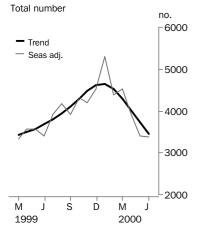


# **BUILDING APPROVALS**

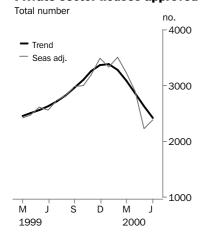
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## **Dwelling units approved**



### **Private sector houses approved**



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## JUNE KEY FIGURES

	Apr 2000	May 2000	Jun 2000
Dwelling units approved			
Original	3 655	3 537	3 280
Seasonally adjusted	3 919	3 397	3 389
Trend	4 011	3 728	3 453

% change % change % change Mar 2000 to Apr 2000 to May 2000 to Apr 2000 May 2000 Jun 2000 Dwelling units approved -7.3Original -25.0-3.2Seasonally adjusted -13.3-13.3-0.2Trend -6.7-7.0-7.4

### JUNE KEY POINTS

### TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved recorded a high point in January 2000 (4,645) and has since fallen 25.7%, to 3,453 in June. This is the lowest level since March 1999.
- The trend for private sector house approvals has been decreasing since a high point was reached in January 2000. It is now 28.7% below the January figure.

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling units approved has fallen each month of the June quarter. The estimate has dropped 25.0% since the modest rise of 2.9% in March 2000.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector house approvals increased 7.0% in June, following three successive monthly decreases (totalling 36.4%) from February to May 2000.

### ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- The level of approvals, in original terms, has fallen in each of the three months of the June quarter. Both houses and other dwellings have experienced a decrease in the numbers being approved.
- The value of building approved in the June quarter 2000 was 12.5% (or \$368.9 million) lower than the March quarter 2000. There were two counter-balancing factors underlying the fall; residential building fell 23.5% whilst non-residential building increased by 18.2%.

### NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

ISSUE RELEASE DATE

September 2000 8 November 2000 December 2000 8 February 2001

CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

There are no changes in this issue.

DATA NOTES

Users should exercise caution when analysing movements in the value series over the next few months as they may be affected in a number of ways, including:

- changing patterns in demand and price changes brought about by the "bringing forward" of building activity prior to 1 July 2000;
- the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and the abolition of the Wholesale Sales Tax; and
- the uncertainty as to whether approval values reported prior to 1 July 2000 included or excluded the GST component.

ABS has been liaising with councils and other approving authorities to ensure that approval values are reported inclusive of the GST.

REVISIONS THIS ISSUE

Revisions have been made to the number of dwelling units approved for the period from July 1999 to May 2000. The following summarises changes to estimates released in the March issue of this publication:

July 1999- January 2000-

December 1999 March 2000

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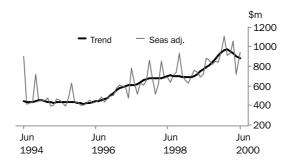
Furthermore, there is an additional 1 dwelling for May in this issue compared with the data released in the May 2000 issue of *Building Approvals, Australia (8731.0)*.

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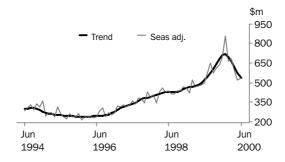
VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING

The trend value reached in February 2000 was the highest since this series' inception and marks the culmination of growth which began in mid 1996. Over the last four months the rate at which the value has fallen has been accelerating.



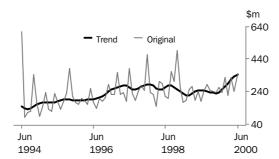
VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The turnaround in the value of residential building approved is primarily responsible for the fall in the trend for total building. The trend for the value of residential building peaked in January and has since fallen by 25.6%.



VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

Contrary to the residential sector the trend for the value of non-residential building has recorded growth over the past seven months, although the rate of growth is slowing.



DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

The number of dwelling units approved in 1998–1999 and 1999–2000 and the percentage movement between 1998–1999 and 1999–2000 for Victoria is summarised below.

	1998–1999 no.	1999–2000 no.	1998–1999 to 1999–2000 % change
New residential building Alterations and additions to	38 088	48 261	26.7
residential buildings	267	430	61.0
Conversions	1 092	919	-15.8
Non-residential building	257	265	3.1
Total dwelling units	39 704	49 875	25.6

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

The value of building approved in 1998–1999 and 1999–2000 and the percentage movement between 1998–1999 and 1999–2000 for Victoria is summarised below.

	1998–1999 \$m	1999–2000 \$m	1998–1999 to 1999–2000
	****	****	% change
New residential building Alterations and additions	4 549.9	6 383.9	40.3
creating dwellings	31.8	54.8	72.6
Alterations and additions not creating dwellings	810.4	1 046.8	29.2
Conversions	109.0	109.1	0.1
Non-residential building	3 125.7	3 215.2	2.9
Total building	8 626.8	10 809.8	25.3

### EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

Readers should exercise care when interpreting trend estimates. The last six trend estimates, in particular, are likely to be revised when new seasonally adjusted estimates become available.

#### TREND REVISIONS

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 July seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the June estimate by 5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 8% for total dwelling units approved; and that the July seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the June estimate by 5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 8% for total dwelling units approved. These percentages were chosen because they represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

#### PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

# WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:



TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

	no.  5000		TREND A		<b>1</b> rises by	8% on Jun 200	<b>2</b> O falls by	8% on Jun 2000
	-4000		no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
- 1 - Published trend - 2 N D J F M A M J J 1999 2000	-3000	February 2000 March 2000 April 2000 May 2000 June 2000 July 2000	4 530 4 297 4 011 3 728 3 453 n.y.a.	-2.5 -5.2 -6.7 -7.0 -7.4 n.y.a.	4 537 4 299 4 012 3 746 3 528 3 347	-2.4 -5.2 -6.7 -6.6 -5.8 -5.1	4 555 4 308 3 987 3 667 3 379 3 122	-2.3 -5.4 -7.4 -8.0 -7.9 -7.6

## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

	HOUSES.		OTHER DWE	ELLINGS	TOTAL DWEI	LING UNITS
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
Month	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
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1999			ORIGINAL			
April	2 230	2 257	1 129	1 159	3 359	3 416
May	2 766	2 782	802	828	3 568	3 610
June	2 688	2 729	572	583	3 260	3 312
July	2 713	2 777	1 054	1 125	3 767	3 902
August	3 078	3 119	1 633	1 658	4 711	4 777
September	3 340	3 405	668	708	4 008	4 113
October	2 862	2 945	1 025	1 040	3 887	3 985
November	3 394	3 436	1 068	1 095	4 462	4 531
December	3 259	3 303	891	919	4 150	4 222
2000						
January	2 523	2 543	1 675	1 682	4 198	4 225
February	3 533	3 568	1 166	1 206	4 699	4 774
March	3 557	3 569	1 305	1 305	4 862	4 874
April	2 555	2 582	1 050	1 073	3 605	3 655
May	2 530	2 574	957	963	3 487	3 537
June	2 382	2 412	848	868	3 230	3 280
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1999			SEASONALLY ADJU	SIED		
April	2 469	2 496	n.a.	n.a.	3 511	3 568
May	2 612	2 627	n.a.	n.a.	3 516	3 557
June	2 562	2 611	n.a.	n.a.	3 353	3 413
July	2 744	2 805	n.a.	n.a.	3 796	3 928
August	2 818	2 867	n.a.	n.a.	4 103	4 177
September	2 977	3 036	n.a.	n.a.	3 822	3 921
October	3 007	3 066	n.a.	n.a.	4 232	4 306
November	3 199	3 234		n.a.	4 144	4 206
December	3 492	3 523	n.a. n.a.	n.a.	4 470	4 529
2000	3 492	3 323	11.a.	II.a.	4 470	4 529
January	3 340	3 381	n.a.	n.a.	5 243	5 291
February	3 515	3 551	n.a.	n.a.	4 319	4 395
March	3 236	3 252	n.a.	n.a.	4 505	4 521
April	2 887	2 919	n.a.	n.a.	3 864	3 919
May	2 235	2 273	n.a.	n.a.	3 353	3 397
June	2 392	2 428	n.a.	n.a.	3 333	3 389
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1999			TREND ESTIMAT	ES		
April	2 511	2 545	909	942	3 420	3 487
May	2 569	2 606	931	964	3 500	3 570
June	2 632	2 675	974	1 007	3 606	3 682
July	2 716	2 765	998	1 032	3 714	3 797
August	2 825	2 878	1 023	1 052	3 848	3 935
September	2 959	3 013	1 058	1 091	4 017	4 104
October	3 107	3 158	1 105	1 134	4 212	4 292
November	3 261	3 306	1 105	1 177	4 413	4 483
December	3 373	3 411	1 189	1 211	4 562	4 622
2000	5515	0 411	1 103	1 211	7 302	+ 022
January	3 385	3 419	1 206	1 226	4 591	4 645
February	3 283	3 314	1 197	1 216	4 480	4 530
March	3 094	3 125	1 157	1 172	4 249	4 297
April	2 865	2 896	1 100	1 115	3 965	4 011
May	2 633	2 896 2 665	1 049	1 063	3 682	3 728
June	2 415	2 449	990	1 003	3 405	3 728 3 453
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# DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage Change

