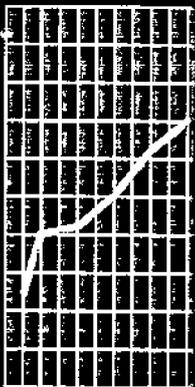




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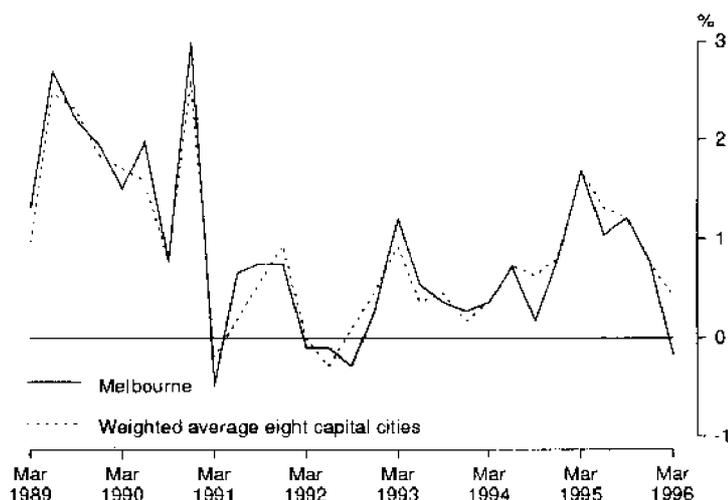
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The consumer price index for Victoria in the March quarter 1996 (118.3) decreased by 0.2% from the December quarter 1995 (118.5). It was 2.9% higher than in the March quarter of 1995.

For Australia the consumer price index in the March quarter 1996 (119.0) increased by 0.4% from the December quarter 1995 (118.5) but increased by 3.7% from the March quarter in 1995.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Change from previous quarter



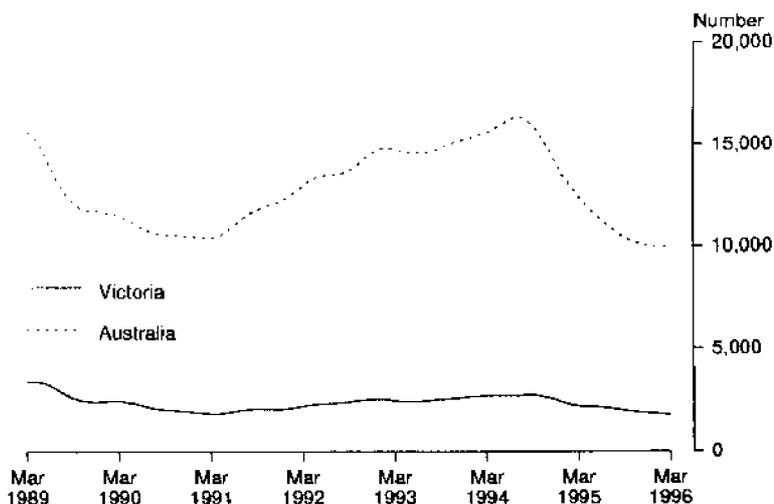
NEW DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

The trend estimate of new dwelling units approved in Victoria in March 1996 decreased by 1.5% from February 1996. The trend estimate showed a decrease of 19.6% from March 1995.

For Australia, the trend estimate of new dwelling units approved decreased slightly, by 0.2% from February to March 1996, however the decrease in the trend estimate from March 1995 to March 1996 is 20%.

NEW DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Trend, monthly



Indicator(a)	Unit	Reference period	NUMBER						
			NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.(b)
Employed persons (c)	'000	Apr 96	p 2,761	p 2,071	p 1,519	p 662	p 823	p 203	p 8,291
Unemployment rate	%	Apr 96	p 8.1	p 8.9	p 9.1	p 9.5	p 7.6	p 10.4	p 8.6
Average weekly total earnings	\$	Nov 95	582.90	563.60	505.50	510.60	548.40	513.80	554.30
- all employees (e)									
Consumer price index all groups	1989-90=100	Mar qr 96	119.1	118.3	119.6	121.6	117.1	120.1	119.0
Exports (excludes re-exports)	\$m	Mar 96	1,537	1,451	962	463	1,622	189	6,461
Imports	\$m	Mar 96	2,742	2,062	675	243	492	24	6,278
Retail turnover - trend estimate	\$m	Mar 96	3,706	2,327	1,855	751	1,049	247	10,241
New motor vehicle registrations	no.	Mar 96	18,237	13,059	10,859	3,794	5,468	1,083	54,183
- trend estimate									
New capital expenditure	\$m	Dec qr 95	2,844	2,048	1,244	496	1,828	148	9,013
- seasonally adjusted									
New dwelling units approved	no.	Mar 96	3,325	1,798	2,422	429	1,479	188	9,990
- trend estimate									
Value of all buildings approved	\$m	Mar 96	675	423	396	98	210	29	1,895
Housing finance for owner occupation (f)	\$m	Mar 96	1,349	893	669	258	496	63	3,816
CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS PERIOD (%)									
Employed persons (c)		Apr 96	p 1.2	p 0.7	p 0.4	p 0.9	p 1.2	p 1.2	p 0.1
Unemployment rate		Apr 96	p 0.1	p 0.1	p -0.1	p 0.1	p -0.1	p 0.1	p 0.1
- trend estimate (d)									
Average weekly total earnings		Nov 95	0.8	2.5	0.4	0.1	0.7	3.7	1.2
- all employees (e)									
Consumer price index all groups		Mar qr 96	0.7	-0.2	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.4
Exports (excludes re-exports)		Mar 96	21.7	12.3	6.5	-5.8	5.6	78.1	12.2
Imports		Mar 96	1.2	5.2	4.9	4.5	-12.2	13.5	1.2
Retail turnover - trend estimate		Mar 96	1.0	0.6	0.6	-0.6	0.4	0.6	0.6
New motor vehicle registrations		Mar 96	0.1	1.1	2.5	1.7	1.8	-0.2	1.0
- trend estimate									
New capital expenditure		Dec qr 95	0.7	0.8	-8.6	27.6	-2.6	-5.6	2.4
- seasonally adjusted									
New dwelling units approved		Mar 96	0.3	-1.5	-0.2	2.9	4.0	-5.1	-0.2
- trend estimate									
Value of all buildings approved		Mar 96	-12.8	5.8	-18.7	51.6	9.6	-14.2	-14.6
Housing finance for owner occupation (f)		Mar 96	0.4	3.6	-0.2	0.1	0.2	-1.1	0.6
CHANGE OVER SAME PERIOD PREVIOUS YEAR (%)									
Employed persons (c)		Apr 96	p 0.9	p 1.1	p 0.1	p 1.7	p 1.4	p 0.4	p 0.6
Unemployment rate		Apr 96	p 0.1	p 0.0	p 0.3	p -0.4	p 0.2	p 0.0	p 0.1
- trend estimate (d)									
Average weekly total earnings		Nov 95	3.7	2.2	0.7	1.1	1.8	2.5	2.4
- all employees (e)									
Consumer price index all groups		Mar qr 96	4.7	2.9	3.3	3.2	3.6	3.4	3.7
Exports (excludes re-exports)		Mar 96	12.3	19.9	-8.3	18.4	0.3	2.5	9.1
Imports		Mar 96	-8.6	4.9	-5.9	-18.1	7.7	4.7	7.2
Retail turnover - trend estimate		Mar 96	12.2	5.9	5.6	2.6	10.3	5.6	8.2
New motor vehicle registrations		Mar 96	-6.6	2.7	7.7	4.3	0.7	7.3	0.1
- trend estimate									
New capital expenditure		Dec qr 95	4.7	19.9	11.0	-21.5	-6.2	1.4	6.0
- seasonally adjusted									
New dwelling units approved		Mar 96	-19.4	-19.6	23.8	38.4	8.8	22.4	-20.0
- trend estimate									
Value of all buildings approved		Mar 96	15.5	2.2	-22.3	-39.3	-2.5	-20.0	-13.8
Housing finance for owner occupation (f)		Mar 96	11.0	31.9	15.7	16.4	21.4	10.1	16.6

(a) All figures are original unless otherwise stated. (b) The Australian total includes figures for NT and the ACT. (c) Seasonally adjusted. (d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points. (e) Available only for February, May, August and November each year. (f) Trend estimate. All lenders, excludes alterations and additions, to residential buildings.

