

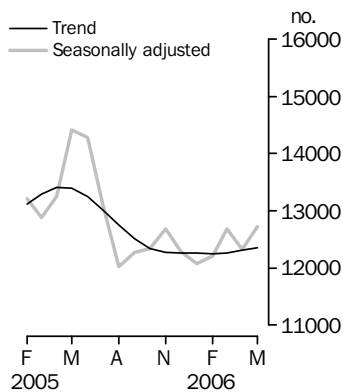
BUILDING APPROVALS

AUSTRALIA

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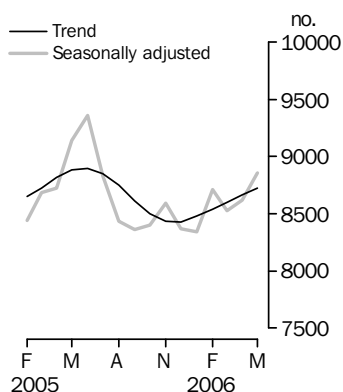
Dwelling units approved

Total number



Private sector houses approved

Total number



INQUIRIES

For further information about these and related statistics, contact the National Information and Referral Service on 1300 135 070 or Paul Pamment on Adelaide (08) 8237 7499.

KEY FIGURES

TREND

	May 06 no.	Apr 06 to May 06 % change	May 05 to May 06 % change
Total dwelling units approved	12 357	0.4	-7.8
Private sector houses	8 722	0.6	-1.8
Private sector other dwellings	3 366	—	-20.5

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	May 06 no.	Apr 06 to May 06 % change	May 05 to May 06 % change
Total dwelling units approved	12 729	3.3	-11.7
Private sector houses	8 858	2.8	-3.1
Private sector other dwellings	3 673	10.0	-25.6

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KEY POINTS

TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for total dwelling approvals rose 0.4% in May 2006.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling units approved rose 3.3%, to 12,729, in May 2006.

PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

- The trend estimate for private sector house approvals rose 0.6% in May 2006.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector houses approved rose 2.8%, to 8,858, in May 2006.

PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for private sector other dwellings approved was flat in May 2006.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector other dwellings approved rose 10.0%, to 3,673, in May 2006. This follows a fall of 13.9% in April 2006.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

- The trend estimate for the value of total building approved rose 0.8% in May 2006. The value of new residential building rose 0.7%, while the value of alterations and additions fell 0.7%. The trend for the value of non-residential building approved rose 1.4% in May 2006.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for the value of total building approved rose 8.4%, to \$5,154.2m, in May 2006. The value of new residential building approved rose 7.4%, to \$2,593.1m. The value of alterations and additions fell 1.6%, to \$438.4m, while the value of non-residential building rose 12.1%, to \$2,122.7m (see Data Notes on page 2).

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

<i>ISSUE</i>	<i>RELEASE DATE</i>
June 2006	1 August 2006
July 2006	4 September 2006
August 2006	3 October 2006
September 2006	1 November 2006
October 2006	4 December 2006
November 2006	8 January 2007



REVISIONS THIS MONTH

Revisions to Total Dwellings in this issue are:



	<i>2004-05</i>	<i>2005-06</i>	<i>Total</i>
NSW	219	58	277
Vic.	11	37	48
Qld	151	220	371
SA	—	-28	-28
WA	32	2	34
Tas.	—	—	—
NT	—	2	2
ACT	—	38	38
Total	413	329	742



DATA NOTES

Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates have been revised in this issue as a result of the annual reanalysis of seasonal factors.

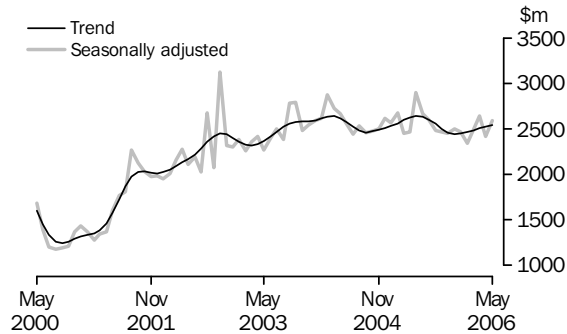
This year's annual seasonal reanalysis includes some changes to the method of aggregation used for seasonal adjustment. In particular, this affects the non-residential value time series. Although these series are highly volatile they contain some seasonal variation, therefore, they have been seasonally adjusted. For further details of these changes, please contact timeseries@abs.gov.au or telephone (02) 62526345.

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

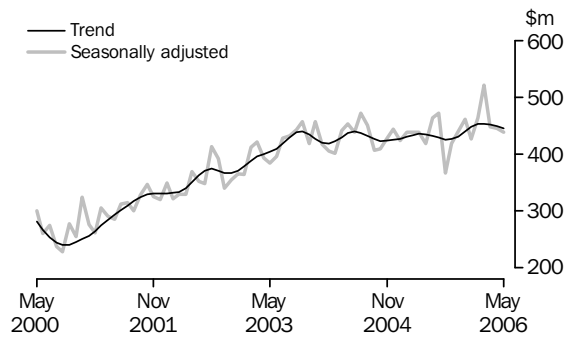
NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend for the value of new residential building has shown small rises over the last six months.



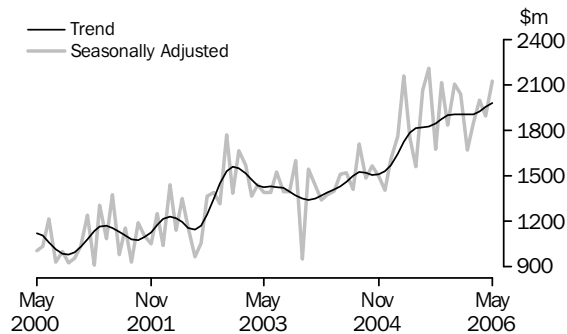
ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of alterations and additions to residential buildings fell 0.7% in May 2006.



NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

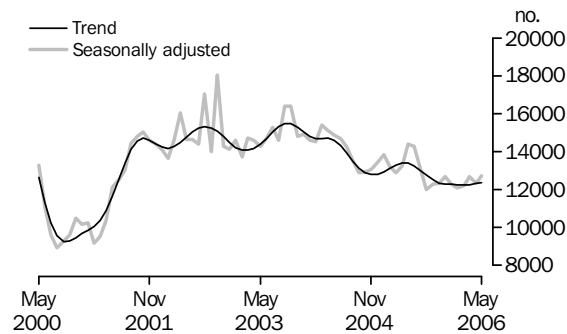
The trend estimate for the value of non-residential building rose 1.4% in May 2006, and is now showing small rises for the past three months.



DWELLINGS APPROVED

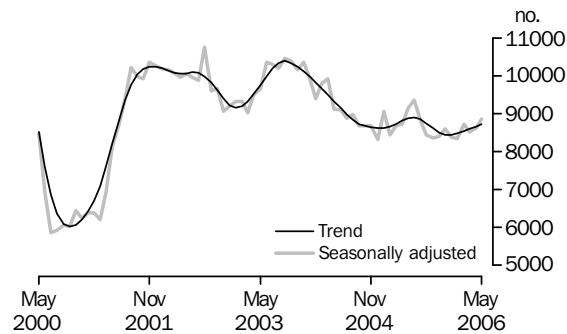
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

The trend for total dwelling units approved is now showing small rises over the past three months.



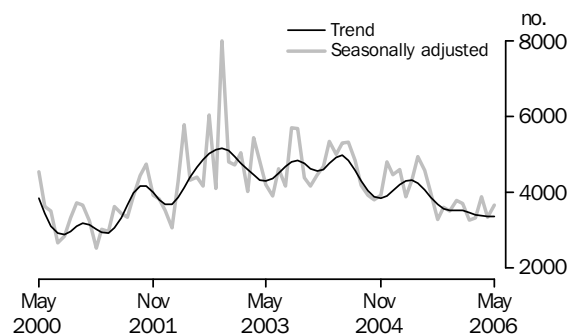
PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

The trend for private sector houses approved has risen for the last five months after falls in the previous six months.



PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS

The trend for private sector other dwellings approved has been in general decline since May 2005, although the rate of decline has slowed significantly over recent months.



DWELLING UNITS APPROVED STATES AND TERRITORIES

SUMMARY COMMENTS

The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved rose 0.4% in May 2006. The trend rose in Victoria (+0.3%), Queensland (+1.5%), South Australia (+2.1%) and Western Australia (+0.7%), but fell in New South Wales (-0.7%), the Northern Territory (-8.4%) and the Australian Capital Territory (-2.9%). The trend was flat in Tasmania.

The trend estimate for private sector houses approved rose 0.6% in May 2006. The trend rose in New South Wales (+1.2%), Victoria (+0.4%), Queensland (+1.1%) and Western Australia (+1.6%), but fell in South Australia (-0.4%).

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
ORIGINAL									
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses (no.)	1 484	2 859	2 408	689	2 231	224	51	109	10 055
Total dwelling units (no.)	3 107	3 738	3 371	939	2 746	231	71	245	14 448
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses (%)	45.5	43.7	38.2	22.8	36.7	54.5	41.7	73.0	39.8
Total dwelling units (%)	54.3	46.9	43.4	-22.9	35.3	50.0	-1.4	100.8	37.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses (no.)	1 285	2 655	2 126	624	1 850	na	na	na	8 858
Total dwelling units (no.)	2 553	3 317	3 180	899	2 299	202	na	na	12 729
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses (%)	0.7	20.3	-0.8	-7.9	-9.3	na	na	na	2.8
Total dwelling units (%)	6.1	21.5	8.5	-34.0	-8.4	8.0	na	na	3.3
TREND									
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses (no.)	1 271	2 439	2 154	641	1 903	na	na	na	8 722
Total dwelling units (no.)	2 392	3 132	3 119	940	2 313	204	87	166	12 357
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses (%)	1.2	0.4	1.1	-0.4	1.6	na	na	na	0.6
Total dwelling units (%)	-0.7	0.3	1.5	2.1	0.7	—	-8.4	-2.9	0.4

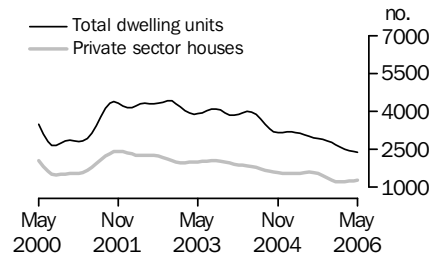
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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

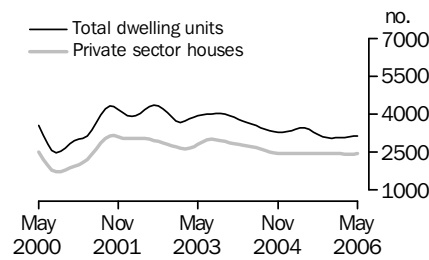
STATE TRENDS

NEW SOUTH WALES



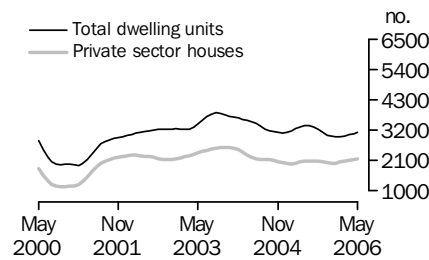
The trend for total dwelling units approved in New South Wales has been in decline for the past fifteen months. The trend estimate for private sector houses has shown small rises for the last four months.

VICTORIA



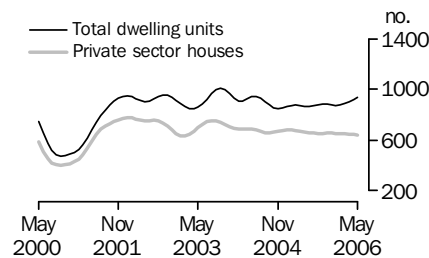
The trend for total dwelling units approved in Victoria is now showing small rises for the last six months. The trend for private sector houses now shows small rises for the last two months.

QUEENSLAND



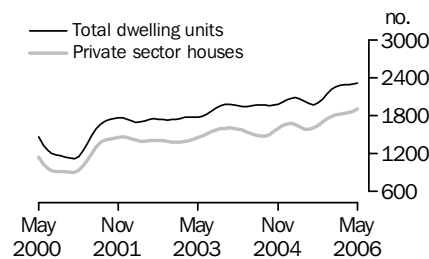
The trend for total dwelling units approved in Queensland has risen for the last five months. The trend for private sector houses has risen for the last six months.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



The trend for total dwelling units approved in South Australia has risen for the last five months. The trend for private sector houses has been in a slow decline for the last sixteen months.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA



The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Western Australia has risen for the last ten months, although the rate of growth has slowed over recent months. The trend for private sector houses has risen for the last eleven months.