	HOUSES		OTHER DW	ELLINGS	TOTAL DWEL	LING UNITS
Month	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
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1999		ORIGINAL	(% change from pr	eceding month)		
April	-19.1	-19.2	38.4	37.6	-6.0	-6.1
May	24.0	23.3	-29.0	-28.6	6.2	5.7
June	-2.8	-1.9	-28.7	-29.6	-8.6	-8.3
July	0.9	1.8	84.3	93.0	15.6	17.8
August	13.5	12.3	54.9	47.4	25.1	22.4
September	8.5	9.2	-59.1	-57.3	-14.9	-13.9
October	-14.3	-13.5	53.4	46.9	-3.0	-3.1
November	18.6	16.7	4.2	5.3	-3.0 14.8	-3.1 13.7
December	-4.0	-3.9	-16.6	-16.1	-7.0	-6.8
	-4.0	-3.9	-10.0	-10.1	-7.0	-0.8
2000	00.0	02.0	00.0	02.0	4.0	0.4
January	-22.6	-23.0	88.0	83.0	1.2	0.1
February	40.0	40.3	-30.4	-28.3	11.9	13.0
March	0.7	0.0	11.9	8.2	3.5	2.1
April	-28.2	-27.7	-19.5	-17.8	-25.9	-25.0
May	-1.0	-0.3	-8.9	-10.3	-3.3	-3.2
June	-5.8	-6.3	-11.4	-9.9	-7.4	-7.3
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1999		SEASONALLY ADJ	USTED (% change	from preceding mo	nth)	
April	1.8	0.8	n.a.	n.a.	8.0	7.3
May	5.8	5.2	n.a.	n.a.	0.1	-0.3
June	-1.9	-0.6			-4.6	-0.3 -4.1
			n.a.	n.a.		
July	7.1	7.4	n.a.	n.a.	13.2	15.1
August	2.7	2.2	n.a.	n.a.	8.1	6.3
September	5.6	5.9	n.a.	n.a.	-6.8	-6.1
October	1.0	1.0	n.a.	n.a.	10.7	9.8
November	6.4	5.5	n.a.	n.a.	-2.1	-2.3
December	9.1	8.9	n.a.	n.a.	7.9	7.7
2000						
January	-4.3	-4.0	n.a.	n.a.	17.3	16.8
February	5.2	5.0	n.a.	n.a.	-17.6	-16.9
March	-8.0	-8.4	n.a.	n.a.	4.3	2.9
April	-10.8	-10.2	n.a.	n.a.	-14.2	-13.3
May	-22.6	-22.1	n.a.	n.a.	-13.2	-13.3
June	7.0	6.8	n.a.	n.a.	-0.6	-0.2
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1999		TREND ESTIMA	TES (% change fro	m preceding month	1)	
April	2.3	2.2	-0.1	-0.2	1.6	1.5
May	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.4
June	2.5	2.6	4.6	4.5	3.0	3.1
July	3.2	3.4	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.1
August	4.0	4.1	2.5	2.4	3.6	3.6
September	4.7	4.7	3.4	3.2	4.4	4.3
October	5.0	4.8	4.4	3.9	4.9	4.6
November	4.9	4.7	4.3	3.8	4.8	4.5
December	3.4	3.2	3.2	2.9	3.4	3.1
2000						
January	0.4	0.2	1.4	1.2	0.6	0.5
February	-3.0	-3.1	-0.7	-0.8	-2.4	-2.5
March	-5.8	-5.7	-3.5	-3.6	-5.2	-5.2
April	-7.4	-7.3	-4.8	-4.9	-6.7	-6.7
May	-8.1	-8.0	-4.6	-4.7	-7. <b>1</b>	-7.0
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June	-8.3	_X 1	-5.6	-5.6	-7.5	-7.4

		Alterations and			
	New	additions to	Total		
	residential	residential	residential	Non-residential	Total
	building	buildings(a)	building	building	building
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
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1000		ORI	GINAL		
1999	000 5	05.7	455.4	400.0	222.2
April	369.5	85.7	455.1 513.7	183.9	639.0
May	439.3	74.4		241.6	755.4
June	413.2	83.4	496.6	183.2 249.0	679.8
July	455.1	105.2	560.4		809.4
August	594.4	101.9	696.3	282.9	979.3
September	523.3	95.7	619.0	245.6	864.6
October November	496.8	99.5	596.3	240.9	837.2
	534.7	107.3	642.1	235.7	877.8
December 2000	561.7	88.1	649.8	266.2	916.0
January	633.0	80.3	713.3	235.1	948.3
February	598.7	101.2	699.9	325.5	1 025.5
March	654.2	103.3	757.5	215.8	973.4
April	436.0	112.8	548.8	327.3	876.1
May	466.3	103.5	569.8	240.2	810.0
June	429.7	111.7	541.4	350.9	892.2
Julie	429.1	111.7	541.4	330.9	892.2
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		SEASONAL	LY ADJUSTED		
1999					
April	392.0	84.5	476.5	n.a.	736.5
May	409.7	74.2	483.8	n.a.	690.0
June	408.9	87.5	496.5	n.a.	721.6
July	463.9	113.2	577.1	n.a.	885.2
August	557.9	95.1	653.0	n.a.	860.8
September	486.0	90.3	576.2	n.a.	824.1
October	521.1	91.3	612.5	n.a.	852.0
November	533.7	101.9	635.6	n.a.	842.7
December	600.2	100.5	700.7	n.a.	956.7
2000					
January	759.8	99.0	858.8	n.a.	1 106.9
February	569.6	97.4	667.0	n.a.	916.1
March	591.1	90.4	681.5	n.a.	934.1
April	477.3	121.3	598.6	n.a.	1 057.0
May	427.6	97.1	524.7	n.a.	717.9
June	421.9	115.5	537.5	n.a.	949.2
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		TREND E	STIMATES		
1999					
April	402.1	80.7	482.8	239.8	722.6
May	418.1	82.6	500.7	247.1	747.8
June	439.1	85.0	524.1	248.4	772.5
July	460.0	87.5	547.5	245.3	792.8
August	484.9	90.3	575.2	241.0	816.2
September	515.2	93.5	608.8	237.9	846.7
October	549.7	95.6	645.3	233.1	878.4
November	585.0	97.0	681.9	232.1	914.1
December	611.7	97.8	709.4	237.5	946.9
2000					
January	618.1	98.8	716.8	251.6	968.5
February	600.6	100.1	700.7	271.0	971.7
March	561.9	102.0	663.9	292.3	956.1
April	514.2	104.4	618.5	313.6	932.1
May	467.9	106.9	574.8	333.4	908.2
June	423.5	109.5	533.0	348.7	881.7
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<sup>(</sup>a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