Indicator	Unit	Reference period	Latest figure	Victoria		Australia		Victoria as a % of Australia	
				Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)	Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)		
Population -									
Estimated resident population	'000	Sep qr 95	p 4,511	p 0.2	p 0.7	p 18,114	p 0.3	p 1.3	p 24.9
Civilian population aged 15 years and over	'000	Apr 96	p 3,583	p 0.1	p 1.0	p 14,301	p 0.1	p 1.5	p 25.1
Labour force -									
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- original	'000	Apr 96	p 2,276	p 0.5	p 1.5	p 9,071	p -0.5	p 1.1	p 25.1
- seasonally adjusted	'000	Apr 96	p 2,281	p 1.4	p 1.5	p 9,096	p 0.5	p 1.1	p 25.1
- trend estimate	'000	Apr 96	p 2,276	p 0.0	p 1.1	p 9,088	p 0.0	p 1.3	p 25.0
Participation rate									
- original series	%	Apr 96	p 63.5	0.3	0.5	p 63.4	0.6	-0.5	..
- seasonally adjusted	%	Apr 96	p 63.6	1.1	0.3	p 63.6	0.3	-0.2	..
- trend estimate	%	Apr 96	p 63.5	0.0	0.2	p 63.5	0.2	-0.2	..
Unemployment rate									
- original series	%	Apr 96	p 9.1	2.2	4.6	p 8.7	2.2	4.8	..
- seasonally adjusted	%	Apr 96	p 9.2	7.0	5.7	p 8.9	4.7	7.2	..
- trend estimate	%	Apr 96	p 8.9	3.5	0.0	p 8.6	2.4	1.2	..
Employed persons by industry (b)									
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing	'000	Feb 96	102	13.0	15.2	428	0.6	3.7	23.9
Mining	'000	Feb 96	4	21.7	35.7	88	8.1	3.1	4.1
Manufacturing	'000	Feb 96	347	3.0	-0.5	1,111	0.2	-0.9	31.2
Electricity, gas & water supply	'000	Feb 96	16	17.9	8.0	81	-2.6	2.8	19.8
Construction	'000	Feb 96	130	2.7	1.4	602	-0.8	0.9	21.6
Wholesale Trade	'000	Feb 96	129	-5.1	0.5	482	-5.5	3.0	26.6
Retail Trade	'000	Feb 96	303	0.3	1.2	1,243	1.8	4.2	24.4
Accommodation, cafes & restaurants	'000	Feb 96	75	-5.9	9.7	366	-6.9	3.6	20.4
Transport & storage	'000	Feb 96	100	5.2	8.5	393	1.7	0.5	25.5
Communication services	'000	Feb 96	49	13.9	14.4	171	12.8	11.6	28.8
Finance & insurance	'000	Feb 96	83	5.8	0.9	313	0.9	1.9	26.4
Property & business services	'000	Feb 96	209	-2.0	10.2	789	-0.4	4.1	26.4
Government administration and defence	'000	Feb 96	83	1.5	-2.4	389	1.1	8.4	21.4
Education	'000	Feb 96	132	5.1	3.0	557	5.6	4.8	23.7
Health and community services	'000	Feb 96	174	0.4	3.6	749	0.6	4.4	23.2
Cultural & recreational services	'000	Feb 96	46	-3.2	10.0	185	-5.2	-4.0	24.8
Personal & other services	'000	Feb 96	77	-	11.9	317	2.9	1.8	24.3
Total all industries	'000	Feb 96	2,058	0.6	0.6	8,264	1.0	-	24.9
Job vacancies (b)									
- original series	'000	Feb 96	16.7	39.2	23.7	63.9	13.9	11.7	26.1
Overtime (b)									
Average weekly hours per employee	hours	Feb 96	1.29	1.6	7.2	1.13	-1.7	6.6	..
Employees working overtime	%	Feb 96	17.5	-1.6	0.3	15.9	-4.1	3.6	..
Average weekly earnings of employees (b)									
Full-time adult - ordinary	\$	Nov 95	653.60	1.7	4.2	659.90	1.2	4.9	..
All employees - total	\$	Nov 95	563.60	2.5	2.2	554.30	1.2	2.4	..
Industrial disputes (c)									
Working days lost per '000 employees	no.	Jan 96	71	-1.4	34.0	80	1.3	5.3	..
Overseas trade -									
Imports	\$m	Mar 96	2,062	5.2	-4.9	6,278	1.2	-7.2	32.8
Exports (d)	\$m	Mar 96	1,451	12.3	19.9	6,461	12.2	9.1	22.5
Tourism -									
Caravan parks - takings	\$'000	Dec 95	8,517	27.5	7.2	45,383	29.9	4.1	18.8
Licensed hotels, motels & guest houses with facilities									
- Takings	\$'000	Dec 95	40,550	-21.8	9.0	262,946	11.8	8.7	15.4
- room occupancy rate	%	Dec 95	48	-12.7	2.1	53	15.8	1.9	..

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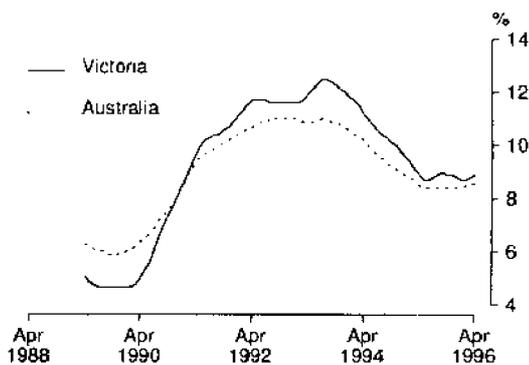
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			Latest figure	Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)	Latest figure	Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)	
Consumer price index -									
All groups (1989-90=100)		Mar qr 96	118.3	-0.2	2.9	119.0	0.4	3.7	..
Retail trade establishments -									
Value of turnover									
- original series	\$m	Mar 96	2,244	6.0	4.2	9,832	5.3	6.3	22.8
- seasonally adjusted	\$m	Mar 96	2,324	0.8	2.2	10,216	0.3	2.1	22.7
- trend estimate	\$m	Mar 96	2,327	0.6	5.9	10,241	0.6	8.2	22.7
New motor vehicle registrations									
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- original series	no.	Mar 96	13,142	0.9	-6.6	54,806	3.0	4.3	24.0
- seasonally adjusted	no.	Mar 96	12,881	4.7	1.3	53,441	3.7	3.8	24.1
- trend estimate	no.	Mar 96	13,059	1.1	2.7	54,183	1.0	0.1	24.1
Finance -									
Personal finance commitments									
- total	\$m	Feb 96	603	0.4	18.7	2,624	2.7	19.9	23.0
Commercial finance commitments									
- total	\$m	Feb 96	4,282	35.8	125.3	14,610	7.0	48.1	29.3
Lease finance commitments									
- total	\$m	Feb 96	112	9.9	-0.8	589	24.6	23.6	19.1
Housing finance for owner occupation -									
Secured loans to individuals									
- number of dwelling units financed (e)(f)	no.	Feb 96	9,138	23.1	25.4	34,059	21.8	14.7	26.8
- value of loans secured (e)(f)	\$m	Feb 96	858	20.5	23.5	3,507	20.2	13.5	24.5
Total number of dwelling units financed (g)(h)(i) trend	no.	Mar 96	10,124	3.1	30.3	39,164	0.4	15.0	25.9
Total value of loans secured (g)(h)(i) - trend	\$m	Mar 96	893	3.6	31.9	3,816	0.6	16.6	23.4
Loan purpose - All lenders (g)									
- Established dwellings (h)	\$m	Feb 96	731	21.7	38.5	3,183	23.0	24.6	23.0
- Construction of dwellings	\$m	Feb 96	106	28.9	5.4	524	28.6	2.3	20.3
- Newly erected dwellings	\$m	Feb 96	35	14.2	0.1	191	16.2	17.3	18.6
Building approvals -									
New dwelling units									
- original series	no.	Mar 96	1,781	-3.0	20.0	9,751	1.9	25.5	18.3
- seasonally adjusted	no.	Mar 96	1,877	3.9	-12.4	10,072	-1.7	19.1	18.6
- trend estimate	no.	Mar 96	1,798	-1.5	19.6	9,990	-0.2	-20.0	18.0
Value of non-residential buildings									
- original series	\$m	Mar 96	186	7.2	40.5	759	-30.2	3.0	24.5
Value of all buildings (i)									
- original series	\$m	Mar 96	423	5.8	2.2	1,895	-14.6	-13.8	22.3
Building commencements -									
New dwelling units, monthly	no.	Dec 95	2,099	0.9	3.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	..
New dwelling units, quarterly	no.	Dec qr 95	6,172	5.8	-26.8	30,089	-10.8	34.2	20.5
Building activity -									
Value of total building activity									
- commenced	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,418	0.9	-11.9	6,002	7.5	-17.2	23.6
- done	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,688	3.9	4.9	7,074	-2.4	6.8	23.9
- yet to be done	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,663	-8.5	-19.9	8,273	-9.4	7.3	20.1
Engineering construction -									
Value of work by private sector									
- commenced	\$m	Dec qr 95	239	20.5	21.2	1,673	-17.1	20.5	14.3
- done	\$m	Dec qr 95	292	17.8	8.4	2,154	15.5	21.8	13.5
- yet to be done	\$m	Dec qr 95	435	5.0	-17.2	3,618	3.1	6.7	12.0
Value of work by public sector									
- commenced	\$m	Dec qr 95	251	25.5	-4.2	1,253	-58.3	3.0	20.0
- done	\$m	Dec qr 95	284	2.3	-0.7	1,649	16.5	8.4	17.2
- yet to be done	\$m	Dec qr 95	153	-12.5	31.0	2,241	-18.0	13.9	6.8
Manufacturing -									
Actual private new capital expenditure									
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	866	7.7	13.7	2,508	8.9	6.3	34.5

