

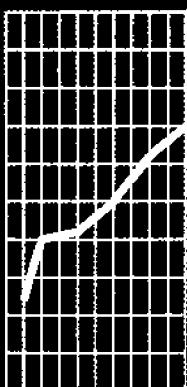


January 1998

EMBARGO: 11:30 AM (CANBERRA TIME) WED 31 DECEMBER 1997

Monthly Summary of Statistics

Queensland





LIST OF TABLES

	Page
POPULATION AND VITAL	
Population	3
Estimated resident population	3
Vital statistics	4
Overseas arrivals and departures	4
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT	
Labour force status of the population aged 15 years and over	5
Civilian labour force: Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates	6
Employed wage and salary earners	6
Duration of unemployment	7
Job vacancies and overtime	7
Employed wage and salary earners by industry division	7
Industrial disputes causing stoppage of work	8
WAGES, PRICES AND PRODUCTION	
Average weekly earnings of employees	8
Consumer price index, Brisbane	9
Average retail prices of selected items, Brisbane	9
Price index of materials used in building, Brisbane	11
Manufacturing and foreign trade price indexes, Australia	11
Livestock slaughtered and production of selected commodities	12
Wool sales and prices	13
BUILDING	
Engineering construction	13
Building activity	13
Building approvals	14
Building activity: Number of new dwellings by type and stage of construction	14
FINANCE	
Housing finance for owner occupation	15
Selected financial institutions: Loans outstanding	16
Lease, commercial and personal finance	16
Secured housing finance commitments by type of borrower	16
All banks: Deposits and lending	17
State accounts: Expenditure	17
New fixed capital expenditure by industry group and type of asset	17
TRADE	
Value of interstate exports	18
Value of interstate imports	18
Value of foreign exports	19
Value of foreign imports	19
Retail trade: Turnover by industry	20
TRANSPORT	
Transport services: Queensland Railways and Brisbane City Council	20
Registration of new motor vehicles and motor vehicles on register	21
Road traffic accidents	21
Oil industry: Sales of main petroleum products	22
TOURIST ACCOMMODATION	
Licensed hotels, motels, etc. with facilities	22
Caravan parks	23
METEOROLOGY	
Meteorology, Brisbane	23

INQUIRIES

- *for further information about statistics in this publication and the availability of related unpublished statistics*, contact the Inquiry Service on Brisbane (07) 3222 6351 (fax (07) 3222 6283 or any ABS State office).
- *for information about other ABS Statistics and services*, telephone, fax or write to the Inquiry Service, Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), GPO Box 9817, Brisbane Q 4001.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 Statistics shown in this publication are the latest available at the date of preparation. In a number of cases figures appearing in this summary are preliminary and are subject to revision in subsequent issues. Reference should therefore always be made to the latest issue or to the statistical publication on the specific subject when figures are not shown.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

2 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:
Regional Statistics (1314.3) — Latest issue: 1996 (\$23.00)
Economic Indicators (1307.3) — Monthly (\$16.00)
Queensland at a Glance — Latest issue: 1996 (free)

3 Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (1101.0). The ABS also issues the *Release Advice* (1105.0) on Tuesdays and Fridays which lists publications to be released in the next few days. Both the Catalogue and the *Release Advice* are available from any ABS office.

EFFECTS OF ROUNDING

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

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a.	not available
n.y.a.	not yet available
*	subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
—	break in continuity of series

DECEMBER 1997 RELEASES	5 8735.7 Tourist Accommodation, Northern Territory, September Quarter 1997
	12 8731.3 Building Approvals, Queensland, October 1997 "
	17 8635.3 Tourist Accommodation, Queensland, September Quarter 1997
	24 1307.3 Economic Indicators, Queensland, December 1997
	31 1304.3 Monthly Summary of Statistics, Queensland, January 1998

313 Adelaide Street
BRISBANE Q 4000
31 December 1997

Brian Doyle
Regional Director, Queensland

POPULATION, QUEENSLAND

Period	Estimated resident population (a)	Natural increase (b)	Net migration			Increase during period		Mean population for period '000
			Interstate	Overseas	Total	Number	Proportion (c) %	
1990-91	2 961.0	25.0	29.7	9.7	39.5	(d) 61.7	2.1	2 930.2
1991-92	3 029.0	25.5	38.2	8.3	46.4	(d) 68.0	2.3	2 995.4
1992-93	3 108.6	25.7	53.8	3.7	57.5	(d) 79.6	2.6	3 069.5
1993-94	3 185.3	25.8	49.1	5.2	54.3	(d) 76.7	2.5	3 148.3
1994-95	3 263.5	25.6	44.8	10.6	55.4	(d) 78.2	2.5	3 223.3
1995-96	3 339.1	25.6	37.5	14.5	52.0	(d) 75.6	2.3	3 303.1
1991	2 993.2	25.2	32.8	10.2	42.9	(d) 64.5	2.2	2 961.9
1992	3 066.2	25.5	45.0	6.3	51.3	(d) 73.0	2.4	3 030.9
1993	3 146.4	26.5	53.0	4.2	57.2	(d) 80.2	2.6	3 109.8
1994	3 221.1	25.0	46.1	6.7	52.8	(d) 74.7	2.4	3 185.9
1995	3 301.8	25.6	43.4	13.9	57.3	(d) 80.7	2.5	3 262.9
1996	3 374.3	25.2	33.8	14.7	48.5	(d) 72.5	2.2	3 340.2
1995— December qtr	3 301.8	5.6	10.1	2.9	12.9	(d) 18.2	0.6	..
1996— March qtr	3 324.2	7.5	11.0	4.4	15.4	(d) 22.4	0.7	..
June qtr	3 339.1	6.2	6.7	2.8	9.5	(d) 14.9	0.4	..
September qtr	3 357.7	5.9	7.9	4.7	12.7	18.6	0.6	..
December qtr	3 374.3	5.6	8.2	2.7	11.0	16.6	0.5	..
1997— March qtr	3 392.9	7.0	6.9	4.8	11.7	18.6	0.6	..

(a) September quarter 1991 to March quarter 1997 figures have been revised to incorporate 1996 Census results. (b) Excess of births over deaths. (c) The rates represent the increase during the period, expressed as a proportion of the population at the beginning of the period. (d) Discrepancies between the sum of natural increase and net migration figures and the total increase figures are due to inter-censal adjustment.

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION (a) AT 30 JUNE

Period	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Brisbane SD	'000 1 358.0	'000 1 387.3	'000 1 421.6	'000 1 454.4	'000 1 488.9	'000 1 520.6
Moreton SD	489.6	510.3	533.7	558.7	584.2	618.1
Wide Bay-Burnett SD	195.6	201.5	209.3	216.1	222.5	224.2
Darling Downs SD	194.1	197.8	201.1	203.5	205.4	199.9
South-West SD	29.2	29.3	29.2	28.8	28.4	28.5
Fitzroy SD	168.4	171.8	175.8	179.2	181.9	178.0
Central-West SD	13.3	13.3	13.2	13.1	12.9	12.5
Mackay SD	110.3	112.4	114.4	116.3	118.7	120.3
Northern SD	182.6	185.4	189.1	192.4	195.3	192.4
Far North SD	181.4	185.5	190.4	195.7	200.9	210.7
North-West SD	38.2	38.1	38.0	37.8	37.7	36.0
Queensland (b)	2 961.0	3 032.8	3 116.0	3 196.1	3 277.1	3 339.1

(a) Estimates use 1996 boundaries (ASGC 2.6). 1996 estimates are based on 1996 Census results. Estimates for years 1991-1995 are based on 1991 Census results. (b) Including off-shore and migratory.