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# 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
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1999	ORIG	INAL (% change f	rom preceding m	onth)	
April	-14.2	-5.3	-12.7	-33.1	-19.8
May	-14.2 18.9	-5.5 -13.2	-12.7 12.9	-33.1 31.4	18.2
June	-5.9	12.1	-3.3	-24.2	-10.0
	-5.9 10.1	26.1	-3.3 12.8	-24.2 35.9	-10.0 19.1
July		-3.1			
August	30.6		24.3	13.6	21.0
September	-12.0	-6.1	-11.1	-13.2	-11.7
October	-5.1 7.0	4.0	-3.7	-1.9	-3.2
November	7.6	7.8	7.7	-2.2	4.8
December	5.0	-17.9	1.2	12.9	4.4
2000					
January	12.7	-8.9	9.8	-11.7	3.5
February	-5.4	26.0	-1.9	38.5	8.1
March	9.3	2.1	8.2	-33.7	-5.1
April	-33.4	9.2	-27.6	51.7	-10.0
May	6.9	-8.2	3.8	-26.6	-7.5
June	-7.8	7.9	-5.0	46.1	10.1
1000	SEASUNALL	Y ADJUSTED (% ch	lange from prece	ding month)	
1999	0.0	0.1	1.4		2.0
April	0.0	8.1	1.4	n.a.	-3.9
May	4.5	-12.2	1.5	n.a.	-6.3
June	-0.2	17.9	2.6	n.a.	4.6
July	13.5	29.4	16.2	n.a.	22.7
August	20.3	-16.0	13.2	n.a.	-2.8
September	-12.9	-5.0	-11.8	n.a.	-4.3
October	7.2	1.1	6.3	n.a.	3.4
November	2.4	11.6	3.8	n.a.	-1.1
December	12.5	-1.4	10.2	n.a.	13.5
2000					
January	26.6	-1.5	22.6	n.a.	15.7
February	-25.0	-1.6	-22.3	n.a.	-17.2
March	3.8	-7.2	2.2	n.a.	2.0
April	-19.3	34.2	-12.2	n.a.	13.2
May	-10.4	-20.0	-12.3	n.a.	-32.1
June	-1.3	18.9	2.4	n.a.	32.2
	TREND ES	STIMATES (% char	nge from precedir	ng month)	
1999					
A	0.0	4.0	0.0	4 5	0.0
April	2.3	1.6	2.2	4.5	2.9
May	4.0	2.4	3.7	3.0	3.5
June	5.0	2.9	4.7	0.5	3.3
July	4.8	2.9	4.5	-1.2	2.6
August	5.4	3.2	5.1	-1.8	3.0
September	6.2	3.5	5.8	-1.3	3.7
October	6.7	2.2	6.0	-2.0	3.7
November	6.4	1.5	5.7	-0.4	4.1
December	4.6	0.8	4.0	2.3	3.6
2000					
January	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.9	2.3
February	-2.8	1.3	-2.2	7.7	0.3
March	-6.4	1.9	-5.3	7.9	-1.6
April	-8.5	2.4	-6.8	7.3	-2.5
May	-9.0	2.4	-7.1	6.3	-2.6
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June	-9.5	2.4	-7.3	4.6	-2.9

<sup>(</sup>a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

	New	New other residential	Alterations and additions to residential		Non- residential	Total dwelling
Period	houses	building	buildings	Conversion(a)	building(a)	units
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		PRIV.	ATE SECTOR (Nu	mber)		
1997-1998	27 367	6 811	262	699	99	35 238
1998-1999	28 683	8 511	264	1 090	257	38 805
1999-2000	35 668	11 806	416	914	262	49 066
1999						
June	2 683	531	8	33	5	3 260
July	2 711	863	6	134	53	3 767
August	3 075	1 551	14	69	2	4 711
September	3 337	635	5	27	4	4 008
October	2 862	926 768	6 24	58 230	35	3 887
November December	3 393 3 247	800	20	66	47 17	4 462 4 150
2000	5 2-1	000	20	00	Τ1	4 130
January	2 519	1 527	49	78	25	4 198
February	3 527	1 070	54	36	12	4 699
March	3 550	1 241	22	24	25	4 862
April	2 547	787	183	70	18	3 605
May June	2 522 2 378	890 748	18 15	51 71	6 18	3 487 3 230
Julie	2 318	740	15			3 230
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		100	LIO SEOTOR (IVA	mber)		
1997-1998	570	601	25	1	3	1 200
1998-1999	544	350	3	2	0	899
1999-2000	507	280	14	5	3	809
1999						
June	41	10	1	0	0	52
July	64	70	1	0	0	135
August September	41 65	25 40	0 0	0	0 0	66 105
October	83	40 15	0	0	0	98
November	42	26	0	0	1	69
December	44	23	0	5	0	72
2000						
January	20	7	0	0	0	27
February March	35 12	38 0	2 0	0 0	0 0	75 12
April	27	12	11	0	0	50
May	44	5	0	0	1	50
June	30	19	0	0	1	50
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			TOTAL (Number)	)		
1997-1998	27 937	7 412	287	700	102	36 438
1998-1999	29 227	8 861	267	1 092	257	39 704
1999-2000	36 175	12 086	430	919	265	49 875
1999						
June	2 724	541	9	33	5	3 312
July	2 775	933	7	134	53	3 902
August	3 116	1 576	14	69	2	4 777
September	3 402	675	5	27	4	4 113
October November	2 945 3 435	941 794	6 24	58 230	35 48	3 985 4 531
December	3 435 3 291	823	20	230 71	48 17	4 222
2000	0-			· <del>-</del>		<b>-</b>
January	2 539	1 534	49	78	25	4 225
February	3 562	1 108	56	36	12	4 774
March	3 562	1 241	22	24	25	4 874
April May	2 574 2 566	799 895	194 18	70 51	18 7	3 655 3 537
June	2 566 2 408	767	18 15	51 71	19	3 537 3 280
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	(a) See Gloss	sary for definition.				

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	Now	New other	Alterations and additions	Alterations and additions not		Total	Non varidantial	Tatal
Period	New houses	residential building	creating dwellings	creating dwellings	Conversion(a)	residential building	Non-residential building(a)	Total building
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			PRIVATE	SECTOR (\$ mil	lion)			
1997-1998	3 084.3	727.0	22.0	708.6	63.2	4 605.0	2 476.9	7 081.9
1998-1999	3 460.8	1 021.8	31.4	775.1	108.9	5 398.1	2 262.5	7 660.6
1999-2000	4 741.4	1 577.4	54.3	1 004.4	108.2	7 485.7	2 622.3	10 107.9
1999	0.40.0	04.0	0.5	70.0	<b>5</b> 4	400.4	450.0	044.4
June	343.9	64.6	0.5	73.9	5.1	488.1	156.3	644.4
July August	345.6 383.2	100.3 204.7	0.5 1.1	70.1 87.5	28.6 8.2	545.2 684.8	212.7 204.6	757.9 889.3
September	425.5	89.2	0.6	88.6	5.5	609.4	222.1	831.6
October	381.7	106.7	0.4	92.0	6.0	586.9	186.1	772.9
November	454.9	74.4	2.1	82.9	20.2	634.5	198.0	832.5
December	432.2	122.9	2.0	72.4	7.3	636.8	186.6	823.4
2000								
January	341.9	288.7	6.6	62.4	4.4	704.0	196.5	900.5
February	473.8	119.0	4.8	90.9	3.8	692.3	235.1	927.4
March	484.1	169.0	1.7	96.4	2.2	753.4	185.8	939.2
April	343.8	89.2	30.5	74.3	6.2	543.9	257.2	801.1
May	348.1	113.9	1.7	91.9	5.9	561.5	213.2	774.7
June	326.6	99.3	2.4	95.0	9.8	533.0	324.3	857.3
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1997-1998	48.6	40.0	0.8	63.8	0.1	153.3	587.7	740.9
1998-1999	44.8	22.4	0.3	35.4	0.1	103.0	863.2	966.2
1999-2000	45.5	19.6	0.5	42.4	0.9	108.9	592.9	701.9
1999								
June	4.0	0.6	0.2	3.6	0.0	8.5	26.9	35.4
July	5.0	4.2	0.1	5.9	0.0	15.2	36.3	51.5
August	4.1	2.4	0.0	5.1	0.0	11.5	78.4	89.9
September	5.9	2.8	0.0	1.0	0.0	9.6	23.5	33.1
October	7.0	1.4	0.0	1.0	0.0	9.4	54.8	64.3
November	3.9	1.5	0.0	2.1	0.0	7.6	37.7	45.3
December <b>2000</b>	4.9	1.8	0.0	5.5	0.9	13.0	79.6	92.6
January	1.7	0.6	0.0	6.9	0.0	9.3	38.5	47.8
February	3.3	2.6	0.1	1.7	0.0	7.7	90.4	98.1
March	1.1	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	4.1	30.0	34.1
April	2.1	0.8	0.4	1.5	0.0	4.9	70.2	75.1
May	3.9	0.4	0.0	4.0	0.0	8.3	27.0	35.2
June	2.6	1.2	0.0	4.6	0.0	8.4	26.5	34.9
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			ТО	TAL (\$ million)				
1997-1998	3 132.9	766.9	22.8	772.4	63.2	4 758.3	3 064.5	7 822.8
1998-1999	3 505.7	1 044.2	31.8	810.4	109.0	5 501.1	3 125.7	8 626.8
1999-2000	4 786.9	1 597.0	54.8	1 046.8	109.1	7 594.6	3 215.2	10 809.8
1999								
June	348.0	65.2	0.7	77.6	5.1	496.6	183.2	679.8
July	350.6	104.5	0.6	76.0	28.6	560.4	249.0	809.4
August	387.3	207.1	1.1	92.6	8.2	696.3	282.9	979.3
September	431.3	92.0	0.6	89.6	5.5	619.0	245.6	864.6
October	388.7	108.1	0.4	93.1	6.0	596.3	240.9	837.2
November	458.8	75.9	2.1	85.0	20.2	642.1	235.7	877.8
December	437.1	124.6	2.0	77.9	8.2	649.8	266.2	916.0
2000								
January	343.7	289.3	6.6	69.3	4.4	713.3	235.1	948.3
February	477.1	121.6	4.8	92.6	3.8	699.9	325.5	1 025.5
March	485.2	169.0	1.7	99.4	2.2	757.5	215.8	973.4
April	346.0	90.0	30.9	75.8	6.2	548.8	327.3	876.1
May June	352.0 329.2	114.3 100.5	1.7 2.4	96.0 99.6	5.9 9.8	569.8 541.4	240.2 350.9	810.0 892.2
Julie			۷.٦	33.0	3.0	J41.4	550.9	032.2
	(a) See Gloss	ary for definition.						

