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DATA NOTES

ABS statistical series are being impacted to varying degrees as a result of The New Tax System (TNTS), introduced in Australia from 1 July 2000. TNTS included the removal of Wholesale Sales Tax and the introduction of a Goods and Services Tax (GST), and as a result, a wide range of ABS data series will reflect significant immediate and subsequent impacts. For further information see *Australian Economic Indicators, July 2000* (Cat. no. 1350.0).

GENERAL

This publication provides information on a wide range of economic indicators which are the latest available at the time of publication. In a number of cases, figures appearing in this summary are preliminary and are subject to revision in subsequent issues.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT AND TREND ESTIMATION

Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from a series so that the effects of other variations on that series can be more clearly recognised. This means that movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of the underlying trend by reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. For an explanation of seasonal adjustment derivation, refer to the publication *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators* (Cat. no. 1308.0).

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

FOB free on board
kWh kilowatt hour
m million
n.a. not available
n.p. not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
n.y.a. not yet available
p preliminary
r figure or series revised since previous issue
. . not applicable
— nil or rounded to zero
— break in continuity of series (where a line is drawn across a column between two consecutive figures)

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NSW OVERVIEW

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

Employment in NSW in October 2001 was a seasonally adjusted figure of 3,051,200 persons. The participation rate increased by 0.1 percentage points from the previous month to 62.6%. The national participation rate was 63.8% in October 2001. Unemployment in NSW increased by 7.0% to a seasonally adjusted figure of 216,500 persons in October 2001. The unemployment rate in NSW was 6.6%, an increase of 0.4 percentage points from September 2001, while the national unemployment rate was 7.1%.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

In NSW in August 2001 there were 12,600 working days lost due to industrial disputes, a decrease of 25.9% on the working days lost in July 2001. Nationally, there were 40,400 working days lost due to industrial disputes in August 2001.

PRODUCTION

Coal production for September 2001 was 12,046,000 tonnes, a decrease of 19.1% from the previous month. Nationally, 37,958,000 tonnes of coal were produced.

BUILDING APPROVALS

The seasonally adjusted number of dwelling units approved for NSW in September 2001 was 4,592. This was an increase of 58.8% from September 2000. Nationally, there were 15,025 dwelling units approved, an increase of 58.4% from September 2000.

RETAIL

In seasonally adjusted terms, total retail sales for NSW in September 2001 were \$4,716.6m. Nationally, total retail sales were \$13,635.6m.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

In October 2001, there were 21,787 new motor vehicle registrations for NSW (seasonally adjusted), of which 18,341 were passenger vehicles. Nationally, there were 65,230 new motor vehicle registrations.

FINANCE

The seasonally adjusted value of housing finance commitments for owner occupation in NSW in September 2001 was \$3,243m, an increase of 49.8% on September 2000. Nationally, there was \$7,996m in housing finance commitments for owner occupation.

NSW GOVERNMENT FINANCE

The GFS Net Operating Surplus for the three months ended 30 September 2001 was \$498m. The Budget Surplus (GFS Net Lending result) for the three months ended 30 September 2001 was \$346m.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

In September 2001 the value of imports into NSW was \$4,272m, a decrease of 7.9% from August 2001 and a decrease of 4.5% on September 2000. The value of exports from NSW was \$2,008m, an increase of 7.8% from August 2001. Nationally, imports totalled \$9,695m and exports totalled \$10,001m.

MAIN FEATURES

BUILDING APPROVALS

In seasonally adjusted terms, the number of dwelling units approved in NSW for September 2001 was 4,592 (including 2,315 new houses). This represented a increase of 19.8% on the previous month. Compared with September 2000, the number of new dwellings approved increased by 58.8%. Nationally, the figure was 15,025 (including 10,027 new houses) for September 2001, a decrease of 4.3% on the previous month and 58.4% higher than the figure for September 2000.

The seasonally adjusted value of new residential building for NSW in September 2001 was \$738.3m, an increase of 25.6% on August 2001. The national figure was \$2,209.0m, a decrease of 4.9% on the previous month and 79.4% higher than the figure for September 2000.

In original terms, the value of total building in NSW was \$1,082.5m, a rise of 41.3% compared with September 2000. The national figure of \$3,191.9m was down 16.2% on August 2001 and up 33.6% on September 2000.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

In September 2001, the customs value of imports into NSW was \$4,272m and the value of exports (FOB) from NSW was \$2,008m. Imports into NSW decreased by 7.9% from August 2001 and exports increased by 7.8% over the same period. Over the year, imports decreased by 4.5% and exports increased by 8.9%. Nationally, in September 2001, there was \$9,695m in imports (a decrease of 1.6% over the year) and \$10,001m in exports (an increase of 8.4% over the year).

Commodities exported from NSW in September 2001 included Meat and meat preparations (\$134m), Cereals and cereal preparations (\$91m), Wool and other animal hair (\$96m), Coal, coke and briquettes (\$450m), Iron and steel (\$13m), Aluminium (\$152m) and Office machines and automatic data processing machines (\$27m). From August 2001, there was an increase of 26.3% in exports of Wool and other animal hair, and also increases for Coal, coke and briquettes (up 24.7%) and Aluminium (up 16.9%). Compared with September 2000, there were increases in exports of Coal, coke and briquettes (up 54.1%), Meat and meat preparations (up 50.6%) and Iron and steel (up 30.0%) while exports of Cereal and cereal preparations declined by 38.9%.