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Month	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL							
2005							
March	8 534	8 655	3 913	4 174	12 447	382	12 829
April	8 306	8 403	4 108	4 179	12 414	168	12 582
May	9 887	10 053	5 158	5 408	15 045	416	15 461
June	10 243	10 493	4 299	4 606	14 542	557	15 099
July	8 846	9 003	3 789	3 971	12 635	339	12 974
August	9 353	9 555	3 706	3 783	13 059	279	13 338
September	8 590	8 713	4 066	4 200	12 656	257	12 913
October	8 422	8 614	3 556	3 741	11 978	377	12 355
November	9 350	9 560	3 883	3 970	13 233	297	13 530
December	7 405	7 522	3 793	3 848	11 198	172	11 370
2006							
January	6 628	6 789	2 738	2 839	9 366	262	9 628
February	8 404	8 477	2 999	3 065	11 403	139	11 542
March	9 259	9 414	3 939	4 061	13 198	277	13 475
April	7 190	7 348	3 012	3 154	10 202	300	10 502
May	10 055	10 173	4 124	4 275	14 179	269	14 448
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
2005							
March	8 682	8 815	3 881	4 070	12 563	322	12 885
April	8 724	8 843	4 331	4 405	13 055	193	13 248
May	9 143	9 295	4 936	5 113	14 079	329	14 408
June	9 357	9 541	4 585	4 741	13 942	340	14 282
July	8 833	8 990	3 987	4 112	12 820	282	13 102
August	8 435	8 619	3 279	3 399	11 714	304	12 018
September	8 363	8 487	3 606	3 790	11 969	308	12 277
October	8 405	8 597	3 513	3 741	11 918	420	12 338
November	8 594	8 772	3 791	3 918	12 385	305	12 690
December	8 370	8 510	3 710	3 771	12 080	201	12 281
2006							
January	8 339	8 516	3 271	3 553	11 610	459	12 069
February	8 714	8 798	3 315	3 411	12 029	180	12 209
March	8 527	8 729	3 880	3 959	12 407	281	12 688
April	8 620	8 812	3 339	3 512	11 959	365	12 324
May	8 858	8 965	3 673	3 764	12 531	198	12 729
TREND							
2005							
March	8 728	8 861	4 300	4 433	13 028	266	13 294
April	8 817	8 955	4 322	4 451	13 139	267	13 406
May	8 881	9 028	4 236	4 368	13 117	279	13 396
June	8 895	9 052	4 063	4 203	12 958	297	13 255
July	8 850	9 015	3 863	4 006	12 713	308	13 021
August	8 749	8 918	3 686	3 831	12 435	314	12 749
September	8 614	8 783	3 574	3 721	12 188	316	12 504
October	8 500	8 665	3 529	3 680	12 029	316	12 345
November	8 433	8 593	3 529	3 683	11 962	314	12 276
December	8 431	8 589	3 522	3 674	11 953	310	12 263
2006							
January	8 480	8 637	3 472	3 618	11 952	303	12 255
February	8 540	8 695	3 409	3 546	11 949	292	12 241
March	8 602	8 756	3 375	3 504	11 977	283	12 260
April	8 666	8 817	3 367	3 489	12 033	273	12 306
May	8 722	8 872	3 366	3 485	12 088	269	12 357

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage change

Month	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL							
2005							
March	4.7	4.8	-8.0	-2.7	0.3	172.9	2.3
April	-2.7	-2.9	5.0	0.1	-0.3	-56.0	-1.9
May	19.0	19.6	25.6	29.4	21.2	147.6	22.9
June	3.6	4.4	-16.7	-14.8	-3.3	33.9	-2.3
July	-13.6	-14.2	-11.9	-13.8	-13.1	-39.1	-14.1
August	5.7	6.1	-2.2	-4.7	3.4	-17.7	2.8
September	-8.2	-8.8	9.7	11.0	-3.1	-7.9	-3.2
October	-2.0	-1.1	-12.5	-10.9	-5.4	46.7	-4.3
November	11.0	11.0	9.2	6.1	10.5	-21.2	9.5
December	-20.8	-21.3	-2.3	-3.1	-15.4	-42.1	-16.0
2006							
January	-10.5	-9.7	-27.8	-26.2	-16.4	52.3	-15.3
February	26.8	24.9	9.5	8.0	21.7	-46.9	19.9
March	10.2	11.1	31.3	32.5	15.7	99.3	16.7
April	-22.3	-21.9	-23.5	-22.3	-22.7	8.3	-22.1
May	39.8	38.4	36.9	35.5	39.0	-10.3	37.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
2005							
March	2.9	3.0	-15.8	-12.6	-3.7	90.5	-2.5
April	0.5	0.3	11.6	8.2	3.9	-40.1	2.8
May	4.8	5.1	14.0	16.1	7.8	70.5	8.8
June	2.3	2.6	-7.1	-7.3	-1.0	3.3	-0.9
July	-5.6	-5.8	-13.0	-13.3	-8.0	-17.1	-8.3
August	-4.5	-4.1	-17.8	-17.3	-8.6	7.8	-8.3
September	-0.9	-1.5	10.0	11.5	2.2	1.3	2.2
October	0.5	1.3	-2.6	-1.3	-0.4	36.4	0.5
November	2.3	2.0	7.9	4.7	3.9	-27.4	2.9
December	-2.6	-3.0	-2.1	-3.8	-2.5	-34.1	-3.2
2006							
January	-0.4	0.1	-11.8	-5.8	-3.9	128.4	-1.7
February	4.5	3.3	1.3	-4.0	3.6	-60.8	1.2
March	-2.1	-0.8	17.0	16.1	3.1	56.1	3.9
April	1.1	1.0	-13.9	-11.3	-3.6	29.9	-2.9
May	2.8	1.7	10.0	7.2	4.8	-45.8	3.3
TREND							
2005							
March	0.9	0.9	2.6	2.4	1.4	-1.8	1.4
April	1.0	1.1	0.5	0.4	0.9	0.4	0.8
May	0.7	0.8	-2.0	-1.9	-0.2	4.5	-0.1
June	0.2	0.3	-4.1	-3.8	-1.2	6.5	-1.1
July	-0.5	-0.4	-4.9	-4.7	-1.9	3.7	-1.8
August	-1.1	-1.1	-4.6	-4.4	-2.2	1.9	-2.1
September	-1.6	-1.5	-3.0	-2.9	-2.0	0.6	-1.9
October	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.1	-1.3	—	-1.3
November	-0.8	-0.8	—	0.1	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
December	—	—	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-1.3	-0.1
2006							
January	0.6	0.6	-1.4	-1.5	—	-2.3	-0.1
February	0.7	0.7	-1.8	-2.0	—	-3.6	-0.1
March	0.7	0.7	-1.0	-1.2	0.2	-3.1	0.2
April	0.7	0.7	-0.2	-0.4	0.5	-3.5	0.4
May	0.6	0.6	—	-0.1	0.5	-1.5	0.4

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.

ORIGINAL

2005

March	3 102	3 363	2 882	1 064	1 949	220	95	154	12 829
April	2 923	3 720	2 711	804	2 035	201	52	136	12 582
May	3 437	4 138	4 130	917	2 268	265	100	206	15 461
June	2 945	5 113	3 668	769	2 173	196	122	113	15 099
July	3 107	2 739	3 676	917	2 058	222	166	89	12 974
August	3 035	3 070	3 416	1 027	2 226	227	133	204	13 338
September	3 181	3 075	3 361	909	1 912	237	148	90	12 913
October	2 591	3 045	3 243	924	2 202	206	70	74	12 355
November	2 963	3 436	3 361	911	2 374	213	127	145	13 530
December	2 874	2 473	2 547	876	2 037	201	115	247	11 370

2006

January	2 092	2 382	2 053	757	2 026	183	69	66	9 628
February	2 307	2 951	2 975	848	1 959	173	84	245	11 542
March	2 379	3 626	3 649	1 078	2 166	277	163	137	13 475
April	2 013	2 544	2 350	1 218	2 029	154	72	122	10 502
May	3 107	3 738	3 371	939	2 746	231	71	245	14 448

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

2005

March	3 153	3 427	2 625	948	2 262	221	na	na	12 885
April	3 148	3 572	3 178	904	2 030	237	na	na	13 248
May	2 918	3 782	4 304	884	2 011	244	na	na	14 408
June	2 981	4 840	3 298	772	1 934	203	na	na	14 282
July	3 165	2 927	3 650	889	2 000	214	na	na	13 102
August	2 724	2 883	2 978	906	1 996	206	na	na	12 018
September	2 939	2 978	3 132	857	1 908	220	na	na	12 277
October	2 800	2 761	3 198	951	2 280	205	na	na	12 338
November	2 719	3 358	3 096	872	2 189	192	na	na	12 690
December	2 886	2 916	2 880	822	2 215	196	na	na	12 281

2006

January	2 593	2 997	2 559	903	2 634	207	na	na	12 069
February	2 341	3 103	3 239	975	2 031	198	na	na	12 209
March	2 346	3 453	3 193	1 021	2 104	271	na	na	12 688
April	2 407	2 731	2 931	1 362	2 510	187	na	na	12 324
May	2 553	3 317	3 180	899	2 299	202	na	na	12 729

TREND

2005

March	3 180	3 415	3 250	875	2 084	230	78	115	13 294
April	3 129	3 457	3 313	873	2 064	226	81	128	13 406
May	3 066	3 451	3 353	869	2 024	224	88	137	13 396
June	3 002	3 391	3 359	869	1 989	220	97	137	13 255
July	2 949	3 295	3 326	872	1 973	216	105	130	13 021
August	2 913	3 194	3 241	876	2 000	212	111	123	12 749
September	2 882	3 108	3 118	884	2 066	207	113	122	12 504
October	2 835	3 064	3 017	886	2 147	203	111	131	12 345
November	2 762	3 054	2 970	880	2 215	202	108	146	12 276
December	2 673	3 066	2 961	874	2 259	202	105	159	12 263

2006

January	2 585	3 085	2 964	876	2 280	201	103	167	12 255
February	2 503	3 090	2 989	887	2 287	203	100	171	12 241
March	2 442	3 104	3 029	904	2 290	204	98	172	12 260
April	2 408	3 122	3 074	921	2 297	204	95	171	12 306
May	2 392	3 132	3 119	940	2 313	204	87	166	12 357

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories—Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2005									
March	-6.5	6.4	-2.9	48.4	-1.9	15.2	-39.1	227.7	2.3
April	-5.8	10.6	-5.9	-24.4	4.4	-8.6	-45.3	-11.7	-1.9
May	17.6	11.2	52.3	14.1	11.4	31.8	92.3	51.5	22.9
June	-14.3	23.6	-11.2	-16.1	-4.2	-26.0	22.0	-45.1	-2.3
July	5.5	-46.4	0.2	19.2	-5.3	13.3	36.1	-21.2	-14.1
August	-2.3	12.1	-7.1	12.0	8.2	2.3	-19.9	129.2	2.8
September	4.8	0.2	-1.6	-11.5	-14.1	4.4	11.3	-55.9	-3.2
October	-18.5	-1.0	-3.5	1.7	15.2	-13.1	-52.7	-17.8	-4.3
November	14.4	12.8	3.6	-1.4	7.8	3.4	81.4	95.9	9.5
December	-3.0	-28.0	-24.2	-3.8	-14.2	-5.6	-9.4	70.3	-16.0
2006									
January	-27.2	-3.7	-19.4	-13.6	-0.5	-9.0	-40.0	-73.3	-15.3
February	10.3	23.9	44.9	12.0	-3.3	-5.5	21.7	271.2	19.9
March	3.1	22.9	22.7	27.1	10.6	60.1	94.0	-44.1	16.7
April	-15.4	-29.8	-35.6	13.0	-6.3	-44.4	-55.8	-10.9	-22.1
May	54.3	46.9	43.4	-22.9	35.3	50.0	-1.4	100.8	37.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
March	-7.1	1.4	-19.3	19.1	14.1	2.3	na	na	-2.5
April	-0.2	4.2	21.1	-4.6	-10.3	7.2	na	na	2.8
May	-7.3	5.9	35.4	-2.2	-0.9	3.0	na	na	8.8
June	2.2	28.0	-23.4	-12.7	-3.8	-16.8	na	na	-0.9
July	6.2	-39.5	10.7	15.2	3.4	5.4	na	na	-8.3
August	-13.9	-1.5	-18.4	1.9	-0.2	-3.7	na	na	-8.3
September	7.9	3.3	5.2	-5.4	-4.4	6.8	na	na	2.2
October	-4.7	-7.3	2.1	11.0	19.5	-6.8	na	na	0.5
November	-2.9	21.6	-3.2	-8.3	-4.0	-6.3	na	na	2.9
December	6.1	-13.2	-7.0	-5.7	1.2	2.1	na	na	-3.2
2006									
January	-10.2	2.8	-11.1	9.9	18.9	5.6	na	na	-1.7
February	-9.7	3.5	26.6	8.0	-22.9	-4.3	na	na	1.2
March	0.2	11.3	-1.4	4.7	3.6	36.9	na	na	3.9
April	2.6	-20.9	-8.2	33.4	19.3	-31.0	na	na	-2.9
May	6.1	21.5	8.5	-34.0	-8.4	8.0	na	na	3.3
TREND									
2005									
March	-0.7	1.8	2.2	0.2	0.5	-2.1	-1.3	13.9	1.4
April	-1.6	1.2	1.9	-0.2	-1.0	-1.7	3.8	11.3	0.8
May	-2.0	-0.2	1.2	-0.5	-1.9	-0.9	8.6	7.0	-0.1
June	-2.1	-1.7	0.2	—	-1.7	-1.8	10.2	—	-1.1
July	-1.8	-2.8	-1.0	0.3	-0.8	-1.8	8.2	-5.1	-1.8
August	-1.2	-3.1	-2.6	0.5	1.4	-1.9	5.7	-5.4	-2.1
September	-1.1	-2.7	-3.8	0.9	3.3	-2.4	1.8	-0.8	-1.9
October	-1.6	-1.4	-3.2	0.2	3.9	-1.9	-1.8	7.4	-1.3
November	-2.6	-0.3	-1.6	-0.7	3.2	-0.5	-2.7	11.5	-0.6
December	-3.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	2.0	—	-2.8	8.9	-0.1
2006									
January	-3.3	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.9	-0.5	-1.9	5.0	-0.1
February	-3.2	0.2	0.8	1.3	0.3	1.0	-2.9	2.4	-0.1
March	-2.4	0.5	1.3	1.9	0.1	0.5	-2.0	0.6	0.2
April	-1.4	0.6	1.5	1.9	0.3	—	-3.1	-0.6	0.4
May	-0.7	0.3	1.5	2.1	0.7	—	-8.4	-2.9	0.4

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PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.