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# NEW OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDING.....

	New houses		ached, row or terrac es, etc. of		Flats units or a	partments in a	a building of		Total	Total new residentia building
Period		One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total		
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			'	NOWIDER O	I DWLLLING	UNITS				
1997-1998	27 937	2 881	2 153	5 034	425	481	1 472	2 378	7 412	35 349
1998-1999	29 227	2 484	2 415	4 899	679	454	2 829	3 962	8 861	38 088
1999-2000	36 175	2 668	3 288	5 956	760	453	4 917	6 130	12 086	48 261
1999										
April	2 253	382	323	705	97	17	181	295	1 000	3 253
May	2 780	171	236	407	19	63	289	371	778	3 558
June	2 724	177	201	378	55	21	87	163	541	3 265
July	2 775	269	220	489	82	43	319	444	933	3 708
August	3 116	225	297	522	26	0	1 028	1 054	1 576	4 692
September	3 402	219	218	437	28	49	161	238	675	4 077
October	2 945	198	325	523	21	6	391	418	941	3 886
November	3 435	199	284	483	64	46	201	311	794	4 229
December	3 291	147	174	321	79	69	354	502	823	4 114
2000	0 201	± · ·	±1 1	021	10	00	001	002	020	
January	2 539	123	360	483	53	46	952	1 051	1 534	4 073
February	3 562	373	403	776	65	32	235	332	1 108	4 670
March	3 562	325	300	625	93	24	499	616	1 241	4 803
April	2 574	225	320	545	62	18	174	254	799	3 373
May	2 566	195	184	379	66	69	381	516	895	3 461
June	2 408	170	203	373	121	51	222	394	767	3 175
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				VALU	E (\$ million)					
1997-1998	3 132.8	211.9	211.4	423.2	36.0	53.4	254.3	343.5	766.9	3 899.8
1998-1999	3 505.8	194.3	261.4	455.2	60.2	64.3	464.2	588.8	1 044.2	4 549.9
1999-2000	4 787.0	230.3	367.3	597.4	78.0	65.0	856.3	999.4	1 596.9	6 383.9
1999										
April	273.8	28.1	31.4	59.5	8.9	1.8	25.4	36.2	95.7	369.5
May	344.1	14.0	28.5	42.4	3.2	8.9	40.7	52.8	95.2	439.3
June	348.0	13.4	23.2	36.6	11.4	2.6	14.6	28.6	65.2	413.2
July	350.6	22.6	25.5	48.1	6.8	6.5	43.1	56.5	104.5	455.1
August	387.3	19.1	32.2	51.3	3.0	0.0	152.7	155.8	207.1	594.4
September	431.3	18.3	24.0	42.2	3.0	9.1	37.7	49.7	92.0	523.3
October	388.7	16.1	38.1	54.2	1.8	0.9	51.3	53.9	108.1	496.8
November	458.8	15.1	28.6	43.8	6.7	4.4	21.0	32.1	75.9	534.7
December	438.8 437.1	12.1	20.1	43.8 32.2	7.2	4.4 8.6	76.7	92.5	124.6	561.7
2000	+51.1	14.1	20.1	52.2	1.2	0.0	10.1	32.3	124.0	301.1
January	343.7	10.4	39.8	50.1	4.7	8.7	225.7	239.2	289.3	633.0
February	343.7 477.1	34.0	39.8 45.1	79.1	4.7 7.2	5.3	30.0	42.5	289.3 121.6	598.7
March	477.1	27.5	37.5	65.0	12.8	3.7	87.5	42.5 104.0	169.0	654.2
April	485.2 346.0		33.3	52.7	9.3	3.1		37.3	90.0	436.0
		19.4					24.9			
May	352.0	20.6	21.6	42.2	4.5	8.0	59.4	72.0	114.3	466.3 429.7
June	329.2	15.0	21.5	36.5	11.0	6.7	46.3	63.9	100.5	

<sup>(</sup>a) See Glossary for definition.



## 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 (	\$ million)	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
1996-1997	2 186.6	695.9	2 878.1	733.4	3 612.0	2 938.8	6 542.8
1997-1998	3 132.9	766.9	3 899.8	858.4	4 758.3	3 064.5	7 822.9
1998-1999	3 418.8	1 014.6	4 433.4	928.2	5 361.5	3 031.9	8 393.4
1998							
December	798.8	296.2	1 095.0	242.8	1 337.8	910.8	2 248.6
1999							
March	821.8	294.1	1 115.9	222.4	1 338.3	690.2	2 028.5
June	921.6	245.9	1 167.5	232.3	1 399.7	582.7	1 982.4
September	1 101.2	384.6	1 485.7	285.2	1 771.0	738.6	2 509.6
December	1 184.0	291.9	1 475.9	271.8	1 747.8	700.1	2 447.9
2000							
March	1 164.1	544.1	1 708.1	253.9	1 962.1	726.2	2 688.3
• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	ORIGINA	Al (% change fro	om preceding quar	tar)	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • •
1998		ORIGINA	L (// Change he	m preceding quar	(01)		
December	-8.9	66.0	3.8	5.2	4.1	7.4	5.4
1999							
March	2.9	-0.7	1.9	-8.4	0.0	-24.2	-9.8
June	12.1	-16.4	4.6	4.5	4.6	-15.6	-2.3
September	19.5	56.4	27.3	22.8	26.5	26.8	26.6
December	7.5	-24.1	-0.7	-4.7	-1.3	-5.2	-2.5
2000							
March	-1.7	86.4	15.7	-6.6	12.3	3.7	9.8

<sup>(</sup>a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 1997-98. (b) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12. Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 20-21.

# NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, Jobs By Value Range: Original

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	accomn	nodation	Shops		Factorie	2S	Offices		premise	?S	Educati	onal
Period	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m
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2000				V	πας ψος	,,οοο φ <u>ι</u> ς	75,555					
April	10	1.0	87	7.6	25	2.6	58	5.5	38	3.8	22	2.3
May	10	0.9	74	6.6	36	3.7	78	8.5	32	3.1	34	3.3
June	8	0.9	106	10.4	27	2.9	86	8.1	45	4.7	26	2.8
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2000				Va	lue—\$20	0,000–\$4	99,999					
April	3	1.0	21	6.4	38	11.5	17	4.8	20	5.5	10	2.5
May	4	1.2	24	6.7	19	5.6	25	7.6	26	7.9	9	2.7
June	6	1.8	25	7.8	23	6.6	28	8.6	26	8.8	10	3.1
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2000				Va	lue—\$50	0,000–\$9	99,999					
April	2	1.3	8	5.1	6	4.0	8	5.5	9	6.3	10	8.3
May	1	0.6	8	5.8	11	7.8	5	3.5	7	4.9	8	5.7
June	3	1.7	8	5.0	8	5.7	6	4.4	15	11.1	2	1.4
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2000				value	±—\$1,00	0,000-54	,999,999					
April	3	5.3	6	13.3	3	7.6	8	11.3	10	19.4	5	8.8
May	0	0.0	8	17.1	7	10.0	7	10.8	9	14.6	8	15.9
June	1	1.6	9	22.1	4	5.8	15	30.7	7	12.4	5	9.1
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2000				va	iue—\$5,C	000,000 a	na over					
April	0	0.0	4	32.4	2	51.2	1	11.0	2	12.0	1	6.7
May	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	14.5	0	0.0	3	19.0	0	0.0
June	0	0.0	3	81.4	2	10.5	0	0.0	1	8.3	0	0.0
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					Valu	ue—Total						
1997-1998	134	229.4	998	447.4	672	235.5	988	425.5	759	498.2	410	300.4
1998-1999	140	156.5	1 295	639.8	773	264.4	1 056	389.4	793	492.4	451	398.6
1999-2000	174	169.3	1 550	560.1	849	371.1	1 192	539.3	971	518.4	550	410.6
2000												
April	18	8.6	126	64.7	74	76.9	92	38.0	79	47.1	48	28.5
May	15	2.7	114	36.2	75	41.6	115	30.4	77	49.5	59	27.6
June	18	6.0	151	126.8	64	31.5	135	51.7	94	45.3	43	16.3

# NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, Jobs By Value Range: Original continued

	Religiou	IS	Health			ment and nal	Miscellar	neous	Total non- residentia	- I building
Period	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m
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2000										
April	1	0.1	11	1.0	13	1.1	11	0.9	276	25.8
May	3	0.3	23	2.5	22	2.1	24	1.8	336	32.7
June	3	0.4	5	0.5	17	1.7	22	1.7	345	34.3
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2000				7 4.40	+200,000	+ .00,000				
April	1	0.4	5	1.4	5	1.6	8	2.5	128	37.6
May	0	0.0	12	3.5	3	1.1	6	1.7	128	38.0
June	0	0.0	4	1.0	10	2.5	13	3.9	145	44.1
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2000				Value—	\$500,000-	\$999,999				
April	2	1.4	2	1.2	2	1.4	1	0.7	50	35.2
May	1	0.8	3	1.5	3	2.1	1	0.9	48	33.6
June	0	0.0	4	2.3	3	2.3	7	5.8	56	39.5
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2000					, ,	. , ,				
April	0	0.0	4	9.7	7	10.1	1	1.6	47	87.1
May	0	0.0	2	7.1	2	4.1	3	3.4	46	83.2
June	0	0.0	3		4	9.3	1	3.5	49	102.8
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April	0	0.0	1	11.0	1	11.4	1	6.0	13	141.6
May	0	0.0	1	19.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	6	52.7
June	0	0.0	1	10.0	1	15.0	1	5.0	9	130.2
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				V	alue—Total					
1997-1998	61	16.9	200	264.6	238	478.4	315	168.3	4 775	3 064.5
1998-1999	65	20.4	251	232.1	280	412.2	341	119.7	5 445	3 125.8
1999-2000	55	26.5	303	343.0	321	159.4	325	117.0	6 290	3 215.1
2000										
April	4	1.9	23	24.3	28	25.6	22	11.7	514	327.3
May	4	1.1	41	33.8	30	9.5	34	7.8	564	240.2
June	3	0.4	17	22.1	35	30.8	44	19.9	604	350.9

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	short term accomm-				business				Entertain- ment and	Miscell-	Total non- residential
Period	odation	Shops	Factories	Offices	premises	Educational	Religious	Health	recreational	aneous	building
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				PRIVAT	E SECTOR	(\$ million)					
1997-1998	227.7	440.9	232.6	381.1	418.8	117.7	17.0	112.9	435.0	93.2	2 476.9
1998-1999	150.3	609.6	258.3	296.5	434.5	118.0	19.7	122.7	204.1	48.9	2 262.5
1999-2000	167.7	554.0	369.6	474.9	505.5	171.0	26.5	180.4	93.0	79.6	2 622.3
1999											
June	13.5	33.8	13.0	10.1	37.2	6.1	0.4	21.4	16.8	4.1	156.3
July	33.5	34.9	25.3	37.7	22.8	24.5	3.3	22.5	4.9	3.5	212.7
August	22.0	29.7	18.5	26.0	53.5	28.9	1.7	6.4	8.5	9.2	204.6
September	28.3	41.6	18.4	54.3	46.6	16.3	1.7	7.2	3.0	4.6	222.1
October	1.3	57.9	20.3	40.0	24.6	11.8	1.0	8.6	10.5	10.1	186.1
November December	20.3 7.7	17.9 41.3	28.9 25.5	83.9 41.0	24.8 25.6	5.2 12.1	1.5 11.0	3.9 10.7	8.4 5.0	3.2 6.8	198.0 186.6
2000	1.1	41.3	25.5	41.0	25.0	12.1	11.0	10.7	5.0	0.0	100.0
January	21.5	29.6	30.1	27.4	36.5	21.2	1.6	19.2	7.5	2.0	196.5
February	15.7	37.7	28.5	28.1	87.2	6.2	1.0	19.4	5.5	5.8	235.1
March	0.7	36.7	25.1	36.0	43.5	12.1	0.3	20.8	3.1	7.6	185.8
April	8.6	64.5	76.0	23.9	46.7	10.3	1.9	8.5	7.4	9.4	257.2
May	2.6	35.7	41.5	28.1	49.5	13.6	1.1	31.1	5.9	4.0	213.2
June	5.6	126.6	31.5	48.5	44.3	9.0	0.4	22.0	23.2	13.3	324.3
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				PUBLI	C SECTOR	(\$ million)					
1997-1998	1.5	6.4	3.0	44.4	79.4	182.7	0.0	151.8	43.3	75.1	587.7
1998-1999	6.1	30.2	6.3	93.0	58.1	280.6	8.0	109.3	207.9	70.9	863.2
1999-2000	1.4	6.1	1.4	64.5	13.1	239.7	0.0	162.8	66.5	37.3	592.9
1999											
June	0.0	0.7	1.1	3.7	0.1	8.9	0.0	4.4	2.6	5.5	26.9
July	0.0	2.3	0.1	5.9	0.6	21.0	0.0	2.5	1.4	2.5	36.3
August	0.1	0.2	0.0	6.6	1.0	10.1	0.0	56.6	2.1	1.7	78.4
September	0.0	0.3	0.1	3.4	3.3	6.9	0.0	1.3	5.2	3.1	23.5
October	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	1.9	27.3	0.0	22.5	0.8	1.4	54.8
November	0.0	0.4	0.1	7.1	1.2	22.2	0.0	1.2	3.9	1.6	37.7
December	0.0	0.0	0.1	2.7	0.5	59.6	0.0	5.2	3.9	7.7	79.6
2000	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.9	2.8	9.9	0.0	18.0	3.8	2.1	38.5
January February	0.3	0.0	0.0	11.6	0.1	38.8	0.0	29.1	3.6 7.6	2.1	90.4
March	0.5	1.1	0.1	5.7	0.4	4.5	0.0	7.7	8.4	1.6	30.0
April	0.0	0.3	0.9	14.1	0.4	18.3	0.0	15.8	18.2	2.3	70.2
May	0.1	0.5	0.1	2.3	0.1	14.0	0.0	2.7	3.5	3.8	27.0
June	0.4	0.1	0.0	3.3	1.1	7.3	0.0	0.1	7.6	6.6	26.5
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				T	OTAL (\$ m	nillion)					
1997-1998	229.3	447.4	235.6	425.5	498.2	300.4	17.0	264.6	478.3	168.3	3 064.5
1998-1999	156.4	639.8	264.6	389.4	492.6	398.6	20.5	232.0	412.0	119.8	3 125.7
1999-2000	169.1	560.1	371.1	539.4	518.6	410.8	26.5	343.1	159.5	116.9	3 215.2
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<b>1999</b> June	13.5	34.5	14.0	13.8	37.3	15.0	0.4	25.7	19.5	9.5	183.2
July	33.5	37.1	25.4	43.6	23.3	45.5	3.3	25.0	6.3	6.0	249.0
August	22.1	29.9	18.5	32.6	54.5	39.0	1.7	63.0	10.6	11.0	282.9
September	28.3	41.8	18.5	57.7	49.8	23.2	1.7	8.6	8.1	7.7	245.6
October	1.3	57.9	20.3	40.8	26.5	39.0	1.0	31.1	11.3	11.6	240.9
November	20.3	18.3	29.0	91.0	25.9	27.4	1.5	5.1	12.3	4.9	235.7
December	7.7	41.3	25.6	43.7	26.0	71.6	11.0	15.8	8.9	14.5	266.2
2000	04.5	20.0	22.2	00.4	20.0	24.4	4.0	07.4	44.4	4.0	005.4
January	21.5	30.6	30.2	28.4	39.3	31.1	1.6	37.1	11.4	4.0	235.1
February March	16.0 1.3	37.7 37.8	28.5 25.1	39.7 41.7	87.4 43.8	44.9 16.5	1.0 0.3	48.5 28.6	13.1 11.5	8.7 9.2	325.5 215.8
April	8.6	64.7	76.9	38.0	43.8 47.1	28.5	1.9	24.3	25.6	11.7	327.3
May	2.7	36.2	41.6	30.4	49.5	27.6	1.1	33.8	9.5	7.8	240.2
June	6.0	126.8	31.5	51.7	45.3	16.3	0.4	22.1	30.8	19.9	350.9