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1 ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION—NSW

	<i>Estimated resident population at end of period</i>			<i>Increase during period</i>			<i>Mean estimated resident population for year ended</i>	
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Natural increase(a)</i>	<i>Net estimated migration(b)</i>	<i>Total increase</i>	<i>30 June</i>	<i>31 December</i>
	<i>'000</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>'000</i>
1998	3 164.5	3 204.0	6 368.5	39.9	28.1	68.1	6 303.5	6 335.7
1999	3 197.4	3 234.1	6 431.6	40.3	22.7	63.0	6 367.3	6 397.9
2000	3 234.9	3 266.7	6 501.7	42.0	28.1	70.1	6 430.5	6 464.7
1999								
June qtr	3 179.2	3 217.5	6 396.7	10.1	5.1	15.2	..	..
September qtr	3 188.3	3 225.5	6 413.8	9.4	7.7	17.1	..	..
December qtr	3 197.4	3 234.1	6 431.6	10.1	7.7	17.8	..	..
2000								
March qtr	3 205.9	3 241.3	6 447.1	11.1	4.5	15.6	..	..
June qtr	3 214.2	3 248.3	6 462.5	10.1	5.2	15.4	..	..
September qtr	3 225.0	3 257.5	6 482.5	9.2	10.8	20.0	..	..
December qtr	3 234.9	3 266.7	6 501.7	11.6	7.6	19.2	..	..
2001								
March qtr	3 242.8	3 273.8	6 516.6	9.3	5.6	14.9	..	..

(a) Excess of live births over deaths.

(b) Special arrangements were put in place to estimate net overseas migration data for September and December Quarters 2000 and thereby enable production of State and Territory population estimates. These estimates were based on a sample of passenger cards completed by persons arriving in or departing from Australia in the period August through to December 2000 together with other information available to the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA). Further information is available in Demography Working paper 2001/1—Estimating July to December 2000 Net Overseas Migration, available on the ABS website.

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (Cat. no. 3101.0).

2 LABOUR—NSW AND AUSTRALIA

			New South Wales			Australia			
			Latest period	Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year	Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
	Unit				%	%	no.	%	%
Employed persons (seasonally adjusted)	'000	October 2001	3 051.2		-0.1	0.2	9 182.5	0.2	0.6
Unemployed persons (seasonally adjusted)	'000	October 2001	216.5		7.0	28.3	696.9	6.0	18.6
Labour force (seasonally adjusted)	'000	October 2001	3 267.7		0.3	1.6	9 879.4	0.6	1.7
Participation rate (seasonally adjusted)	%	October 2001	62.6		0.2	0.6	63.8	0.5	0.3
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	%	October 2001	6.6		6.5	24.5	7.1	6.0	18.3
Industrial disputes — working days lost	'000	August 2001	12.6		-25.9	43.2	40.4	-15.1	21.7
Job vacancies	'000	August 2001	27.7		-2.5	-36.9	92.7	11.2	-21.6
Average weekly employee earnings — full-time adult ordinary time earnings (seasonally adjusted)	\$	August 2001	891.3		2.0	6.6	838.2	1.4	5.1

Source: Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (Cat. no. 6302.0); Industrial Disputes, Australia (Cat. no. 6321.0); Job Vacancies, Australia (Cat. no. 6354.0); Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (Cat. no. 6202.0).

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	Seasonally adjusted(a)						
	Employed persons	Unemployed persons	Labour force	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Industrial disputes (working days lost)	Job vacancies
	'000	'000	'000	%	%	'000	'000
2000							
August	3 082.1	168.4	3 250.5	63.0	5.2	8.8	43.9
September	3 060.6	169.6	3 230.2	62.5	5.3	8.3	..
October	3 046.2	168.8	3 215.0	62.2	5.3	5.3	..
November	3 028.3	176.5	3 204.8	62.0	5.5	9.2	40.4
December	3 033.4	184.2	3 217.6	62.2	5.7	4.4	..
2001							
January	3 035.3	179.5	3 214.8	62.1	5.6	5.8	..
February	3 032.1	190.8	3 222.9	62.2	5.9	r 8.7	32.0
March	3 035.7	174.9	3 210.6	61.9	5.4	8.2	..
April	3 070.1	187.3	3 257.4	62.8	5.7	17.7	..
May	3 064.7	189.4	3 254.1	62.6	5.8	14.8	28.4
June	3 060.4	200.6	3 261.0	62.7	6.2	r 46.1	..
July	3 059.1	191.9	3 251.0	62.5	5.9	r 17.0	..
August	3 095.2	195.9	3 291.1	63.2	6.0	12.6	27.7
September	3 054.6	202.4	3 257.0	62.5	6.2	n.y.a.	..
October	3 051.2	216.5	3 267.7	62.6	6.6	n.y.a.	..

(a) Seasonally adjusted estimates have been revised from February 1978 to reflect the annual reanalysis of seasonal factors which occurs in February each year. For further information please see the feature article in the February 2001 edition of *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0).

Source: Industrial Disputes, Australia (Cat. no. 6321.0); Job Vacancies, Australia (Cat. no. 6354.0); Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (Cat. no. 6202.0).