ORIGINAL

2005

March	1 432	2 467	2 039	714	1 544	195	39	104	8 534
April	1 399	2 618	1 853	632	1 448	183	43	130	8 306
May	1 646	2 989	2 276	735	1 838	221	44	138	9 887
June	1 856	3 576	2 212	656	1 632	166	66	79	10 243
July	1 778	2 244	2 185	646	1 653	209	46	85	8 846
August	1 611	2 503	2 428	729	1 750	191	57	84	9 353
September	1 526	2 368	1 929	717	1 731	193	61	65	8 590
October	1 274	2 177	2 176	606	1 912	169	38	70	8 422
November	1 342	2 803	2 144	729	1 971	199	54	108	9 350
December	1 130	2 065	1 661	646	1 555	174	67	107	7 405

2006

January	1 043	1 793	1 501	510	1 538	165	37	41	6 628
February	1 133	2 414	2 183	595	1 759	160	77	83	8 404
March	1 291	2 708	2 352	677	1 858	217	78	78	9 259
April	1 020	1 990	1 743	561	1 632	145	36	63	7 190
May	1 484	2 859	2 408	689	2 231	224	51	109	10 055

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

2005

March	1 534	2 446	1 919	670	1 780	na	na	na	8 682
April	1 503	2 538	2 124	708	1 468	na	na	na	8 724
May	1 485	2 885	2 112	677	1 644	na	na	na	9 143
June	1 591	3 203	2 053	615	1 552	na	na	na	9 357
July	1 880	2 192	2 139	655	1 636	na	na	na	8 833
August	1 452	2 402	2 069	669	1 541	na	na	na	8 435
September	1 458	2 313	1 971	650	1 663	na	na	na	8 363
October	1 325	2 138	2 053	644	1 962	na	na	na	8 405
November	1 201	2 576	2 056	667	1 768	na	na	na	8 594
December	1 228	2 397	1 993	649	1 751	na	na	na	8 370

2006

January	1 278	2 449	1 819	666	1 818	na	na	na	8 339
February	1 193	2 450	2 256	625	1 855	na	na	na	8 714
March	1 240	2 439	2 112	636	1 738	na	na	na	8 527
April	1 276	2 207	2 142	678	2 039	na	na	na	8 620
May	1 285	2 655	2 126	624	1 850	na	na	na	8 858

TREND

2005

March	1 545	2 450	2 003	675	1 660	na	na	na	8 728
April	1 563	2 449	2 038	669	1 623	na	na	na	8 817
May	1 589	2 442	2 070	663	1 589	na	na	na	8 881
June	1 604	2 434	2 087	658	1 580	na	na	na	8 895
July	1 589	2 433	2 088	655	1 603	na	na	na	8 850
August	1 538	2 441	2 070	652	1 651	na	na	na	8 749
September	1 455	2 448	2 039	653	1 707	na	na	na	8 614
October	1 360	2 460	2 013	654	1 756	na	na	na	8 500
November	1 278	2 461	2 003	655	1 788	na	na	na	8 433
December	1 233	2 450	2 012	653	1 809	na	na	na	8 431

2006

January	1 227	2 437	2 037	650	1 821	na	na	na	8 480
February	1 234	2 426	2 071	648	1 834	na	na	na	8 540
March	1 243	2 423	2 103	646	1 853	na	na	na	8 602
April	1 256	2 430	2 131	644	1 874	na	na	na	8 666
May	1 271	2 439	2 154	641	1 903	na	na	na	8 722

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PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2005									
March	-4.8	4.7	8.5	18.2	0.2	14.7	-17.0	121.3	4.7
April	-2.3	6.1	-9.1	-11.5	-6.2	-6.2	10.3	25.0	-2.7
May	17.7	14.2	22.8	16.3	26.9	20.8	2.3	6.2	19.0
June	12.8	19.6	-2.8	-10.7	-11.2	-24.9	50.0	-42.8	3.6
July	-4.2	-37.2	-1.2	-1.5	1.3	25.9	-30.3	7.6	-13.6
August	-9.4	11.5	11.1	12.8	5.9	-8.6	23.9	-1.2	5.7
September	-5.3	-5.4	-20.6	-1.6	-1.1	1.0	7.0	-22.6	-8.2
October	-16.5	-8.1	12.8	-15.5	10.5	-12.4	-37.7	7.7	-2.0
November	5.3	28.8	-1.5	20.3	3.1	17.8	42.1	54.3	11.0
December	-15.8	-26.3	-22.5	-11.4	-21.1	-12.6	24.1	-0.9	-20.8
2006									
January	-7.7	-13.2	-9.6	-21.1	-1.1	-5.2	-44.8	-61.7	-10.5
February	8.6	34.6	45.4	16.7	14.4	-3.0	108.1	102.4	26.8
March	13.9	12.2	7.7	13.8	5.6	35.6	1.3	-6.0	10.2
April	-21.0	-26.5	-25.9	-17.1	-12.2	-33.2	-53.8	-19.2	-22.3
May	45.5	43.7	38.2	22.8	36.7	54.5	41.7	73.0	39.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
March	-3.4	2.6	-0.5	6.3	9.5	na	na	na	2.9
April	-2.0	3.8	10.7	5.6	-17.5	na	na	na	0.5
May	-1.2	13.7	-0.6	-4.3	12.0	na	na	na	4.8
June	7.1	11.0	-2.8	-9.1	-5.6	na	na	na	2.3
July	18.2	-31.5	4.2	6.4	5.4	na	na	na	-5.6
August	-22.8	9.6	-3.3	2.2	-5.8	na	na	na	-4.5
September	0.4	-3.7	-4.7	-2.9	7.9	na	na	na	-0.9
October	-9.1	-7.6	4.2	-0.9	18.0	na	na	na	0.5
November	-9.4	20.5	0.2	3.7	-9.9	na	na	na	2.3
December	2.2	-7.0	-3.1	-2.7	-0.9	na	na	na	-2.6
2006									
January	4.1	2.2	-8.7	2.6	3.8	na	na	na	-0.4
February	-6.6	—	24.0	-6.2	2.0	na	na	na	4.5
March	3.9	-0.4	-6.4	1.7	-6.3	na	na	na	-2.1
April	2.9	-9.5	1.4	6.6	17.3	na	na	na	1.1
May	0.7	20.3	-0.8	-7.9	-9.3	na	na	na	2.8
TREND									
2005									
March	0.3	0.1	1.1	-0.7	-0.9	na	na	na	0.9
April	1.2	—	1.7	-1.0	-2.2	na	na	na	1.0
May	1.7	-0.3	1.6	-0.9	-2.1	na	na	na	0.7
June	0.9	-0.3	0.8	-0.7	-0.6	na	na	na	0.2
July	-0.9	—	0.1	-0.5	1.5	na	na	na	-0.5
August	-3.2	0.3	-0.9	-0.4	3.0	na	na	na	-1.1
September	-5.4	0.3	-1.5	—	3.4	na	na	na	-1.6
October	-6.5	0.5	-1.3	0.3	2.8	na	na	na	-1.3
November	-6.0	—	-0.5	0.1	1.8	na	na	na	-0.8
December	-3.5	-0.5	0.4	-0.3	1.2	na	na	na	—
2006									
January	-0.5	-0.5	1.3	-0.4	0.7	na	na	na	0.6
February	0.6	-0.4	1.6	-0.3	0.7	na	na	na	0.7
March	0.8	-0.1	1.6	-0.3	1.1	na	na	na	0.7
April	1.0	0.3	1.3	-0.3	1.1	na	na	na	0.7
May	1.2	0.4	1.1	-0.4	1.6	na	na	na	0.6

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories: **Original**

<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
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HOUSES									
2002-03	25 068	33 526	27 652	8 652	18 067	1 973	518	1 889	117 345
2003-04	23 560	34 643	29 651	9 105	19 583	2 697	547	1 373	121 159
2004-05	19 286	31 373	25 003	8 364	19 405	2 434	679	985	107 529
2005									
June	1 899	3 604	2 229	672	1 765	168	76	80	10 493
July	1 802	2 257	2 208	678	1 707	215	51	85	9 003
August	1 629	2 531	2 448	761	1 837	205	60	84	9 555
September	1 540	2 388	1 951	756	1 748	203	61	66	8 713
October	1 298	2 198	2 197	671	1 961	171	48	70	8 614
November	1 356	2 855	2 183	766	2 038	200	54	108	9 560
December	1 150	2 078	1 678	660	1 596	175	67	118	7 522
2006									
January	1 052	1 877	1 503	529	1 585	165	37	41	6 789
February	1 142	2 416	2 194	618	1 776	160	77	94	8 477
March	1 296	2 713	2 373	769	1 872	217	78	96	9 414
April	1 049	2 014	1 775	583	1 682	145	36	64	7 348
May	1 491	2 881	2 412	748	2 256	224	52	109	10 173
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OTHER DWELLINGS									
2002-03	25 075	14 686	14 007	2 226	3 741	172	432	1 281	61 620
2003-04	24 599	11 772	15 378	2 478	4 144	444	625	1 763	61 203
2004-05	19 479	11 171	14 057	2 527	4 704	329	709	1 294	54 270
2005									
June	1 046	1 509	1 439	97	408	28	46	33	4 606
July	1 305	482	1 468	239	351	7	115	4	3 971
August	1 406	539	968	266	389	22	73	120	3 783
September	1 641	687	1 410	153	164	34	87	24	4 200
October	1 293	847	1 046	253	241	35	22	4	3 741
November	1 607	581	1 178	145	336	13	73	37	3 970
December	1 724	395	869	216	441	26	48	129	3 848
2006									
January	1 040	505	550	228	441	18	32	25	2 839
February	1 165	535	781	230	183	13	7	151	3 065
March	1 083	913	1 276	309	294	60	85	41	4 061
April	964	530	575	635	347	9	36	58	3 154
May	1 616	857	959	191	490	7	19	136	4 275
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TOTAL DWELLING UNITS									
2002-03	50 143	48 212	41 659	10 878	21 808	2 145	950	3 170	178 965
2003-04	48 159	46 415	45 029	11 583	23 727	3 141	1 172	3 136	182 362
2004-05	38 765	42 544	39 060	10 891	24 109	2 763	1 388	2 279	161 799
2005									
June	2 945	5 113	3 668	769	2 173	196	122	113	15 099
July	3 107	2 739	3 676	917	2 058	222	166	89	12 974
August	3 035	3 070	3 416	1 027	2 226	227	133	204	13 338
September	3 181	3 075	3 361	909	1 912	237	148	90	12 913
October	2 591	3 045	3 243	924	2 202	206	70	74	12 355
November	2 963	3 436	3 361	911	2 374	213	127	145	13 530
December	2 874	2 473	2 547	876	2 037	201	115	247	11 370
2006									
January	2 092	2 382	2 053	757	2 026	183	69	66	9 628
February	2 307	2 951	2 975	848	1 959	173	84	245	11 542
March	2 379	3 626	3 649	1 078	2 166	277	163	137	13 475
April	2 013	2 544	2 350	1 218	2 029	154	72	122	10 502
May	3 107	3 738	3 371	939	2 746	231	71	245	14 448

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By Capital City Statistical Division(a): Original

	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Greater Hobart	Darwin	Canberra
Period	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
HOUSES								
2002-03	10 787	22 657	13 062	5 537	13 295	918	316	1 888
2003-04	9 290	22 698	12 948	5 619	14 079	1 182	330	1 373
2004-05	7 093	20 350	9 801	5 064	13 530	916	428	984
2005								
June	590	2 399	850	383	1 158	81	40	79
July	552	1 443	864	414	1 153	96	26	85
August	609	1 588	874	427	1 204	103	44	84
September	636	1 509	778	442	1 231	77	44	66
October	563	1 398	791	398	1 348	79	35	70
November	546	1 929	853	484	1 408	87	43	107
December	484	1 390	708	348	1 084	69	45	118
2006								
January	424	1 111	603	339	1 125	67	37	41
February	485	1 585	808	350	1 256	70	70	94
March	530	1 826	991	481	1 339	98	61	96
April	429	1 358	743	337	1 252	62	28	64
May	552	1 851	933	491	1 624	92	47	109
OTHER DWELLINGS								
2002-03	20 712	13 792	6 282	2 031	2 893	60	361	1 281
2003-04	19 511	10 675	6 901	2 241	3 077	242	578	1 763
2004-05	14 282	9 874	6 490	1 943	3 716	179	642	1 294
2005								
June	536	1 343	468	88	266	20	43	33
July	804	411	870	203	254	5	115	4
August	940	465	452	240	304	6	73	120
September	1 217	566	600	135	147	20	5	24
October	960	772	615	228	176	3	12	4
November	726	516	358	136	264	—	29	37
December	1 102	318	515	203	403	13	48	129
2006								
January	856	398	260	84	371	12	5	25
February	872	442	359	218	176	4	7	151
March	695	828	733	282	265	—	47	41
April	677	453	193	617	294	—	30	58
May	1 077	700	460	178	230	—	15	136
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS								
2002-03	31 499	36 449	19 344	7 568	16 188	978	677	3 169
2003-04	28 801	33 373	19 849	7 860	17 156	1 424	908	3 136
2004-05	21 375	30 224	16 291	7 007	17 246	1 095	1 070	2 278
2005								
June	1 126	3 742	1 318	471	1 424	101	83	112
July	1 356	1 854	1 734	617	1 407	101	141	89
August	1 549	2 053	1 326	667	1 508	109	117	204
September	1 853	2 075	1 378	577	1 378	97	49	90
October	1 523	2 170	1 406	626	1 524	82	47	74
November	1 272	2 445	1 211	620	1 672	87	72	144
December	1 586	1 708	1 223	551	1 487	82	93	247
2006								
January	1 280	1 509	863	423	1 496	79	42	66
February	1 357	2 027	1 167	568	1 432	74	77	245
March	1 225	2 654	1 724	763	1 604	98	108	137
April	1 106	1 811	936	954	1 546	62	58	122
May	1 629	2 551	1 393	669	1 854	92	62	245

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(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 24.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By sector: **Original**

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings</i>	<i>Conversion (a)</i>	<i>Non-residential building (a)</i>	<i>Total dwelling units</i>
<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
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PRIVATE SECTOR						
2002-03	115 095	56 733	818	1 841	381	174 868
2003-04	119 286	57 029	754	1 488	368	178 925
2004-05	105 415	49 848	519	1 607	178	157 567
2005						
June	10 232	3 989	48	248	25	14 542
July	8 834	3 515	20	212	54	12 635
August	9 342	3 571	30	111	5	13 059
September	8 579	4 006	31	8	32	12 656
October	8 410	3 508	36	13	11	11 978
November	9 335	3 816	33	10	39	13 233
December	7 396	3 718	48	13	23	11 198
2006						
January	6 612	2 612	8	117	17	9 366
February	8 395	2 825	25	147	11	11 403
March	9 247	3 783	110	31	27	13 198
April	7 179	2 772	53	160	38	10 202
May	10 047	4 020	52	33	27	14 179
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PUBLIC SECTOR						
2002-03	2 090	1 994	12	—	1	4 097
2003-04	1 717	1 704	13	2	1	3 437
2004-05	1 942	2 229	22	34	5	4 232
2005						
June	250	267	5	34	1	557
July	157	182	—	—	—	339
August	202	64	13	—	—	279
September	123	132	—	—	2	257
October	192	155	30	—	—	377
November	210	87	—	—	—	297
December	117	54	1	—	—	172
2006						
January	161	99	—	2	—	262
February	73	66	—	—	—	139
March	155	122	—	—	—	277
April	158	137	5	—	—	300
May	118	148	2	—	1	269
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TOTAL						
2002-03	117 185	58 727	830	1 841	382	178 965
2003-04	121 003	58 733	767	1 490	369	182 362
2004-05	107 357	52 077	541	1 641	183	161 799
2005						
June	10 482	4 256	53	282	26	15 099
July	8 991	3 697	20	212	54	12 974
August	9 544	3 635	43	111	5	13 338
September	8 702	4 138	31	8	34	12 913
October	8 602	3 663	66	13	11	12 355
November	9 545	3 903	33	10	39	13 530
December	7 513	3 772	49	13	23	11 370
2006						
January	6 773	2 711	8	119	17	9 628
February	8 468	2 891	25	147	11	11 542
March	9 402	3 905	110	31	27	13 475
April	7 337	2 909	58	160	38	10 502
May	10 165	4 168	54	33	28	14 448

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(a) See Glossary for definition.