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# BUILDING APPROVED IN THE MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION: Original

	DWELL	INGS (no.).		VALUE (\$'0	000)				
Period	New houses	New other residential building	Total dwellings(a)	New houses	New other residential building	Alterations and additions to residential building(b)	Total residential building	Non- residential building	Total building
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1998-1999 1999-2000	20 515 25 642	8 100 11 201	30 165 38 363	2 563 813 3 537 272	986 485 1 521 440	771 135 988 287	4 321 432 6 046 999	1 918 597 2 226 933	6 240 029 8 273 932
1999									
June	1 942	508	2 492	258 290	62 630	67 111	388 031	108 417	496 448
July	1 921	834	2 948	254 540	98 488	87 281	440 309	183 611	623 920
August September	2 258 2 441	1 517 605	3 853 3 079	292 692 319 863	201 960 86 980	82 431 76 232	577 083 483 075	159 346 203 304	736 429 686 379
October	1 927	890	2 914	268 892	103 295	83 929	456 115	158 198	614 314
November	2 509	704	3 504	348 860	68 338	91 288	508 486	167 472	675 959
December	2 346	776	3 219	323 034	120 895	68 617	512 546	148 646	661 193
2000									
January	1 779	1 471	3 394	251 927	283 790	60 745	596 462	171 626	768 088
February	2 495	979	3 566	347 461	109 825	86 204	543 490	208 241	751 731
March April	2 604 1 793	1 205 755	3 874 2 804	367 888 249 719	165 411 86 559	82 668 96 130	615 968 432 409	152 967 232 119	768 935 664 527
May	1 822	755 778	2 672	262 017	101 433	96 130 81 832	432 409 445 281	158 100	603 382
June	1 747	687	2 536	250 378	94 465	90 931	435 774	283 304	719 077
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				PUBI	LIC SECTOR				
1998-1999	415	246	666	34 265	15 344	29 140	78 748	723 688	802 437
1999-2000	395	216	629	35 716	15 361	30 752	81 829	427 375	509 204
1999									
June	35	10	46	3 314	649	2 049	6 012	16 706	22 718
July	54	34	89	4 313	1 979	4 941	11 233	25 034	36 267
August	22	17	39	2 414	1 921	3 709	8 044	66 991	75 035
September	40	32	72	3 532	2 370	702	6 605	15 596	22 201
October November	78	15	93	6 667	1 358	735	8 760	43 447	52 207
December	33 42	26 23	59 70	3 052 4 613	1 548 1 759	1 673 3 386	6 273 9 758	27 030 64 551	33 303 74 309
2000		20	10	1 010	1700	0 000	0.100	01001	7.000
January	12	7	19	998	587	6 142	7 727	16 979	24 706
February	26	28	56	2 488	1 600	1 338	5 426	54 306	59 732
March	9	0	9	783	0	2 259	3 042	18 097	21 139
April	18	12	40	1 449	846	1 633	3 928	57 800	61 728
May June	37 24	3 19	40 43	3 340 2 068	200 1 192	1 834 2 399	5 374 5 659	15 328 22 217	20 702 27 875
Julie	24	19	45	2 008	1 192	2 399	5 059	22 211	21 615
					TOTAL				
1998-1999	20 930	8 346	30 831	2 598 077	1 001 829	800 275	4 400 181	2 642 285	7 042 466
1999-2000	26 037	11 417	38 992	3 572 988	1 536 801	1 019 039	6 128 828	2 654 309	8 783 136
1999									
June	1 977	518	2 538	261 604	63 278	69 160	394 043	125 123	519 166
July	1 975	868	3 037	258 853	100 467	92 222	451 542	208 645	660 187
August September	2 280 2 481	1 534 637	3 892 3 151	295 105 323 395	203 881 89 350	86 141 76 934	585 127 489 680	226 337 218 900	811 464 708 580
October	2 005	905	3 007	275 558	104 653	76 934 84 664	464 875	218 900	666 520
November	2 542	730	3 563	351 913	69 886	92 961	514 760	194 502	709 262
December	2 388	799	3 289	327 647	122 654	72 004	522 304	213 197	735 502
2000									
January	1 791	1 478	3 413	252 925	284 377	66 887	604 189	188 605	792 794
February	2 521	1 007	3 622	349 949	111 425	87 542	548 916	262 547	811 463
March	2 613	1 205	3 883	368 671	165 411	84 928	619 010	171 063	790 074
April May	1 811 1 859	767 781	2 844 2 712	251 168 265 357	87 406 101 633	97 764 83 666	436 337 450 655	289 919 173 428	726 256 624 083
May June	1 771	781 706	2 712 2 579	252 446	95 657	93 329	441 432	305 520	746 952
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	DWELLINGS (no.)		VALUE (\$'000)						
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VICTORIA	7 548	2 461	10 472	1 027 212	304 748	327 983	1 659 944	918 416	2 578 360
Melbourne (SD)	5 441	2 254	8 135	768 971	284 695	274 758	1 328 424	768 867	2 097 291
Inner Melbourne (SSD)	90	865	1 236	20 736	132 582	91 403	244 722	175 003	419 725
Melbourne (C)-Inner	0	41	189	0	12 800	42 636	55 436	60 189	115 626
Melbourne (C)-S'bank-D'lands	3	178	181	390	31 856	0	32 246	10 640	42 886
Melbourne (C)–Remainder	21	159	224	2 662	16 350	10 195	29 207	59 580	88 788
Port Phillip (C)—St Kilda	8	225	265	2 720	41 518	7 187	51 425	10 425	61 850
Port Phillip (C)—West	8 23	99 55	137 91	1 715 8 970	8 990 8 990	10 833 9 887	21 537 27 847	14 231 9 605	35 769 37 452
Stonnington (C)–Prahran Yarra (C)–North	23 14	60	91 84	2 508	5 975	5 930	14 413	4 654	19 067
Yarra (C)–Richmond	13	48	65	1 773	6 103	4 736	12 611	5 678	18 289
Western Melbourne (SSD)	585	236	849	82 155	24 399	20 713	127 267	74 750	202 016
Brimbank (C) Keilor	191	112	304	26 387	9 547	1 390	37 324	24 188	61 511
Brimbank (C)–Sunshine Hobsons Bay (C)–Altona	117 62	12 11	130 74	14 614 8 019	857 996	1 240 1 360	16 711 10 376	23 537 9 829	40 249 20 205
Hobsons Bay (C)–Milliamstown	44	28	72	6 946	5 095	2 707	14 748	3 642	18 389
Maribyrnong (C)	110	18	153	15 193	1 813	5 360	22 366	8 141	30 507
Moonee Valley (C)–Essendon	35	35	70	7 415	4 157	7 558	19 129	4 336	23 466
Moonee Valley (C)-West	26	20	46	3 580	1 936	1 097	6 613	1 077	7 690
Melton-Wyndham (SSD)	650	18	668	88 270	2 186	2 843	93 299	28 459	121 758
Melton (S)–East	314	0	314	42 115	0	180	42 295	585	42 880
Melton (S) Balance	39	2	41	5 356	130	1 221	6 707	6 703	13 410
Wyndham (C)-North West	20	0	20	2 758	0	106	2 863	0	2 863
Wyndham (C)-Werribee	138	5	143	17 422	508	1 134	19 064	6 504	25 568
Wyndham (C)-Balance	139	11	150	20 620	1 548	203	22 371	14 667	37 037
Moreland City (SSD)	86	87	198	10 284	7 388	7 647	25 320	3 822	29 142
Moreland (C)–Brunswick	16	31	59	2 010	3 022	2 410	7 442	1 429	8 870
Moreland (C)-Coburg	31	42	85	3 798	3 447	4 245	11 490	1 301	12 792
Moreland (C)-North	39	14	54	4 476	920	992	6 388	1 092	7 480
Northern Middle Melbourne (SSD)	187	133	321	26 847	11 806	17 642	56 296	17 909	74 204
Banyule (C)–Heidelberg	39	55	94	5 642	4 900	4 738	15 280	9 209	24 489
Banyule (C)–North	49	12	61	8 095	847	2 136	11 079	1 064	12 143
Darebin (C)-Northcote	23	29	52	3 112	3 170	5 658	11 940	1 016	12 956
Darebin (C)-Preston	76	37	114	9 998	2 889	5 110	17 996	6 620	24 615
Hume City (SSD)	384	23	407	52 592	1 766	1 746	56 104	91 059	147 163
Hume (C)-Broadmeadows	54	10	64	5 647	668	637	6 952	56 789	63 741
Hume (C)-Craigieburn	265	2	267	37 537	258	636	38 431	27 712	66 143
Hume (C)-Sunbury	65	11	76	9 408	841	473	10 722	6 558	17 279
Northern Outer Melbourne (SSD)	430	81	511	62 790	6 973	4 345	74 108	17 690	91 798
Nillumbik (S)–South	29	32	61	5 513	4 008	1 446	10 967	6 343	17 310
Nillumbik (S)–South-West	60	2	62	10 392	250	798	11 441	661	12 101
Nillumbik (S)-Balance	19	0	19	2 589	0	525	3 115	50	3 165
Whittlesea (C)-North	155	3	158	20 534	240	80	20 854	3 799	24 653
Whittlesea (C)-South	167	44	211	23 762	2 475	1 495	27 731	6 838	34 569
Boroondara City (SSD)	82	63	187	19 095	8 682	24 656	52 433	10 195	62 628
Boroondara (C)–Camberwell N.	39	33	72	8 170	4 932	3 826	16 928	1 683	18 611
Boroondara (C)–Camberwell S.	25	19	46	5 044	2 595	7 922	15 561	1 057	16 619
Boroondara (C)-Hawthorn	6	6	51	1 951	630	7 917	10 498	4 756	15 254
Boroondara (C)-Kew	12	5	18	3 930	525	4 992	9 446	2 699	12 145