4 LABOUR FORCE STATUS, NSW—ORIGINAL

	<i>Employed</i>		<i>Unemployed</i>		<i>Labour force</i>	<i>Not in labour force</i>	<i>Civilian population aged 15 years and over</i>	<i>Unemployment rate(a)</i>	<i>Participation rate(b)</i>
	<i>Full-time workers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Looking for full-time work</i>	<i>Total</i>					
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
MALES									
October									
1997	1 429.1	1 598.5	117.2	132.6	1 731.0	702.7	2 433.7	7.7	71.1
1998	1 460.8	1 651.7	96.1	107.4	1 759.1	709.3	2 468.4	6.1	71.3
1999	1 505.0	1 692.6	87.0	101.3	1 793.9	712.6	2 506.4	5.6	71.6
2000									
August	1 492.9	1 704.6	86.1	97.5	1 802.2	738.4	2 540.5	5.4	70.9
September	1 519.5	1 742.4	85.2	101.2	1 843.6	699.9	2 543.5	5.5	72.5
October	1 507.8	1 724.6	82.9	95.9	1 820.5	725.0	2 545.5	5.3	71.5
November	1 489.4	1 701.9	87.6	102.4	1 804.3	743.2	2 547.4	5.7	70.8
December	1 513.6	1 729.5	93.4	110.4	1 839.9	709.5	2 549.4	6.0	72.2
2001									
January	1 475.8	1 685.8	104.5	120.3	1 806.1	745.2	2 551.3	6.7	70.8
February	1 479.1	1 684.9	103.8	124.4	1 809.2	743.9	2 553.2	6.9	70.9
March	1 484.0	1 700.1	90.8	108.5	1 808.5	746.5	2 555.1	6.0	70.8
April	1 480.8	1 714.1	89.1	105.1	1 819.1	738.5	2 557.6	5.8	71.1
May	1 478.0	1 713.1	89.0	107.8	1 820.9	739.3	2 560.1	5.9	71.1
June	1 479.3	1 713.0	91.6	110.0	1 823.1	739.6	2 562.7	6.0	71.1
July	1 484.9	1 732.4	87.4	103.8	1 836.2	729.4	2 565.6	5.7	71.6
August	1 466.3	1 710.7	88.8	103.0	1 813.7	754.7	2 568.4	5.7	70.6
September	1 502.9	1 737.0	98.5	117.6	1 854.6	716.8	2 571.3	6.3	72.1
October	1 491.5	1 725.0	98.7	114.0	1 839.1	735.2	2 574.3	6.2	71.4
FEMALES									
October									
1997	723.5	1 198.0	66.1	93.4	1 291.4	1 233.3	2 524.8	7.2	51.2
1998	752.2	1 264.2	54.1	84.8	1 349.0	1 207.6	2 556.6	6.3	52.8
1999	767.5	1 292.9	50.7	73.0	1 365.9	1 225.4	2 591.3	5.3	52.7
2000									
August	787.5	1 334.4	39.7	67.3	1 401.7	1 217.6	2 619.3	4.8	53.5
September	805.6	1 359.4	42.6	70.6	1 429.9	1 192.1	2 622.0	4.9	54.5
October	785.4	1 336.8	39.4	63.4	1 400.2	1 223.3	2 623.5	4.5	53.4
November	787.6	1 320.8	43.0	67.2	1 388.0	1 236.9	2 624.9	4.8	52.9
December	799.2	1 345.9	53.4	74.3	1 420.2	1 206.2	2 626.4	5.2	54.1
2001									
January	787.5	1 305.9	46.2	69.2	1 375.1	1 252.6	2 627.7	5.0	52.3
February	790.6	1 321.2	59.6	91.0	1 412.1	1 216.9	2 629.0	6.4	53.7
March	800.3	1 331.2	45.7	81.0	1 412.2	1 218.1	2 630.3	5.7	53.7
April	785.7	1 357.1	48.2	81.4	1 438.5	1 193.7	2 632.3	5.7	54.7
May	781.5	1 344.7	50.2	79.1	1 423.8	1 210.4	2 634.2	5.6	54.1
June	792.0	1 353.6	50.3	78.7	1 432.4	1 203.8	2 636.2	5.5	54.3
July	790.7	1 350.9	47.3	70.6	1 421.6	1 217.2	2 638.7	5.0	53.9
August	766.4	1 340.3	59.5	88.3	1 428.6	1 212.7	2 641.3	6.2	54.1
September	790.9	1 359.4	61.3	87.4	1 446.8	1 197.0	2 643.8	6.0	54.7
October	762.4	1 341.8	63.4	89.8	1 431.6	1 214.9	2 646.5	6.3	54.1

(a) For footnotes see end of table.

4 LABOUR FORCE STATUS, NSW—ORIGINAL—continued

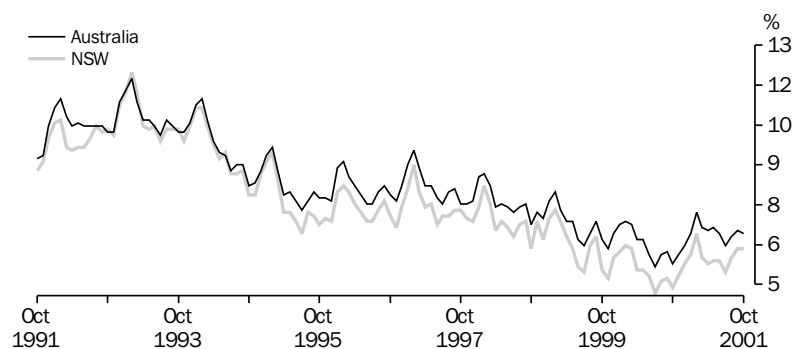
	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 years and over	Unemployment rate(a)	Participation rate(b)
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Total					
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
PERSONS									
October									
1997	2 152.6	2 796.5	183.3	226.0	3 022.5	1 936.0	4 958.4	7.5	61.0
1998	2 212.9	2 915.9	150.2	192.2	3 108.1	1 916.9	5 025.0	6.2	61.9
1999	2 272.5	2 985.5	137.7	174.3	3 159.8	1 938.0	5 097.8	5.5	62.0
2000									
August	2 280.4	3 039.0	125.8	164.9	3 203.9	1 956.0	5 159.9	5.1	62.1
September	2 325.2	3 101.7	127.8	171.8	3 273.5	1 892.0	5 165.5	5.2	63.4
October	2 293.3	3 061.4	122.3	159.3	3 220.7	1 948.3	5 169.0	4.9	62.3
November	2 277.0	3 022.7	130.5	169.6	3 192.3	1 980.1	5 172.4	5.3	61.7
December	2 312.8	3 075.4	146.8	184.7	3 260.1	1 915.7	5 175.8	5.7	63.0
2001									
January	2 263.4	2 991.7	150.8	189.4	3 181.2	1 997.8	5 179.0	6.0	61.4
February	2 269.7	3 006.0	163.4	215.3	3 221.4	1 960.8	5 182.2	6.7	62.2
March	2 284.3	3 031.3	136.5	189.5	3 220.8	1 964.6	5 185.4	5.9	62.1
April	2 266.5	3 071.2	137.2	186.5	3 257.7	1 932.2	5 189.9	5.7	62.8
May	2 259.4	3 057.7	139.2	186.9	3 244.7	1 949.7	5 194.4	5.8	62.5
June	2 271.3	3 066.7	142.0	188.8	3 255.4	1 943.4	5 198.9	5.8	62.6
July	2 275.6	3 083.3	134.7	174.4	3 257.7	1 946.6	5 204.3	5.4	62.6
August	2 232.6	3 051.0	148.3	191.3	3 242.3	1 967.4	5 209.7	5.9	62.2
September	2 293.7	3 096.4	159.8	205.0	3 301.4	1 913.8	5 215.1	6.2	63.3
October	2 253.9	3 066.8	162.1	203.9	3 270.7	1 950.1	5 220.8	6.2	62.6