VITAL STATISTICS, QUEENSLAND

Period	Births	Deaths	Marriages	Infant deaths (a)	Annual rate (b)				Infant mortality (d)
					Births (c)	Deaths (c)	Marriages (c)		
1991-92	45 153	19 690	19 984	349	14.9	6.5	6.6	7.7	
1992-93	46 285	20 260	20 428	340	14.9	6.5	6.6	7.3	
1993-94	46 623	20 610	20 997	300	14.6	6.5	6.6	6.4	
1994-95	46 731	21 364	20 425	309	14.3	6.5	6.3	6.6	
1995-96	47 356	21 485	20 876	295	14.2	6.4	6.3	6.2	
1996-97	47 022	21 986	20 820	283	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	6.0	
1996—									
June qtr	11 803	5 306	5 522	80	14.1	6.4	6.6	6.8	
September qtr	12 540	6 618	5 382	76	14.9	7.9	6.4	6.1	
December qtr	10 498	4 898	5 684	67	12.4	5.8	6.7	6.4	
1997—									
March qtr	12 104	5 165	4 385	81	14.3	6.1	5.2	6.7	
June qtr	11 880	5 305	5 369	57	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	5.0	
September qtr	12 584	6 340	5 238	73	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	5.8	
1997—									
May	3 895	1 736	1 646	19	..	..	..	4.9	
June	3 464	1 834	1 424	16	..	..	..	4.6	
July	4 660	2 205	1 303	24	..	..	..	5.2	
August	3 807	1 949	1 393	20	..	..	..	5.3	
September	4 117	2 186	2 542	29	..	..	..	7.0	
October	3 451	1 925	2 590	21	..	..	..	6.1	

(a) Deaths of children aged under 1 year. (b) For quarterly periods, an equivalent annual rate for each quarter. (c) Per 1,000 mean estimated resident population. (d) Infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, QUEENSLAND

Particulars	1995	1996	1997					
			April	May	June	July	August	September
Arrivals								
Permanent and long-term	37 816	39 658	2 978	2 553	2 976	4 728	3 007	3 172
Total permanent	14 687	14 565	1 212	1 073	1 212	1 240	1 209	1 201
Residents long-term	12 357	12 712	860	822	1 078	1 211	1 027	1 109
Visitors long-term	10 772	12 381	906	658	686	2 277	771	862
Residents short-term	360 816	408 143	30 608	29 808	34 705	39 592	34 135	36 848
Visitors short-term	1 110 459	1 279 706	100 646	94 511	104 983	130 505	117 367	109 141
All arrivals	1 509 091	1 727 508	134 232	126 871	142 664	174 825	154 509	149 161
Departures								
Permanent and long-term	24 501	26 231	2 128	1 869	2 377	2 466	2 287	2 038
Residents long-term	11 343	12 169	1 058	900	932	1 147	1 124	942
Visitors long-term	7 524	8 153	525	499	919	839	690	639
Former and other	5 634	5 909	545	470	526	480	473	457
Former settlers	2 639	2 821	260	223	238	206	200	224
Other residents	2 995	3 088	285	247	288	274	273	233
Residents short-term	372 938	409 200	28 554	35 525	37 628	30 083	34 520	49 687
Visitors short-term	1 044 355	1 197 700	101 165	85 508	92 047	112 838	129 003	104 941
All departures	1 441 794	1 633 131	131 848	122 901	132 051	145 387	165 811	156 666

LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a), QUEENSLAND

	Employed			Unemployed		Total labour force		Civilian population aged 15 years and over	
	Full-time		Total	Number	Unemployment rate	Number	Participation rate	Not in labour force	
	Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000
MALES									
1996—									
September	786.3	102.4	888.7	88.9	9.1	977.6	75.0	325.2	1 302.7
October	784.0	96.9	880.9	91.4	9.4	972.2	74.5	333.0	1 305.2
November	784.1	103.1	887.2	82.1	8.5	969.3	74.1	338.5	1 307.7
December	794.7	97.3	892.0	91.5	9.3	983.5	75.1	326.7	1 310.2
1997—									
January	770.9	99.3	870.2	109.1	11.1	979.3	74.6	333.3	1 312.6
February	773.9	97.1	871.0	105.7	10.8	976.7	74.3	338.3	1 315.0
March	758.6	109.0	865.5	110.4	11.3	976.1	74.1	341.4	1 317.4
April	762.4	109.0	871.4	100.6	10.3	972.0	73.7	347.7	1 319.7
May	767.6	107.0	874.6	95.6	9.9	970.1	73.4	351.8	1 321.9
June	768.4	119.6	888.0	86.3	8.9	974.3	73.6	349.9	1 324.1
July	790.7	103.7	894.4	88.8	9.0	983.2	74.1	343.0	1 326.2
August	772.4	110.4	882.9	93.7	9.6	976.6	73.5	351.6	1 328.2
September	781.3	113.0	894.3	90.1	9.1	984.3	74.0	346.0	1 330.3
October	787.1	117.9	905.0	82.0	8.9	993.0	74.5	339.8	1 332.8
November	781.5	112.2	893.8	91.4	9.3	985.2	73.8	350.2	1 335.4
FEMALES									
1996—									
September	385.0	287.9	672.9	65.8	9.9	738.7	55.7	587.4	1 326.1
October	382.9	278.8	661.6	62.8	8.7	724.4	54.5	604.3	1 328.7
November	376.3	286.8	663.1	63.3	8.7	726.4	54.6	605.0	1 331.4
December	387.9	285.4	673.2	69.2	9.3	742.4	55.6	591.7	1 334.1
1997—									
January	375.1	267.7	642.8	77.3	10.7	720.0	53.9	616.7	1 336.7
February	376.6	293.1	669.7	78.7	10.5	748.4	55.9	590.9	1 339.3
March	374.4	295.6	670.0	71.3	9.6	741.3	55.2	600.5	1 341.9
April	369.8	301.4	671.2	67.4	9.1	738.5	54.9	605.6	1 344.1
May	372.2	295.9	669.1	71.3	9.6	740.4	55.0	605.9	1 346.4
June	368.5	312.2	680.8	63.3	8.5	744.0	55.2	604.6	1 348.6
July	382.0	300.6	682.6	61.2	8.2	743.8	55.1	607.0	1 350.8
August	379.9	292.2	672.1	67.1	9.1	739.2	54.6	613.7	1 352.9
September	382.9	312.2	695.1	67.4	8.8	762.5	56.3	592.6	1 355.1
October	382.5	312.1	694.6	62.6	8.3	757.3	55.8	600.3	1 357.6
November	386.2	310.9	697.1	64.4	8.5	761.5	56.0	598.6	1 360.1
PERSONS									
1996—									
September	1 117.2	390.3	1 561.5	154.7	9.0	1 716.3	65.3	912.5	2 628.8
October	1 186.9	375.7	1 542.5	154.2	9.1	1 696.7	64.4	937.3	2 634.0
November	1 160.4	389.8	1 550.2	145.4	8.6	1 695.6	64.2	943.5	2 639.1
December	1 182.6	382.6	1 565.2	160.7	9.3	1 725.9	65.3	918.4	2 644.3
1997—									
January	1 146.0	367.0	1 513.0	186.4	11.0	1 699.4	64.1	949.9	2 649.3
February	1 150.5	390.1	1 540.6	184.5	10.7	1 725.1	55.0	929.2	2 654.3
March	1 131.0	404.7	1 535.6	181.8	10.6	1 717.4	64.6	941.9	2 659.3
April	1 132.2	410.5	1 542.6	167.9	9.8	1 710.5	64.2	953.2	2 663.8
May	1 140.8	402.9	1 543.7	166.9	9.8	1 701.6	64.1	957.7	2 668.3
June	1 137.0	431.8	1 568.8	149.5	8.7	1 718.3	64.3	954.5	2 672.8
July	1 172.7	404.3	1 577.0	150.0	8.7	1 727.0	64.5	950.0	2 676.9
August	1 152.3	402.7	1 555.0	160.8	9.4	1 715.8	64.0	965.4	2 681.1
September	1 164.2	425.2	1 589.4	157.4	9.0	1 746.8	65.0	938.6	2 685.3
October	1 169.6	430.0	1 599.6	150.6	8.6	1 750.3	65.1	940.1	2 690.4
November	1 167.7	423.1	1 590.8	155.9	8.9	1 746.7	64.8	948.8	2 695.5