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Barwon (SD)	526	86	612	70 381	11 986	13 360	95 727	17 939	113 666
Greater Geelong City Part A (SSD)	234	63	297	32 023	9 915	5 899	47 838	9 601	57 439
Bellarine–Inner	45	4	49	5 760	193	387	6 340	130	6 470
Corio-Inner	73	6	79	9 706	602	901	11 209	2 319	13 528
Geelong	7	48	55	867	8 780	763	10 410	5 641	16 051
Geelong West	15	0	15	1 873	0	1 023	2 896	332	3 229
Newton	6	2	8	1 583	160	1 694	3 437	572	4 009
South Barwon-Inner	88	3	91	12 234	180	1 132	13 546	607	14 153
East Barwon (SSD)	226	17	243	31 541	1 726	6 145	39 412	3 775	43 187
Greater Geelong (C) -Pt B	104	4	108	13 301	280	2 227	15 808	1 502	17 310
Queenscliffe (B)	11	0	11	1 913	0	488	2 401	200	2 601
Surf Coast (S)-East	58	13	71	8 722	1 446	1 545	11 713	1 136	12 849
Surf Coast (S)-West	53	0	53	7 604	0	1 885	9 490	937	10 427
West Barwon (SSD)	66	6	72	6 817	345	1 315	8 477	4 563	13 040
Colac-Otway (S)-Colac	8	0	8	962	0	332	1 294	906	2 200
Colac-Otway (S)-North	5	4	9	243	200	280	723	217	940
Colac-Otway (S)-South	25	0	25	2 320	0	283	2 602	1 826	4 428
Golden Plains (S)-North-West	11	0	11	1 314	0	160	1 475	250	1 725
Golden Plains (S)-South-East	16	0	16	1 763	0	212	1 975	1 363	3 338
Greater Geelong (C)-Pt C	1	2	3	216	145	48	409	0	409
Western District (SD)	81	4	88	10 386	411	4 632	15 429	10 305	25 733
Hopkins (SSD)	60	2	65	7 854	227	3 316	11 397	7 870	19 267
Corangamite (S)-North	7	0	7	981	0	723	1 704	625	2 330
Corangamite (S)-South	5	0	5	585	0	248	833	2 751	3 584
Moyne (S)–North-East	1	0	1	84	0	131	215	0	215
Moyne (S)-North-West	1	0	1	92	0	101	193	75	268
Moyne (S)-South	12	2	16	1 492	227	658	2 378	1 730	4 107
Warrnambool (C)	34	0	35	4 620	0	1 454	6 074	2 690	8 764
Lady Julia Percy Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glenelg (SSD)	21	2	23	2 532	184	1 316	4 032	2 434	6 466
Glenelg (S)-Heywood	7	0	7	673	0	152	825	0	825
Glenelg (S)-North	1	0	1	140	0	24	164	0	164
Glenelg (S)-Portland	5	0	5	451	0	700	1 151	1 030	2 181
S. Grampians (S)-Hamilton	4	2	6	468	184	226	878	1 404	2 282
S. Grampians (S)–Wannon	0	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	40
S. Grampians (S)-Balance	4	0	4	800	0	175	975	0	975
Central Highlands (SD)	209	6	216	26 382	370	4 666	31 418	32 057	63 475
Ballarat City (SSD)	95	4	99	12 481	240	2 044	14 766	27 961	42 727
Ballarat (C)-Central	25	0	25	2 928	0	1 151	4 079	21 009	25 088
Ballarat (C)-Inner North	52	0	52	7 185	0	180	7 365	6 752	14 117
Ballarat (C)-North	1	0	1	69	0	12	81	0	81
Ballarat (C)-South	17	4	21	2 300	240	701	3 241	200	3 441
East Central Highlands (SSD)	101	2	104	12 523	130	2 253	14 906	2 219	17 125
Hepburn (S)-East	34	0	34	3 810	0	858	4 668	90	4 758
Hepburn (S)-West	9	0	9	1 216	0	298	1 514	1 300	2 814
Moorabool (S)-Bacchus Marsh	28	2	30	3 825	130	689	4 645	829	5 473
Moorabool (S)-Ballan	27	0	28	3 370	0	209	3 579	0	3 579
Moorabool (S)-West	3	0	3	302	0	198	500	0	500