(a) The number of unemployed in each group expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

(b) The labour force in each group expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

Source: Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (Cat. no. 6202.0).

5 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE—ORIGINAL



Source: Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (Cat. no. 6202.0).

6 COAL AND ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION, NSW AND AUSTRALIA—ORIGINAL

			New South Wales			Australia		
				Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year		Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
Unit	Latest period	Latest figure	%	%		Latest figure	%	%
Raw coal won								
Underground	'000 tonnes	September 2001	4 574	-18.1	19.2	13 994	-40.2	-66.1
Open cut	'000 tonnes	September 2001	7 472	-19.7	3.8	23 959	-40.8	-66.5
Total	'000 tonnes	September 2001	12 046	-19.1	9.2	37 958	-40.6	-66.3
Electricity	mill. kWh	Sept qtr 2001	16 909	1.6	-12.3	47 412	2.4	-4.0

Source: Joint Coal Board for NSW and Australia from ABS unpublished statistics, Manufacturing Production, Australia (Cat. no. 8301.0).

7 COAL AND ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION, NSW—ORIGINAL

	Raw coal won			Electricity mill. kWh
	Underground	Open cut	Total	
	'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes	
1998–1999	51 318	80 063	131 382	63 743
1999–2000	52 763	80 133	132 896	65 934
2000–2001	53 414	86 012	139 427	69 324
2000				
July	4 102	6 515	10 617	..
August	5 613	8 269	13 883	19 289
September	3 836	7 198	11 034	..
October	4 552	6 976	11 528	..
November	5 708	8 014	13 722	16 749
December	3 166	6 253	9 419	..
2001				
January	3 336	6 395	9 732	..
February	4 261	5 999	10 260	16 644
March	5 491	7 763	13 254	..
April	3 440	6 045	9 485	..
May	5 463	8 742	14 205	16 642
June	4 749	6 890	11 639	..
July r	4 673	6 927	11 600	..
August	5 583	9 305	14 888	16 909
September	4 574	7 472	12 046	..

Source: Joint Coal Board, Manufacturing Production, Australia (Cat. no. 8301.0).

8 BUILDING APPROVALS—NSW AND AUSTRALIA

	Unit	Latest period	Latest figure	New South Wales		Latest figure	Australia	
				Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year		Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
				%	%		%	%
Number of dwelling units(a) (seasonally adjusted(b))								
New houses	no.	Sep 2001	2 315	-0.1	54.3	10 027	-7.2	64.1
Total	no.	Sep 2001	4 592	19.8	58.8	15 025	-4.3	58.4
Value of new residential building (seasonally adjusted)	\$m	Sep 2001	738.3	25.6	80.4	2 209.0	-4.9	79.4
Value of alterations and additions to residential building(c) (seasonally adjusted)	\$m	Sep 2001	108.9	-1.8	28.6	325.4	-3.8	45.9
Value of non-residential building(d) (original)	\$m	Sep 2001	325.0	-6.3	4.9	853.6	-17.2	-13.4
Value of all building (original)	\$m	Sep 2001	1 082.5	-1.3	41.3	3 191.9	-16.2	33.6

(a) Includes dwelling units approved as part of the construction of non-residential building and alterations and additions to existing buildings (including conversions to dwelling units).

(b) Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates to November 2000 have been revised. See Building Approvals, Australia (Cat. no. 8731.0).

(c) Valued at \$10,000 or more. Includes conversions of existing buildings into residential buildings.

(d) Valued at \$50,000 or more.

Source: Building Approvals, Australia (Cat. no. 8731.0).

9 BUILDING APPROVALS—NSW

	Number of dwelling units(a), seasonally adjusted				Value of building approvals(b)			
	New houses		Total		Seasonally adjusted		Original	
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	Alterations and additions to residential building(c)	Non-residential building(d)	All building	
	no.	no.	no.	no.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1998–1999	..	..	..	..	..	..	4 558.3	12 032.3
1999–2000	..	..	..	..	..	..	4 511.3	12 684.7
2000–2001	..	..	..	..	..	..	3 637.8	9 614.2
2000								
July	1 364	1 372	1 905	1 993	285.4	75.2	287.2	668.8
August	1 543	1 553	2 459	2 529	383.4	83.7	280.4	770.5
September	1 492	1 500	2 805	2 892	409.2	84.7	309.9	766.1
October	1 753	1 762	3 563	3 606	473.6	120.4	381.2	942.6
November	1 530	1 540	2 913	2 994	409.2	87.1	270.1	858.3
December	1 466	1 477	2 819	2 918	384.4	140.2	208.9	693.6
2001								
January	1 548	1 556	2 864	2 910	414.0	84.7	553.1	1 008.5
February	1 573	1 579	2 448	2 614	348.0	86.6	391.3	812.9
March	1 455	1 466	2 636	2 714	376.7	93.2	210.3	660.9
April	1 542	1 549	2 604	2 721	383.9	89.0	217.1	669.0
May	1 741	1 752	3 104	3 212	461.5	98.3	270.6	912.8
June	2 075	2 079	3 269	3 289	534.9	106.3	257.7	850.2
July	2 118	2 123	3 288	3 315	556.2	104.5	480.2	1 186.8
August	2 300	2 317	3 726	3 833	587.9	110.9	347.0	1 097.1
September	2 301	2 315	4 532	4 592	738.3	108.9	325.0	1 082.5