(a) See the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Labour Force* (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a), QUEENSLAND

	Employed persons			Unemployed persons	Labour force	Unemployment rate	Participation rate
	Full Time	Part Time	Total				
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES (a)							
1996—							
October	1 163.3	373.6	1 536.9	166.4	1 703.3	9.8	64.7
November	1 161.2	383.0	1 544.2	154.3	1 698.5	9.1	64.4
December	1 165.8	378.4	1 544.2	163.6	1 707.8	9.6	64.6
1997—							
January	1 144.9	396.9	1 541.8	172.7	1 714.5	10.1	64.7
February	1 155.8	393.9	1 549.7	166.4	1 716.1	9.7	64.7
March	1 137.7	399.7	1 537.8	168.3	1 705.7	9.9	64.1
April	1 142.0	405.8	1 547.8	162.8	1 710.5	9.5	64.2
May	1 146.6	402.6	1 549.1	165.5	1 714.6	9.7	64.3
June	1 131.4	432.1	1 563.5	153.2	1 718.7	8.9	64.2
July	1 169.1	403.2	1 572.3	157.3	1 729.6	9.1	64.6
August	1 161.7	404.8	1 566.5	170.8	1 737.4	9.8	64.8
September	1 156.7	413.3	1 570.0	163.0	1 733.0	9.4	64.5
October	1 166.1	428.1	1 594.2	162.3	1 756.5	9.2	65.3
November	1 168.5	415.8	1 584.3	165.1	1 749.4	9.4	64.9
TREND ESTIMATES (a)							
1996—							
October	1 162.9	378.8	1 541.7	162.3	1 704.0	9.5	64.7
November	1 161.7	380.7	1 542.4	163.5	1 705.9	9.6	64.6
December	1 158.4	384.3	1 542.7	165.0	1 707.7	9.7	64.6
1997—							
January	1 153.3	389.4	1 542.7	166.3	1 709.0	9.7	64.5
February	1 148.0	395.3	1 543.3	168.7	1 710.0	9.7	64.4
March	1 144.0	401.2	1 545.2	165.9	1 711.1	9.7	64.3
April	1 142.7	405.7	1 548.4	164.1	1 712.6	9.6	64.3
May	1 144.2	408.9	1 553.1	162.3	1 715.3	9.5	64.3
June	1 148.1	411.0	1 559.1	161.1	1 720.2	9.4	64.4
July	1 153.2	412.4	1 565.6	161.3	1 726.9	9.3	64.5
August	1 158.2	413.7	1 571.9	162.2	1 734.1	9.3	64.7
September	1 162.3	415.2	1 577.5	163.3	1 740.8	9.4	64.8
October	1 165.6	416.8	1 582.4	164.2	1 746.6	9.4	64.9
November	1 168.2	418.3	1 586.5	164.9	1 751.3	9.4	65.0

(a) See the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication Labour Force (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

**WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, QUEENSLAND
('000)**

Month	Private sector (a)	Government sector			Total	All employed wage and salary earners
		Commonwealth	State	Local		
1994—						
May	786.2	44.7	191.3	33.8	269.8	1 056.0
August	753.1	43.5	190.4	33.2	267.1	1 020.2
November	802.2	45.8	195.0	32.7	273.4	1 075.6
1995—						
February	837.7	45.4	191.7	33.4	270.5	1 108.2
May	880.8	45.6	194.7	34.1	274.4	1 135.3
August	884.1	44.1	198.5	33.7	276.3	1 140.4
November	909.4	45.1	191.3	33.4	269.8	1 179.3
1996—						
February	896.1	45.8	188.9	34.9	269.5	1 165.6
May	897.9	45.3	206.5	34.8	286.6	1 184.5
August	884.3	39.8	208.1	34.7	282.6	1 166.8
November	891.7	39.3	208.1	36.5	283.9	1 175.6
1997—						
February	872.7	38.8	203.4	36.5	278.8	1 151.4
May	884.2	37.2	209.2	38.8	285.1	1 169.3

(a) Estimates are based on a sample survey and subject to sampling variability. See the Explanatory Notes in the publication Wage and Salary Earners, Australia (6248.0).

DURATION (a) OF UNEMPLOYMENT (b), QUEENSLAND

Period	Number of persons unemployed for							Median duration
	Less than 4 weeks	4 and under 8 weeks	8 and under 13 weeks	13 and under 26 weeks	26 and under 52 weeks	52 weeks or more	Total	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	weeks
June—								
1992	21.7	14.8	14.0	32.3	29.2	47.0	159.1	24
1993	23.4	15.4	11.5	28.6	32.5	45.2	156.7	24
1994	22.6	14.9	11.2	28.6	25.2	41.0	143.5	22
1995	23.2	17.6	11.4	31.7	26.1	34.8	144.9	21
1996	31.3	18.4	13.4	28.7	26.2	37.0	155.0	18
1997	24.9	12.2	18.0	31.7	26.3	36.5	149.5	21
1996—								
August	24.9	22.9	16.9	25.9	31.1	34.7	156.4	17
September	23.1	22.5	15.4	24.0	32.3	37.5	154.7	19
October	29.6	14.9	16.9	23.2	28.6	41.0	154.2	17
November	28.4	18.2	14.3	23.3	24.1	37.1	145.4	17
December	37.3	26.7	15.0	16.6	27.2	37.8	160.7	13
1997—								
January	42.1	35.7	19.5	18.2	26.0	44.8	186.4	10
February	33.5	30.2	24.8	22.9	25.8	47.3	184.5	13
March	31.7	21.0	31.1	32.3	24.1	41.4	181.8	13
April	29.7	16.9	19.5	40.3	23.8	37.8	167.9	15
May	23.3	22.5	18.6	34.5	30.0	38.1	166.9	19
June	24.9	12.2	18.0	31.7	26.3	36.5	149.5	21
July	23.6	16.5	11.2	25.9	32.8	39.9	150.0	23
August	28.8	20.1	14.4	22.1	34.2	41.2	160.8	21
September	24.3	12.4	18.3	20.4	35.7	46.4	157.4	26
October	24.9	16.4	12.4	24.2	29.8	43.0	150.6	24

(a) Period from the time the person began looking for work or was stood down, to the end of survey week. (b) See the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication Labour Force (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

JOB VACANCIES AND OVERTIME, QUEENSLAND

Month	Number of job vacancies			Average weekly overtime hours per employee			Proportion of employees in the survey working overtime	
	Sector			Job vacancy rate (a)	In the survey	Working overtime	No.	%
	Private	Government	Total					
	'000	'000	'000	%	No.	No.	No.	%
1996—								
May	6.0	1.3	7.3	0.6	1.20	7.30		16.37
August	7.9	1.1	9.0	0.8	0.97	6.12		15.85
November	7.8	1.2	9.0	0.8	1.01	6.01		16.77
1997—								
February	10.3	1.9	12.2	1.0	0.99	6.16		16.14
May	10.2	2.0	12.1	1.0	0.94	5.84		16.10
August	* 14.5	2.2	16.7	1.4	0.88	5.70		15.48

(a) The number of job vacancies as a proportion of the number of employees plus vacancies.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY INDUSTRY DIVISION, QUEENSLAND ('000)

