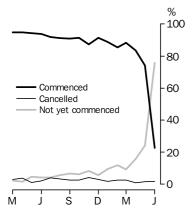


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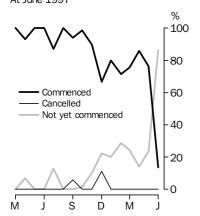
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Status of houses approved

At June 1997



Status, other dwellings approved At June 1997



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JUNE KEY POINTS

ORIGINAL

- Dwelling commencements numbering 6,496 were recorded for the 1996–97 financial year. This comprised 5,777 houses and 719 dwellings in other residential buildings.
- There was greatest activity in the Northern Statistical Subdivision (SSD) with 1,933 dwellings followed by the Southern SSD with 1,240.
- Major growth areas outside of the Adelaide Statistical Division were at Roxby Downs, Victor Harbor and Mt Barker.
- Between 87.4% and 97.6% of houses approved in any one month of June 1995 to December 1996 were commenced, whilst cancellations accounted for up to 4.3% of monthly approvals.

NOTES

ABOUT THIS ISSUE

No amendments have been made to commencements data for previously released data prior to July 1996. Any dwellings approved prior to this date that subsequently have been found to have been commenced and not released are included in the value for July 1996.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics

C City
S Shire
T Town

nil or rounded to zero

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

Peter Gardner Regional Director South Australia

TABLE 1. NUMBER OF NEW DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY OWNERSHIP AND TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

	1	Private sector		i	Public sector		Total			
Period	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	
		ADELAII	DE STATIST	ΓICAL DIV	ISION					
1994-95	5,260	1,000	6,260	443	160	603	5,703	1,160	6,863	
1995-96	2,846	822	3,668	159	25	184	3,005	847	3,852	
1996-97	3,674	590	4,264	113	17	130	3,787	607	4,394	
1996—										
March quarter	563	215	778	24	2	26	587	217	804	
June quarter	756	147	903	55	2	57	811	149	960	
September quarter	1,250	215	1,465	38	4	42	1,288	219	1,507	
December quarter	753	201	954	31	_	31	784	201	985	
1997—										
March quarter	718	58	776	4	_	4	722	58	780	
June quarter	953	116	1,069	40	13	53	993	129	1,122	
		S	OUTH AUS	TRALIA						
1994-95	7,739	1,197	8,936	449	191	640	8,188	1,388	9,576	
1995-96	4,675	953	5,628	164	27	191	4,839	980	5,819	
1996-97	5,653	702	6,355	124	17	141	5,777	719	6,496	
1996—										
March quarter	984	242	1,226	25	2	27	1,009	244	1,253	
June quarter	1,176	166	1,342	56	2	58	1,232	168	1,400	
September quarter	1,782	245	2,027	41	4	45	1,823	249	2,072	
December quarter	1,205	218	1,423	31	_	31	1,236	218	1,454	
1997—										
March quarter	1,111	83	1,194	6	_	6	1,117	83	1,200	
June quarter	1,555	156	1,711	46	13	59	1,601	169	1,770	