(a) Includes dwelling units approved as part of the construction of non-residential building and alterations and additions to existing buildings (including conversions to dwelling units).

(b) From July 2000, value data for both residential and non-residential building approvals will be on a GST inclusive basis.

(c) Valued at \$10,000 or more. Includes conversions of existing buildings into residential buildings.

(d) Valued at \$50,000 or more.

Source: Building Approvals, Australia (Cat. no. 8731.0).

10 TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS(a), NSW AND AUSTRALIA(b)—SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Latest period	New South Wales			Australia		
		Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year	Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
		\$m	%	%	\$m	%	%
Food retailing	Sep 2001	1 766.8	0.4	7.4	5 455.0	0.5	7.8
Department stores	Sep 2001	376.8	-0.6	-4.8	1 078.7	-1.1	-2.0
Clothing and soft good retailing	Sep 2001	313.3	2.7	-13.7	872.6	0.9	-0.2
Household good retailing	Sep 2001	483.3	-0.8	3.4	1 611.1	-0.4	9.2
Recreational good retailing	Sep 2001	205.8	-3.7	-2.0	596.4	-5.3	-1.4
Other retailing	Sep 2001	505.3	-0.1	9.0	1 543.9	0.6	12.7
Hospitality and services	Sep 2001	1 065.3	-0.4	0.6	2 477.9	-0.3	6.8
Total value of retail sales	Sep 2001	4 716.6	-0.1	2.4	13 635.6	-0.1	6.5

(a) The figures shown are derived from a monthly survey of retail establishments. Excludes motor vehicle, boat and caravan dealers, service stations, smash repairers, tyre and battery retailers, bread and milk vendors, footwear repairers and electrical appliance repairers n.e.c. Retail establishments which do not have employees are excluded from the survey. Turnover includes retail sales, wholesale sales, takings from repairs, meals and hiring of goods; and commissions from agency activity (e.g. commissions received from collecting dry cleaning, selling lottery tickets etc.).

(b) Data from July 2000 reference month onwards are recorded inclusive of GST.

Source: Retail Trade, Australia (Cat. no. 8501.0).

11 TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS(a), NSW(b)—SEASONALLY ADJUSTED(c)

	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
2000								
July r	1 607.3	298.2	279.4	427.2	218.7	397.4	922.6	4 150.9
August r	1 635.5	398.7	301.2	473.1	212.0	424.1	990.4	4 435.0
September r	1 645.6	395.9	363.0	467.4	210.0	463.6	1 058.5	4 603.9
October r	1 630.2	385.8	308.4	471.5	214.5	453.9	983.6	4 447.9
November r	1 610.7	375.4	304.9	483.5	212.3	439.5	953.9	4 380.2
December r	1 644.8	393.3	312.2	487.4	209.3	450.5	937.6	4 435.0
2001								
January r	1 666.7	387.9	305.0	493.8	226.6	455.2	984.1	4 519.1
February r	1 679.2	390.8	298.5	480.5	240.1	471.7	994.2	4 555.1
March r	1 686.1	388.3	321.6	490.0	233.9	470.6	1 004.2	4 594.7
April r	1 718.3	386.1	332.5	483.0	216.3	481.8	983.7	4 601.7
May r	1 709.2	389.3	331.8	480.1	207.2	490.1	997.0	4 604.7
June r	1 725.6	384.9	326.6	510.8	213.9	491.6	992.2	4 645.7
July r	1 747.5	392.7	315.7	487.7	212.0	496.8	1 033.2	4 685.6
August r	1 760.5	379.0	305.0	487.4	213.7	505.8	1 069.9	4 721.4
September	1 766.8	376.8	313.3	483.3	205.8	505.3	1 065.3	4 716.6

(a) The figures shown are derived from a monthly survey of retail establishments. Excludes motor vehicle, boat and caravan dealers, service stations, smash repairers, tyre and battery retailers, bread and milk vendors, footwear repairers and electrical appliance repairers n.e.c. Retail establishments which do not have employees are excluded from the survey. Turnover includes retail sales, wholesale sales, takings from repairs, meals and hiring of goods; and commissions from agency activity (e.g. commissions received from collecting dry cleaning, selling lottery tickets etc.).

(b) Data from July 2000 reference month onwards are recorded inclusive of GST.

(c) Data for previous months have been revised due to concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology. See Explanatory Notes in Retail Trade, Australia (Cat. no. 8501.0).

Source: Retail Trade, Australia (Cat. no. 8501.0).

12 NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS(a), NSW AND AUSTRALIA—SEASONALLY ADJUSTED(b)

	Latest period	New South Wales			Australia		
		Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year	Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
		no.	%	%	no.	%	%
Passenger vehicles	October 2001	18 341	2.4	-2.6	54 476	0.8	-5.2
Other vehicles (excluding motor cycles)	October 2001	3 447	-4.5	3.6	10 754	-2.9	5.8
Total registrations (excluding motor cycles)	October 2001	21 787	1.2	-1.6	65 230	0.1	-3.5

(a) Includes vehicles (other than those of the defence forces) owned by Government departments and authorities. Excludes mobile plant and equipment, tractors, trailers and non-motorised caravans.