ANZSIC industry division	1996				1997	
	February	May	August	November	February	May
Manufacturing	131.2	140.8	142.2	141.5	124.6	130.2
Construction	64.1	68.5	68.3	85.1	67.4	71.1
Wholesale trade	66.8	71.2	60.8	57.0	72.3	79.7
Retail trade	175.0	174.5	186.2	188.6	189.4	184.1
Transport and storage	57.0	53.3	57.4	55.5	56.6	54.9
Property and business services	109.5	95.8	103.1	94.9	90.6	87.3
Health and community services	141.7	134.1	122.3	119.4	131.0	135.9
Other (a)	420.3	446.3	426.5	433.6	419.5	426.1
Total	1 165.6	1 184.5	1 166.8	1 175.6	1 151.4	1 169.3

(a) Including employees of government agencies classified to Agriculture, forestry and fishing.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK, QUEENSLAND

Period	Number of disputes		Employees involved		
	Commenced in period		Total (a)	Newly involved (b)	Total (a)
	No.	No.			
1991-92	135	139	39.9	58.4	84.4
1992-93	123	124	65.4	65.5	80.8
1993-94	110	114	56.2	59.4	147.8
1994-95	164	164	67.4	67.4	190.5
1995-96	147	151	78.9	79.7	168.3
1996-97	121	124	148.4	181.5	170.0
1996—					
June	8	10	1.8	41.9	43.9
July	9	11	10.0	43.1	28.3
August	15	17	55.3	56.0	33.1
September	10	11	10.1	10.2	8.1
October	16	17	10.5	10.7	18.8
November	12	14	5.7	6.2	7.1
December	15	15	3.9	3.9	6.3
1997—					
January	5	5	0.7	0.7	1.7
February	6	6	1.2	1.2	1.3
March	11	11	22.1	22.1	22.5
April	11	11	2.3	2.3	2.3
May	10	12	25.4	26.2	33.0
June	4	6	1.1	1.6	7.4
July	11	13	3.0	3.4	7.2
August	5	6	1.0	—	3.5

(a) All disputes involving stoppages of 10 working days or more which were in progress during the period. (b) Comprises employees involved in disputes which commenced during the month and additional employees involved in disputes which continued from the previous month.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES, QUEENSLAND (\$)

Quarter	Males			Females			Persons		
	Full-time adults		All males	Full-time adults		All females	Full-time adults		All employees
	Weekly ordinary time earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly ordinary time earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly ordinary time earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly total earnings
1994									
February	615.60	666.30	605.10	515.80	526.30	384.40	581.00	617.70	502.90
May	616.90	671.90	609.90	516.00	529.30	395.20	582.50	623.30	511.10
August	610.20	662.10	589.00	530.50	540.90	401.20	583.20	621.00	505.50
November	623.30	681.60	595.50	526.10	536.90	390.00	589.90	631.90	501.80
1995—									
February	629.60	682.00	587.00	531.70	541.90	390.10	595.50	633.10	496.00
May	643.50	694.80	596.40	545.40	556.30	398.20	608.90	645.80	501.20
August	641.40	689.10	600.00	546.20	557.80	399.10	607.60	642.40	503.50
November	653.40	697.40	602.30	551.50	564.70	399.90	617.10	650.20	505.50
1996—									
February	650.30	694.10	595.80	554.30	567.00	410.70	614.20	646.30	506.80
May	662.00	707.10	602.40	553.70	566.30	409.70	621.80	654.80	509.00
August	665.60	713.80	617.50	569.80	582.60	415.00	631.20	666.70	520.80
November	679.00	728.50	631.90	579.80	591.20	418.20	644.20	680.30	530.40
1997—									
February	697.20	744.90	653.80	581.80	594.20	437.00	656.30	691.40	553.20
May	697.60	753.30	662.30	591.90	605.60	447.50	659.10	699.60	561.70
August	702.60	755.70	660.00	591.20	606.40	447.80	661.70	700.90	562.80

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, BRISBANE
 (Base Of Each Index: Year 1989-90 = 100.0)

Period	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	All groups
1994-95	112.6	105.8	106.2	109.2	116.3	140.0	130.6	115.8	114.7
1995-96	116.5	105.3	112.0	112.6	120.7	150.9	135.9	118.1	119.1
1996-97	118.9	105.3	107.9	115.0	123.4	159.9	142.1	120.8	121.0
1996—									
June qtr	117.8	105.8	112.5	113.7	122.1	154.7	137.4	119.3	120.4
September qtr	117.7	105.3	112.4	114.5	122.2	155.1	138.2	119.3	120.6
December qtr	118.0	105.1	109.6	114.7	123.3	159.9	138.5	119.4	120.8
1997—									
March qtr	119.8	104.8	106.4	115.1	124.4	162.3	144.8	122.1	121.5
June qtr	119.9	105.8	103.0	115.7	123.7	162.3	146.8	122.3	121.1
September qtr	118.7	105.3	102.4	115.6	123.7	162.9	143.8	122.8	120.7

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED ITEMS (a), BRISBANE
 (cents)

Item	Unit	Quarter Ended							
		Year		1996			1997		
		1995	1996	March	June	September	March	June	September
Dairy produce									
Milk, carton (b)	1 litre	111	114	114	114	114	116	116	117
Milk, powdered, full cream	750 g pkt	434	463	444	464	461	469	469	467
Cheese, processed, sliced, wrapped	500 g pkt	362	351	368	379	344	390	362	338
Butter	500 g	153	170	161	170	172	173	180	173
Cereal products									
Bread, white, sliced (b)	680 g	173	187	179	190	193	194	197	191
Biscuits, dry	250 g pkt	142	149	134	152	161	158	158	161
Breakfast cereal, corn-based	550 g pkt	328	340	307	353	346	300	357	358
Flour, self-raising	2 kg pkt	241	260	262	259	259	268	267	267
Rice, medium grain	1 kg pkt	120	(e) 121	119	123	121	(d) 140	(d) 138	(d) 139
Meat and seafoods									
Beef									
Silverside roast	1 kg	800	811	871	811	770	756	781	(e) 717
Rump steak	1 kg	1 137	1 072	1 101	1 089	1 056	1 053	1 084	1 088
T-bone steak, with fillet	1 kg	987	979	989	979	956	1 011	950	978
Chuck steak	1 kg	632	620	644	635	623	569	602	617
Silverside, corned	1 kg	616	586	619	597	556	572	574	587
Lamb									
Leg	1 kg	559	597	608	590	603	587	579	616
Loin chops	1 kg	768	820	840	816	822	811	802	843
Forequarter chops	1 kg	466	499	490	506	508	489	477	498
Pork									
Leg	1 kg	529	613	595	613	612	602	591	630
Loin chops	1 kg	797	851	839	850	860	863	809	829
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	287	313	269	311	342	343	329	354
Bacon, middle rashers	250 g pkt	281	300	299	301	289	304	316	316
Beef, corned	340 g can	274	288	285	294	275	295	286	308
Sausages	1 kg	410	399	413	419	407	335	338	350
Salmon, pink	210 g can	240	233	240	237	228	220	224	222

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED ITEMS (a), BRISBANE—continued
(cents)