<i>States and territories</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings</i>	<i>Conversions(a)</i>	<i>Non-residential building(a)</i>	<i>Total dwelling units</i>
no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
PRIVATE SECTOR						
NSW	1 481	1 546	31	2	8	3 068
Vic.	2 856	802	14	29	14	3 715
Qld	2 408	919	2	—	3	3 332
SA	689	175	—	—	1	865
WA	2 229	420	1	2	1	2 653
Tas.	224	7	—	—	—	231
NT	51	15	4	—	—	70
ACT	109	136	—	—	—	245
Aust.	10 047	4 020	52	33	27	14 179
PUBLIC SECTOR						
NSW	7	32	—	—	—	39
Vic.	22	—	—	—	1	23
Qld	4	35	—	—	—	39
SA	59	15	—	—	—	74
WA	25	66	2	—	—	93
Tas.	—	—	—	—	—	—
NT	1	—	—	—	—	1
ACT	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aust.	118	148	2	—	1	269
TOTAL						
NSW	1 488	1 578	31	2	8	3 107
Vic.	2 878	802	14	29	15	3 738
Qld	2 412	954	2	—	3	3 371
SA	748	190	—	—	1	939
WA	2 254	486	3	2	1	2 746
Tas.	224	7	—	—	—	231
NT	52	15	4	—	—	71
ACT	109	136	—	—	—	245
Aust.	10 165	4 168	54	33	28	14 448

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(a) See Glossary for definition.

Original

Period	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF				NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF				Total new other residential building	Total new residential building
	New houses	One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total		
DWELLING UNITS (no.)										
2002-03	117 185	9 570	12 030	21 600	3 662	5 555	27 910	37 127	58 727	175 912
2003-04	121 003	10 767	13 136	23 903	4 411	5 408	25 011	34 830	58 733	179 736
2004-05	107 357	10 760	12 269	23 029	3 868	5 106	20 074	29 048	52 077	159 434
2005										
March	8 644	1 148	723	1 871	314	456	1 452	2 222	4 093	12 737
April	8 391	991	935	1 926	432	450	1 235	2 117	4 043	12 434
May	10 032	949	1 259	2 208	393	529	2 223	3 145	5 353	15 385
June	10 482	972	1 260	2 232	302	336	1 386	2 024	4 256	14 738
July	8 991	727	751	1 478	285	255	1 679	2 219	3 697	12 688
August	9 544	866	901	1 767	150	746	972	1 868	3 635	13 179
September	8 702	922	901	1 823	381	545	1 389	2 315	4 138	12 840
October	8 602	811	831	1 642	149	541	1 331	2 021	3 663	12 265
November	9 545	821	839	1 660	170	449	1 624	2 243	3 903	13 448
December	7 513	817	808	1 625	217	465	1 465	2 147	3 772	11 285
2006										
January	6 773	534	852	1 386	194	275	856	1 325	2 711	9 484
February	8 468	679	747	1 426	210	251	1 004	1 465	2 891	11 359
March	9 402	722	952	1 674	309	531	1 391	2 231	3 905	13 307
April	7 337	814	728	1 542	271	381	715	1 367	2 909	10 246
May	10 165	1 035	996	2 031	337	348	1 452	2 137	4 168	14 333
VALUE (\$m)										
2002-03	18 768.9	981.3	1 708.8	2 690.0	452.7	774.2	5 939.6	7 166.5	9 856.5	28 625.4
2003-04	21 517.9	1 210.3	2 038.9	3 249.2	633.2	821.1	5 448.2	6 902.5	10 151.7	31 669.6
2004-05	20 913.4	1 302.8	2 092.8	3 395.6	560.3	962.0	4 985.2	6 507.4	9 903.0	30 816.4
2005										
March	1 721.7	139.9	131.1	271.1	48.5	94.5	321.6	464.5	735.6	2 457.3
April	1 660.8	111.9	153.7	265.6	93.0	91.7	251.3	436.0	701.6	2 362.4
May	2 027.3	116.9	224.9	341.7	50.3	138.2	630.3	818.8	1 160.5	3 187.8
June	2 067.9	123.3	202.5	325.8	55.2	53.4	341.7	450.4	776.2	2 844.0
July	1 800.6	96.4	138.6	235.0	44.9	53.4	446.2	544.5	779.5	2 580.1
August	1 940.8	99.1	153.7	252.8	31.2	148.2	310.6	490.1	742.9	2 683.7
September	1 784.8	111.1	141.2	252.4	51.3	78.4	394.5	524.2	776.6	2 561.4
October	1 754.5	110.5	148.1	258.6	34.3	92.0	309.8	436.1	694.7	2 449.2
November	1 968.1	118.2	152.2	270.4	32.4	74.6	350.2	457.2	727.6	2 695.6
December	1 545.5	97.3	141.5	238.8	36.5	60.5	351.2	448.2	687.0	2 232.4
2006										
January	1 421.7	76.5	155.0	231.4	38.8	46.0	185.3	270.2	501.6	1 923.3
February	1 809.3	90.7	125.1	215.8	41.8	42.8	286.0	370.6	586.4	2 395.8
March	1 973.9	99.4	178.9	278.3	45.0	78.7	394.6	518.3	796.6	2 770.4
April	1 590.0	99.5	141.0	240.5	50.8	64.4	128.8	244.1	484.6	2 074.6
May	2 164.8	159.4	175.5	334.9	52.5	63.0	366.2	481.7	816.6	2 981.4

(a) See Glossary for definition.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED IN NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, States and territories—Number and value: **Original**

States and territories	New houses	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF			NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF				Total new other residential building	Total new residential building
		One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total		
DWELLING UNITS (no.)										
NSW	1 488	195	378	573	140	114	751	1 005	1 578	3 066
Vic.	2 878	175	292	467	58	31	246	335	802	3 680
Qld	2 412	169	163	332	53	129	440	622	954	3 366
SA	748	106	51	157	16	17	—	33	190	938
WA	2 254	261	98	359	70	57	—	127	486	2 740
Tas.	224	2	5	7	—	—	—	—	7	231
NT	52	—	—	—	—	—	15	15	15	67
ACT	109	127	9	136	—	—	—	—	136	245
Aust.	10 165	1 035	996	2 031	337	348	1 452	2 137	4 168	14 333
VALUE (\$m)										
NSW	345.0	23.8	62.3	86.1	25.2	26.7	184.7	236.6	322.7	667.6
Vic.	628.8	23.2	51.1	74.4	7.0	6.0	80.9	93.8	168.2	797.0
Qld	533.7	24.6	29.6	54.3	7.9	17.9	97.9	123.7	178.0	711.7
SA	118.0	11.8	8.9	20.7	1.3	3.4	—	4.7	25.3	143.4
WA	462.2	47.9	21.4	69.3	11.2	9.0	—	20.2	89.5	551.7
Tas.	40.6	0.2	0.9	1.1	—	—	—	—	1.1	41.7
NT	13.3	—	—	—	—	—	2.7	2.7	2.7	16.0
ACT	23.3	27.8	1.3	29.1	—	—	—	—	29.1	52.4
Aust.	2 164.8	159.4	175.5	334.9	52.5	63.0	366.2	481.7	816.6	2 981.4

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

<i>Month</i>	<i>New residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings(a)</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>Month</i>	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL					
2005					
April	2 362.4	417.8	2 780.2	1 889.2	4 669.4
May	3 187.8	475.6	3 663.4	1 646.3	5 309.7
June	2 844.0	476.5	3 320.6	1 859.3	5 179.9
July	2 580.1	457.9	3 038.1	2 179.1	5 217.2
August	2 683.7	459.0	3 142.7	1 748.4	4 891.0
September	2 561.4	434.7	2 996.1	2 239.9	5 236.0
October	2 449.2	451.7	2 900.9	2 013.1	4 914.1
November	2 695.6	478.2	3 173.8	2 197.6	5 371.4
December	2 232.4	356.7	2 589.1	1 966.0	4 555.1
2006					
January	1 923.3	365.1	2 288.3	1 539.8	3 828.1
February	2 395.8	493.8	2 889.5	1 719.9	4 609.4
March	2 770.4	473.2	3 243.7	2 051.5	5 295.2
April	2 074.6	395.2	2 469.9	1 708.0	4 177.9
May	2 981.4	516.9	3 498.3	2 240.3	5 738.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
2005					
April	2 464.6	438.1	2 902.6	1 749.2	4 651.8
May	2 898.1	418.4	3 316.5	1 562.7	4 879.2
June	2 664.6	464.3	3 128.8	2 064.3	5 193.1
July	2 596.5	472.3	3 068.8	2 206.5	5 275.3
August	2 481.9	367.1	2 849.0	1 674.2	4 523.2
September	2 465.6	418.7	2 884.2	2 114.3	4 998.6
October	2 453.4	440.5	2 893.9	1 832.4	4 726.3
November	2 499.3	460.6	2 960.0	2 103.8	5 063.8
December	2 469.1	426.1	2 895.2	2 041.4	4 936.6
2006					
January	2 340.8	463.4	2 804.1	1 667.7	4 471.9
February	2 491.2	521.0	3 012.3	1 850.9	4 863.2
March	2 642.8	447.5	3 090.3	1 998.3	5 088.6
April	2 415.0	445.6	2 860.6	1 894.3	4 754.8
May	2 593.1	438.4	3 031.5	2 122.7	5 154.2
TREND					
2005					
April	2 625.1	435.5	3 060.6	1 784.4	4 845.0
May	2 638.6	434.7	3 073.2	1 815.1	4 888.3
June	2 630.2	432.3	3 062.5	1 818.4	4 880.9
July	2 601.4	428.7	3 030.1	1 824.0	4 854.1
August	2 555.6	425.7	2 981.3	1 846.1	4 827.4
September	2 500.2	426.1	2 926.4	1 876.2	4 802.5
October	2 457.2	431.1	2 888.4	1 900.7	4 789.0
November	2 441.2	439.4	2 880.6	1 903.2	4 783.8
December	2 449.2	447.9	2 897.1	1 904.2	4 801.3
2006					
January	2 464.0	453.5	2 917.6	1 905.9	4 823.4
February	2 482.8	453.5	2 936.3	1 905.8	4 842.1
March	2 503.9	451.5	2 955.3	1 922.3	4 877.6
April	2 525.1	448.8	2 973.9	1 953.6	4 927.5
May	2 542.9	445.5	2 988.4	1 980.1	4 968.5

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

Month	New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings(a)	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL					
2005					
April	-3.9	-5.4	-4.1	1.3	-2.0
May	34.9	13.8	31.8	-12.9	13.7
June	-10.8	0.2	-9.4	12.9	-2.4
July	-9.3	-3.9	-8.5	17.2	0.7
August	4.0	0.2	3.4	-19.8	-6.3
September	-4.6	-5.3	-4.7	28.1	7.1
October	-4.4	3.9	-3.2	-10.1	-6.1
November	10.1	5.9	9.4	9.2	9.3
December	-17.2	-25.4	-18.4	-10.5	-15.2
2006					
January	-13.8	2.3	-11.6	-21.7	-16.0
February	24.6	35.3	26.3	11.7	20.4
March	15.6	-4.2	12.3	19.3	14.9
April	-25.1	-16.5	-23.9	-16.7	-21.1
May	43.7	30.8	41.6	31.2	37.4
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
2005					
April	0.7	—	0.6	-19.0	-7.8
May	17.6	-4.5	14.3	-10.7	4.9
June	-8.1	10.9	-5.7	32.1	6.4
July	-2.6	1.7	-1.9	6.9	1.6
August	-4.4	-22.3	-7.2	-24.1	-14.3
September	-0.7	14.1	1.2	26.3	10.5
October	-0.5	5.2	0.3	-13.3	-5.4
November	1.9	4.6	2.3	14.8	7.1
December	-1.2	-7.5	-2.2	-3.0	-2.5
2006					
January	-5.2	8.8	-3.1	-18.3	-9.4
February	6.4	12.4	7.4	11.0	8.7
March	6.1	-14.1	2.6	8.0	4.6
April	-8.6	-0.4	-7.4	-5.2	-6.6
May	7.4	-1.6	6.0	12.1	8.4
TREND					
2005					
April	1.1	0.4	1.0	3.6	1.9
May	0.5	-0.2	0.4	1.7	0.9
June	-0.3	-0.5	-0.3	0.2	-0.2
July	-1.1	-0.8	-1.1	0.3	-0.5
August	-1.8	-0.7	-1.6	1.2	-0.6
September	-2.2	0.1	-1.8	1.6	-0.5
October	-1.7	1.2	-1.3	1.3	-0.3
November	-0.7	1.9	-0.3	0.1	-0.1
December	0.3	1.9	0.6	0.1	0.4
2006					
January	0.6	1.3	0.7	0.1	0.5
February	0.8	—	0.6	—	0.4
March	0.8	-0.5	0.6	0.9	0.7
April	0.8	-0.6	0.6	1.6	1.0
May	0.7	-0.7	0.5	1.4	0.8