(b) The changes to the seasonally adjusted series result from the annual re-estimation of seasonal factors.

Source: New Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia, Preliminary (Cat. no. 9301.0).

13 NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS(a), NSW—SEASONALLY ADJUSTED(b)

	Passenger vehicles	Other vehicles (excluding motor cycles)	Total (excluding motor cycles)
	no.	no.	no.
2000			
August	23 809	3 616	27 425
September	19 247	3 387	22 634
October	18 823	3 328	22 151
November	19 611	3 063	22 673
December	21 804	3 430	25 234
2001			
January	18 585	3 529	22 114
February	17 706	3 290	20 996
March	18 293	3 108	21 401
April	18 160	3 086	21 246
May	17 989	2 949	20 938
June	16 425	3 024	19 449
July	17 890	3 436	21 326
August r	18 559	3 612	22 171
September	17 918	3 608	21 526
October	18 341	3 447	21 787

(a) Includes vehicles (other than those of the defence forces) owned by Government departments and authorities. Excludes mobile plant and equipment, tractors, trailers and non-motorised caravans.

(b) The changes to the seasonally adjusted series result from the annual re-estimation of seasonal factors.

Source: New Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia, Preliminary (Cat. no. 9301.0).

14 ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS(a) NSW AND AUSTRALIA—ORIGINAL

	Unit	Latest period	Latest figure	New South Wales		Latest figure	Australia	
				Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year		Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
				%	%		%	%
Room nights	'000	June qtr 2001	3 223.7	-5.8	-3.0	9 872.9	-3.1	-1.3
Room occupancy rate	%	June qtr 2001	54.1	-6.6	-6.9	55.2	-4.3	-3.3
Takings(b)	\$'000	June qtr 2001	388 268	-12.1	3.8	1 111 337	-8.8	6.9

(a) Licensed hotels with facilities, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or units.

(b) Includes GST.

Source: Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0).

15 ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS(a) SYDNEY AND NSW—ORIGINAL

	Sydney Tourism Region(b)			New South Wales		
	Room nights	Room occupancy rate	Takings(c)	Room nights	Room occupancy rate	Takings
	'000	%	\$'000	'000	%	\$'000
2000						
March qtr	1 980.0	71.7	279 374	3 388.1	60.3	397 869
June qtr	1 902.6	67.1	258 225	3 323.9	58.1	374 005
September qtr	2 093.6	69.6	412 378	3 543.3	59.7	566 316
December qtr	2 096.0	68.8	334 433	3 498.0	58.7	470 017
2001						
March qtr	2 037.9	67.1	304 602	3 421.1	57.9	441 871
June qtr	1 866.5	61.0	267 939	3 223.7	54.1	388 268

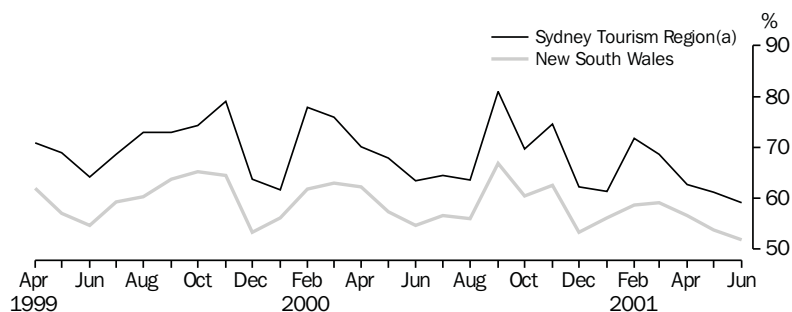
(a) Licensed hotels with facilities, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or units.

(b) Excludes Gosford, Wyong and Blue Mountains Statistical Local Areas.

(c) Takings after 1 July 2000 are on a GST inclusive basis.

Source: Tourist Accommodation, Small Area Data, New South Wales (Cat. no. 8635.1.40.001).

16 ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS, MONTHLY ROOM OCCUPANCY RATE—ORIGINAL



(a) Excludes Gosford, Wyong and Blue Mountains Statistical Local Areas.

Source: Tourist Accommodation, Small Area Data, NSW (Prod. no. 8635.1.40.001).

17 CONSUMER AND PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES—NSW AND AUSTRALIA

	Unit	Latest period	Latest figure	New South Wales(a)		Latest figure	Australia(b)	
				Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year		Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
				%	%		%	%
Consumer Price Index (all groups)	1989-90 = 100.0	September qtr 2001	135.4	0.3	2.9	134.2	0.3	2.5
Price index of materials used in house building (all groups)	1989-90 = 100.0	September qtr 2001	130.5	0.2	0.4	124.7	0.2	0.2
Price index of materials used in building other than house building (all groups)	1989-90 = 100.0	September qtr 2001	117.1	0.3	1.5	117.5	0.3	1.7

(a) Refers to State capital city—Sydney.

(b) For the Consumer Price Index this is the weighted average of eight capital cities and for the other two indexes, the weighted average of the six State capital cities.

Source: Consumer Price Index, Australia (Cat. no. 6401.0); Producer Price Indexes, Australia (Cat. no. 6427.0).