Item	Unit	Quarter ended								
		Year		1996			1997			
		1995	1996	March	June	September	March	June	September	
Fruit and vegetables										
Oranges	1 kg	114	129	123	145	120	130	132	136	
Bananas	1 kg	185	205	191	167	255	194	266	251	
Potatoes	1 kg	122	90	101	86	90	93	116	117	
Tomatoes	1 kg	254	243	253	262	232	220	248	176	
Carrots	1 kg	124	113	119	127	109	145	117	100	
Onions	1 kg	134	98	113	90	91	117	99	110	
Peaches	825 g can	192	191	190	195	194	199	193	194	
Pineapple, sliced	450 g can	88	97	96	96	95	102	107	104	
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	130	137	134	136	140	137	134	118	
Confectionery										
Chocolate, milk, block	250 g	248	276	273	270	281	271	281	292	
Other food										
Eggs	52 g (min.), 1 doz.	254	277	278	269	284	281	289	262	
Sugar, white	2 kg pkt	194	202	200	205	202	193	177	196	
Jam, strawberry	500 g jar	233	232	226	244	222	234	242	238	
Tea	250 g pkt	178	188	191	193	181	189	195	189	
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	584	578	584	594	572	546	597	629	
Tomato sauce	600 ml bottle	199	198	202	199	199	189	189	189	
Margarine, polyunsaturated	500 g tub	153	153	145	158	152	145	165	145	
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	440 g can	97	(f) 99	101	(g) 95	(g) 98	(g) 99	(g) 103	(g) 100	
Baby food	125 g can	56	58	57	57	57	58	61	60	
Household supplies										
Laundry detergent	1 kg	476	533	514	531	562	553	566	511	
Dishwashing detergent	1 litre	339	351	331	359	366	365	362	(h) 347	
Facial tissues	pkt of 224	179	190	192	188	189	190	188	192	
Toilet paper	4 x 280 sheet rolls	311	344	333	347	343	347	351	351	
Pet food	410 g can	97	99	92	98	103	97	100	98	
Motor vehicle operation										
Petrol, leaded	1 litre	64.0	65.4	64.1	66.3	64.4	68.2	67.1	65.8	
Petrol, unleaded	1 litre	62.0	63.2	62.1	64.1	62.2	66.0	64.9	63.6	
Alcoholic beverages										
Beer, low alcohol, unchilled	24 x 375 ml bottles	2 211	2 307	2 311	2 342	2 276	2 356	2 339	2 303	
Beer, full strength (i), unchilled	24 x 375 ml bottles	2 507	2 564	2 580	2 647	2 516	2 570	2 602	2 638	
Draught beer, full strength (i), public bar	285 ml glass	169	177	175	177	178	179	179	180	
Draught beer, low alcohol, public bar	285 ml glass	157	166	163	165	166	168	169	170	
Scotch, nip, public bar	30 ml	243	251	249	251	251	252	254	255	
Personal care products										
Toilet soap	2 x 125 g	164	182	174	181	186	186	181	(j) 283	
Toothpaste	140 g tube	237	257	251	263	246	258	244	253	

(a) Average prices of specific brands, etc. charged by a number of representative retailers. They do not purport to be the actual averages of all sales of these items. Refer to the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities* (6403.0) for more details. (b) Supermarket sales. (c) Average based on prices for March, June and September quarters. (d) Price not comparable with other periods due to change to long grain rice. (e) Topside roast. (f) Average price of 425 g can for June, September and December quarters. (g) 425 g. (h) 500 ml. Price not comparable with other periods due to change in size and specification. (i) The alcoholic content of full strength beer is greater than 3.9%. (j) 4 x 125 g.

PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, BRISBANE

Group	1995-96			1996			1997		
	1995-96	1996-97	March	June	September	March	June	September	
HOUSE BUILDING (BASE OF EACH INDEX: YEAR 1989-90 = 100.0)									
All groups	115.1	115.3	114.4	114.0	114.4	115.4	116.5	116.8	
BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING (BASE OF EACH INDEX: YEAR 1989-90 = 100.0)									
Selected major building materials									
Structural timber	115.7	109.8	114.9	111.1	109.2	109.8	110.8	111.9	
Clay bricks	102.0	104.3	99.0	99.4	101.3	105.5	106.1	107.1	
Ready-mixed concrete	105.2	104.2	104.7	102.8	102.3	104.2	107.3	108.8	
Precast concrete products	111.3	112.5	111.5	111.2	111.3	112.8	113.0	113.2	
Steel decking and cladding	107.4	111.3	109.7	109.2	109.5	112.3	113.7	113.7	
Structural steel	135.6	136.7	137.3	138.0	137.2	136.1	136.1	137.8	
Reinforcing steel bar, fabric and mesh	114.6	114.8	113.5	111.5	113.9	114.6	116.0	116.8	
Aluminium windows	104.8	103.7	104.9	103.7	103.2	103.8	103.8	103.8	
Fabricated steel products	117.2	120.1	117.6	117.6	117.5	122.1	123.1	122.8	
Builders' hardware	109.0	104.1	107.1	107.1	103.7	104.3	104.4	104.4	
Sand and aggregate	156.6	156.6	156.6	156.6	156.6	156.6	156.6	157.4	
Carpet	93.1	94.8	93.3	93.6	94.3	95.0	94.7	94.1	
Paint and other coatings	122.7	128.3	124.0	123.9	127.5	128.0	129.3	129.8	
Nonferrous pipes and fittings	155.0	154.4	150.2	152.2	153.5	154.9	158.2	161.7	
Special combinations of building materials									
All electrical materials	110.7	109.7	110.4	110.6	109.2	110.0	110.6	111.2	
All mechanical services	112.3	113.9	112.5	113.2	113.9	113.9	113.9	114.2	
All plumbing materials	122.7	123.1	120.7	121.3	121.8	123.5	125.0	126.6	
All groups, excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	116.6	117.6	116.5	116.3	116.6	117.8	118.8	119.6	
All groups	115.0	115.9	115.0	114.9	115.2	116.1	116.9	117.5	

MANUFACTURING AND FOREIGN TRADE PRICE INDEXES, AUSTRALIA

Period	Manufacturing price indexes			Export price index numbers (a)				Import price index numbers (a)		
	Materials used (a)			Articles produced (b)	Mineral products	Wool and cotton fibres	Base metals and articles of base metals	All groups	Machinery and transport equip.	
	Imported	Domestic	All materials						All groups	
1991-92	101.8	101.2	101.4	111.6	103.1	66.6	79.7	89.6	104.8	102.7
1992-93	107.8	105.7	106.4	114.3	108.2	60.9	81.0	93.5	116.8	112.1
1993-94	108.8	102.5	104.7	115.5	100.9	59.0	76.3	91.8	123.1	115.6
1994-95	112.7	104.9	107.6	118.1	95.0	80.8	96.8	94.7	121.1	114.8
1995-96	117.6	106.0	110.1	121.1	100.9	72.7	97.0	96.1	117.4	115.0
1996-97	109.4	104.2	106.0	121.8	103.0	67.6	86.1	92.4	108.5	108.6
1994—										
March	106.6	100.5	102.6	115.0	98.4	59.5	74.8	90.4	120.9	113.5
June	106.2	101.8	103.3	115.8	94.0	65.1	78.8	89.7	120.9	113.0
September	108.9	103.1	105.1	116.2	92.7	71.9	84.0	90.5	120.6	113.4
December	110.2	102.2	105.0	117.1	92.1	80.1	94.1	92.6	118.6	112.2
1995—										
March	112.2	105.7	108.0	118.9	94.5	83.3	104.9	95.8	119.0	113.7
June	119.6	108.5	112.4	120.3	100.8	86.0	104.1	99.7	126.1	119.8
September	119.9	106.6	111.3	120.9	100.7	84.4	104.7	98.5	123.0	118.6
December	118.6	105.3	110.0	120.9	100.2	72.8	98.7	96.0	118.7	116.1
1996—										
March	118.1	106.7	110.4	121.5	102.1	68.6	94.5	96.5	116.4	114.8
June	113.9	105.2	108.2	121.1	100.4	65.0	89.9	93.4	111.4	110.5
September	110.8	103.5	106.1	121.0	100.9	67.2	84.5	93.0	110.1	109.4
December	109.6	104.2	106.1	121.5	101.7	65.5	80.7	91.1	108.5	108.5
1997—										
March	108.9	105.1	106.3	122.2	104.3	65.7	88.2	92.0	107.9	108.4
June	108.1	104.0	105.4	122.3	105.1	70.9	90.8	93.4	107.6	107.9
September	109.9	104.6	106.5	122.9	107.9	77.8	96.0	95.9	110.8	110.8