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(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2005									
March	1 648.5	1 132.2	1 033.7	351.1	433.7	55.1	52.3	57.0	4 763.7
April	1 251.5	1 380.0	1 026.7	264.9	519.5	114.2	50.9	61.7	4 669.4
May	1 389.0	1 408.5	1 374.4	250.5	565.9	90.9	56.0	174.4	5 309.7
June	1 245.4	1 656.1	1 141.6	260.1	704.9	61.7	41.1	69.1	5 179.9
July	1 155.7	1 466.0	1 600.9	216.7	578.9	70.9	73.0	55.2	5 217.2
August	1 426.4	1 119.0	1 115.4	282.6	623.2	67.0	71.2	186.4	4 891.0
September	1 444.3	1 276.0	1 282.9	342.9	531.8	73.1	39.0	246.0	5 236.0
October	1 150.7	1 288.6	1 299.2	252.5	601.3	72.6	60.2	189.0	4 914.1
November	1 268.7	1 540.9	1 323.6	259.8	677.8	72.9	45.0	182.6	5 371.4
December	1 111.6	988.6	1 222.9	306.6	652.8	62.0	65.0	145.7	4 555.1
2006									
January	1 021.2	893.4	989.9	215.9	525.4	55.1	20.2	107.0	3 828.1
February	1 184.6	1 207.2	1 031.6	330.9	530.3	67.3	38.3	219.4	4 609.4
March	1 183.2	1 618.5	1 312.1	308.6	640.9	82.9	75.4	73.6	5 295.2
April	1 155.1	918.0	894.4	314.3	685.1	50.5	48.4	112.0	4 177.9
May	1 434.9	1 453.7	1 494.5	243.3	774.5	81.3	147.8	108.5	5 738.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
March	1 903.5	1 115.4	907.4	373.7	513.6	na	na	na	5 044.4
April	1 346.6	1 272.1	1 205.2	250.9	519.9	na	na	na	4 651.8
May	1 198.8	1 320.0	1 275.8	257.1	502.9	na	na	na	4 879.2
June	1 320.2	1 682.2	1 108.8	230.4	654.8	na	na	na	5 193.1
July	1 274.5	1 493.3	1 545.7	225.1	542.6	na	na	na	5 275.3
August	1 246.1	1 093.4	1 085.2	235.4	567.7	na	na	na	4 523.2
September	1 269.5	1 236.9	1 158.2	355.5	557.7	na	na	na	4 998.6
October	1 164.7	1 215.4	1 156.1	232.5	612.2	na	na	na	4 726.3
November	1 192.3	1 579.1	1 277.0	266.5	626.8	na	na	na	5 063.8
December	1 213.1	1 114.6	1 424.8	282.8	666.3	na	na	na	4 936.6
2006									
January	1 185.5	1 093.5	1 148.7	249.6	612.5	na	na	na	4 471.9
February	1 150.9	1 251.2	1 144.6	403.4	597.6	na	na	na	4 863.2
March	1 328.4	1 385.9	1 174.8	317.4	690.2	na	na	na	5 088.6
April	1 272.5	979.4	1 090.1	318.2	768.4	na	na	na	4 754.8
May	1 219.8	1 310.5	1 392.4	247.0	646.7	na	na	na	5 154.2
TREND									
2005									
March	1 272.0	1 168.6	1 163.7	279.1	494.2	na	na	na	4 753.2
April	1 277.7	1 215.0	1 193.5	274.7	490.9	na	na	na	4 845.0
May	1 281.0	1 248.0	1 220.1	261.8	494.8	na	na	na	4 888.3
June	1 279.2	1 269.4	1 230.2	245.7	508.4	na	na	na	4 880.9
July	1 268.1	1 283.8	1 233.3	234.3	530.8	na	na	na	4 854.1
August	1 252.8	1 291.8	1 234.0	230.6	557.9	na	na	na	4 827.4
September	1 231.1	1 289.4	1 234.6	235.7	582.9	na	na	na	4 802.5
October	1 209.6	1 286.4	1 233.1	247.9	601.5	na	na	na	4 789.0
November	1 195.6	1 278.8	1 232.8	261.2	615.7	na	na	na	4 783.8
December	1 193.7	1 263.7	1 226.9	273.3	628.9	na	na	na	4 801.3
2006									
January	1 205.0	1 241.8	1 218.5	280.4	642.3	na	na	na	4 823.4
February	1 221.3	1 215.7	1 205.0	282.3	656.7	na	na	na	4 842.1
March	1 237.4	1 201.0	1 196.3	279.9	671.3	na	na	na	4 877.6
April	1 251.4	1 195.7	1 200.7	274.9	684.3	na	na	na	4 927.5
May	1 259.2	1 189.0	1 208.7	267.2	694.7	na	na	na	4 968.5

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VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2005									
March	30.6	2.9	-18.5	83.2	-32.2	-17.3	-26.6	91.6	2.9
April	-24.1	21.9	-0.7	-24.6	19.8	107.4	-2.7	8.2	-2.0
May	11.0	2.1	33.9	-5.4	8.9	-20.3	10.0	182.9	13.7
June	-10.3	17.6	-16.9	3.8	24.6	-32.2	-26.7	-60.4	-2.4
July	-7.2	-11.5	40.2	-16.7	-17.9	14.9	77.8	-20.2	0.7
August	23.4	-23.7	-30.3	30.4	7.7	-5.6	-2.5	237.7	-6.3
September	1.3	14.0	15.0	21.4	-14.7	9.2	-45.2	32.0	7.1
October	-20.3	1.0	1.3	-26.4	13.1	-0.7	54.2	-23.2	-6.1
November	10.3	19.6	1.9	2.9	12.7	0.4	-25.2	-3.4	9.3
December	-12.4	-35.8	-7.6	18.0	-3.7	-15.0	44.4	-20.2	-15.2
2006									
January	-8.1	-9.6	-19.1	-29.6	-19.5	-11.0	-69.0	-26.6	-16.0
February	16.0	35.1	4.2	53.2	0.9	22.1	89.9	105.0	20.4
March	-0.1	34.1	27.2	-6.7	20.9	23.1	97.0	-66.4	14.9
April	-2.4	-43.3	-31.8	1.8	6.9	-39.1	-35.9	52.2	-21.1
May	24.2	58.4	67.1	-22.6	13.0	61.2	205.7	-3.2	37.4
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
March	54.7	-1.6	-36.3	63.9	-24.5	na	na	na	3.5
April	-29.3	14.1	32.8	-32.9	1.2	na	na	na	-7.8
May	-11.0	3.8	5.9	2.5	-3.3	na	na	na	4.9
June	10.1	27.4	-13.1	-10.4	30.2	na	na	na	6.4
July	-3.5	-11.2	39.4	-2.3	-17.1	na	na	na	1.6
August	-2.2	-26.8	-29.8	4.6	4.6	na	na	na	-14.3
September	1.9	13.1	6.7	51.0	-1.8	na	na	na	10.5
October	-8.3	-1.7	-0.2	-34.6	9.8	na	na	na	-5.4
November	2.4	29.9	10.5	14.6	2.4	na	na	na	7.1
December	1.7	-29.4	11.6	6.1	6.3	na	na	na	-2.5
2006									
January	-2.3	-1.9	-19.4	-11.7	-8.1	na	na	na	-9.4
February	-2.9	14.4	-0.4	61.6	-2.4	na	na	na	8.7
March	15.4	10.8	2.6	-21.3	15.5	na	na	na	4.6
April	-4.2	-29.3	-7.2	0.2	11.3	na	na	na	-6.6
May	-4.1	33.8	27.7	-22.4	-15.8	na	na	na	8.4
TREND									
2005									
March	0.6	3.7	2.6	1.7	-1.6	na	na	na	2.6
April	0.4	4.0	2.6	-1.6	-0.7	na	na	na	1.9
May	0.3	2.7	2.2	-4.7	0.8	na	na	na	0.9
June	-0.1	1.7	0.8	-6.2	2.7	na	na	na	-0.2
July	-0.9	1.1	0.3	-4.6	4.4	na	na	na	-0.5
August	-1.2	0.6	0.1	-1.6	5.1	na	na	na	-0.6
September	-1.7	-0.2	—	2.2	4.5	na	na	na	-0.5
October	-1.7	-0.2	-0.1	5.2	3.2	na	na	na	-0.3
November	-1.2	-0.6	—	5.4	2.4	na	na	na	-0.1
December	-0.2	-1.2	-0.5	4.6	2.1	na	na	na	0.4
2006									
January	0.9	-1.7	-0.7	2.6	2.1	na	na	na	0.5
February	1.3	-2.1	-1.1	0.7	2.2	na	na	na	0.4
March	1.3	-1.2	-0.7	-0.9	2.2	na	na	na	0.7
April	1.1	-0.4	0.4	-1.8	1.9	na	na	na	1.0
May	0.6	-0.6	0.7	-2.8	1.5	na	na	na	0.8

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VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2005									
March	786.6	773.6	677.9	183.8	350.6	48.2	35.4	42.8	2 898.8
April	684.6	820.6	668.6	145.6	368.9	41.1	14.8	36.1	2 780.2
May	908.2	1 003.1	987.2	181.8	444.7	54.3	32.9	51.1	3 663.4
June	753.9	1 070.8	844.2	144.9	406.4	44.5	26.3	29.6	3 320.6
July	753.4	647.3	905.7	170.9	416.7	46.1	68.2	29.7	3 038.1
August	813.5	705.1	840.1	163.7	479.6	45.8	43.5	51.4	3 142.7
September	844.4	703.0	787.9	163.8	392.6	48.2	29.0	27.3	2 996.1
October	668.3	746.4	773.6	158.8	463.3	46.2	21.8	22.5	2 900.9
November	772.6	803.5	798.9	174.2	504.7	46.7	37.2	36.1	3 173.8
December	675.4	615.0	556.4	160.5	424.6	42.0	30.6	84.5	2 589.1
2006									
January	556.3	548.4	545.9	149.9	416.8	39.9	13.8	17.3	2 288.3
February	673.1	746.3	733.9	202.3	416.2	39.1	26.1	52.6	2 889.5
March	653.5	913.5	848.2	229.8	469.5	57.0	36.9	35.3	3 243.7
April	519.8	629.2	582.8	200.5	446.4	36.8	23.7	30.6	2 469.9
May	830.0	956.4	815.0	168.8	592.1	53.0	22.5	60.5	3 498.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
March	811.1	794.2	574.5	184.8	396.8	na	na	na	2 884.9
April	761.8	757.3	756.3	154.1	373.8	na	na	na	2 902.6
May	781.6	958.5	897.0	174.7	398.3	na	na	na	3 316.5
June	750.9	972.1	784.6	140.8	377.4	na	na	na	3 128.8
July	761.0	710.2	895.7	165.2	395.1	na	na	na	3 068.8
August	715.5	666.3	761.2	153.2	432.5	na	na	na	2 849.0
September	761.7	679.0	751.1	162.6	426.0	na	na	na	2 884.2
October	717.6	668.5	793.5	158.6	466.5	na	na	na	2 893.9
November	705.4	765.6	747.5	161.8	465.3	na	na	na	2 960.0
December	720.2	709.7	661.3	158.9	470.0	na	na	na	2 895.2
2006									
January	700.6	700.5	662.4	163.7	487.2	na	na	na	2 804.1
February	679.0	787.2	779.5	220.7	414.0	na	na	na	3 012.3
March	663.1	852.7	744.1	225.4	478.6	na	na	na	3 090.3
April	632.4	669.3	704.8	228.6	511.0	na	na	na	2 860.6
May	687.9	865.6	727.3	160.5	490.3	na	na	na	3 031.5
TREND									
2005									
March	790.0	776.7	766.9	165.0	375.7	na	na	na	3 030.1
April	781.6	780.1	780.4	164.5	380.5	na	na	na	3 060.6
May	771.7	774.7	797.4	162.2	385.6	na	na	na	3 073.2
June	761.1	762.2	812.8	159.8	393.8	na	na	na	3 062.5
July	750.5	747.0	819.9	157.9	405.4	na	na	na	3 030.1
August	741.0	733.1	809.5	157.2	421.1	na	na	na	2 981.3
September	733.8	722.2	782.1	158.1	438.3	na	na	na	2 926.4
October	726.8	720.2	749.3	159.2	452.2	na	na	na	2 888.4
November	717.4	725.0	727.5	160.3	460.5	na	na	na	2 880.6
December	705.9	735.5	716.9	161.7	464.2	na	na	na	2 897.1
2006									
January	693.0	748.0	714.9	163.4	466.0	na	na	na	2 917.6
February	680.5	760.1	717.6	165.6	469.5	na	na	na	2 936.3
March	670.2	773.5	721.6	167.7	475.2	na	na	na	2 955.3
April	663.0	787.2	725.2	169.4	481.8	na	na	na	2 973.9
May	657.9	800.0	730.9	170.6	489.1	na	na	na	2 988.4

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VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2005									
March	861.9	358.6	355.9	167.3	83.2	6.9	17.0	14.2	1 864.9
April	566.9	559.4	358.2	119.3	150.7	73.0	36.2	25.5	1 889.2
May	480.8	405.5	387.1	68.7	121.2	36.6	23.1	123.3	1 646.3
June	491.5	585.3	297.4	115.2	298.5	17.2	14.7	39.6	1 859.3
July	402.3	818.7	695.2	45.8	162.2	24.8	4.8	25.5	2 179.1
August	612.9	413.9	275.2	118.9	143.6	21.1	27.7	135.0	1 748.4
September	599.9	573.0	495.0	179.1	139.2	25.0	10.0	218.8	2 239.9
October	482.3	542.2	525.6	93.7	138.0	26.5	38.3	166.5	2 013.1
November	496.1	737.5	524.8	85.6	173.1	26.2	7.8	146.5	2 197.6
December	436.2	373.6	666.5	146.0	228.1	19.9	34.4	61.2	1 966.0
2006									
January	464.9	345.0	444.0	66.0	108.6	15.3	6.4	89.7	1 539.8
February	511.5	460.9	297.7	128.6	114.1	28.2	12.2	166.8	1 719.9
March	529.8	704.9	463.9	78.8	171.4	25.8	38.5	38.4	2 051.5
April	635.3	288.8	311.6	113.8	238.7	13.7	24.6	81.5	1 708.0
May	604.8	497.3	679.6	74.6	182.4	28.3	125.3	48.0	2 240.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
March	1 092.4	321.2	333.0	188.9	116.7	na	na	na	2 159.5
April	584.8	514.8	448.9	96.8	146.0	na	na	na	1 749.2
May	417.2	361.4	378.7	82.4	104.7	na	na	na	1 562.7
June	569.3	710.1	324.2	89.7	277.5	na	na	na	2 064.3
July	513.4	783.1	650.0	59.9	147.5	na	na	na	2 206.5
August	530.6	427.1	324.1	82.2	135.2	na	na	na	1 674.2
September	507.8	558.0	407.1	192.9	131.8	na	na	na	2 114.3
October	447.0	546.9	362.6	73.9	145.7	na	na	na	1 832.4
November	486.9	813.5	529.5	104.6	161.5	na	na	na	2 103.8
December	492.9	405.0	763.5	123.9	196.3	na	na	na	2 041.4
2006									
January	484.9	393.1	486.3	85.9	125.3	na	na	na	1 667.7
February	471.9	464.0	365.2	182.7	183.6	na	na	na	1 850.9
March	665.4	533.2	430.7	92.0	211.6	na	na	na	1 998.3
April	640.1	310.1	385.3	89.6	257.5	na	na	na	1 894.3
May	531.9	444.9	665.1	86.5	156.3	na	na	na	2 122.7
TREND									
2005									
March	482.1	391.9	396.9	114.1	118.5	na	na	na	1 723.1
April	496.1	435.0	413.1	110.2	110.5	na	na	na	1 784.4
May	509.3	473.3	422.7	99.6	109.3	na	na	na	1 815.1
June	518.1	507.2	417.4	86.0	114.5	na	na	na	1 818.4
July	517.6	536.7	413.4	76.5	125.3	na	na	na	1 824.0
August	511.7	558.7	424.5	73.4	136.8	na	na	na	1 846.1
September	497.3	567.3	452.5	77.5	144.6	na	na	na	1 876.2
October	482.8	566.2	483.8	88.7	149.3	na	na	na	1 900.7
November	478.2	553.8	505.3	101.0	155.2	na	na	na	1 903.2
December	487.8	528.2	510.0	111.6	164.7	na	na	na	1 904.2
2006									
January	512.0	493.9	503.6	117.0	176.3	na	na	na	1 905.9
February	540.8	455.6	487.4	116.7	187.2	na	na	na	1 905.8
March	567.2	427.5	474.7	112.2	196.1	na	na	na	1 922.3
April	588.5	408.5	475.6	105.5	202.5	na	na	na	1 953.6
May	601.3	389.0	477.8	96.6	205.6	na	na	na	1 980.1