TABLE 2— DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS, JUNE 1997

	Commenced	Comme	enced during 96	5-97	Not yet Commenced (a)				
Statistical local area,	Other				Other			Other	
statistical subdivision and		residential			residential			residential	
statistical division	Houses	buildings	Total	Houses	buildings	Total	Houses	buildings	Total
		ADELAID	DE STATIST	ΓICAL DIV	ISION				
Elizabeth (C)	_	_	_	13	_	13	8	_	8
Enfield (C) — Pt A	154	2	156	320	12	332	13	_	13
Gawler (M)	19	_	19	71	3	74	25	_	25
Munno Para (C)	88	_	88	407	2	409	38	_	38
Salisbury (C)	104	_	104	303	2	305	4	2	6
Tea Tree Gully (C)	85	7	92	677	123	800	23	_	23
Northern (SSD)	450	9	459	1,791	142	1,933	111	2	113
Enfield (C) — Pt B	3	_	3	7	_	7	13	_	13
Henly & Grange (C)	6	2	8	20	4	24	1	_	1
Hindmarsh and Woodville (C)	72	2	74	235	18	253	16	_	16
Port Adelaide (C)	5	6	11	23	6	29	7	2	9
Thebarton (M)	3	8	11	8	8	16	_	_	_
West Torrens (C)	27	8	35	88	8	96	7	4	11
Unincorporated Western	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Western (SSD)	116	26	142	381	44	425	44	6	50
Adelaide (C)	6	_	6	30	113	143	_	_	_
Burnside (C)	49	29	78	163	59	222	1	_	1
Campbelltown (C)	43	6	49	168	24	192	3	2	5
East Torrens (DC)	2	_	2	11	_	11	3	_	3
Kensington & Norwood	_	2	2	3	2	5	1	_	1
Payneham (C)	3	_	3	33	11	44	4	_	4
Prospect (C)	8	6	14	33	16	49	1	_	1
St Peters (M)	3	_	3	9	19	28	1	_	1
Stirling (DC)	9	_	9	30	_	30	8	_	8
Unley (C)	12	2	14	38	16	54	7	_	7
Walkerville (M)	2	7	9	9	9	18	_	_	_
Eastern (SSD)	137	52	189	527	269	796	29	2	31
Brighton (C)	16	5	21	70	30	100	4	_	4
Glenelg (C)	15	14	29	32	28	60	4	_	4
Happy Valley (C)	38	_	38	155	6	161	12	_	12
Marion (C)	47	16	63	165	55	220	4	_	4
Mitcham (C)	21	_	21	95	14	109	11	4	15
Noarlunga (C)	113	_	113	429	8	437	21	2	23
Willunga (DC)	40	7	47	142	11	153	17	_	17
Southern (SSD)	290	42	332	1,088	152	1,240	73	6	79
Total	993	129	1,122	3,787	607	4,394	257	16	273

TABLE 2— DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS, JUNE 1997 — continued

	Commenc	Comme	enced during 96	5-97	Not yet Commenced (a)				
Statistical local area,			Other			Other			
statistical subdivision and		residential			residential			residential	
statistical division	Houses	buildings	Total	Houses	buildings	Total	Houses	buildings	Total
		OUTER ADEI	AIDE STA	TISTICAL	DIVISION				
Angaston (DC)	12	_	12	44	_	44	3	5	8
Barossa (DC)	4	_	4	31	_	31	4	_	4
Gumeracha (DC)	4	_	4	15	_	15	2	_	2
Kapunda (DC)	13	_	13	30	_	30	1	_	1
Light (DC)	16	_	16	65	_	65	4	_	4
Mallala (DC)	15	_	15	34	_	34	5	_	5
Mount Pleasant (DC)	14	_	14	16	_	16	_	_	_
Tanunda (DC)	5	_	5	35	_	35	_	_	_
Barossa (SSD)	83	_	83	270	_	270	19	5	24
Dudley (DC)	5	_	5	15	_	15	8	_	8
Kingscote (DC)	9	_	9	36	3	39	6	_	6
Kangaroo Island (SSD)	14	_	14	51	3	54	14	_	14
Mount Barker (DC)	34	_	34	127	4	131	28	_	28
Onkaparinga (DC)	18	_	18	35	_	35	_	_	_
Onkaparinga (SSD)	52	_	52	162	4	166	28	_	28
Port Elliot & Goolwa (DC)	27	_	27	122	2	124	4	_	4
Strathalbyn (DC)	6	_	6	38	_	38	8	_	8
Victor Harbor (DC)	46	_	46	155	4	159	2	_	2
Yankalilla (DC)	16	_	16	68	_	68	3	_	3
Fleurieu (SSD)	95	_	95	383	6	389	17	_	17
Total	244	_	244	866	13	879	78	5	83
	YOR	KE AND LOW	ER NORTH	I STATISTI	CAL DIVISIO	N			
Bute (DC)	_	_		1	_	1			
Central Yorke Peninsula (DC)	3	3	6	26	3	29	1	_	1
Minlaton (DC)	1	_	1	7	_	7	2	_	2
Northern Yorke Peninsula (DC)	14	_	14	62	2	64	4	_	4
Port Broughton (DC)	3	_	3	8	_	8	_	_	_
Wallaroo (M)	2	_	2	20	_	20	_	_	_
Warooka (DC)	4	_	4	17	2	19	3	_	3
Yorketown (DC)	6	_	6	14	_	14	1	_	1
Unincorporated Yorke	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Yorke (SSD)	33	3	36	155	7	162	11	_	11
Blyth-Snowtown (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	2	_	2
Burra Burra (DC)	1	_	1	4	_	4	_	_	_
Clare (DC)	6	_	6	26	_	26	1	_	1
Eudunda (DC)	_	_	_	3	_	3	_	_	_
Riverton (DC)	2	_	2	9	_	9	_	_	_
Robertstown (DC)	1	_	1	3	_	3	_	_	_
Saddleworth & Auburn (DC)	4	2	6	12	6	18	2	_	2
Spalding (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Wakefield Plains (DC)	7	_	7	15	_	15	_	_	_
Lower North (SSD)	21	2	23	72	6	78	5	_	5
Total	54	5	59	227	13	240	16	_	16