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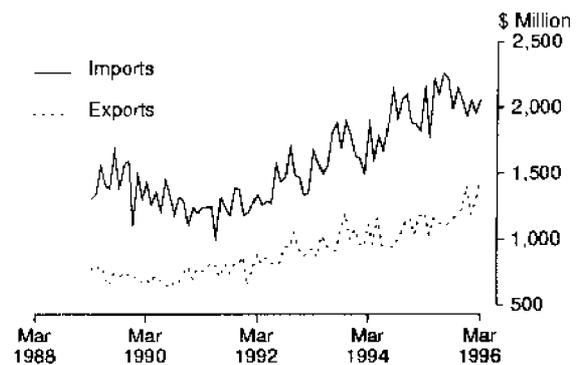
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				Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)	Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)		
Electricity - production	GWh	Mar 96	3,006	5.6	1.5	14,043	5.2	1.7	21.4
Gas - available for issue through mains	GJ	Mar 96	14,446	10.4	-0.9	47,210	7.4	2.0	30.6
Actual private new capital expenditure -									
Building and structures									
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	693	25.4	89.8	3,131	26.4	38.0	22.1
Equipment, plant & machinery									
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,542	1.6	3.2	6,627	8.0	-4.9	23.3
Total new capital expenditure									
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	2,236	7.9	20.2	9,758	13.3	5.6	22.9
- seasonally adjusted	\$m	Dec qr 95	2,048	0.8	19.9	9,013	2.4	6.0	22.7

(a) Change over same period previous year. (b) Available only for February, May, August and November each year. (c) 12 months ended. (d) Excludes re-exports. (e) All banks. (f) Includes alterations and additions to residential buildings. (g) Excludes alterations and additions to residential buildings. (h) Includes refinancing. (i) All lenders.

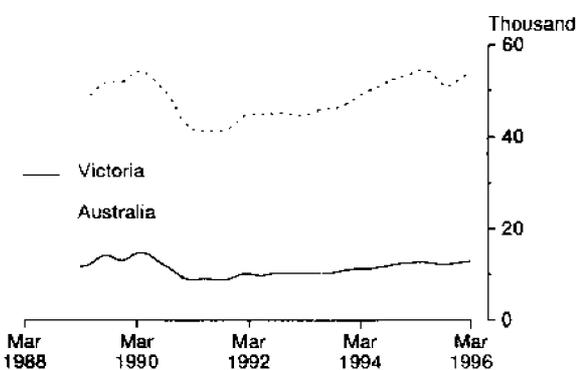
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Trend, monthly



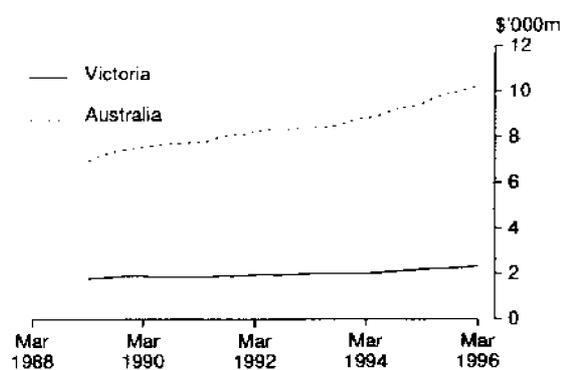
MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, VICTORIA
Original series, monthly



NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS
Trend, monthly



RETAIL TURNOVER
Trend, monthly



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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION, VICTORIA

Period	At end of period			Increase during period		Mean estimated resident population for year ended		Melbourne Statistical Division at 30 June ¹
	Males	Females	Persons	Natural	Total	30 June	31 Dec	
	'000							
1992-93	2 211.6	2 252.6	4 464.2	33.6	13.1	4 459.6	4 464.9	3 189.0
1993-94	2 216.4	2 259.1	4 475.5	32.4	11.3	4 469.6	4 477.4	3 198.2
1994-95	2 228.9	2 273.1	4 502.2	31.2	26.5	4 488.2	..	3 218.1
1991 -								
September qtr	2 196.4	2 233.2	4 429.6	8.2	9.2	..	..	..
December qtr	2 198.6	2 236.6	4 435.2	8.4	5.6	..	..	..
1992 -								
March qtr	2 203.9	2 241.8	4 445.7	9.2	10.5	..	..	..
June qtr	2 206.4	2 244.5	4 451.0	8.0	5.3	..	..	..
September qtr	2 208.6	2 247.3	4 455.8	8.2	4.8	..	..	..
December qtr	2 209.8	2 249.7	4 459.4	8.5	3.6	..	..	..
1993 -								
March qtr	2 212.0	2 252.5	4 464.4	8.8	5.0	..	..	..
June qtr	2 211.6	2 252.6	4 464.2	8.1	-0.2	..	..	..
September qtr	2 212.4	2 254.1	4 466.5	7.7	2.3	..	..	..
December qtr	2 213.2	2 255.6	4 468.8	8.3	2.3	..	..	..
1994 -								
March qtr	2 215.5	2 257.8	4 473.2	8.8	4.4	..	..	..
June qtr	2 216.4	2 259.1	4 475.5	7.6	2.2	..	..	..
September qtr p	2 219.0	2 262.0	4 481.0	6.8	5.6	..	..	..
December qtr p	2 221.1	2 264.8	4 485.9	7.8	4.9	..	..	..
1995 -								
March qtr p	2 226.2	2 270.1	4 496.3	8.9	10.4	..	..	..
June qtr p	2 228.9	2 273.1	4 502.0	7.6	5.7	..	..	..
September qtr p	2 233.2	2 277.0	4 511.1	6.6	9.1	..	..	..

¹ Estimated resident population data for the Melbourne Statistical Division has been revised owing to boundary changes.

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES, VICTORIA

Period	Number of registrations				Annual rate per 1,000 of mean estimated resident population			Infant deaths per 1,000 live births
	Births	Deaths	Infant deaths	Marriages	Births	Deaths	Marriages	
1991-92	65 478	31 447	390	28 567	14.71	7.05	6.41	5.93
1992-93	65 542	31 111	373	27 943	14.70	6.98	6.26	5.71
1993-94	64 542	31 778	345	27 316	14.44	7.11	6.11	5.35
1992 -								
March qtr	16 798	7 624	97	9 302	..	..	..	..
June qtr	16 179	8 097	79	6 430	..	..	..	..
September qtr	16 695	8 418	98	4 179	..	..	..	..
December qtr	16 378	7 777	97	8 518	..	..	..	..
Year - 1992	66 050	31 916	371	28 429	14.85	7.18	6.39	5.61
1993 -								
March qtr	16 552	7 243	101	8 756	..	..	..	..
June qtr	15 917	7 673	77	6 490	..	..	..	..
September qtr	16 240	8 545	75	4 092	..	..	..	..
December qtr	15 555	7 617	104	8 080	..	..	..	..
Year - 1993	64 264	31 078	357	27 418	14.38	6.96	6.14	5.57
1994 -								
March qtr	r16 684	7 564	85	8 862	..	..	..	..
June qtr	r16 061	r8 047	81	6 282	..	..	..	..
September qtr	r16 039	9 144	91	4 149	..	..	..	..
December qtr	15 498	r7 557	81	7 681	..	..	..	..
Year - 1994	64 282	32 312	338	26 974	14.36	7.22	6.03	5.26
1995 -								
March qtr p	16 564	7 541	66	8 884	..	..	..	..
June qtr p	15 691	7 986	81	6 111	..	..	..	..
September qtr p	15 663	8 945	76	3 880	..	..	..	..