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, By sector: **Original**

Period	New houses	New other residential building	Alterations and additions creating dwellings	Alterations and additions not creating dwellings	Conversions	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
PRIVATE SECTOR								
2002-03	18 474.2	9 601.3	106.6	4 004.0	276.4	32 462.5	13 704.9	46 167.4
2003-04	21 243.6	9 919.0	118.0	4 655.2	287.8	36 223.7	12 972.2	49 195.8
2004-05	20 550.0	9 521.0	63.8	4 737.1	220.5	35 092.4	15 807.7	50 900.1
2005								
June	2 024.7	725.9	6.3	431.4	10.1	3 198.5	1 603.4	4 802.0
July	1 773.4	755.3	3.5	392.9	46.7	2 971.8	1 726.1	4 698.0
August	1 905.8	733.4	5.6	436.6	4.8	3 086.2	1 271.9	4 358.2
September	1 764.5	756.8	3.4	419.9	0.3	2 945.0	1 831.2	4 776.2
October	1 720.4	673.8	3.6	430.7	3.1	2 831.8	1 587.0	4 418.7
November	1 924.2	709.5	6.5	441.2	1.0	3 082.3	1 813.6	4 895.9
December	1 521.9	679.4	3.3	337.7	5.0	2 547.3	1 363.1	3 910.4
2006								
January	1 387.8	482.6	0.5	319.8	25.5	2 216.3	1 096.1	3 312.4
February	1 796.1	575.0	3.4	423.1	58.2	2 855.7	1 273.1	4 128.8
March	1 950.5	778.6	10.0	445.0	7.4	3 191.6	1 688.8	4 880.3
April	1 556.3	461.1	9.7	358.6	18.9	2 404.6	1 391.3	3 795.9
May	2 146.7	793.2	5.6	490.2	6.1	3 441.9	1 442.0	4 883.9
PUBLIC SECTOR								
2002-03	294.7	255.3	1.8	179.6	—	731.3	3 458.9	4 190.2
2003-04	274.3	232.6	1.7	159.4	0.4	668.5	3 957.0	4 625.5
2004-05	363.4	382.1	7.4	174.4	14.1	941.3	4 092.0	5 033.3
2005								
June	43.1	50.2	1.4	13.2	14.1	122.0	255.9	377.9
July	27.2	24.2	—	14.9	—	66.3	453.0	519.3
August	35.0	9.4	1.2	10.8	—	56.5	476.4	532.9
September	20.2	19.8	—	11.1	—	51.1	408.7	459.9
October	34.1	20.9	2.4	11.8	—	69.2	426.1	495.3
November	43.9	18.1	—	29.6	—	91.5	384.0	475.6
December	23.5	7.5	—	10.7	—	41.8	602.9	644.7
2006								
January	33.9	18.9	—	19.0	0.2	72.0	443.7	515.8
February	13.2	11.5	—	9.1	—	33.8	446.9	480.6
March	23.4	17.9	—	10.8	—	52.1	362.7	414.8
April	33.7	23.5	1.0	7.1	—	65.2	316.7	382.0
May	18.1	23.3	0.5	14.5	—	56.4	798.2	854.6
TOTAL								
2002-03	18 768.9	9 856.5	108.4	4 183.5	276.4	33 193.8	17 163.8	50 357.6
2003-04	21 517.9	10 151.7	119.8	4 814.6	288.2	36 892.1	16 929.2	53 821.3
2004-05	20 913.4	9 903.0	71.2	4 911.5	234.6	36 033.7	19 899.7	55 933.4
2005								
June	2 067.9	776.2	7.7	444.6	24.2	3 320.6	1 859.3	5 179.9
July	1 800.6	779.5	3.5	407.7	46.7	3 038.1	2 179.1	5 217.2
August	1 940.8	742.9	6.8	447.4	4.8	3 142.7	1 748.4	4 891.0
September	1 784.8	776.6	3.4	431.0	0.3	2 996.1	2 239.9	5 236.0
October	1 754.5	694.7	6.0	442.6	3.1	2 900.9	2 013.1	4 914.1
November	1 968.1	727.6	6.5	470.8	1.0	3 173.8	2 197.6	5 371.4
December	1 545.5	687.0	3.3	348.3	5.0	2 589.1	1 966.0	4 555.1
2006								
January	1 421.7	501.6	0.5	338.8	25.7	2 288.3	1 539.8	3 828.1
February	1 809.3	586.4	3.4	432.2	58.2	2 889.5	1 719.9	4 609.4
March	1 973.9	796.6	10.0	455.8	7.4	3 243.7	2 051.5	5 295.2
April	1 590.0	484.6	10.7	365.7	18.9	2 469.9	1 708.0	4 177.9
May	2 164.8	816.6	6.1	504.7	6.1	3 498.3	2 240.3	5 738.6

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories—By sector: **Original**

States and territories	New houses	New other residential building	Alterations and additions creating dwellings	Alterations and additions not creating dwellings	Conversions	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
PRIVATE SECTOR								
NSW	343.6	316.5	3.2	158.2	0.1	821.7	375.3	1 197.0
Vic.	625.9	168.2	1.4	143.2	5.9	944.6	395.9	1 340.5
Qld	533.0	171.8	0.3	102.2	—	807.3	301.5	1 108.8
SA	110.8	23.6	—	25.4	—	159.8	48.2	208.0
WA	456.5	80.3	0.6	35.7	0.1	573.2	146.1	719.3
Tas.	40.6	1.1	—	11.2	—	52.9	18.1	70.9
NT	12.9	2.7	0.2	6.2	—	21.9	121.5	143.4
ACT	23.3	29.1	—	8.1	—	60.5	35.5	96.0
Aust.	2 146.7	793.2	5.6	490.2	6.1	3 441.9	1 442.0	4 883.9
PUBLIC SECTOR								
NSW	1.3	6.2	—	0.8	—	8.3	229.5	237.9
Vic.	2.8	—	—	9.0	—	11.8	101.4	113.2
Qld	0.7	6.2	—	0.8	—	7.6	378.1	385.7
SA	7.2	1.8	—	—	—	9.0	26.4	35.4
WA	5.7	9.2	0.5	3.5	—	18.9	36.3	55.2
Tas.	—	—	—	0.2	—	0.2	10.2	10.4
NT	0.4	—	—	0.2	—	0.6	3.8	4.4
ACT	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.5	12.5
Aust.	18.1	23.3	0.5	14.5	—	56.4	798.2	854.6
TOTAL								
NSW	345.0	322.7	3.2	159.0	0.1	830.0	604.8	1 434.9
Vic.	628.8	168.2	1.4	152.2	5.9	956.4	497.3	1 453.7
Qld	533.7	178.0	0.3	103.0	—	815.0	679.6	1 494.5
SA	118.0	25.3	—	25.4	—	168.8	74.6	243.3
WA	462.2	89.5	1.1	39.3	0.1	592.1	182.4	774.5
Tas.	40.6	1.1	—	11.4	—	53.0	28.3	81.3
NT	13.3	2.7	0.2	6.4	—	22.5	125.3	147.8
ACT	23.3	29.1	—	8.1	—	60.5	48.0	108.5
Aust.	2 164.8	816.6	6.1	504.7	6.1	3 498.3	2 240.3	5 738.6

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VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories: **Original**

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	64.1	83.3	60.1	10.9	40.2	3.8	8.7	5.8	276.8
Transport	24.0	3.3	1.6	8.1	0.3	—	—	—	37.3
Offices	56.2	100.1	73.5	3.6	12.8	2.1	0.5	22.0	270.7
Other commercial n.e.c.	3.2	3.8	3.4	1.0	0.3	—	0.1	—	11.8
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>147.4</i>	<i>190.5</i>	<i>138.6</i>	<i>23.5</i>	<i>53.5</i>	<i>5.8</i>	<i>9.3</i>	<i>27.9</i>	<i>596.6</i>
Industrial									
Factories	69.8	21.3	40.0	1.8	11.9	2.0	1.5	0.4	148.6
Warehouses	62.3	74.9	70.3	13.2	31.2	1.5	3.7	1.2	258.3
Agricultural/aquacultural	0.8	6.6	1.9	5.5	2.0	0.9	0.1	—	17.8
Other industrial n.e.c.	4.2	11.1	9.2	0.1	2.1	1.7	—	—	28.3
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>137.1</i>	<i>113.8</i>	<i>121.4</i>	<i>20.6</i>	<i>47.3</i>	<i>6.0</i>	<i>5.2</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>453.1</i>
Other non-residential									
Educational	72.1	52.8	78.7	15.2	22.3	6.6	3.4	0.9	251.9
Religious	2.3	6.0	3.3	0.3	6.1	2.5	—	—	20.4
Aged care facilities	21.8	33.6	17.0	3.2	26.2	1.2	—	14.5	117.5
Health	14.6	45.2	8.5	3.2	2.3	0.3	0.8	1.2	76.1
Entertainment and recreation	20.5	29.1	9.4	3.3	1.9	3.9	103.7	0.5	172.3
Accommodation	26.9	8.7	8.2	0.1	16.5	1.0	2.5	—	64.0
Other non-residential n.e.c.	162.1	17.7	294.4	5.2	6.3	0.8	0.3	1.4	488.2
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>320.3</i>	<i>193.0</i>	<i>419.5</i>	<i>30.4</i>	<i>81.6</i>	<i>16.4</i>	<i>110.8</i>	<i>18.5</i>	<i>1 190.6</i>
Total non-residential	604.8	497.3	679.6	74.6	182.4	28.3	125.3	48.0	2 240.3

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Original

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
PRIVATE SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	59.3	82.9	59.2	10.5	40.2	3.8	8.7	5.8	270.4
Transport	16.8	3.1	1.5	2.2	0.3	—	—	—	24.0
Offices	47.9	87.3	71.3	3.4	4.5	1.1	0.2	10.3	225.9
Other commercial n.e.c.	3.2	3.8	3.4	1.0	0.3	—	0.1	—	11.8
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>127.3</i>	<i>177.2</i>	<i>135.4</i>	<i>17.1</i>	<i>45.2</i>	<i>4.8</i>	<i>9.0</i>	<i>16.2</i>	<i>532.1</i>
Industrial									
Factories	68.8	21.1	38.4	1.4	11.9	1.9	1.5	0.4	145.5
Warehouses	62.0	74.7	61.7	13.2	27.9	1.5	3.7	1.2	245.9
Agricultural/aquacultural	0.8	6.6	1.9	1.4	2.0	0.9	0.1	—	13.7
Other industrial n.e.c.	3.9	11.0	2.1	0.1	2.1	1.7	—	—	20.8
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>135.5</i>	<i>113.3</i>	<i>104.2</i>	<i>16.1</i>	<i>44.0</i>	<i>6.0</i>	<i>5.2</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>425.9</i>
Other non-residential									
Educational	40.8	25.3	13.4	6.9	6.0	1.7	3.2	0.8	98.2
Religious	2.3	6.0	3.3	0.3	6.1	2.5	—	—	20.4
Aged care facilities	14.7	33.6	16.7	3.2	25.9	1.2	—	14.5	109.8
Health	6.7	6.7	5.0	1.6	2.3	—	—	1.2	23.3
Entertainment and recreation	16.7	19.8	8.4	1.1	1.3	0.2	103.6	0.4	151.5
Accommodation	26.5	8.1	7.2	0.1	13.8	1.0	0.4	—	57.1
Other non-residential n.e.c.	4.8	6.1	7.9	1.9	1.5	0.6	0.1	0.9	23.7
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>112.5</i>	<i>105.5</i>	<i>61.9</i>	<i>15.0</i>	<i>56.9</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>107.3</i>	<i>17.7</i>	<i>484.0</i>
Total non-residential	375.3	395.9	301.5	48.2	146.1	18.1	121.5	35.5	1 442.0
PUBLIC SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	4.8	0.4	0.9	0.4	—	—	—	—	6.4
Transport	7.1	0.2	0.1	5.9	—	—	—	—	13.3
Offices	8.3	12.8	2.2	0.2	8.3	1.0	0.3	11.7	44.8
Other commercial n.e.c.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>20.2</i>	<i>13.4</i>	<i>3.2</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>8.3</i>	<i>1.0</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>11.7</i>	<i>64.5</i>
Industrial									
Factories	1.0	0.2	1.5	0.4	—	0.1	—	—	3.1
Warehouses	0.3	0.2	8.6	—	3.3	—	—	—	12.4
Agricultural/aquacultural	—	—	—	4.1	—	—	—	—	4.1
Other industrial n.e.c.	0.3	0.1	7.1	—	—	—	—	—	7.5
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>17.2</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>3.3</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>27.2</i>
Other non-residential									
Educational	31.2	27.5	65.3	8.3	16.3	4.9	0.2	0.1	153.7
Religious	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aged care facilities	7.0	—	0.4	—	0.3	—	—	—	7.7
Health	7.9	38.6	3.6	1.6	—	0.3	0.8	—	52.9
Entertainment and recreation	3.8	9.3	1.0	2.2	0.5	3.7	0.1	0.2	20.9
Accommodation	0.5	0.6	1.0	—	2.8	—	2.1	—	6.9
Other non-residential n.e.c.	157.3	11.6	286.4	3.3	4.8	0.2	0.3	0.5	464.4
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>207.8</i>	<i>87.5</i>	<i>357.7</i>	<i>15.4</i>	<i>24.7</i>	<i>9.2</i>	<i>3.5</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>706.5</i>
Total non-residential	229.5	101.4	378.1	26.4	36.3	10.2	3.8	12.5	798.2