(a) Base: year 1989-90 = 100.0. (b) Base: year 1988-89 = 100.0.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a) AND PRODUCTION OF SELECTED COMMODITIES (b), QUEENSLAND

Period	Livestock slaughtered					Meat produced (c)	
	Cattle '000 head	Calves '000 head	Sheep '000 head	Lambs '000 head	Pigs '000 head	Beef tonnes	Veal tonnes
1991-92	2 799.5	156.8	1 633.8	1 018.1	1 156.1	717 477	6 737
1992-93	2 651.5	153.8	1 389.2	648.0	1 155.3	753 477	7 179
1993-94	2 781.8	148.7	856.6	569.6	1 207.9	742 701	6 352
1994-95	2 557.8	117.1	770.9	608.7	1 154.4	697 750	4 918
1995-96	2 406.9	91.2	727.5	695.3	1 080.0	655 664	3 854
1996-97	2 501.5	108.8	956.8	775.5	988.6	683 174	5 194
1996—							
August	208.6	10.4	72.3	74.8	81.2	56 446	499
September	196.8	6.8	78.5	56.2	73.1	52 985	286
October	197.9	10.2	84.6	74.4	79.5	54 345	484
November	204.0	9.0	91.1	59.8	77.7	57 380	437
December	120.7	7.9	75.9	55.4	78.6	33 378	384
1997—							
January	125.8	10.5	92.3	72.1	81.5	35 151	518
February	221.7	7.4	86.6	63.3	82.3	61 801	395
March	225.9	9.0	66.3	60.4	80.6	61 834	438
April	250.9	11.1	79.7	70.3	92.5	68 552	529
May	274.4	10.2	73.8	68.4	89.4	73 879	499
June	251.8	8.9	69.7	58.2	84.1	67 523	432
July	286.7	9.9	98.6	72.9	93.7	76 729	447
August	276.3	8.8	87.7	70.5	85.5	74 300	406
September	278.6	8.8	101.2	71.6	84.0	74 939	404
October	269.6	9.4	108.6	69.1	90.6	71 907	442
<hr/>							
<hr/>							
Period	Meat produced (c)			Dressed weight of chickens slaughtered	Factory intake of whole milk (e)	Total Butter (e) (f)	
	Mutton tonnes	Lamb tonnes	Pigmeats (d) tonnes		million litres	tonnes	tonnes
1991-92	32 519	16 812	79 013	64 081	635	3 424	11 885
1992-93	26 656	10 570	79 749	67 305	702	5 870	12 213
1993-94	21 282	12 447	84 553	72 000	764	6 774	16 502
1994-95	15 308	10 621	83 143	76 337	741	5 845	15 734
1995-96	14 161	12 584	77 696	71 607	751	7 162	19 303
1996-97	19 328	14 171	72 834	80 485	797	7 548	20 218
1996—							
August	1 454	1 362	6 066	5 786	66	548	1 183
September	1 583	1 000	5 414	6 318	67	586	1 393
October	1 770	1 345	5 868	6 881	72	552	1 676
November	1 837	1 093	5 742	6 291	69	589	1 622
December	1 575	999	5 591	7 041	72	645	1 620
1997—							
January	1 902	1 347	5 886	7 077	71	662	1 502
February	1 778	1 168	5 974	6 314	61	560	1 626
March	1 375	1 124	5 848	7 077	67	819	2 133
April	1 587	1 287	6 829	7 141	61	691	2 041
May	1 411	1 251	6 747	6 751	62	642	1 864
June	1 356	1 059	6 317	7 505	64	709	1 996
July	1 910	1 380	7 076	8 246	69	907	1 262
August	1 722	1 282	6 503	6 696	73	654	1 305
September	2 049	1 318	6 342	7 324	72	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
October	2 199	1 267	6 900	6 911	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) Including livestock slaughtered on farms. (b) Excluding producers with fewer than four persons employed and minor production from essentially non-manufacturing activities. (c) Dressed carcass weight. Excluding offal. (d) Including quantities used to produce bacon and ham. (e) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (f) Excluding farm production.

WOOL SALES AND PRICES, QUEENSLAND
 (Source: The National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia)

Particulars	Unit	1995-96			1996			1997		
		1995-96	1996-97	June	July	August	June	July	August	
Wool received into stores (a)	bales	234 338	228 728	22 325	25 848	25 662	23 628	29 258	26 964	
Wool sold										
Quantity	'000 kg	39 585	44 321	5 500	3 195	5 403	4 527	4 293	5 423	
Amount realised	\$'000	145 712	168 663	19 495	11 649	19 924	19 392	18 154	22 468	
Average price per kilogram	cents	368.10	381.00	354.44	364.54	368.78	428.00	423.00	414.34	

(a) Queensland wool, excluding wool for resale.

ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION, QUEENSLAND
 (\$ million)

Particulars	1995-96	1996-97	Quarter ended				1997		
			1996			March	June	September	December
	1995-96	1996-97	1995-96	1996-97	March	June	September	December	1997
Value of work commenced	3 143.7	3 613.6	616.0	622.8	1 175.9	1 032.1	723.5	682.0	
Value of work done	3 036.0	3 597.5	674.4	801.6	896.7	916.4	793.4	991.1	
Value of work yet to be done	1 189.3	1 053.6	1 304.2	1 189.3	1 394.2	1 531.3	1 364.0	1 053.6	

BUILDING ACTIVITY (a), QUEENSLAND

Period	Dwelling units in new residential buildings			Value of building work completed				
	Commenced	Completed	Under construction at end of period	New houses	New other residential buildings	Non-residential building	Total (b)	Value of work done in period \$m
				No.	No.	No.		
	No.	No.	No.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1991-92	38 541	35 862	13 609	2 232.0	685.2	1 495.7	4 603.2	4 736.9
1992-93	46 985	45 541	14 760	2 907.3	771.9	1 700.4	5 608.2	5 467.0
1993-94	53 085	49 615	17 993	3 015.8	1 007.3	1 391.7	5 644.9	5 993.1
1994-95	46 160	48 456	15 389	3 172.3	1 100.1	1 834.1	6 351.8	6 819.9
1995-96	31 125	35 103	11 125	2 372.2	994.9	2 656.8	6 290.6	5 791.8
1996-97	31 682	30 325	12 292	2 315.6	692.6	2 360.4	5 645.1	5 924.4
1996—								
March qtr	6 877	7 596	10 676	483.0	261.4	546.4	1 348.0	1 245.7
June qtr	8 233	7 720	11 125	587.9	157.5	603.4	1 404.2	1 430.3
September qtr	7 833	7 377	11 450	557.0	141.6	610.3	1 372.5	1 512.6
December qtr	8 454	8 193	11 664	647.4	149.0	589.4	1 469.2	1 604.5
1997—								
March qtr	7 372	6 912	11 611	511.7	222.1	599.8	1 390.6	1 339.1
June qtr	7 982	7 627	12 292	590.2	173.5	531.0	1 367.0	1 442.2

(a) The scope of building activity includes: (i) all new residential buildings, irrespective of value, and alterations and additions to residential buildings with an approval value of \$10,000 and over and (ii) non-residential building (including alterations and additions to existing buildings) with an approval value of \$50,000 and over.

(b) Including alterations and additions (valued at \$10,000 and over) to residential buildings, which are not shown in the foregoing columns.

