn (A)	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tenterfield (A)	—	2	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	2	1	—	6	1
Uralla (A)	—	3	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	1	2
Walcha (A)	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
<i>Northern Tablelands SSD</i>	21	18	11	7	25	9	12	2	—	1	10	—	33	20	11	8	35	9
Moree Plains (A)	1	4	5	2	2	3	—	—	—	4	—	—	1	4	5	2	6	3
Narrabri (A)	5	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	1	2	—	1
<i>North Central Plains SSD</i>	6	7	6	2	2	4	—	—	—	4	—	—	6	7	6	4	6	4
NORTHERN SD	32	33	34	17	45	33	12	2	—	3	16	—	44	35	34	20	61	33

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	1996												Total						
	Houses						Other residential buildings												
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun	
NORTH WESTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION																			
Coolah (A)	—	—	3	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Coonabarabran (A)	1	2	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Dubbo (C)	10	21	11	14	16	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	21	11	14	19	13	—
Gilgandra (A)	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mudgee (A)	9	3	5	4	8	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	3	5	4	12	1	—
Narrorin (A)	3	3	2	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	2	1	1	4	—
Wellington (A)	2	4	2	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	2	1	2	2	—
Central Macquarie SSD	25	33	25	24	29	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	27	33	25	24	36	23	—
Bogan (A)	—	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	1	—	—	—
Coonamble (A)	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—
Walgett (A)	—	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	5	—	—	—
Warren (A)	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—
Macquarie — Barwon SSD	—	10	1	6	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	1	8	3	2	—
Bourke (A)	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	—	—	—	—
Brewarrina (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cobar (A)	3	2	2	2	4	5	—	—	2	—	—	—	3	5	2	4	2	8	8
Upper Darling SSD	6	3	3	2	4	5	—	—	2	—	—	—	3	8	5	2	8	8	—
NORTH WESTERN SD	31	46	29	32	36	28	4	—	2	2	11	5	35	46	31	34	47	33	—

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS — continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	1996												Total			
	Houses						Other residential buildings									
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.				
CENTRAL WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION																
Bathurst (C)	7	20	13	14	10	4	3	3	2	9	—	10	15	23	10	4
Blayney (A) Pt A	3	—	2	—	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	6	2	—	3	1
Cabonne (A) Pt A	2	—	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	3	—
Evans (A) Pt A	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—
Orange (C)	24	12	17	26	14	13	12	4	—	—	8	36	17	26	22	13
Bathurst — Orange SSD	37	32	33	41	31	18	18	4	2	9	8	55	35	50	39	18
Blayney (A) Pt B	2	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	—	—
Cabonne (A) Pt B	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Evans (A) Pt B	4	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	2	—	1
Greater Lithgow (C)	4	3	4	7	22	3	—	—	—	2	6	4	4	9	28	3
Oberon (A)	8	5	4	3	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	8	4	3	4	2
Rylstone (A)	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Central Tablelands (excl. Bathurst — Orange SSD)	20	10	12	13	27	6	—	—	—	2	6	20	12	15	33	6
Bland (A)	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
Cabonne (A) Pt C	3	2	—	5	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	6	3
Cowra (A)	1	3	4	6	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	8	1	5
Forbes (A)	2	1	1	3	4	9	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	5	4	9
Lachlan (A)	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
Parkes (A)	1	6	1	9	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	9	3	3
Weddin (A)	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
Lachlan SSD	9	13	6	26	17	21	—	—	—	4	—	9	6	30	17	21
CENTRAL WEST SD	66	55	51	80	75	45	18	4	2	15	14	84	53	95	89	45

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	1996												Total				
	Houses						Other residential buildings										
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.					
Queanbeyan (C)	12	14	9	16	14	13	5	—	4	—	11	17	14	13	16	25	13
Queanbeyan SSD	12	14	9	16	14	13	5	—	4	—	11	17	14	13	16	25	13
Boorowa (A)	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—
Crookwell (A)	3	3	2	3	2	2	—	—	—	2	—	3	3	2	5	2	2
Goulburn (C)	3	9	6	3	4	4	2	—	—	2	—	5	9	6	5	4	4
Gunning (A)	3	4	4	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	4	4	1	1	1
Harden (A)	—	2	2	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	—	2
Mulwaree (A)	1	1	3	3	9	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	3	9	4
Tallaganda (A)	2	3	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	2	—	1	—
Yarrowlumla (A)	—	13	3	10	7	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	3	10	7	3
Yass (A)	5	5	7	7	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	5	5	7	7	6	1
Young (A)	8	3	1	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	8	3	1	2	3	1
Southern Tablelands (excl. Queanbeyan) SSD	26	43	30	32	34	18	2	—	—	4	—	28	43	30	36	34	18
Bega Valley (A)	19	16	14	17	13	13	10	—	—	—	—	5	16	14	17	13	18
Eurobodalla (A)	—	12	21	23	13	19	—	—	8	2	—	7	12	29	25	13	26
Lower South Coast SSD	19	28	35	40	26	32	10	—	8	2	—	12	29	43	42	26	44
Bombala (A)	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Cooma — Monaro (A)	1	1	2	3	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	4	3
Snowy River (A)	4	1	3	9	4	1	2	—	5	18	2	6	1	8	27	6	3
Snowy SSD	6	2	5	13	8	4	2	—	5	18	2	8	2	10	31	10	6
SOUTH EASTERN SD	63	87	79	101	82	67	19	—	17	24	13	14	82	96	125	95	81