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	\$50,000 to less than \$1m	\$1m to less than \$5m	\$5m and over	Total
BUILDING JOBS (no.)				
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	662	45	10	717
Transport	15	5	2	22
Offices	407	45	8	460
Other commercial n.e.c.	26	4	—	30
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>1 110</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>1 229</i>
Industrial				
Factories	111	24	5	140
Warehouses	199	52	12	263
Agricultural/aquacultural	51	4	—	55
Other industrial n.e.c.	54	3	2	59
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>415</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>517</i>
Other non-residential				
Educational	234	32	11	277
Religious	17	5	1	23
Aged care facilities	42	8	10	60
Health	64	15	2	81
Entertainment and recreation	107	17	2	126
Accommodation	51	11	3	65
Other non-residential n.e.c.	103	17	6	126
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>618</i>	<i>105</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>758</i>
Total non-residential	2 143	287	74	2 504

	VALUE (\$m)			
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	117.6	83.5	75.8	276.8
Transport	3.9	11.4	21.9	37.3
Offices	93.0	103.5	74.2	270.7
Other commercial n.e.c.	4.8	7.0	—	11.8
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>219.4</i>	<i>205.4</i>	<i>171.8</i>	<i>596.6</i>
Industrial				
Factories	36.3	40.6	71.7	148.6
Warehouses	64.1	107.9	86.3	258.3
Agricultural/aquacultural	7.4	10.4	—	17.8
Other industrial n.e.c.	9.9	5.8	12.6	28.3
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>117.7</i>	<i>164.7</i>	<i>170.6</i>	<i>453.1</i>
Other non-residential				
Educational	70.6	75.7	105.6	251.9
Religious	4.6	10.1	5.8	20.4
Aged care facilities	11.9	17.9	87.8	117.5
Health	16.6	30.5	29.0	76.1
Entertainment and recreation	27.8	29.7	114.9	172.3
Accommodation	11.0	21.8	31.2	64.0
Other non-residential n.e.c.	25.4	32.3	430.4	488.2
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>167.9</i>	<i>218.0</i>	<i>804.6</i>	<i>1 190.6</i>
Total non-residential	505.0	588.2	1 147.1	2 240.3

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Chain volume measures(a)

Period	New houses	New other residential building	New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b)	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
ORIGINAL (\$m)							
2002-03	20 108.4	10 810.0	30 897.5	4 844.7	35 738.4	18 808.0	54 517.5
2003-04	21 517.9	10 151.7	31 669.6	5 222.6	36 892.1	16 929.2	53 821.3
2004-05	19 782.6	9 123.9	28 906.5	4 966.9	33 873.5	18 380.2	52 253.7
2004							
December Qtr	4 807.1	2 350.7	7 157.7	1 191.9	8 349.7	4 295.6	12 645.3
2005							
March Qtr	4 393.3	2 110.7	6 504.0	1 109.1	7 613.1	4 634.8	12 247.9
June Qtr	5 352.5	2 384.2	7 736.6	1 285.3	9 021.9	4 905.6	13 927.5
September Qtr	5 054.7	2 029.2	7 083.9	1 252.3	8 336.2	5 538.9	13 875.2
December Qtr	4 754.4	1 864.1	6 618.5	1 180.8	7 799.2	5 459.5	13 258.8
2006							
March Qtr	4 677.1	1 656.4	6 333.6	1 220.4	7 554.0	4 691.1	12 245.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$m)							
2004							
December Qtr	4 829.7	2 297.0	7 126.7	1 223.3	8 350.0	4 295.5	12 645.6
2005							
March Qtr	4 894.3	2 377.1	7 271.4	1 228.9	8 500.3	4 634.6	13 135.1
June Qtr	5 078.9	2 249.5	7 328.4	1 241.3	8 569.7	4 905.8	13 475.3
September Qtr	4 815.9	1 964.8	6 780.6	1 153.8	7 934.4	5 540.2	13 473.3
December Qtr	4 776.1	1 819.5	6 595.6	1 212.9	7 808.5	5 461.6	13 268.0
2006							
March Qtr	5 018.9	1 741.4	6 760.4	1 330.3	8 090.6	4 692.2	12 781.8
TREND (\$m)							
2004							
December Qtr	4 893.7	2 305.5	7 199.2	1 248.8	8 448.2	4 441.6	12 889.7
2005							
March Qtr	4 920.8	2 300.7	7 221.6	1 225.3	8 446.9	4 640.8	13 087.8
June Qtr	4 924.3	2 213.6	7 137.9	1 202.1	8 340.1	5 043.1	13 382.7
September Qtr	4 890.2	2 014.4	6 907.2	1 200.8	8 108.0	5 316.7	13 416.6
December Qtr	4 870.2	1 839.3	6 710.9	1 229.8	7 940.8	5 272.5	13 209.6
2006							
March Qtr	4 890.3	1 737.8	6 606.8	1 280.5	7 887.3	5 071.2	12 967.0
TREND (% change from previous quarter)							
2004							
December Qtr	-1.6	-3.0	-2.0	-1.1	-1.9	2.4	-0.4
2005							
March Qtr	0.6	-0.2	0.3	-1.9	—	4.5	1.5
June Qtr	0.1	-3.8	-1.2	-1.9	-1.3	8.7	2.3
September Qtr	-0.7	-9.0	-3.2	-0.1	-2.8	5.4	0.3
December Qtr	-0.4	-8.7	-2.8	2.4	-2.1	-0.8	-1.5
2006							
March Qtr	0.4	-5.5	-1.6	4.1	-0.7	-3.8	-1.8

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(b) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2003-04. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 23.

<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
2002-03	10 579.3	10 351.6	8 232.3	1 763.4	3 623.4	350.9	203.4	590.7	35 738.4
2003-04	10 500.4	10 140.4	9 094.0	1 842.0	3 879.4	553.9	260.1	622.0	36 892.1
2004-05	8 933.2	9 380.2	8 387.3	1 848.2	3 985.0	485.4	328.0	526.2	33 873.5
2004									
December Qtr	2 247.8	2 233.2	2 000.6	488.1	995.6	129.7	64.4	190.4	8 349.7
2005									
March Qtr	2 006.4	1 994.8	1 924.9	436.0	888.9	113.3	95.2	153.5	7 613.1
June Qtr	2 183.3	2 781.1	2 274.6	446.7	1 037.5	122.1	64.5	112.1	9 021.9
September Qtr	2 232.4	1 942.0	2 293.5	467.3	1 058.6	121.8	118.9	101.8	8 336.2
December Qtr	1 947.6	2 044.3	1 922.7	459.9	1 101.5	117.3	74.9	131.0	7 799.2
2006									
March Qtr	1 734.6	2 098.8	1 916.2	536.0	992.4	116.5	63.3	96.3	7 554.0
NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
2002-03	6 513.3	5 473.7	3 332.0	1 057.6	1 692.8	210.9	160.1	388.9	18 808.0
2003-04	5 395.4	4 871.9	3 249.3	1 179.2	1 522.4	187.0	169.5	354.4	16 929.2
2004-05	5 992.3	4 810.8	3 807.5	1 064.5	1 757.7	299.2	240.2	408.1	18 380.2
2004									
December Qtr	1 290.8	1 079.1	1 064.9	223.9	404.4	87.8	75.5	69.2	4 295.6
2005									
March Qtr	1 723.7	958.0	894.5	363.1	472.2	53.7	44.2	125.4	4 634.8
June Qtr	1 429.2	1 479.7	884.1	274.3	495.0	116.6	61.7	165.0	4 905.6
September Qtr	1 486.6	1 725.7	1 211.6	307.0	379.8	64.6	34.9	328.7	5 538.9
December Qtr	1 289.5	1 576.4	1 399.2	288.7	453.7	65.7	65.6	320.8	5 459.5
2006									
March Qtr	1 360.5	1 430.9	971.0	241.3	327.8	62.2	46.1	251.3	4 691.1
TOTAL BUILDING									
2002-03	17 060.2	15 812.7	11 567.7	2 820.0	5 316.3	564.0	363.4	980.0	54 517.5
2003-04	15 895.8	15 012.3	12 343.2	3 021.2	5 401.8	740.9	429.6	976.4	53 821.3
2004-05	14 925.6	14 191.0	12 194.8	2 912.7	5 742.6	784.6	568.2	934.3	52 253.7
2004									
December Qtr	3 538.6	3 312.3	3 065.5	712.0	1 399.9	217.5	139.8	259.7	12 645.3
2005									
March Qtr	3 730.2	2 952.8	2 819.4	799.1	1 361.1	167.1	139.4	279.0	12 247.9
June Qtr	3 612.5	4 260.8	3 158.7	720.9	1 532.5	238.8	126.3	277.1	13 927.5
September Qtr	3 719.0	3 667.6	3 505.1	774.3	1 438.4	186.4	153.8	430.5	13 875.2
December Qtr	3 237.1	3 620.7	3 321.9	748.6	1 555.2	182.9	140.5	451.9	13 258.8
2006									
March Qtr	3 095.1	3 529.7	2 887.2	777.3	1 320.2	178.7	109.4	347.6	12 245.1

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2003-04. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 23.

WHAT IF...? REVISIONS TO TREND ESTIMATES

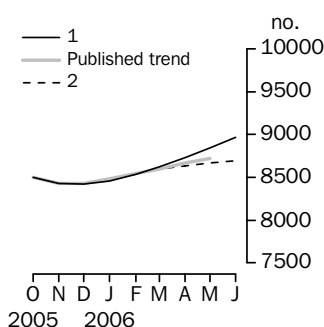
EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

TREND REVISIONS

Recent seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are likely to be revised when original estimates for subsequent months become available. The approximate effect of possible scenarios on trend estimates are presented below. Generally, the greater the volatility of the original series, the larger the size of the revisions to trend estimates. Analysis of the building approval original series has shown that they can be revised substantially. As a result, some months can elapse before turning points in the trend series are reliably identified.

The graphs and tables which follow present the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates: that the June seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the May estimate by 3.6% for the number of private sector houses approved and 13% for private sector other dwelling units approved; and that the June seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the May estimate by 3.6% for the number of private sector houses approved and 13% for private sector other dwelling units approved. These percentages represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

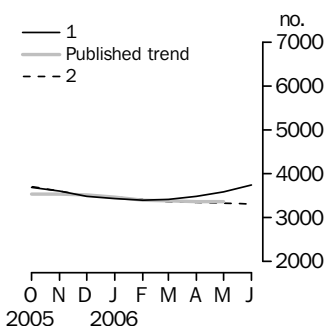
PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED



	Trend as published		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:			
	no.	% change	(1) rises by 3.6% on May 2006		(2) falls by 3.6% on May 2006	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
2006						
January	8 480	0.6	8 458	0.5	8 480	0.6
February	8 540	0.7	8 532	0.9	8 543	0.7
March	8 602	0.7	8 623	1.1	8 594	0.6
April	8 666	0.7	8 732	1.3	8 638	0.5
May	8 722	0.6	8 846	1.3	8 668	0.4
June	—	—	8 968	1.4	8 699	0.4

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS



	Trend as published		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:			
	no.	% change	(1) rises by 13% on May 2006		(2) falls by 13% on May 2006	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
2006						
January	3 472	-1.4	3 438	-1.4	3 472	-1.0
February	3 409	-1.8	3 396	-1.2	3 414	-1.7
March	3 375	-1.0	3 412	0.5	3 367	-1.4
April	3 367	-0.2	3 488	2.2	3 342	-0.7
May	3 366	—	3 598	3.2	3 323	-0.6
June	—	—	3 735	3.8	3 320	-0.1

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication presents monthly details of building work approved.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

2 Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:

- permits issued by local government authorities and other principal certifying authorities
- contracts let or day labour work authorised by commonwealth, state, semi-government and local government authorities
- major building approvals in areas not subject to normal administrative approval e.g. building on remote mine sites.

3 The scope of the survey comprises the following:

- construction of new buildings
- alterations and additions to existing buildings
- approved non-structural renovation and refurbishment work
- approved installation of integral building fixtures.

4 Excluded from the statistics is construction activity not defined as building (e.g. roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.). Statistics for this activity can be found in *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8762.0).

5 From July 1990, the statistics include:

- all approved new residential building valued at \$10,000 or more
- approved alterations and additions to residential building valued at \$10,000 or more
- all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more.

VALUE DATA

6 Statistics on the value of building work approved are derived by aggregating the estimated 'value of building work when completed' as reported on building approval documents provided to local councils or other building approval authorities. Conceptually these value data should exclude the value of land and landscaping but include site preparation costs. These estimates are usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of 'houses'. However, for 'other residential buildings' and 'non-residential buildings', they can differ significantly from the completed value of the building as final costs and contracts have not been established before council approval is sought and gained.

7 The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) generally accepts values provided by approving bodies. Every effort is made to ensure data are provided on a consistent basis, however, there may be instances where value reported does not reflect the building completion value. For example, the reported value for most project homes is the contract price, which may include the cost of site preparation and landscaping. In other cases where a builder is contracted to construct a dwelling based on the owner's plans, the value may only be the builder's costs. Some councils do not use the value on approval documents, instead deriving a value based on floor area and type of structure.

8 From July 2000, value data includes the Goods and Services Tax (GST) for residential and non-residential building approvals. The ABS has consulted with councils and other approving authorities to ensure that approval values are reported inclusive of the GST. Where it was identified by a council or other approving authority that approvals submitted from its jurisdiction were on a GST-exclusive basis, the ABS made adjustments to the data to ensure that values were consistent with other data collected and were inclusive of GST.

OWNERSHIP

9 Building ownership is classified as either public or private sector and is based on the sector of intended owner of the completed building at the time of approval. Residential buildings constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes are classified as public sector when the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the building on or before completion.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

BUILDING CLASSIFICATION

10 *Functional classification of buildings.* A building is classified according to its intended major function. Hence a building which is ancillary to other buildings, or forms a part of a group of related buildings, is classified to the function of the building and not to the function of the group as a whole. An example of this can be seen in the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. In this case, a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Retail/wholesale trade, while factory buildings would be classified to Factories. An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings where, for example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Educational. The categories included under type of building classifications are defined in the Glossary.

11 In the case of a large multi-function building which, at the time of approval is intended to have more than one purpose (e.g. a hotel/shops/casino project), the ABS endeavours to split the approval details according to each main function. Where this is not possible because separate details cannot be obtained, the building is classified to the predominant function of the building on the basis of the function which represents the highest proportion of the total value of the project.