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Wellington (S)-Sale

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	DWELLI	NGS (no.).		VALUE (	VALUE (\$'000)					
	New houses	New other residential building	Total dwellings(a)	New houses	New other residential buildings	Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b)	Total residential building	Non- residential building	Total building	
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			SIAIIS	TICAL AREA						
Gippsland (SD)	304	17	321	32 027	1 096	6 529	39 651	16 618	56 269	
La Trobe Valley (SSD)	65	3	68	7 614	165	1 481	9 260	2 682	11 943	
Baw Baw (S)-Pt A	3	0	3	484	0	88	572	71	643	
La Trobe (S)–Moe	9	0	9	1 018	0	406	1 423	302	1 725	
La Trobe (S)-Morwell	12	3	15	1 358	165	318	1 840	835	2 675	
La Trobe (S)-Traralgon	39	0	39	4 635	0	577	5 212	1 475	6 687	
La Trobe (S)-Balance	2	0	2	120	0	93	213	0	213	
West Gippsland (SSD)	52	2	54	6 814	103	1 376	8 292	2 218	10 511	
Baw Baw (S)-Pt B East	6	0	6	650	0	67	717	200	917	
Baw Baw (S)-Pt B West	46	2	48	6 164	103	1 309	7 576	2 018	9 594	
Yarra Ranges (S)-Pt B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
South Gippsland (SSD)	187	12	199	17 598	828	3 672	22 098	11 717	33 816	
Bass Coast (S)-Phillip Island	69	10	79	5 541	630	1 588	7 759	6 227	13 986	
Bass Coast (S)-Balance	65	2	67	6 271	198	1 291	7 759	2 425	10 184	
South Gippsland (S)-Central	28	0	28	3 114	0	320	3 433	2 320	5 753	
South Gippsland (S)-East	7	0	7	599	0	193	792	683	1 475	
South Gippsland (S)–West	18	0	18	2 075	0	263	2 338	62	2 400	
French Island	0	0	0	0	0	18	18	0	18	
Bass Strait Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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			STATISTIC	CAL DISTRIC	Γ					
Albury-Wodonga (NSW/Vic)	133	47	180	15 775	2 290	3 247	21 312	21 069	42 381	
Geelong Vic	234	63	297	32 023	9 915	5 899	47 838	9 601	57 439	
Ballarat Vic	95	4	99	12 481	240	2 044	14 766	27 961	42 727	
Bendigo Vic	153	12	169	17 065	1 003	2 228	20 297	6 761	27 057	
Shepparton Vic	57	9	66	7 997	656	840	9 493	8 528	18 021	
La Trobe Valley Vic	65	3	68	7 614	165	1 481	9 260	2 682	11 943	
Mildura Vic	75	8	87	9 656	650	1 431	11 738	3 173	14 911	
			and dwelling units			(b) Refer to Ex	planatory Not	es paragraph 12	2.	
	alteration	ons and addition	ons or the construc	tion of non-reside	ential					
	building									

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

SCOPE

- **1** This publication presents monthly details of building work approved.
- **2** Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:
- permits issued by licensed building surveyors;
- contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities;
- major building activity in areas not subject to normal administrative approval
   e.g. building on remote mine sites;
- **3** The scope of the survey comprises the following activities:
  - construction of new buildings
  - alterations and additions to existing buildings
  - approved non-structural renovation and refurbishment work
- approved installation of integral building fixtures.

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.

Excluded from the statistics is:

 construction activity not defined as building (e.g. construction of roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.). Statistics for this activity can be found in Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8762.0).

VALUE DATA

**4** Value data are derived by aggregation of the estimated value of building work when completed as reported on approval documents. Such value data excludes the value of land and landscaping but includes site preparation. These estimates are usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of 'houses'. However, for 'other residential buildings' and 'non-residential buildings', these estimates can differ significantly from the completed value of the building.

OWNERSHIP

**5** 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.

BUILDING CLASSIFICATIONS

- **6** 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'). These classifications are often used in conjunction with each other to describe building approvals in this publication.
- **7** The Type of Building classification refers to the intended major function of a building. 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, not to the function of the group as a whole.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

BUILDING CLASSIFICATIONS

- **8** An example is the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. For instance, a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Shops, while the factory buildings would be classified to Factories.
- **9** An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings. For example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Education.
- **10** In the case of a large multi-function building, i.e. a single large physical 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.
- **11** 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** The Type of Work classification refers to the building activity carried out: New; Alterations and additions; or Conversion. See the Glossary for definitions of these terms. Prior to the April 1998 issue of this publication, Conversions were published as part of a category called 'Conversions, etc.'. From the April 1998 issue onwards, Conversion jobs are shown separately in tables 5 and 6. However, in other tables they are included within existing categories, as follows: in tables 1, 2, 11 and 12 they are included in the appropriate Type of Building category, and in tables 3, 4,11 and 12 they are included in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

- **13** 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.
- **14** 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.
- **15** 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).
- **16** Some of the component series have been seasonally adjusted independently. Therefore, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals.
- **17** As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. The timing of this review may vary and when appropriate will be notified in the 'Data Notes' section of this publication.

TREND ESTIMATES

**18** 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 respective 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 further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview* (Cat. no. 1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (02) 6252 6076.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

TREND ESTIMATES

**19** While the smoothing techniques described in paragraph 18 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 and re-analysis of seasonal factors may also lead to revisions to the trend.

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

- **20** The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually re-weighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year (currently 1997–98). The reference year will be updated annually in the July 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 therefore only reflect volume changes.
- **21** 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
GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION
(ASGC)

- **22** Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification*, *1999 Edition* (Cat. no. 1216.0), effective from 1 July 1999, and ASGC terminology has been adopted in the presentation of building statistics.
- **23** Some Statistical Districts straddle State/Territory boundaries (e.g. the Albury–Wodonga Statistical District lies partly in Victoria and partly in New South Wales).

UNPUBLISHED DATA

**24** The ABS can also make available certain building approvals data which are not published. Where the data cannot be provided by telephone, it can be provided via fax, photocopy, computer printout, floppy disk and email. A charge may be made for providing unpublished data in these forms.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- **25** Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- Building Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8752.0)
- Building Activity, Australia: Dwelling Unit Commencements (Cat. no. 8750.0)
- Building Activity, Victoria (Cat. no. 8752.2)
- Building Activity, Building Work Done (Cat. no. 8755.0)
- Building Approvals, Australia (Cat. no. 8731.0)
- Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8762.0)
- House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities (Cat. no. 6416.0)
- Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia (Cat. no. 5609.0)
- Price Index of Materials Used in Building Other than House Building (Cat. no. 6407.0)
- Price Index of Materials Used in House Building (Cat. no. 6408.0).

ROUNDING

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

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a. not available
n.y.a. not yet available
B Borough
C City
RC Rural City

SD Statistical Division SSD Statistical Subdivision

S Shire

### GLOSSARY

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 12.

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.

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 April 1998 issue. Prior to that issue, conversions were published as part of the 'Conversions, etc.' category or included elsewhere within a table. Prior to July 1996, Table 5 includes the number of Conversions in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category while Table 6 includes the value of Conversions in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings, creating dwellings' category. See also Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

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

Includes schools, colleges, kindergartens, libraries, museums and universities.

Entertainment and recreational

Includes clubs, cinemas, sport and recreation centres.

**Factories** 

Includes paper mills, oil refinery buildings, brickworks and powerhouses.

Flats, units or apartments

Dwellings not having their own private grounds and usually sharing a common entrance, foyer or stairwell.

Health

Includes hospitals, nursing homes, surgeries, clinics and medical centres.

Hotels, motels and other short term accommodation

Includes hostels, boarding houses, guest houses, and holiday apartment buildings.

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. caretakers residences) associated with a non-residential building are defined as houses.

### GLOSSARY

**Miscellaneous** Includes justice and defence buildings, welfare and charitable homes, prisons and

reformatories, maintenance camps, farming and livestock buildings, veterinary

clinics, child-minding centres, police stations and public toilets.

New building work Building activity which will result in the creation of a building which previously

did not exist.

New other residential Building activity which will result in the creation of a residential building other

buildings than a house, which previously did not exist.

New residential Building activity which will result in the creation of any residential building

(house or other residential) 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 April 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 5). 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 Includes banks, post offices and council chambers.

Other business premises 
Includes warehouses, service stations, transport depots and terminals, electricity

substation buildings, telephone exchanges, broadcasting and film studios.

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: semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey; semi-detached, 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 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 semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey category in table 7 of this

publication.

**Religious** Includes convents, churches, temples, mosques, monasteries and noviciates.

**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.

Semi-detached, row or terrace Dwellings having their own private grounds with no other dwellings above or

houses, townhouses below.

**Shops** Includes retail shops, restaurants, taverns and shopping arcades.

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