Month	Employed		Unemployed looking for work			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years and over	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
	Full- time	Total	Full- time	Part- time	Total					
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000					
MALES										
1995 -										
January	1 018.5	1 145.5	121.4	13.5	134.9	1 280.5	450.5	1 730.9	10.5	74.0
February	1 040.6	1 166.5	115.1	15.8	130.9	1 297.4	435.1	1 732.5	10.1	74.9
March	1 037.9	1 170.3	103.1	13.7	116.8	1 287.2	446.9	1 734.0	9.1	74.2
April	1 041.0	1 169.1	99.3	12.3	111.6	1 280.7	454.9	1 735.6	8.7	73.8
May	1 035.7	1 166.4	103.6	13.0	116.5	1 282.9	454.3	1 737.1	9.1	73.9
June	1 034.5	1 164.3	101.9	10.8	112.6	1 276.9	461.8	1 738.7	8.8	73.4
July	1 037.1	1 165.2	105.7	12.2	118.0	1 283.2	456.6	1 739.8	9.2	73.8
August	1 029.5	1 161.7	99.8	12.1	111.9	1 273.6	467.3	1 741.0	8.8	73.2
September	1 048.4	1 168.6	103.5	18.4	121.9	1 290.5	451.6	1 742.1	9.4	74.1
October	1 044.8	1 164.6	101.7	14.2	116.0	1 280.6	462.8	1 743.4	9.1	73.5
November	1 047.7	1 171.1	94.6	11.8	106.4	1 277.5	467.3	1 744.8	8.3	73.2
December	1 089.5	1 195.3	101.1	12.9	114.0	1 309.4	436.7	1 746.1	8.7	75.0
1996 -										
January	1 043.8	1 170.6	108.8	12.4	121.2	1 291.7	456.3	1 748.0	9.4	73.9
February	1 050.9	1 176.2	113.5	16.8	130.3	1 306.5	443.4	1 749.9	10.0	74.7
March	1 042.2	1 169.7	101.1	14.5	115.4	1 285.1	466.7	1 751.8	9.0	73.4
FEMALES										
1995 -										
January	478.1	818.2	75.6	25.0	100.7	918.9	887.3	1 806.1	11.0	50.9
February	486.2	849.6	70.1	32.0	102.1	951.6	855.9	1 807.6	10.7	52.6
March	491.2	876.2	62.1	32.7	94.8	971.0	838.0	1 809.0	9.8	53.7
April	489.6	877.8	56.3	26.9	83.1	960.9	849.7	1 810.6	8.7	53.1
May	498.8	892.0	58.9	21.5	80.4	972.4	839.8	1 812.1	8.3	53.7
June	504.9	898.3	53.3	23.7	77.0	975.4	838.3	1 813.7	7.9	53.8
July	520.4	909.4	50.4	23.8	74.1	983.5	831.5	1 815.1	7.5	54.2
August	505.5	888.9	49.8	23.1	72.9	961.8	854.7	1 816.5	7.6	52.9
September	500.9	900.5	57.0	28.5	85.6	986.0	831.8	1 817.8	8.7	54.2
October	508.2	881.3	62.9	23.5	86.4	967.7	851.4	1 819.1	8.9	53.2
November	505.4	894.4	57.9	22.9	80.8	975.3	845.2	1 820.4	8.3	53.6
December	521.3	908.3	53.3	23.3	76.6	984.9	836.9	1 821.7	7.8	54.1
1996 -										
January	501.3	876.0	59.6	27.8	87.4	963.4	860.1	1 823.6	9.1	52.8
February	497.5	882.1	68.9	31.2	100.1	982.2	843.2	1 825.4	10.2	53.8
March	501.5	892.0	56.3	30.7	87.0	979.0	848.2	1 827.2	8.9	53.6
PERSONS										
1995 -										
January	1 496.6	1 963.8	197.0	38.6	235.6	2 199.3	1 337.7	3 537.1	10.7	62.2
February	1 526.8	2 016.1	187.1	47.8	233.0	2 249.0	1 291.0	3 540.1	10.4	63.5
March	1 529.2	2 046.5	165.2	46.4	211.8	2 258.1	1 284.9	3 543.0	9.4	63.7
April	1 530.6	2 046.8	155.6	39.1	194.8	2 241.6	1 304.6	3 546.2	8.7	63.2
May	1 534.4	2 058.3	162.5	34.4	196.9	2 255.2	1 294.0	3 549.3	8.7	63.5
June	1 539.3	2 062.6	155.2	34.5	189.7	2 252.3	1 300.1	3 552.4	8.4	63.4
July	1 557.5	2 074.7	156.1	36.0	192.1	2 266.7	1 288.2	3 554.9	8.5	63.8
August	1 535.0	2 050.6	149.5	35.3	184.8	2 235.4	1 322.0	3 557.4	8.3	62.8
September	1 549.3	2 069.1	160.5	47.0	207.5	2 276.6	1 283.3	3 559.9	9.1	64.0
October	1 553.0	2 046.0	164.6	37.7	202.4	2 248.3	1 314.2	3 562.6	9.0	63.1
November	1 553.1	2 065.5	152.6	34.7	187.2	2 252.7	1 312.5	3 565.2	8.3	63.2
December	1 590.8	2 103.6	154.4	36.2	190.6	2 294.2	1 273.6	3 567.8	8.3	64.3
1996 -										
January	1 545.1	2 046.6	168.4	40.2	208.6	2 255.2	1 316.4	3 571.6	9.2	63.1
February	1 548.4	2 058.3	182.5	47.9	230.4	2 288.7	1 286.6	3 575.3	10.1	64.0
March	1 543.7	2 061.7	157.3	45.1	202.4	2 264.1	1 314.9	3 579.0	8.9	63.3

	Nov 1994	Feb 1995	May 1995	Aug 1995	Nov 1995	Feb 1996
<i>Industry division</i>	'000					
MALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	61.0	62.9	57.5	58.8	64.3	71.0
Mining	4.9	4.6	5.9	4.9	*3.3	*3.0
Manufacturing	256.3	257.5	243.8	251.6	249.6	242.4
Electricity, gas and water supply	15.8	14.5	20.0	18.4	15.9	13.6
Construction	108.0	112.5	114.1	112.8	110.3	118.2
Wholesale trade	85.7	91.7	95.0	86.1	92.2	87.4
Retail trade	145.7	151.5	149.9	150.2	148.8	152.8
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	32.5	39.3	37.3	34.5	34.6	35.5
Transport and storage	66.2	72.5	72.8	70.0	77.4	81.6
Communication services	32.7	30.6	24.9	27.5	27.9	30.8
Finance and insurance	36.0	35.7	37.7	36.3	34.9	37.4
Property and business services	100.2	104.9	110.0	113.3	121.2	118.2
Government administration and defence	48.2	47.7	47.4	41.2	40.6	37.7
Education	45.6	46.3	48.7	50.4	45.3	46.2
Health and community services	38.2	38.3	42.3	42.0	40.4	39.8
Cultural and recreational services	22.1	19.7	24.0	26.8	25.3	23.8
Personal and other services	40.1	36.4	34.9	36.9	39.0	36.7
Total	1 139.0	1 166.5	1 166.4	1 161.7	1 171.1	1 176.2
FEMALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	24.8	25.9	30.1	32.1	26.3	31.3
Mining	*0.3	*1.0	*1.8	*1.3	*1.3	*0.6
Manufacturing	95.3	91.4	90.2	95.4	108.1	104.7
Electricity, gas and water supply	*3.9	*3.0	*3.0	*3.8	*3.7	*2.6
Construction	18.9	19.6	18.8	14.2	16.6	12.1
Wholesale trade	35.0	36.1	41.9	40.3	43.2	41.1
Retail trade	155.7	155.5	150.1	148.0	153.5	150.5
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	42.2	43.4	43.9	46.2	44.7	39.3
Transport and storage	18.7	19.9	19.2	15.2	17.9	18.7
Communication services	14.6	12.5	12.1	13.6	15.3	18.4
Finance and insurance	45.7	46.3	48.8	51.0	43.3	45.2
Property and business services	75.5	84.3	92.8	92.8	91.6	90.3
Government administration and defence	39.7	37.2	41.5	39.9	41.2	45.4
Education	90.3	89.6	99.2	97.9	93.6	85.6
Health and community services	121.7	129.2	139.4	143.6	133.9	133.7
Cultural and recreational services	25.4	22.1	23.4	21.7	22.2	22.2
Personal and other services	33.9	32.5	36.0	31.9	38.1	40.4
Total	841.5	849.6	892.0	888.9	894.4	882.1
PERSONS						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	85.8	88.8	87.6	90.9	90.5	102.3
Mining	5.2	5.6	7.7	6.2	4.6	*3.6
Manufacturing	351.6	348.9	334.0	347.0	357.7	347.1
Electricity, gas and water supply	19.7	17.5	23.0	22.1	19.6	16.1
Construction	127.0	132.2	132.9	127.0	126.9	130.3
Wholesale trade	120.7	127.8	136.9	126.4	135.4	128.5
Retail trade	301.4	307.0	300.0	298.2	302.3	303.3
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	74.7	82.7	81.2	80.7	79.4	74.7
Transport and storage	84.8	92.4	92.1	85.2	95.3	100.3
Communication services	47.3	43.0	37.0	41.1	43.2	49.2
Finance and insurance	81.7	82.0	86.6	87.3	78.2	82.7
Property and business services	175.7	189.2	202.7	206.0	212.8	208.5
Government administration and defence	87.9	85.0	88.9	81.1	81.8	83.0
Education	135.9	136.0	147.9	148.4	138.9	131.8
Health and community services	159.9	167.5	181.7	185.6	174.2	173.5
Cultural and recreational services	47.5	41.8	47.4	48.6	47.5	46.0
Personal and other services	74.0	68.9	70.9	68.9	77.1	77.1
Total	1 980.5	2 016.1	2 058.3	2 050.6	2 065.5	2 058.3

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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JOB VACANCIES, VICTORIA