BUILDING APPROVALS (a), QUEENSLAND

Period	Dwelling units in new residential buildings						Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total value of building	
	Private sector		Public sector		Total			Private sector	Total		
	No.	\$m	No.	\$m	No.	\$m		\$m	\$m		
1991-92	39 690	3 103.2	2 375	142.5	42 065	3 245.7	205.8	1 079.2	1 530.7	4 982.1	
1992-93	45 992	3 700.1	1 940	129.4	47 932	3 829.6	212.9	941.8	1 383.9	5 426.3	
1993-94	53 427	4 464.3	1 765	126.7	55 192	4 591.0	229.2	1 348.4	1 781.6	6 581.8	
1994-95	43 596	3 856.7	1 602	144.1	45 198	4 000.7	240.9	1 570.9	2 063.5	6 305.1	
1995-96	29 579	2 819.3	872	72.2	30 451	2 891.5	249.9	1 807.9	2 326.0	5 467.4	
1996-97	31 853	3 083.4	1 233	108.3	33 086	3 191.7	270.1	1 568.0	2 244.0	5 705.8	
1996—											
August	2 775	260.7	150	13.6	2 925	274.3	25.2	116.5	197.9	497.4	
September	2 524	239.8	66	8.4	2 590	248.2	24.9	213.1	263.1	536.2	
October	3 119	310.2	181	12.9	3 300	323.1	25.4	143.2	194.3	542.8	
November	2 710	281.9	145	10.4	2 855	292.4	22.1	224.4	283.2	597.7	
December	2 269	211.6	43	5.4	2 312	216.9	18.4	88.6	128.6	363.9	
1997—											
January	2 140	205.4	99	7.9	2 239	213.3	14.9	140.4	202.2	430.3	
February	2 545	235.0	155	13.5	2 700	248.4	17.2	118.6	140.2	405.8	
March	2 749	260.9	97	8.4	2 846	269.4	19.4	112.0	144.1	432.8	
April	2 686	251.8	62	6.4	2 748	258.2	23.6	71.2	122.5	404.3	
May	2 920	291.3	94	6.6	3 014	298.0	31.5	117.6	214.7	544.2	
June	2 433	231.4	113	12.4	2 546	243.8	19.6	98.7	128.7	392.1	
July	3 353	329.3	10	1.3	3 363	330.5	22.3	219.6	535.1	888.0	
August	3 083	299.7	39	4.3	3 122	304.1	27.5	125.6	293.6	625.1	
September	3 432	352.9	59	8.8	3 491	361.7	26.2	205.0	255.9	643.9	
October	3 122	299.1	54	4.0	3 176	303.1	24.4	132.9	249.4	576.9	

(a) The scope of building approvals includes: (i) all approved new residential building jobs valued at \$10,000 or more; (ii) all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more and (iii) approved alterations and additions to residential buildings valued at \$10,000 or more.

BUILDING ACTIVITY: NUMBER OF NEW DWELLING UNITS (a) BY TYPE AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, QUEENSLAND

Period	Commenced			Completed			Under construction at end of period			Total
	Houses		Other resi- dential buildings	Houses		Other resi- dential buildings	Houses		Other resi- dential buildings	
	Houses	Total	Houses	Houses	Total	Houses	Houses	Total	Houses	
1991-92	29 016	9 525	38 541	27 105	8 757	35 862	8 822	4 787	13 609	
1992-93	33 516	13 469	46 985	33 600	11 941	45 541	8 559	6 201	14 760	
1993-94	35 751	17 334	53 085	34 793	14 822	49 615	9 504	8 489	17 993	
1994-95	31 047	15 113	46 160	33 527	14 929	48 456	6 971	8 418	15 389	
1995-96	23 082	8 043	31 125	23 852	11 251	35 103	6 049	5 076	11 125	
1996-97	22 820	8 862	31 682	22 499	7 826	30 325	6 322	5 970	12 292	
1996—										
March qtr	4 835	2 042	6 877	4 992	2 604	7 596	5 759	4 917	10 676	
June qtr	6 086	2 147	8 233	5 753	1 967	7 720	6 049	5 076	11 125	
September qtr	5 691	2 142	7 833	5 524	1 853	7 377	6 216	5 234	11 450	
December qtr	6 281	2 173	8 454	6 349	1 844	8 193	6 148	5 516	11 664	
1997—										
March qtr	4 950	2 422	7 372	4 878	2 034	6 912	5 981	5 630	11 611	
June qtr	5 863	2 119	7 982	5 638	1 989	7 627	6 322	5 970	12 292	

(a) Including new houses and dwelling units in other residential buildings (e.g. flats, home units, etc.) but excluding units offering temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels, etc.) and caretakers' quarters in non-residential buildings.

HOUSING FINANCE FOR OWNER OCCUPATION, QUEENSLAND
Secured housing finance commitments to individuals

Period	Dwelling units involved				All banks				
	For purchase			Refinance (a)	For purchase of dwellings			Refinance (a)	Total (b)
	For construction	Newly erected	Previously established		For construction of dwellings	Newly erected	Previously established		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1991-92	21 493	2 658	48 842	7 584	1 007.2	143.4	2 514.9	375.5	4 285.1
1992-93	24 832	3 338	55 502	12 904	1 443.9	203.0	3 499.1	725.3	6 167.5
1993-94	25 967	4 948	58 980	18 725	1 836.9	359.3	4 141.8	1 153.7	7 949.8
1994-95	20 166	4 429	48 707	13 950	1 497.3	375.5	3 722.5	891.5	7 089.0
1995-96	15 141	3 854	44 599	18 417	1 145.6	354.4	3 408.1	1 110.0	6 700.8
1996-97	15 097	4 038	44 378	20 449	1 261.9	376.4	3 717.9	1 388.8	7 211.7
1996—									
August	1 298	323	3 543	2 048	105.8	30.9	277.7	138.3	602.6
September	1 330	338	3 697	1 941	103.7	29.8	289.2	133.6	599.3
October	1 464	364	3 925	1 613	110.9	29.8	294.8	112.2	591.4
November	1 286	390	3 927	1 553	106.0	35.2	311.0	95.2	585.2
December	1 089	315	3 672	1 449	92.9	30.8	309.6	95.4	560.5
1997—									
January	1 117	307	3 558	1 378	90.4	31.8	308.4	99.5	563.8
February	1 307	338	4 043	1 620	109.4	33.7	348.4	111.0	636.1
March	1 225	362	3 784	1 768	110.9	31.6	347.0	129.3	657.4
April	1 253	361	3 721	1 939	110.6	33.0	333.8	140.1	651.3
May	1 318	347	3 614	1 517	117.1	33.2	317.5	103.5	603.9
June	1 229	342	3 394	1 609	111.8	32.0	302.8	102.6	578.8
July	1 414	366	3 618	1 895	128.2	34.2	331.2	129.3	653.1
August	1 412	331	3 498	1 650	132.0	30.5	314.6	119.4	621.1
September	1 431	370	3 784	1 600	133.1	35.0	345.8	105.7	652.0
October	1 341	407	3 825	1 536	125.8	35.3	333.9	106.1	636.1