TABLE 2— DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS, JUNE 1997 —continued

	Commend	Comme	enced during 96	5-97	Not yet Commenced (a)				
Statistical local area, statistical subdivision and statistical division	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
		MURRAY LA	NDS STAT	TISTICAL I	DIVISION				
Barmera (DC)	3		3	15		15		_	
Berri (DC)	12	_	12	38	_	38	1	_	1
Browns Well (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Loxton (DC)	3	8	11	26	28	54	_	_	_
Morgan (DC)	_	_	_	6	_	6	3	_	3
Paringa (DC)	3	_	3	14	_	14	_	_	_
Renmark (M)	9	_	9	35	2	37	2	_	2
Waikerie (DC)	7	2	9	13	2	15	1	_	1
Unincorporated Riverland	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Riverland (SSD)	37	10	47	147	32	179	7	_	7
Coonalpyn Downs (DC)	1	_	1	3	_	3	_	_	_
Karoonda East Murray (DC)	_	_	_	1	_	1	_	_	_
Lameroo (DC)	1	_	1	3	_	3	_	_	_
Mannum (DC)	7	_	7	21	_	21	4	_	4
Meningie (DC)	_	_	_	17	_	17	1	_	1
Murray Bridge (RC)	16	_	16	51	8	59	_	_	_
Peake (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Pinnaroo (DC)	1	_	1	1	_	1	_	_	_
Ridley-Truro (DC)	4	_	4	11	_	11	3	_	3
Unincorporated Murray Mallee	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Murray Mallee (SSD)	30	_	30	108	8	116	8	_	8
Total	67	10	77	255	40	295	15	_	15
		SOUTH EA	ST STATIS	TICAL DI	VISION				
Lacepede (DC)	3		3	13	_	13	1	2	3
Lucindale (DC)	2	_	2	3	_	3	_	_	_
Naracoorte (M)	4	_	4	8	_	8	_	_	_
Naracoorte (DC)	2	_	2	7	_	7	_	_	_
Robe (DC)	1	_	1	9	_	9	1	_	1
Tatiara (DC)	5	_	5	24	_	24	1	_	1
Upper South East (SSD)	17	_	17	64	_	64	3	2	5
Beachport (DC)	2	_	2	3	_	3	_	_	_
Millicent (DC)	2	_	2	12	_	12	_	_	_
Mount Gambier (C)	26	_	26	119	_	119	2	_	2
Mount Gambier (DC)	5	_	5	21	_	21	1	_	1
Penola (DC)	3	_	3	11	_	11	_	_	_
Port MacDonnell (DC)	1	_	1	20	_	20	_	_	_
Lower South East (SSD)	39	_	39	186	_	186	3	_	3
Total	56		56	250		250	6	2	8

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TABLE 2-DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS, JUNE~1997 - continued