Month	Vacancies all persons '000	Industry ('000)		Sector ('000)		Job vacancy rate %
		Manu- facturing	Other	Public	Private	
1994 -						
18 February	11.3	*2.2	9.1	1.7	9.6	0.74
20 May	15.3	2.2	13.0	2.0	13.3	1.03
19 August	12.5	*4.0	8.5	2.0	10.5	0.72
18 November	12.8	*3.7	9.1	1.7	11.1	0.76
1995 -						
17 February	13.5	*3.5	10.0	2.1	11.4	0.82
19 May	10.2	1.1	9.1	2.0	8.2	0.60
18 August	10.6	*2.6	8.0	1.8	8.8	0.64
17 November	12.0	1.4	10.6	2.6	9.4	0.73
1996 -						
16 February	16.7	*2.3	14.5	3.4	13.3	0.96

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK, VICTORIA¹

Period	Number of disputes		Workers involved ('000)		Working days lost ('000)			Other industries	Total
	Beginning in period	Total	Beginning in period	Total	Manu- facturing	Con- struction	Education, health, community services		
1995 -									
January	5	8	0.8	2.2	0.5	—	—	2.2	2.7
February	16	19	8.2	8.4	6.0	0.1	0.9	1.3	8.3
March	13	17	3.2	4.7	9.1	—	0.3	0.6	10.0
April	11	16	5.3	6.6	2.6	1.6	—	9.1	13.3
May	10	13	14.3	15.4	0.3	0.1	16.5	2.2	19.1
June	8	11	5.8	18.5	0.8	4.2	11.5	1.4	17.9
July	8	14	3.7	5.1	1.0	1.5	0.7	3.8	7.0
August	11	17	6.0	8.3	2.7	0.2	2.5	10.6	16.1
September	3	10	0.4	2.3	0.4	—	—	10.2	10.6
October	9	14	26.0	26.5	2.4	8.5	0.1	3.4	14.4
November	2	4	1.7	2.0	3.2	—	—	1.6	4.8
December	8	8	2.3	2.3	0.1	—	—	1.8	1.8
1996 -									
January	n.p.	3	0.2	1.0	—	—	—	1.1	1.1

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES (ORIGINAL SERIES), VICTORIA

Reference period pay period ending on or before-	Males		Females			Persons			
	Full-time adults		All males	Full-time adults		All females	Full-time adults		All employees
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings
	\$								
1994 -									
20 May	652.30	698.50	626.10	553.20	569.00	429.50	616.70	651.90	534.50
19 August	651.70	716.60	641.70	545.20	559.10	417.20	615.20	662.70	542.20
18 November	664.70	721.40	649.40	561.60	574.80	437.30	627.30	668.30	551.70
1995 -									
17 February	674.40	732.00	661.40	563.40	578.20	442.30	634.50	676.60	561.30
19 May	680.10	737.30	664.60	576.10	590.00	435.40	643.20	685.10	558.50
18 August	680.40	736.00	657.00	575.10	588.40	430.30	642.60	682.90	549.70
17 November	692.00	750.20	672.50	579.10	595.00	432.60	653.60	697.40	563.60

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MELBOURNE

Period	Melbourne									Weighted average of eight capital cities - All groups
	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	All groups	
1992-93	106.3	107.8	93.1	108.3	112.7	122.7	129.8	110.8	108.9	108.4
1993-94	107.9	107.3	92.7	110.0	115.8	132.1	135.4	113.6	111.1	110.4
1994-95	110.1	107.4	97.5	111.1	118.8	137.3	142.4	116.7	114.1	113.9
1992 -										
September qtr	105.5	106.8	93.3	107.8	112.0	118.0	127.2	109.2	107.9	107.4
December qtr	105.5	108.3	92.3	108.6	112.0	118.8	128.5	110.2	108.2	107.9
1993 -										
March qtr	107.3	107.7	92.4	108.2	113.1	126.4	131.5	112.0	109.5	108.9
June qtr	107.0	108.4	94.5	108.7	113.7	127.7	132.1	111.9	110.1	109.3
September qtr	107.8	107.9	93.8	109.0	115.0	129.8	131.9	112.2	110.5	109.8
December qtr	108.1	107.5	92.4	109.3	115.8	131.7	132.9	113.3	110.8	110.0
1994 -										
March qtr	107.8	106.7	92.2	110.8	114.9	133.0	137.4	114.1	111.2	110.4
June qtr	107.9	106.9	92.4	110.8	117.5	134.0	139.2	114.8	112.0	111.2
September qtr	108.6	107.0	92.7	110.3	118.4	134.0	139.8	114.9	112.2	111.9
December qtr	108.8	107.4	95.0	110.9	118.5	134.7	140.8	116.4	113.1	112.8
1995 -										
March qtr	111.2	107.0	100.4	111.5	118.5	137.1	143.4	117.9	115.0	114.7
June qtr	111.7	108.2	102.0	111.8	119.9	143.5	145.5	117.5	116.2	116.2
September qtr	113.5	107.7	102.4	112.5	122.4	149.5	146.0	118.0	117.5	117.6
December qtr	114.0	108.1	102.8	113.1	122.5	153.3	148.4	120.1	118.5	118.5
1996 -										
March qtr	113.6	107.9	99.8	112.6	121.9	156.0	150.2	122.4	118.3	119.0

(Base of each group: year 1989-90 = 100.0)

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PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, MELBOURNE

Group	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995		1996		Weighted average of six State capital cities - February
				Dec	Jan	Feb		
House building (Base year: 1989-90 = 100.0) ¹								
All groups	105.7	112.1	115.9	115.4	115.4	115.1	115.3	
Other than house building (Base year: 1989-90 = 100.0)								
Structural timber	103.2	119.5	123.0	117.1	116.9	115.5	119.8	
Clay bricks	108.5	109.3	112.3	111.3	111.3	111.3	110.1	
Ready mixed concrete	108.2	123.4	124.2	119.4	118.6	118.7	107.5	
Precast concrete products	99.5	99.2	104.8	108.1	108.1	108.1	115.4	
Steel decking and cladding	109.0	104.7	106.5	107.7	112.6	112.6	112.7	
Structural steel	91.3	93.3	95.3	102.3	102.3	102.3	110.2	
Reinforcing steel bar, mesh, etc.	99.2	102.0	101.8	103.5	103.2	103.2	111.9	
Aluminium windows	96.0	96.5	98.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	108.3	
Fabricated steel products	108.4	109.4	110.7	112.9	112.9	113.0	111.9	
Builders' hardware	117.2	116.2	113.7	114.6	114.6	114.1	118.9	
Sand and aggregate	113.8	119.5	118.5	114.6	114.6	114.6	118.7	
Carpet	98.8	98.3	98.5	101.9	101.9	101.9	103.1	
Paint and other coatings	118.8	125.0	131.2	141.5	141.5	142.4	130.4	
Non-ferrous pipes and fittings	90.9	86.5	100.8	111.7	111.9	112.0	128.5	
All groups excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	103.4	106.6	108.5	109.8	110.0	110.1	112.1	
All electrical materials	108.9	107.3	113.5	119.8	120.3	120.8	119.6	
All mechanical services	105.5	106.8	108.9	114.1	114.1	114.4	113.8	
All plumbing materials	104.0	105.3	112.6	118.9	119.1	119.1	122.8	
All groups	104.4	106.7	108.9	111.2	111.4	111.6	112.8	

¹ This Index has been compiled on the basis of a revised list of items and updated weighting pattern. The reference base of the index has been updated to 1989-90=100.0. See Appendices in December 1995 issue of Catalogue Number 6408.0

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs	Chickens
	'000					
1992-93	1 365.8	608.5	3 722.6	6 288.1	1 070.8	78 614.7
1993-94	1 393.9	583.4	3 975.9	5 600.8	1 188.5	85 797.9
1994-95	1 445.6	641.3	3 202.6	6 263.8	1 196.6	79 799.4
1994 -						
May	132.8	47.2	292.6	528.3	102.4	6 934.7
June	111.4	89.0	195.2	504.3	103.0	8 237.1
July	103.7	79.7	187.7	507.5	91.8	6 413.1
August	103.9	170.0	202.8	568.8	99.1	6 105.1
September	122.2	121.7	246.5	574.9	110.1	6 364.0
October	125.1	69.4	327.0	581.8	101.6	6 874.2
November	119.4	23.5	401.0	571.6	97.6	5 882.2
December	122.3	7.9	351.7	516.6	104.9	9 646.3
1995 -						
January	102.6	5.8	330.5	464.5	88.9	6 548.4
February	117.7	4.8	330.6	478.4	89.9	6 200.2
March	130.7	11.0	295.1	522.7	106.7	6 731.2
April	112.5	24.3	182.6	464.2	84.3	6 520.6
May	137.7	47.6	186.2	512.0	114.9	6 208.8
June	133.7	74.2	147.3	453.2	106.7	6 305.2
July	113.5	81.6	150.0	449.5	87.9	6 528.3
August	114.0	137.0	160.7	494.8	100.5	5 966.2
September	106.2	119.3	197.4	524.5	93.2	6 547.5
October	131.6	53.8	279.5	614.9	97.1	6 470.1
November	142.5	19.9	279.3	578.7	96.6	6 064.2
December	125.7	9.7	208.8	485.2	101.2	7 232.2
1996 -						
January	r142.6	7.7	247.2	498.1	90.3	7 100.2
February	145.9	5.3	r261.0	r464.2	92.4	6 275.4
March	137.5	7.3	222.9	452.9	92.6	6 722.5