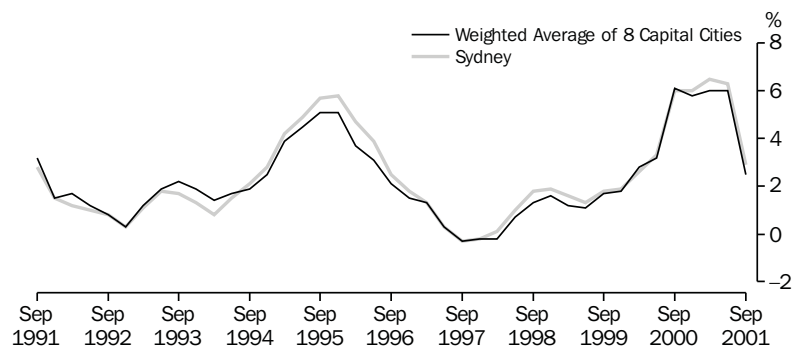
18 CONSUMER AND PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES—NSW(a)

	Consumer Price Index, all groups	Price Index of materials used in house building, all groups	Price Index of materials used in building other than house building, all groups
	1989-90 = 100.0	1989-90 = 100.0	1989-90 = 100.0
2000			
June qtr	127.0	131.2	117.3
September qtr	131.6	130.0	115.4
December qtr	132.2	129.8	115.7
2001			
March qtr	134.0	129.8	116.4
June qtr	135.0	130.2	116.7
September qtr	135.4	130.5	117.1

(a) Refers to State capital city—Sydney.

Source: Consumer Price Index, Australia (Cat. no. 6401.0); Producer Price Indexes, Australia (Cat. no. 6427.0).

19 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE



Source: Consumer Price Index (Cat. no. 6401.0).

20 SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS FOR OWNER OCCUPATION—NSW AND AUSTRALIA

	Latest period	New South Wales			Australia		
		Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year	Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
		\$m	%	%	\$m	%	%
Lending commitments for the construction or purchase of dwellings—							
Construction of dwellings	Sep 2001	248	–7.5	63.2	911	–12.4	69.6
Purchase of newly erected dwellings	Sep 2001	153	–5.0	84.3	311	–8.5	56.3
Purchase of established dwellings(a)	Sep 2001	2 113	–10.1	44.0	4 822	–9.1	39.5
Refinancing of existing dwellings	Sep 2001	505	–21.5	20.8	1 256	–17.6	24.0
Lending commitments for alterations and additions	Sep 2001	107	–20.7	27.4	293	–9.6	31.4
Total lending commitments to individuals for housing(b)	Sep 2001	3 019	–11.8	42.4	7 300	–11.1	40.3
Total lending commitments to individuals for housing (seasonally adjusted)(b)	Sep 2001	3 243	–0.2	49.8	7 996	3.7	46.8

(a) Excludes refinancing.

(b) Excludes alterations and additions.

Source: *Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia* (Cat. no. 5609.0).

21 SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS FOR OWNER OCCUPATION—NSW

	Lending commitments for the construction or purchase of dwellings					Total lending commitments to individuals for housing(b)	
	Construction of dwellings	Purchase of newly erected dwellings	Purchase of established dwellings(a)	Refinancing of existing dwellings	Lending commitments for alterations and additions	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1998–1999	2 990	1 147	16 761	4 026	1 126	24 925	..
1999–2000	3 268	1 129	21 636	4 993	1 271	31 026	..
2000–2001	2 074	1 171	21 259	6 464	1 155	30 969	..
2000							
July	170	71	1 436	451	89	2 129	2 166
August	166	88	1 710	480	91	2 444	2 336
September	152	83	1 467	418	84	2 120	2 165
October	151	65	1 397	492	90	2 105	2 123
November	160	82	1 757	542	85	2 542	2 357
December	143	88	1 688	483	80	2 402	2 690
2001							
January	121	97	1 497	426	79	2 141	2 644
February	151	88	1 630	455	96	2 323	2 464
March	189	120	2 098	622	111	3 029	2 801
April	180	101	1 950	580	103	2 811	2 902
May	246	134	2 386	761	123	3 527	r 3 111
June	247	153	2 148	677	126	3 225	r 3 077
July	262	146	2 279	633	130	3 320	r 3 280
August	268	161	2 350	643	135	3 423	r 3 250
September	248	153	2 113	505	107	3 019	3 243

(a) Excludes refinancing.

(b) Excludes alterations and additions.

Source: *Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia* (Cat. no. 5609.0).

22 NSW GOVERNMENT FINANCE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT SECTOR(a)

	Budget 12 months to 30 June 2002	Actual 3 months to 30 Sep 2001
	\$m	\$m
State revenues		
Taxation	12 090	3 209
Commonwealth grants	14 465	3 532
Financial Distributions	1 148	265
Fines, regulatory fees and other	860	203
<i>Total state revenues</i>	<i>28 563</i>	<i>7 209</i>
Operating revenues		
Sales of goods and services	2 289	600
Investment income	437	15
Grants and contributions	295	54
Other revenue	234	51
<i>Total operating revenues</i>	<i>3 255</i>	<i>720</i>
Expenses		
Superannuation expense	1 794	437
Other employee related expenses	12 590	3 160
Other operating	6 518	1 698
Maintenance	1 132	207
Depreciation and amortisation	1 493	319
Recurrent grants and subsidies	4 815	1 047
Capital grants and subsidies	1 399	345
Finance other	877	218
<i>Total expenses</i>	<i>30 618</i>	<i>7 431</i>
GFS Net Operating Surplus	1 200	498
less Capital Expenditure	-2 596	-502
plus Depreciation	1 493	319
plus asset sales & other movements	—	—
in non-financial assets	271	31
Budget Surplus	368	346

(a) The format for reporting NSW Government Finance Statistics has been amended to ensure consistency with the reporting framework used in the 2001–02 Budget Papers. Changes include the end of separate reporting of abnormal items and the consequent need to create a new revenue category (Capital Repatriations) and two new expense categories (Superannuation Valuations and Finance Valuations). Additionally there have been some minor reclassification between expenses and capital expenditure. However, the budgeted Surplus is unchanged from that reported in the 2000–01 Budget Papers.