	Commend	ed during June	Comme	enced during 96	5-97	Not yet Commenced (a)			
Statistical local area, statistical subdivision and statistical division	Houses	Other residential buildings		Houses	Other residential buildings		Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
			STATISTIC	AL DIVISI					
Cleve (DC)			_	3	_	3			
Elliston (DC)	_	_	_	4	_	4	_	_	_
Franklin Harbor (DC)	3	_	3	3	_	3	_	_	_
Kimba (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Le Hunte (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Lower Eyre Peninsula (DC)	3	_	3	30	_	30	2	_	2
Port Lincoln (C)	14	_	14	53	9	62	2	5	7
Tumby Bay (DC)	7	_	7	23	_	23	_	_	_
Unincorportaed Lincoln	_	_	_	_	_		_	_	_
Lincoln (SSD)	27	_	27	116	9	125	4	5	9
Ceduna (DC)	3	_	3	10	_	10	1	_	1
Streaky Bay (DC)	3	_	3	5	_	5	1	_	1
Unincorporated West Coast	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
West Coast (SSD)	6	_	6	15	_	15	2	_	2
Total	33	_	33	131	9	140	6	5	11
		NORTHER	N STATIS	TICAL DIV	ISION				
Whyalla (C)	6	_	6	25	_	25	4	_	4
Unincorporated Whyalla	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Whyalla (SSD)	6	_	6	25	_	25	4	_	4
Crystal Brook-Redhill (DC)	4	_	4	8	_	8	_	_	_
Hallett (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Jamestown (DC)	1	_	1	1	_	1	_	_	_
Orroroo (DC)	_	_	_	3	_	3	_	_	_
Peterborough (M)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Peterborough (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Pirie (DC)	1	_	1	4	_	4	1	_	1
Port Pirie (C)	12	_	12	37	8	45	2	_	2
Rocky River (DC)	1	_	1	1	_	1	_	_	_
Unincorporated Pirie	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Pirie (SSD)	19	_	19	54	8	62	3	_	3
Carrieton	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Hawker (DC)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Kanyaka-Quorn (DC)	_	_	_	3	_	3	_	_	_
Mount Remarkable (DC)	3	_	3	8	_	8	_	_	_
Port Augusta (C)	8	_	8	24	_	24	_	_	_
Unincorporated Flinders Ranges		_		_	_		_	_	_
Finders Ranges (SSD)	11	_	11	35	_	35	_	_	_
Coober Pedy (DC)	_	_	_	1	_	1	12	_	12
Roxby Downs (M)	118	25	143	144	29	173	_	_	_
Unincorporated Far North	_	_	_	2	_	2	_	_	_
Far North (SSD)	118	25	143	147	29	176	12	_	12
Total	154	25	179	261	37	298	19	_	19
		S	OUTH AUS	TRALIA					
South Australia	1,601	169		5,777	719	6,496	397	28	

TABLE 3 — HOUSES APPROVED BY MONTH OF APPROVAL AND COMMENCEMENT STATUS

Month of approval	Commenc	red	Cancelle	ed	Not yet comm	nenced	Total	
	dwellings	percent	dwellings	percent	dwellings	percent	dwellings	percent
1995—								
June	515	93.0	20	3.6	19	3.4	554	100.0
July	444	95.9	11	2.4	8	1.7	463	100.0
August	579	95.2	21	3.5	8	1.3	608	100.0
September	426	91.2	19	4.1	22	4.7	467	100.0
October	397	94.1	13	3.1	12	2.8	422	100.0
November	374	95.9	9	2.3	7	1.8	390	100.0
December	347	94.6	11	3.0	9	2.5	367	100.0
1996—								
January	290	94.8	13	4.2	3	1.0	306	100.0
February	408	97.6	5	1.2	5	1.2	418	100.0
March	372	94.7	12	3.1	9	2.3	393	100.0
April	366	94.8	14	3.6	6	1.6	386	100.0
May	456	94.4	5	1.0	22	4.6	483	100.0
June	381	93.8	8	2.0	17	4.2	406	100.0
July	442	91.9	19	4.0	20	4.2	481	100.0
August	448	91.1	16	3.3	28	5.7	492	100.0
September	420	90.9	12	2.6	30	6.5	462	100.0
October	379	91.5	10	2.4	25	6.0	414	100.0
November	383	87.4	19	4.3	36	8.2	438	100.0
December	350	91.4	11	2.9	22	5.7	383	100.0
1997—								
January	302	88.8	6	1.8	32	9.4	340	100.0
February	371	85.5	11	2.5	52	12.0	434	100.0
March	442	88.2	13	2.6	46	9.2	501	100.0
April	474	83.5	4	0.7	90	15.8	568	100.0
May	409	74.2	9	1.6	133	24.1	551	100.0
June	122	22.6	9	1.7	409	75.7	540	100.0