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MEAT PRODUCTION, VICTORIA

Period	Meat (carcass weight)					Dressed weight of chickens
	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	
tonnes						
1992-93	299 907	14 948	81 907	113 220	70 535	114 587
1993-94	315 279	13 466	85 010	101 386	78 488	123 529
1994-95	320 510	14 320	63 608	110 138	84 411	110 971
1994 -						
May	29 318	1 185	6 213	9 733	6 763	10 341
June	24 781	1 894	4 144	9 326	6 857	10 181
July	23 328	1 859	3 987	9 189	6 289	10 231
August	20 893	3 375	3 840	9 726	6 814	8 947
September	25 307	2 721	5 026	9 785	7 379	9 126
October	27 899	1 502	6 775	10 295	7 165	9 574
November	26 809	581	8 148	10 028	7 216	8 051
December	27 469	275	6 956	8 995	7 303	9 896
1995 -						
January	23 167	226	6 467	8 244	6 182	8 879
February	25 760	203	6 431	8 525	6 187	9 222
March	29 632	328	5 578	9 378	7 471	9 995
April	25 434	582	3 478	7 884	5 991	9 294
May	30 426	1 072	3 695	9 183	8 409	8 921
June	30 983	1 572	2 917	7 991	8 005	8 835
July	25 310	1 642	2 979	7 997	6 564	9 180
August	23 804	2 773	3 240	8 997	7 400	9 350
September	23 831	2 416	4 092	9 741	6 930	9 703
October	30 513	1 170	5 850	11 474	7 081	9 669
November	33 584	496	5 903	10 771	7 021	9 005
December	28 778	295	4 363	9 112	7 130	10 692
1996 -						
January	34 722	251	5 080	9 511	6 525	9 801
February	33 838	211	5 324	8 870	6 742	9 219
March	32 278	253	4 480	8 522	6 679	10 403

Period	New dwelling units ¹						Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building ²		Total all building
	Private sector		Public sector		Total ³			Private sector	Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value		Value	Value	
	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION										
1992-93	18 949	1 663 728	886	52 930	19 835	1 716 658	429 731	858 160	1 138 241	3 284 630
1993-94	20 798	1 925 655	999	71 616	21 797	1 997 271	509 231	1 619 834	2 138 618	4 645 121
1994-95	20 916	2 113 075	888	69 830	21 804	2 182 905	571 937	1 072 307	1 655 767	4 410 610
1994 -										
September	1 866	185 935	54	3 379	1 920	189 313	41 439	89 855	100 972	331 724
October	2 041	199 201	59	3 699	2 100	202 900	85 991	117 537	296 755	585 646
November	2 073	198 840	134	9 618	2 207	208 457	48 868	107 606	149 066	406 391
December	1 860	239 867	62	5 910	1 922	245 777	27 551	54 702	72 260	345 588
1995 -										
January	1 231	117 579	88	7 792	1 319	125 371	26 662	93 066	124 920	276 953
February	1 560	149 489	133	9 118	1 693	158 607	45 869	149 770	218 203	422 679
March	1 473	135 412	77	7 725	1 550	143 137	70 084	84 976	106 011	319 232
April	1 386	135 001	10	809	1 396	135 810	30 202	59 713	91 186	257 197
May	1 935	226 429	121	12 348	2 056	238 777	51 528	118 061	188 796	479 101
June	1 515	147 831	109	6 911	1 624	154 742	41 079	84 364	156 102	351 923
July	1 403	136 198	92	6 069	1 495	142 267	32 787	80 942	94 679	269 734
August	1 421	140 179	151	13 079	1 572	153 259	37 489	87 940	144 659	335 406
September	1 669	171 719	19	2 964	1 688	174 683	38 184	125 424	188 544	401 411
October	1 328	145 420	88	5 987	1 416	151 407	41 681	286 938	343 823	536 911
November	1 260	129 278	237	19 841	1 497	149 119	41 864	110 035	159 057	350 039
December	1 234	138 352	96	6 197	1 330	144 549	31 977	95 745	137 515	314 041
1996 -										
January	923	91 406	88	5 655	1 011	97 061	32 956	64 115	125 521	255 538
February	1 270	146 592	41	5 357	1 311	151 948	40 914	114 798	126 454	319 317
March	1 134	115 757	60	4 616	1 194	120 374	49 755	66 635	152 863	322 992
TOTAL VICTORIA										
1992-93	28 155	2 408 177	1 416	85 963	29 571	3 027 181	533 042	1 066 219	1 406 261	4 433 442
1993-94	30 336	2 718 022	1 414	99 663	31 750	2 817 685	623 548	1 853 551	2 502 670	5 943 903
1994-95	28 509	2 771 998	1 409	101 789	29 918	2 873 788	685 062	1 274 683	1 975 197	5 534 047
1994 -										
September	2 597	247 139	122	7 070	2 719	254 209	51 176	105 438	119 546	424 931
October	2 708	256 386	68	4 246	2 776	260 632	94 900	133 972	347 271	702 803
November	2 864	267 116	167	11 597	3 031	278 713	59 966	121 186	173 754	512 433
December	2 389	288 674	122	9 588	2 511	298 262	34 585	64 119	89 161	422 009
1995 -										
January	1 670	156 157	113	9 289	1 783	165 446	33 352	105 670	152 660	351 457
February	2 077	195 776	183	12 211	2 260	207 987	54 539	160 034	237 605	500 131
March	2 112	190 960	114	10 043	2 226	201 003	80 834	105 401	132 093	413 929
April	1 825	173 579	50	3 245	1 875	176 824	40 442	76 600	118 649	335 915
May	2 516	279 956	154	14 272	2 670	294 229	62 740	153 918	230 951	587 920
June	2 108	199 955	186	12 631	2 294	212 586	50 786	104 004	181 425	444 797
July	1 879	179 571	162	9 712	2 041	189 283	41 048	111 685	131 436	361 767
August	1 935	185 868	163	13 784	2 098	199 652	46 875	117 115	180 525	427 053
September	2 100	211 712	31	3 736	2 131	215 448	47 450	154 641	227 509	490 407
October	1 877	195 307	124	8 187	2 001	203 494	53 811	307 906	382 126	639 430
November	1 815	180 232	268	22 841	2 083	203 073	52 733	137 562	212 939	468 745
December	1 647	174 617	108	7 642	1 755	182 259	41 127	114 949	172 420	395 806
1996 -										
January	1 380	134 038	116	7 579	1 496	141 617	40 928	95 411	163 531	346 077
February	1 787	193 111	50	5 878	1 837	198 989	49 820	182 677	200 083	448 893
March	1 691	167 353	90	6 918	1 781	174 271	63 101	89 203	185 598	422 971

¹ Valued at \$10,000 and over.

² Valued at \$50,000 and over.

³ Excludes dwelling units created as a result of conversions of buildings or construction of non-residential buildings.

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NEW HOUSES AND OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS: NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS, VICTORIA

	New houses				New other residential buildings			
	Approved	Commenced	Under construction	Completed	Approved	Commenced	Under construction	Completed
1992-93	27 158	25 717	11 772	25 099	2 413	2 438	2 022	2 566
1993-94	28 057	27 904	12 362	27 118	3 693	3 562	2 355	3 209
1994-95	25 885	25 846	10 668	27 380	4 033	3 612	2 765	2 892
1994 -								
June qtr	7 234	7 009	12 362	6 925	922	882	2 355	750
September qtr	7 792	7 098	12 477	6 984	700	707	2 351	702
December qtr	7 035	7 521	11 931	8 006	1 283	909	2 259	995
1995 -								
March qtr	5 491	5 494	11 080	6 311	778	929	2 606	580
June qtr	5 567	5 734	10 668	6 079	1 272	1 067	2 765	615
September qtr p	5 503	5 808	10 390	6 055	767	673	2 787	616