12 Building approvals are classified both by the TYPE OF BUILDING (e.g. 'house', 'factory') and by the TYPE OF WORK involved (e.g. 'new', 'alterations and additions' and 'conversions'). These classifications are often used in conjunction with each other in this publication and are defined in the Glossary.

13 The TYPE OF WORK classification refers to the building activity carried out. Conversion jobs are shown separately in tables 9, 10, 19 and 20. However, in other tables they are included within existing categories, as follows: in tables 1 and 2 they are included in the appropriate TYPE OF BUILDING category, and in tables 13, 14 and 24 they are included in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

14 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised.

15 In the seasonal adjustment of series, account has been taken of both normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month. Adjustment has also been made for the influence of Easter which may affect the March and April estimates differently.

16 Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular or non-seasonal influences (e.g. the approval of large projects or a change in the administrative arrangements of approving authorities).

17 From May 2003, the seasonally adjusted estimates are produced by the concurrent seasonal adjustment method which takes account of the latest available original estimates. The concurrent method improves the estimation of seasonal factors, and therefore, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for the current and previous months. As a result of this improvement, revisions to the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates will be observed for recent periods. The estimates that will improve the most will be for the current month, previous month and the same month one year ago. The concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology replaces the forward factor methodology previously used to adjust Building Approval series, where seasonal factors were only revised following an annual reanalysis.

18 The state/territory series have been seasonally adjusted independently. However, a further adjustment has been made to these series to provide coherence between the state/territory estimates and the Australian total estimates.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

continued

19 A more detailed review of concurrent seasonal factors will be conducted annually, generally prior to the release of data for May. The timing of this review may vary and when appropriate will be notified in the 'Data Notes' section of this publication.

TREND ESTIMATES

20 Smoothing seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series and creates trend estimates. For monthly series, these trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all months of the seasonally adjusted series except the last six months. Trend series are created for the last six months by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. For the quarterly chain volume measures (table 24), the trend estimates are derived by applying a 7-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all quarters of the respective seasonally adjusted series except the last three quarters. Trend series are created for these last three quarters by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average seasonally adjusted series. For further information, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring Trends, 2003* (cat. no. 1349.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra (02) 6252 6540 or email <timeseries@abs.gov.au>.

21 While the smoothing techniques described in paragraph 20 enable trend estimates to be produced for the latest few periods, they do result in revisions to the trend estimates as new data becomes available. Generally, revisions become smaller over time and, after three months, usually have a negligible impact on the series. Revisions to the original data may also lead to revisions to the trend.

22 The ABS produces trend estimates to best represent the underlying behaviour in ABS original estimates. Abnormally high or low values (outliers) are discounted or excluded from the trend estimates. Outliers are considered to be part of the irregular component of the original estimates and, thus, do not conceptually form a part of trend estimates but do appear in the original and seasonally adjusted estimates. Therefore, failure to exclude outliers can result in a distortion to the trend estimates.

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

23 The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually reweighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year. The reference year is updated annually in the July issue of this publication. While current price estimates reflect both price and volume changes, chain volume estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated and hence only reflect volume changes. The direct impact of the GST is a price change, and hence is removed from chain volume estimates. Since the value of approvals are more timely than the building price deflators, chain volume measures for the latest quarter are published once an additional month (after the quarter) of building approvals data becomes available. Therefore chain volume measures are updated in the April, July, October and January issues. Further information on the nature and concepts of chain volume measures is contained in the ABS publication *Information Paper: Introduction of Chain Volume Measures in the Australian National Accounts* (cat. no. 5248.0).

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHIC CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)

24 Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), 2005 Edition* (cat. no. 1216.0), effective from July 2005. Building work approved before July 2005 was classified according to the current edition of the ASGC at that time, and is presented in this publication unrevised, in the original geographical area that applied at the time of approval. From July 2001, the Statistical Division of Darwin includes Litchfield Shire, previously in the Statistical Division of Northern Territory Balance.

25 From 1 July 2002, approvals in the External Territories of Australia are included in these statistics. Jervis Bay is included in New South Wales, while Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands are included in Western Australia.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- 26** Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
Building Activity, Australia, cat. no. 8752.0
Dwelling Unit Commencements, Australia, Preliminary, cat. no. 8750.0
Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary, cat. no. 8755.0
Engineering Construction Activity, Australia, cat. no. 8762.0
House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities, cat. no. 6416.0
Housing Finance, Australia, cat. no. 5609.0
Producer Price Indexes, Australia, cat. no. 6427.0.

27 While building approvals value series are shown inclusive of GST, this is different to building activity – *Building Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8752.0) and *Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary* (cat. no. 8755.0) – in which residential work is published inclusive of GST and non-residential work exclusive of GST. In the Engineering Construction Survey – *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8762.0) all values exclude GST.

ABS DATA AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

28 As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant data available on request. Inquiries should be made to the National Information and Referral Service on 1300 135 070.

ROUNDING

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

ABBREVIATIONS

\$m	million dollars
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification
Aust.	Australia
GST	goods and services tax
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
no.	number
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
Qld	Queensland
SA	South Australia
Tas.	Tasmania
Vic.	Victoria
WA	Western Australia

APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES

ELECTRONIC TABLES

The following tables are available electronically via the ABS web site
<<http://www.abs.gov.au>>.

Note: not all series in the table go back to the earliest start date.

DWELLING UNITS

	<i>Publication table no. (a)</i>	<i>Electronic table no. (a)</i>	<i>Start date (b)</i>
Dwelling units approved, New South Wales	na	1	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Victoria	na	2	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Queensland	na	3	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, South Australia	na	4	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Western Australia	na	5	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, all series, Australia	1	6	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, percentage change, Australia	2	na	..
Dwelling units approved, state and territories, number	3	7	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, states and territories, percentage change	4	na	..
Private sector houses approved, states and territories	5	8	July 1983
Private sector houses approved, states and territories, percentage change	6	na	..
Dwelling units approved, states and territories, by type	7	9	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, by Capital City Statistical Division, original	8	10	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, by sector, original, Australia	9	11	January 1956
Dwelling units approved, by sector, New South Wales	10	12	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Victoria	10	13	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Queensland	10	14	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, South Australia	10	15	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Western Australia	10	16	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Tasmania	10	17	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Northern Territory	10	18	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	10	19	July 1970
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	11	20	January 1956
Value of dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	11	21	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, New South Wales	12	22	January 1965
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Victoria	12	23	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Queensland	12	24	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, South Australia	12	25	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Western Australia	12	26	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Tasmania	12	27	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Northern Territory	12	28	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Australian Capital Territory	12	29	January 1965

(a) na not available

(b) .. not applicable

APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES *continued*

VALUE

	<i>Publication table no. (a)</i>	<i>Electronic table no. (a)</i>	<i>Start date(b)</i>
Value of building approved, New South Wales	na	30	July 1970
Value of building approved, Victoria	na	31	July 1970
Value of building approved, Queensland	na	32	July 1970
Value of building approved, South Australia	na	33	July 1970
Value of building approved, Western Australia	na	34	July 1970
Value of building approved, Tasmania	na	35	July 1970
Value of building approved, Northern Territory	na	36	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australian Capital Territory	na	37	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australia	13	38	January 1956
Value of building approved, Australia, percentage change	14	na	..
Value of total building approved, states and territories	15	39	July 1973
Value of total building approved, percentage change	16	na	..
Value of total building approved, states and territories	17	40	July 1973
Value of non-residential building approved, states and territories	18	41	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector	19	42	January 1961
Value of building approved, by sector, New South Wales	20	43	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Victoria	20	44	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Queensland	20	45	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, South Australia	20	46	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Western Australia	20	47	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Tasmania	20	48	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	20	49	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	20	50	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australia	21	51	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, New South Wales	22	52	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Victoria	22	53	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Queensland	22	54	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, South Australia	22	55	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Western Australia	22	56	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Tasmania	22	57	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	22	58	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	22	59	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	60	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Victoria	na	61	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Queensland	na	62	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, South Australia	na	63	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	64	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	65	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Australia	23	66	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	67	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Victoria	na	68	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Queensland	na	69	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, South Australia	na	70	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	71	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	72	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Australia	23	73	July 2000

(a) na not available

(b) .. not applicable

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

	<i>Publication table no.</i>	<i>Electronic table no.</i>	<i>Start date</i>
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australia	24	74	September 1970
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, New South Wales	25	75	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Victoria	25	76	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Queensland	25	77	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, South Australia	25	78	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Western Australia	25	79	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Tasmania	25	80	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Northern Territory	25	81	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australian Capital Territory	25	82	September 1985

APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES *continued*

ADDITIONAL TABLES

	<i>Publication table no.</i>	<i>Electronic table no.</i>	<i>Start date</i>
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australia	21-22	83	January 1965
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, NSW	21-22	84	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Vic.	21-22	85	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Qld	21-22	86	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, SA	21-22	87	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, WA	21-22	88	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Tas.	21-22	89	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, NT	21-22	90	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, ACT	21-22	91	July 1970

DATA CUBES

	<i>SuperTable format</i>	<i>Excel format</i>
Statistical Local Areas, New South Wales, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	1	1
Statistical Local Areas, Victoria, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	2	2
Statistical Local Areas, Queensland, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	3	3
Statistical Local Areas, South Australia, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	4	4
Statistical Local Areas, Western Australia, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	5	5
Statistical Local Areas, Tasmania, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	6	6
Statistical Local Areas, Northern Territory, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	7	7
Statistical Local Areas, Australian Capital Territory, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06	8	8
Number and value (\$m) of approvals, states and territories	9	na

GLOSSARY

Accommodation	Buildings primarily providing short-term or temporary accommodation, and includes the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Self-contained, short-term apartments (e.g. serviced apartments)■ Hotels (predominantly accommodation), motels, boarding houses, cabins■ Other short-term accommodation n.e.c. (e.g. migrant hostels, youth hostels, lodges).
Aged care facilities	Building used in the provision or support of aged care facilities, excluding dwellings (e.g. retirement villages). Includes aged care facilities with and without medical care.
Agriculture/aquaculture	Buildings housing, or associated with, agriculture and aquaculture activities, including bulk storage of produce (e.g. shearing shed, grain silo, shearers' quarters).
Alterations and additions	Building activity carried out on existing buildings. Includes adding to or diminishing floor area, altering the structural design of a building and affixing rigid components which are integral to the functioning of the building.
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Alterations and additions carried out on existing residential buildings, which may result in the creation of new dwelling units. See also Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.
Building	A building is a rigid, fixed and permanent structure which has a roof. Its intended purpose is primarily to house people, plant, machinery, vehicles, goods or livestock. An integral feature of a building's design is the provision for regular access by persons in order to satisfy its intended use.
Commercial	Buildings primarily occupied with or engaged in commercial trade or work intended for commercial trade, including buildings used primarily in wholesale and retail trades, office and transport activities.
Conversion	Building activity which converts a non-residential building to a residential building, e.g. conversion of a warehouse to residential apartments. Conversion is considered to be a special type of alteration, and these jobs have been separately identified as such from the July 1996 reference month, though they have only appeared separately in this publication from the January 1998 issue. Prior to that issue, conversions were published as part of the 'Conversions, etc.' category or included elsewhere within a table. See also Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.
Dwelling unit	A dwelling unit is a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long-term residential use. Regardless of whether they are self-contained or not, units within buildings offering institutional care (e.g. hospitals) or temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments) are not defined as dwelling units. Such units are included in the appropriate category of non-residential building approvals. Dwelling units can be created in one of four ways: through new work to create a residential building; through alteration/addition work to an existing residential building; through either new or alteration/addition work on non-residential building or through conversion of a non-residential building to a residential building.
Educational	Buildings used in the provision or support of educational services, including group accommodation buildings (e.g. classrooms, school canteens, dormitories).
Entertainment and recreation	Buildings used in the provision of entertainment and recreational facilities or services (e.g. libraries, museums, casinos, sporting facilities).
Factories	Buildings housing, or associated with, production and assembly processes of intermediate and final goods.
Flats, units or apartments	Dwellings not having their own private grounds and usually sharing a common entrance, foyer or stairwell.
Health	Buildings used in the provision of non-aged care medical services (e.g. nursing quarters, laboratories, clinics).

GLOSSARY *continued*

House	A house is a detached building primarily used for long term residential purposes. It consists of one dwelling unit. For instance, detached 'granny flats' and detached dwelling units (e.g. caretaker's residences) associated with a non-residential building are defined as houses. Also includes 'cottages', 'bungalows' and rectories.
Industrial	Buildings used for warehousing and the production and assembly activities of industrial establishments, including factories and plants.
New	Building activity which will result in the creation of a building which previously did not exist.
Non-residential building	A non-residential building is primarily intended for purposes other than long term residential purposes. Note that, on occasions, one or more dwelling units may be created through non-residential building activity. Prior to the January 1998 issue of this publication, they have been included in the 'Conversions, etc.' column in tables showing dwelling units approved. They are now identified separately (e.g. see table 9). However, the value of these dwelling units cannot be separated out from that of the non-residential building which they are part of, therefore the value associated with these remain in the appropriate non-residential category.
Offices	Buildings primarily used in the provision of professional services or public administration (e.g. offices, insurance or finance buildings).
Other dwellings	Includes all dwellings other than houses. They can be created by: the creation of new other residential buildings (e.g. flats); alteration/addition work to an existing residential building; either new or alteration/addition work on a non-residential building; conversion of a non-residential building to a residential building creating more than one dwelling unit.
Other residential building	An other residential building is a building other than a house primarily used for long-term residential purposes. An other residential building contains more than one dwelling unit. Other residential buildings are coded to the following categories: semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey; semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with two or more storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of one or two storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of three storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of four or more storeys; flat, unit or apartment attached to a house; other/number of storeys unknown. The latter two categories are included with the semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey category in table 11 and 12 of this publication.
Religious	Buildings used for or associated with worship or in support of programs sponsored by religious bodies (e.g. church, temple, church hall, dormitories).
Residential building	A residential building is a building consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either houses or other residential buildings.
Retail/wholesale trade	Buildings primarily used in the sale of goods to intermediate and end users.
Semidetached, row or terrace houses, townhouses	Dwellings having their own private grounds with no other dwellings above or below.
Transport	Buildings primarily used in the provision of transport services, and includes the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Passenger transport buildings (e.g. passenger terminals)■ Non-passenger transport buildings (e.g. freight terminals)■ Commercial car parks (excluded are those built as part of, and intended to service, other distinct building developments)■ Other transport buildings n.e.c.
Warehouses	Buildings primarily used for storage of goods, excluding produce storage.

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