TABLE 4 — OTHER RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS APPROVED BY MONTH OF APPROVAL AND COMMENCEMENT STATUS

	Commend	ced	Cancelle	ed	Not yet comm	enced	Total	
Month of approval	dwellings	percent	dwellings	percent	dwellings	percent	dwellings	percent
1995—								
June	77	90.6	4	4.7	4	4.7	85	100.0
July	110	100.0	_	_	_	_	110	100.0
August	56	96.6	2	3.4	_	_	58	100.0
September	100	100.0	_	_	_	_	100	100.0
October	94	97.9	2	2.1	_	_	96	100.0
November	131	98.5	_	_	2	1.5	133	100.0
December	61	100.0	_	_	_	_	61	100.0
1996—								
January	46	100.0	_	_	_	_	46	100.0
February	62	93.9	2	3.0	2	3.0	66	100.0
March	41	100.0	_	_	_	_	41	100.0
April	41	93.2	_	_	3	6.8	44	100.0
May	22	100.0	_	_	_	_	22	100.0
June	25	100.0		_	_	_	25	100.0
July	41	87.2		_	6	12.8	47	100.0
August	51	100.0		_	_	_	51	100.0
September	48	94.1	3	5.9	_	_	51	100.0
October	146	98.6	_	_	2	1.4	148	100.0
November	44	89.8	_	_	5	10.2	49	100.0
December	18	66.7	3	11.1	6	22.2	27	100.0
1997—								
January	8	80.0		_	2	20.0	10	100.0
February	25	71.4		_	10	28.6	35	100.0
March	31	75.6		_	10	24.4	41	100.0
April	49	86.0		_	8	14.0	57	100.0
May	48	76.2		_	15	23.8	63	100.0
June	7	13.7		_	44	86.3	51	100.0

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication contains details of the number of new dwelling units reported by approving authorities as having commenced.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- **2** The statistics were compiled from information provided by local and other government authorities, of commencements of new houses and new other residential buildings for which:
- building permits were issued by local government or other government authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities; and
- contracts were let or day labour work was authorised by Commonwealth,
 State, semi-government and local government authorities.
- **3** Major dwelling unit commencements in areas not subject to the normal administrative approval processes (e.g. buildings on remote mine sites) are also included.
- **4** The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings and through the construction of new non-residential buildings is not included.

COMPARABILITY OF STATISTICS

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

DEFINITIONS

- **6** A *dwelling unit* is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long term residential use. Units (whether self-contained or not) within buildings offering institutional care, such as hospitals, or temporary accommodation e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments, are not defined as dwelling units.
- **7** A *residential building* is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either *houses* or *other residential buildings* as follows:
- A *bouse* is defined as a detached building predominantly used for long term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit. Thus, detached 'granny flats' and detached dwelling units (such as caretakers' residences) associated with non-residential buildings are defined as houses for the purpose of these statistics.
- An other residential building is defined as a building which is predominantly used for long term residential purposes and which contains (or has attached to it) more than one dwelling unit (e.g. includes townhouses, duplexes, apartment buildings etc.).

DEFINITIONS continued

- **8** *Commencements*. For the purposes of this statistical series, a dwelling unit is regarded as being commenced on the date when:
- the residential building is first inspected by a building inspector or surveyor, whether the work is passed or not. In general the first inspection is undertaken at the foundations or footings stage of construction; or
- the residential building is determined as commenced by a building inspector or surveyor.
- **9** *Ownership of a building* is classified as either Public Sector or Private Sector according to the sector of the intended owner of the completed building as evident at the time of approval. Residential buildings being constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes whereby the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the buildings on or before completion, are classified as public sector.

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)

10 Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification*, *1996 Edition* (Cat no. 1216.0), effective from 1 July 1996, and ASGC terminology has been adopted in the presentation of building statistics.

UNPUBLISHED DATA AND RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- **11** The ABS can also make available certain dwelling unit commencement data which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required information by telephone, data can be provided in the following forms: photocopy, computer printout, floppy disk and clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished information in these forms.
- 12 Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:
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