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VALUE OF BUILDING, VICTORIA

Period	Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings						Total
	New	Alterations and additions	Shops	Factories	Offices	Education	Health	Other	
	\$m								
	COMMENCED								
1992-93	2 428.2	561.5	189.4	186.9	243.4	178.5	273.4	446.7	4 508.1
1993-94	2 876.5	700.0	456.6	227.1	273.6	211.2	240.0	1 120.8	6 105.7
1994-95	2 907.7	678.6	323.4	211.4	384.2	293.3	140.8	583.8	5 523.2
1994 -									
September qtr	732.2	164.0	52.2	56.1	75.4	47.1	41.2	96.8	1 265.0
December qtr	808.1	181.9	96.4	67.5	79.7	102.3	37.4	236.7	1 610.1
1995 -									
March qtr	666.7	156.8	111.3	36.9	118.6	49.3	30.4	122.9	1 292.9
June qtr	700.7	175.9	63.6	50.8	110.5	94.6	31.7	127.5	1 355.3
September qtr p	629.6	165.2	73.5	54.4	91.5	54.7	19.2	198.7	1 286.7
	UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD								
1992-93	1 294.7	243.2	79.1	347.7	877.9	132.1	412.6	345.7	3 733.0
1993-94	1 474.8	360.6	415.7	165.1	140.7	144.4	539.9	950.9	4 192.0
1994-95	1 450.8	354.3	480.6	142.9	241.9	217.3	251.0	1 092.6	4 231.4
1994 -									
September qtr	1 503.0	378.4	403.2	177.8	171.0	147.4	374.8	931.4	4 087.1
December qtr	1 471.3	346.4	401.9	173.3	160.4	183.4	296.7	1 056.5	4 089.8
1995 -									
March qtr	1 466.0	352.4	472.8	153.7	221.8	171.9	268.2	1 021.5	4 128.3
June qtr	1 450.8	354.3	480.6	142.9	241.9	217.3	251.0	1 092.6	4 231.4
September qtr p	1 460.1	352.8	248.9	151.5	242.6	248.5	159.9	1 205.6	4 070.0
	COMPLETED								
1992-93	2 412.5	583.5	289.7	380.5	1 395.5	222.2	107.4	407.1	5 798.5
1993-94	2 725.1	601.3	182.5	424.0	1 056.7	201.0	113.3	517.7	5 821.7
1994-95	2 882.5	709.8	313.6	253.1	290.7	228.8	387.3	521.5	5 587.3
1994 -									
September qtr	715.1	152.0	69.2	56.6	46.3	45.0	177.7	123.9	1 385.8
December qtr	853.1	223.6	94.9	73.2	91.1	70.1	112.6	124.5	1 643.0
1995 -									
March qtr	678.2	155.0	32.5	58.6	62.2	60.2	48.8	164.2	1 259.7
June qtr	636.1	179.2	116.9	64.7	91.2	53.6	48.1	109.0	1 298.7
September qtr p	634.1	168.3	320.9	45.4	94.6	25.6	113.5	114.9	1 517.3

	Budget Estimate 1995-96	Actual 7 months to 31.01.1996	Actual 7 months to 31.01.1995
	\$m		
Departmental outlays			
Agriculture, energy and minerals	154.1	84.7	63.8
Arts, sport, and tourism	291.8	159.0	140.9
Business and employment	252.2	142.4	96.0
Conservation and natural resources	326.5	164.1	150.1
Education	3 434.6	2 149.1	2 024.6
Health and community services	4 459.8	2 508.2	2 277.5
Justice	1 234.5	686.9	716.4
Parliament	51.7	27.8	23.5
Planning and development	472.6	191.7	203.8
Premier and cabinet	48.2	26.7	22.8
Transport	1 471.7	948.7	775.1
Treasurer and finance	3 416.5	-679.4	780.4
Commonwealth grants on-passed	833.0	423.3	614.6
Total	16 447.2	6 833.2	7 890.5
<i>less</i>			
Superannuation contributions	103.0	95.0	178.7
Capital charge received	172.3	127.0	29.7
Payroll tax paid by departments	242.9	138.8	133.0
Total departmental outlays	15 929.0	6 472.5	7 548.9
Current outlays	14 292.6	7 874.6	7 484.7
Capital outlays	1 636.5	-1 402.1	64.2
Revenue			
Taxes, fees and fines			
Payroll tax	1 972.0	1 174.4	1 079.8
Stamp duty on financial and capital transactions	925.0	554.6	583.7
State deficit levy on rateable properties	4.6	5.9	21.1
Financial institutions transaction taxes	577.2	336.6	327.5
Franchise fees	1 234.1	763.5	611.9
Motor vehicle taxes	834.9	476.6	463.0
Land taxes	395.8	26.3	29.5
Gambling taxes	961.1	605.4	523.1
Public authority contribution	309.0	234.3	220.1
Taxes on insurance	322.2	196.3	185.1
Other taxes, fees and fines	190.9	107.3	119.4
Total taxes, fees and fines	7 726.8	4 481.3	4 164.0
Interest received	113.3	17.6	29.5
Royalties	57.1	24.8	34.1
Income from public trading and financial enterprises	808.8	1 284.2	441.2
Other state revenue	82.6	47.8	26.8
Total other revenue	1 061.8	1 374.4	531.6
Grants			
Grants received from Commonwealth	5 963.0	3 396.1	3 222.4
Commonwealth grants for on-passing	832.5	423.4	615.0
Total grants	6 795.5	3 819.5	3 837.4
Total revenue and grants received	15 584.2	9 675.2	8 533.0
Financing transactions			
Net advances from Commonwealth	255.4	223.0	180.6
Other net borrowing	-708.2	-2 168.6	-1 400.8
Other, including changes in cash balances and investments	107.8	-810.8	598.3
Total financing transactions	-344.9	-3 202.7	-983.1

¹ This monthly statement of budget sector transactions (Niemeyer Statement) is presented in Government Finance Statistics format.
Source: Treasurer of Victoria

Period	Selected industries				Type of asset	
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant, and machinery
ACTUAL						
1992-93	282	2 183	3 162	5 627	1 397	4 230
1993-94	441	2 657	3 933	7 031	1 485	5 546
1994-95	603	3 034	3 896	7 533	1 535	5 998
1993 -						
September qtr	91	623	1 032	1 746	404	1 342
December qtr	150	777	1 154	2 081	476	1 606
1994 -						
March qtr	114	546	823	1 483	294	1 189
June qtr	86	711	924	1 721	311	1 410
September qtr	138	749	1 018	1 905	289	1 617
December qtr	152	762	946	1 860	365	1 495
1995 -						
March qtr	139	725	901	1 765	342	1 424
June qtr	173	799	1 031	2 002	539	1 463
September qtr	136	804	1 131	2 071	553	1 519
December qtr	143	866	1 227	2 236	693	1 542
EXPECTED						
1994-95	523	3 026	3 925	7 474	1 574	5 901
1995-96 r	610	3 657	4 330	8 598	2 329	6 268
1996-97	807	3 097	3 255	7 159	1 613	5 546

¹ The series in this table are now classified to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).

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COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS, VICTORIA

Period	Fixed loan facilities					Type of lender				
	Construction	Purchase of real property	Purchase of plant and equipment	Wholesale	Other	Total	Revolving credit facilities	Total commitments	Banks	All other lenders
1994 -										
August	83.7	246.9	157.6	79.8	301.1	869.4	1 061.3	1 930.6	1 669.8	260.8
September	56.6	216.9	140.5	67.8	209.8	691.7	1 436.1	2 132.1	1 668.8	463.3
October	64.3	181.2	139.3	68.3	208.7	661.7	656.4	1 318.1	1 063.2	254.9
November	85.9	238.5	181.5	55.5	366.9	928.3	1 143.3	2 071.6	1 618.2	453.3
December	56.6	242.1	162.9	56.5	402.3	920.3	1 567.8	2 488.1	2 059.6	428.5
1995 -										
January	79.1	149.1	119.4	44.8	227.2	619.7	1 139.6	1 759.3	1 352.1	407.1
February	41.0	175.6	138.4	55.6	248.5	659.1	675.0	1 334.2	1 040.1	294.0
March	82.7	223.5	170.3	94.9	253.6	825.1	1 198.7	2 023.7	1 593.2	430.6
April	68.3	215.0	124.1	60.0	241.0	708.6	1 606.0	2 314.6	1 610.2	704.3
May	190.1	222.5	156.5	118.7	280.1	967.9	1 347.6	2 315.5	1 950.9	364.6
June	79.8	254.1	213.1	91.4	483.4	1 121.9	2 297.4	3 419.3	2 155.4	1 263.9
July	72.1	227.2	156.6	79.0	383.1	918.2	1 527.3	2 445.4	2 050.4	395.0
August	123.6	277.5	171.8	97.9	318.3	989.4	1 926.4	2 915.8	2 431.9	484.0
September	76.2	213.3	162.0	65.9	505.4	1 022.9	1 746.4	2 769.3	2 318.4	450.9
October	142.7	207.8	155.7	78.6	396.2	980.9	1 445.2	2 426.1	1 990.0	436.1
November	83.2	270.2	177.8	73.3	733.6	1 338.0	1 447.5	2 785.5	2 462.5	322.9
December	99.9	201.0	170.6	158.2	591.2	1 220.9	3 384.6	4 605.5	3 035.6	1 570.0
1996 -										
January	101.1	271.6	137.7	55.8	577.7	1 143.9	r4 484.4	r5 628.3	r4 562.2	1 066.2
February	111.7	259.8	153.1	67.8	598.6	1 190.9	2 012.6	3 203.5	2 491.2	712.3