Source: Financial Statement released by NSW Treasury. Figures may differ from data published in annual ABS publications.

23 ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, CURRENT PRICES, NSW AND AUSTRALIA — TREND

Type of asset	Latest period	New South Wales			Australia		
		Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year	Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
		\$m	%	%	\$m	%	%
New buildings and structures	June qtr 2001	705	0.6	-26.3	2 463	5.5	-12.4
Equipment, plant and machinery	June qtr 2001	2 533	-4.8	-14.0	7 313	-1.0	-2.8
Total	June qtr 2001	3 238	-3.7	-17.0	9 776	0.6	-5.4

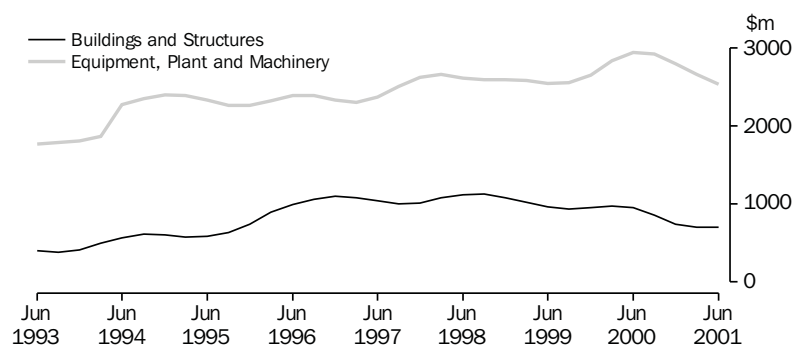
Source: State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure (Cat. no. 5646.0).

24 ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, CURRENT PRICES — NSW, TREND

	Type of asset		Total
	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant and machinery	
	\$m	\$m	\$m
2000			
March qtr	971	2 839	3 810
June qtr	957	2 946	3 903
September qtr	861	2 927	3 788
December qtr	745	2 800	3 545
2001			
March qtr	701	2 661	3 362
June qtr	705	2 533	3 238

Source: State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure (Cat. no. 5646.0).

25 ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, CURRENT PRICES, NSW—TREND



Source: State Estimates of New Capital Expenditure (Cat. no. 5646.0).

26 INTERNATIONAL TRADE, IMPORTS(a) AND EXPORTS(b) — NSW AND AUSTRALIA(c)

	Latest period	New South Wales			Australia		
		Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year	Latest figure	Change from prior period	Change from same period prior year
		\$m	%	%	\$m	%	%
Overseas imports into NSW	Sep 2001	4 272	-7.9	-4.5	9 695	-8.4	-1.6
Total overseas exports(d)	Sep 2001	2 008	7.8	8.9	10 001	1.0	8.4
Export commodities and SITC(e) code							
Meat and meat preparations (01)	Sep 2001	134	2.3	50.6	602	7.6	36.6
Cereals and cereal preparations (04)	Sep 2001	91	11.0	-38.9	433	-7.5	-6.6
Wool and other animal hair (268)	Sep 2001	96	26.3	23.1	290	-0.6	3.5
Coal, coke and briquettes (32)	Sep 2001	450	24.7	54.1	1 216	10.1	43.7
Iron and steel (67)	Sep 2001	13	8.3	30.0	56	-11.7	24.7
Aluminium (684)	Sep 2001	152	16.9	13.4	388	-3.2	16.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines (75)	Sep 2001	27	-15.6	-10.0	47	-8.4	-4.7

(a) Figures shown are Customs value.

(b) Restrictions are placed on the release of statistics for certain commodities for reasons of confidentiality. The restrictions do not affect total export and import figures, but they can affect figures at State and commodity levels. More information on the treatment of confidential data in international merchandise trade statistics can be obtained from the *Information Paper, International Merchandise Trade Statistics, Australia: Data Confidentiality* (Cat. no. 5487.0), or the International Trade Confidentiality Manager on 02 6252 5409. Figures shown are Free On Board (FOB) values.

(c) All percentages are calculated using unrounded figures.

(d) Excludes re-exported goods.

(e) Standard International Trade Classification Revision 3.

Source: ABS data available on request, International Trade database.

27 INTERNATIONAL TRADE, IMPORTS(a) AND EXPORTS(b) — NSW

	Overseas exports of SITC(c) commodities								
	Overseas imports into NSW	Total overseas exports(d)	Meat and meat preparations (01)	Cereals and cereal preparations (04)	Wool and other animal hair (268)	Coal, coke and briquettes (32)	Iron and steel (67)	Aluminium (684)	Office machines and automatic data processing machines (75)
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1999-2000	47 927	18 966	1 047	1 270	826	3 092	831	1 341	379
2000-2001	52 503	r 22 748	1 387	1 517	1 051	3 832	247	1 638	362
2000									
July	4 493	1 779	101	138	66	318	64	129	31
August	4 947	1 826	99	143	66	301	67	135	27
September	4 472	1 843	89	149	78	292	10	134	30
October	5 071	2 042	120	160	114	337	10	148	37
November	4 936	1 973	118	139	112	283	11	149	26
December	4 243	2 017	105	118	103	309	12	129	36
2001									
January	3 881	1 565	94	87	63	313	9	125	19
February	3 493	1 707	116	116	84	264	10	125	27
March	4 321	2 053	132	118	123	325	12	160	35
April	4 116	r 2 002	129	125	84	403	14	137	33
May	4 220	1 994	140	152	82	350	13	133	32
June	4 310	1 946	144	71	76	337	16	133	31
July	4 350	1 981	141	97	66	443	13	144	30
August	4 637	r 1 862	131	82	76	361	12	130	32
September	4 272	2 008	134	91	96	450	13	152	27

(a) Figures shown are Customs value.

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