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	1996												Total						
	Houses						Other residential buildings												
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.							
MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION																			
Albury (C)	19	18	17	15	20	8	—	—	4	—	—	2	—	19	18	21	15	22	8
Hume (A)	—	2	4	7	5	2	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	5	4	7	5	2
Albury SSD	19	20	21	22	25	10	—	3	4	—	—	2	—	19	23	25	22	27	10
Corowa (A)	4	4	2	3	5	1	10	—	—	—	—	2	—	14	4	2	3	7	1
Culcairn (A)	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—
Holbrook (A)	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
Tumbarumba (A)	—	4	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	2	1	—
Urana (A)	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Upper Murray (excl. Albury) SSD	5	9	5	6	6	3	10	—	—	—	—	2	—	15	9	5	6	8	3
Berrigan (A)	2	4	3	1	2	1	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	2	10	3	1	2	1
Conargo (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Deniliquin (A)	—	2	2	3	2	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	6	2	2
Jerrilderie (A)	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
Murray (A)	4	3	8	5	4	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	4	3	10	5	6	—
Wakool (A)	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—
Windouran (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central Murray SSD	8	12	13	9	9	3	—	—	8	—	—	2	—	8	20	15	12	11	3
Balranald (A)	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	—	—	2	—
Wentworth (A)	1	3	4	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	4	2	—	1
Murray—Darling SSD	2	4	4	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	4	4	2	2	1
MURRAY SD	34	45	43	39	40	17	10	11	6	3	8	—	—	44	56	49	42	48	17
FAR WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION																			
Broken Hill (C)	3	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	3	—	—
Central Darling (A)	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Unincorp. Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
FAR WEST SD	3	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	3	—	—
NEW SOUTH WALES																			
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,723	2,055	1,658	1,904	1,930	1,573	1,489	1,449	684	1,748	2,150	1,162	3,212	3,504	2,342	3,652	4,080	2,735	

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains monthly details of the number of new dwelling units reported by approving authorities as having commenced. Data for statistical local areas are included.

Scope and coverage

2. The statistics were compiled from monthly reports, provided by local and other government authorities, of commencements of new houses and new other residential buildings for which:

- (a) building permits were issued by local government or other government authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities; and
- (b) contracts were let or day labour work was authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities;
- (c) are valued at \$10,000 or more.

Major dwelling unit commencements in areas not subject to the normal administrative approval processes (e.g. buildings on remote mine sites) are also included.

3. The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings and through the construction of new non-residential buildings is not included.

Comparability of statistics

4. Because of the difference in data sources, collection methodologies and timing of notification of commencements, care should be exercised in comparing quarterly data derived from monthly dwelling unit commencement statistics with the quarterly dwelling unit commencement statistics from the Building Activity Survey.

Definitions

5. A dwelling unit is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long term residential use. Units (whether self-contained or not) within buildings offering institutional care, such as hospitals, or temporary accommodation e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments, are not defined as dwelling units.

6. A residential building is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either houses or other residential buildings as follows:

- (a) A *house* is defined as a detached building predominantly used for long term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit. Thus, detached 'granny flats' and detached dwelling units (such as caretakers' residences) associated with non-residential buildings are defined as houses for the purpose of these statistics.
- (b) An *other residential building* is defined as a building which is predominantly used for long term residential purposes and which contains (or has attached to it) more than one dwelling unit (e.g. includes town-houses, duplexes, apartment buildings etc.).

7. *Commencements.* For the purposes of this statistical series, a dwelling unit is regarded as being commenced on the date when:

- (a) the residential building is first inspected by a local government or other government authority building inspector or surveyor, whether the work is passed or not. In general, the first inspection is undertaken at the foundations or footings stage of construction; or
- (b) the residential building is determined as commenced by a building inspector or surveyor.

8. *Ownership of a building* is classified as either Public Sector or Private Sector according to the sector of the intended owner of the completed building as evident at the time of approval. Residential buildings being constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes whereby the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the buildings on or before completion, are classified as public sector.

Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)

9. Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification, Edition 2.5* (1216.0) and ASGC terminology has been adopted in the presentation of building statistics. Changes brought about by the (State) *Local Government Act 1993* to the titles of legal Local Government Areas (LGAs) have been incorporated in this publication.

- (a) *Statistical Local Areas (SLAs)* are in most cases either identical with, or have been aggregated to, the previously published whole or part of legal Local Government Areas (LGAs) as defined under the (State) *Local Government Act 1919* and comprising cities (C), municipalities (M) and shires (S). In other cases, they are identical to each previously published unincorporated area. The (State) *Local Government Act 1993* eliminated the titles of Shire and Municipality and instituted the concept of *Area (A)*. With one exception – Sutherland (S) became Sutherland Shire (A) – names of the LGAs have remained unaltered. In aggregate, SLAs cover the whole of the State without gaps or overlaps. In some cases legal LGAs overlap Statistical Subdivision boundaries and therefore comprise two SLAs (Part A and Part B) or three SLAs in the case of Cabonne (A) (Part A, Part B and Part C).
- (b) *Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs)*. These consist of one or more SLAs and form the intermediate size spatial unit for the presentation of regional data.
- (c) *Statistical Divisions (SDs)*. These consist of one or more Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs). Where SSDs are not shown for statistical purposes, statistical local areas are shown ordered alphabetically within statistical divisions. The divisions are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within the region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.
- (d) *Statistical Districts*. To provide comparable statistics over a period of time, statistical districts have been defined around selected urban centres, with a population of 25,000 or more, experiencing urban growth beyond the legal local government area boundaries. Those districts are intended to contain the anticipated urban spread over the next 20 years. In some cases, Statistical District boundaries are identical to those of particular Statistical Subdivisions (e.g. Newcastle SSD and Wollongong SSD included in Table 6 of this publication).

Unpublished data

10. The ABS can also make available certain dwelling unit commencement data which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required information by telephone, data can be provided in the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, computer printout and clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished information in these forms.

Related publications

11. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

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C	City
n.y.a.	not yet available
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
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