Period	Original Series		Seasonally Adjusted		Trend Estimates	
	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m
1994 -						
August	10 720	876	9 847	815	10 018	834
September	9 408	800	9 611	811	9 574	800
October	8 760	727	8 995	756	9 212	773
November	9 441	806	8 624	727	8 935	753
December	8 707	753	9 441	790	8 679	735
1995 -						
January	6 188	526	7 883	679	8 398	717
February	7 810	664	8 360	717	8 076	695
March	8 814	763	8 109	706	7 772	677
April	6 632	581	7 471	657	7 566	667
May	8 076	725	6 602	595	7 524	670
June	8 015	714	7 823	694	r7 648	684
July	8 133	729	8 145	737	r7 884	703
August	9 162	814	8 447	749	r8 130	r719
September	8 052	703	8 321	728	r8 380	r734
October	8 787	753	8 741	755	r8 601	r748
November r	8 998	787	8 358	715	8 828	766
December r	8 229	719	9 137	779	9 114	792
1996 -						
January r	8 022	714	9 253	833	9 430	822
February	9 990	873	10 424	913	9 733	852

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RETAIL TURNOVER BY INDUSTRY (EXCLUDING MOTOR VEHICLES, PARTS, PETROL, ETC.), VICTORIA

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
1994 -								
March	875.1	189.2	157.1	243.2	100.8	177.1	272.5	2 015.0
April	810.8	197.0	165.7	222.7	94.1	168.8	263.2	1 922.3
May	804.4	212.1	165.6	242.2	101.9	178.8	261.7	1 966.7
June	812.9	210.8	146.3	251.4	103.0	174.0	259.2	1 957.6
July	836.4	169.9	148.9	250.1	112.3	183.3	277.3	1 978.2
August	831.8	182.2	138.7	255.0	119.7	191.6	278.6	1 997.6
September	854.4	202.8	141.8	249.7	114.1	192.8	290.2	2 045.8
October	887.1	215.2	152.6	251.0	121.0	212.5	307.0	2 146.4
November	878.4	223.1	156.0	266.4	130.7	219.9	313.4	2 187.9
December	1 070.8	418.7	236.8	348.7	196.9	305.2	355.8	2 932.9
1995 -								
January	885.5	165.1	154.2	258.2	119.1	179.5	295.3	2 056.9
February	851.0	152.0	127.1	238.4	112.2	185.0	271.7	1 937.4
March	922.8	188.2	145.7	265.4	118.1	208.9	304.7	2 153.8
April	902.1	215.7	166.5	241.9	115.1	207.4	292.4	2 141.1
May	905.9	211.6	153.2	268.7	129.1	219.5	292.6	2 180.6
June	897.6	209.9	151.5	276.1	128.7	203.8	292.8	2 160.4
July	914.0	197.2	150.2	270.2	137.1	199.7	286.4	2 154.8
August	944.3	197.8	138.9	263.1	137.6	214.2	283.0	2 178.9
September	942.5	195.3	138.2	264.2	129.8	212.6	294.2	2 176.8
October	959.3	203.0	151.8	280.4	130.6	217.0	287.2	2 229.3
November	982.0	246.8	157.9	288.1	144.1	225.3	309.2	2 353.4
December	1 130.6	436.7	224.1	384.2	232.2	327.3	351.5	3 086.6
1996 -								
January	975.5	187.4	147.8	274.7	165.7	183.9	316.3	2 251.3
February	965.4	169.2	118.8	252.2	137.5	183.1	292.1	2 118.3
March	1 004.2	189.4	139.0	271.9	131.4	193.0	315.5	2 244.4

Section	1994-95		8 months ending Feb 1996	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$m			
0 Food and live animals chiefly for food	971	2 824	712	2 145
1 Beverages and tobacco	182	75	110	65
2 Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)	613	1 742	401	1 009
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	503	441	375	422
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	75	84	54	54
5 Chemicals and related products, nec	2 194	753	1 539	568
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3 909	2 229	2 693	1 569
7 Machinery and transport equipment	10 436	2 077	7 200	1 688
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4 104	833	2 948	604
9 Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, nec	980	1 949	618	1 604
Total	23 967	13 007	16 650	9 728

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OVERSEAS TRADE, MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS, VICTORIA¹

Country	1993-94		1994-95		8 months ending Feb 1996	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$m					
Belgium-Luxembourg	192	32	225	28	177	44
Brazil	132	37	167	60	122	39
Canada	292	148	430	110	329	64
China	1 415	481	1 576	560	1 239	370
Fiji	31	133	39	127	33	136
Finland	194	5	237	6	174	7
France	432	133	487	167	346	102
Germany	1 550	246	2 093	258	1 383	176
Hong Kong	209	532	205	563	171	518
India	171	107	224	115	167	75
Indonesia	324	242	335	267	274	218
Italy	594	186	718	259	532	169
Japan	3 779	2 177	3 987	1 852	2 367	1 286
Korea, Republic of	491	914	609	1 096	447	1 105
Malaysia	317	614	428	756	303	522
Mexico	48	110	55	61	36	14
Netherlands	199	32	229	43	157	32
New Zealand	1 024	1 099	1 191	1 241	823	1 019
Pakistan	83	41	86	30	47	39
Papua New Guinea	92	211	125	187	57	148
Philippines	49	256	105	284	76	221
Saudi Arabia	173	133	242	127	132	133
Singapore	404	1 128	494	1 339	366	787
South Africa	71	115	73	192	58	119
Sweden	408	22	495	39	429	45
Switzerland	250	29	302	58	187	37
Taiwan	747	522	811	629	539	425
Thailand	261	350	323	439	224	331
United Kingdom	1 229	339	1 365	365	1 032	237
United States of America	4 696	918	5 260	365	3 696	512
Other and unknown	913	1 038	1 052	940	727	798
Total	20 770	12 329	23 968	12 952	16 650	9 728

¹ The list of countries in this table reflects the volume of trade with Victoria. Information about Victoria's trade with other countries is available on request.

Period	Victoria			Australia		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of exports	Imports	Exports (incl. re-exports)	Excess of exports
	\$m					
1992-93	18 147	11 044	-7 103	59 575	60 702	+1 127
1993-94	20 770	12 349	-8 421	64 470	64 548	+78
1994-95	23 967	13 006	-10 961	74 619	67 042	-7 577
1994 -						
October	2 062	1 041	-1 021	6 290	5 774	-516
November	2 101	1 145	-956	6 406	5 764	-642
December	1 891	1 159	-732	5 833	5 543	-290
1995 -						
January	1 882	1 035	-847	6 098	4 939	-1 159
February	1 826	1 185	-641	5 565	5 154	-411
March	2 169	1 210	-959	6 762	6 194	-568
April	1 771	1 043	-728	5 749	5 651	-98
May	2 223	1 168	-1 055	6 905	6 192	-713
June	2 100	1 126	-974	6 565	5 757	-808
July	2 266	1 127	-1 139	6 866	6 282	-584
August	2 232	1 125	-1 107	6 842	6 119	-723
September	1 996	1 150	-846	6 280	6 256	-24
October	2 157	1 204	-953	6 950	6 253	-697
November	2 050	1 238	-812	6 734	5 994	-740
December	1 937	1 409	-528	6 157	6 800	+643
1996 -						
January	2 053	1 191	-862	6 539	5 959	-580
February	1 960	1 284	-676	6 202	6 049	-153

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION, MELBOURNE AND VICTORIA

Period	Hotels, motels, etc. with facilities				Short-term caravan parks			
	No. of establishments	Capacity (No. of guest rooms)	Room occupancy rates	Takings from accommodation	No. of establishments	Capacity (No. of sites and cabins)	Site occupancy rates	Takings from accommodation
			%	\$'000			%	\$'000
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION								
1994 -								
March qtr	241	14 824	60	80 798	49	5 417	59	1 801
June qtr	242	14 830	57	73 416	50	5 442	47	1 147
September qtr	238	14 721	59	79 369	54	5 742	45	1 716
December qtr	240	14 843	66	93 034	53	5 709	55	2 012
1995 -								
March qtr	240	14 905	68	94 245	53	5 694	59	2 055
June qtr	242	14 315	63	86 538	53	5 734	47	1 364
September qtr	241	14 359	66	97 625	53	5 728	45	1 854
December qtr	242	14 513	71	103 964	53	5 730	51	2 242
TOTAL VICTORIA								
1994 -								
March qtr	1 017	29 988	51	115 454	441	54 052	45	17 183
June qtr	1 018	29 968	48	105 846	441	53 971	38	10 268
September qtr	1 003	29 680	48	113 668	438	53 831	35	10 602
December qtr	1 006	29 892	53	127 072	436	53 377	40	14 503
1995 -								
March qtr	1 003	29 973	56	131 900	435	53 307	47	17 781
June qtr	1 016	29 543	51	120 636	434	53 195	39	10 670
September qtr	1 009	29 504	52	135 286	438	53 825	40	10 730
December qtr	1 015	29 798	56	140 332	438	54 001	40	16 035

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