Secured housing finance commitments to individuals -- continued

Period	Permanent building societies					Finance companies, government and other	Total (b)		
	For purchase of dwellings			Refinance (a)	Total (b)				
	For construction of dwellings	Newly erected	Previously established						
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m		
1991-92	165.6	48.4	645.8	71.2	970.3	546.6	5 802.0		
1992-93	215.8	67.1	736.4	147.6	1 220.5	366.8	7 754.9		
1993-94	290.5	85.6	902.3	193.4	1 537.2	240.9	9 727.8		
1994-95	242.7	56.8	684.4	163.2	1 198.6	232.4	8 520.0		
1995-96	226.1	29.9	660.9	158.0	1 116.4	662.4	8 479.5		
1996-97	197.8	11.7	389.8	76.8	700.9	777.3	8 689.8		
1996—									
August	17.5	1.2	49.7	7.2	77.7	55.9	736.2		
September	19.4	1.6	47.1	7.7	77.4	55.4	732.0		
October	26.6	1.7	58.6	7.3	97.2	60.1	748.7		
November	14.6	0.7	38.9	6.2	61.8	72.9	719.8		
December	10.9	0.5	21.7	5.5	39.4	65.4	665.3		
1997—									
January	14.5	0.6	21.7	4.3	42.3	57.5	663.8		
February	23.7	0.8	20.8	6.0	52.9	71.0	760.0		
March	14.4	0.4	20.7	5.6	42.8	60.6	760.8		
April	14.9	0.8	19.5	7.2	44.5	62.6	758.4		
May	13.5	1.3	22.5	5.6	44.3	59.4	707.6		
June	10.6	1.1	21.6	6.0	40.6	86.8	706.2		
July	15.2	0.2	25.2	5.1	47.1	77.3	777.5		
August	13.1	0.4	25.4	6.1	45.8	72.7	739.6		
September	16.2	1.0	28.0	7.7	54.2	83.8	790.0		
October	11.5	1.5	33.5	7.7	55.7	84.0	775.8		

(a) For existing home loans. (b) Including alterations and additions.

SELECTED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: LOANS OUTSTANDING (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

Month	Building societies		Finance companies		Credit cooperatives (b)	
	Individuals	Total	Individuals	Total	Individuals	Total
1996—						
July	4 292.8	5 563.6	1 822.8	5 234.7	1 639.1	1 660.9
August	4 326.2	5 599.3	1 821.3	5 242.4	1 646.9	1 668.4
September	4 349.5	5 629.2	1 818.4	5 245.1	1 665.5	1 687.6
October	4 375.2	5 650.5	1 823.9	5 274.8	1 675.5	1 697.6
November	4 393.8	5 681.1	1 809.9	5 288.4	1 685.1	1 707.6
December	2 054.3	2 675.7	1 800.9	5 254.1	1 692.7	1 715.3
1997—						
January	2 059.9	2 684.9	1 801.4	5 247.8	1 700.3	1 722.6
February	2 071.4	2 697.4	1 801.6	5 325.0	1 710.8	1 733.0
March	2 081.3	2 707.5	1 778.3	5 286.9	1 725.9	1 748.4
April	2 082.3	2 718.1	1 773.0	5 300.8	1 733.5	1 756.7
May	2 089.3	2 727.9	1 769.6	5 362.9	1 746.5	1 770.1
June	2 099.4	2 749.5	1 768.6	5 392.4	1 766.6	1 790.7
July	2 099.9	2 752.6	1 765.3	5 336.7	1 765.3	1 791.8
August	2 105.4	2 767.2	1 750.4	5 346.9	1 776.8	1 804.4
September	2 113.8	2 778.8	1 760.2	5 379.0	1 793.0	1 821.9

(a) At end of period. (b) Credit cooperatives with assets in Australia exceeding \$5m.

LEASE, COMMERCIAL AND PERSONAL FINANCE, QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

Month	Lease finance		Revolving credit limits at end of period			
	Total finance lease commitments	Commitments not drawn at end of period	Commercial finance		Personal finance	
			Total	Used	Total	Used
1996—						
August	138.9	72.7	13 711.1	8 672.8	7 882.8	3 359.4
September	129.9	78.9	13 851.0	8 722.3	7 973.0	3 411.9
October	127.8	80.5	14 090.2	8 924.8	8 089.8	3 456.7
November	127.0	70.0	14 288.3	8 912.7	8 204.4	3 449.4
December	127.7	67.2	14 622.5	9 051.1	8 326.6	3 653.3
1997—						
January	110.4	76.0	14 650.9	8 948.4	8 425.1	3 711.1
February	122.0	74.0	14 800.5	8 995.7	8 533.5	3 766.9
March	137.7	68.1	15 132.3	9 258.4	8 691.4	3 811.1
April	152.7	65.2	15 173.9	9 209.7	8 810.9	3 862.4
May	155.1	71.7	15 421.7	9 269.7	9 009.6	3 935.0
June	250.9	76.0	15 757.3	9 791.7	9 208.4	4 058.4
July	176.8	62.3	15 877.5	9 660.7	9 438.4	4 168.4
August	152.0	46.6	16 059.5	9 695.3	9 630.3	4 203.4
September	164.3	42.9	16 104.9	9 913.3	9 843.9	4 319.5
October	170.3	44.9	16 222.7	9 641.0	10 097.3	4 387.5

SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS (a) BY TYPE OF BORROWER, QUEENSLAND

Month	First home buyers				Other			
	Number of dwellings financed	Number as per cent of total	Value of commitments	Average borrowing size	Number of dwellings financed	Number as per cent of total	Value of commitments	Average borrowing size
	No.	%	\$m	\$'000	No.	%	\$m	\$'000
1996—								
August	1 449	20.1	131.1	90.5	5 763	79.9	552.1	95.8
September	1 578	21.6	140.4	89.0	5 728	78.4	545.8	95.3
October	1 708	23.2	159.2	93.2	5 658	76.8	541.5	95.7
November	1 551	21.7	142.9	92.1	5 605	78.3	536.4	95.7
December	1 456	22.3	137.3	94.3	5 069	77.7	493.6	97.4
1997—								
January	1 418	22.3	136.8	96.5	4 942	77.7	490.7	99.3
February	1 720	23.5	168.3	97.8	5 588	76.5	555.1	99.3
March	1 624	22.7	157.2	96.8	5 515	77.3	561.5	101.8
April	1 597	22.0	155.9	97.6	5 677	78.0	565.2	99.6
May	1 757	25.9	171.0	97.3	5 039	74.1	501.7	99.6
June	1 337	20.3	136.0	101.7	5 237	79.7	538.1	102.7
July	1 441	19.8	146.7	101.8	5 852	80.2	598.4	102.3
August	1 485	21.6	149.1	100.4	5 401	78.4	562.8	104.2
September	1 541	21.4	157.0	101.9	5 644	78.6	597.2	105.8
October	1 550	21.8	156.0	100.6	5 559	78.2	581.4	104.6

(a) Excluding alterations and additions, including refinancing.

ALL BANKS: DEPOSITS AND LENDING
(\$ million)

Month	Deposits				Total	Other lending (b)
	Current	Term (a)	Investment savings	Other		
1996—						
July	10 372	21 207	3 632	3 251	38 461	51 826
August	10 518	21 198	3 671	3 296	38 683	52 155
September	10 542	21 353	3 754	3 323	38 972	52 202
October	11 034	21 558	3 883	3 372	39 847	52 296
November	11 231	21 544	4 021	3 466	40 261	52 626
December	11 912	23 751	4 275	4 188	44 126	56 093
1997—						
January	11 619	23 562	4 474	4 557	44 212	57 163
February	11 862	23 420	4 620	4 392	44 293	57 485
March	11 892	23 347	4 669	4 365	44 274	57 738
April	12 082	23 377	4 675	4 382	44 516	58 349
May	12 316	24 301	4 691	4 337	45 645	58 629
June	12 525	23 716	4 754	4 289	45 284	59 366
July	13 550	23 619	4 918	4 405	46 491	61 040
August	13 512	23 252	5 035	4 521	46 319	61 025
September	13 730	22 985	5 044	4 568	46 327	61 464

(a) Including certificates of deposit. (b) Excluding public sector securities held by banks and commercial lending through intermediaries.

STATE ACCOUNTS (a): EXPENDITURE
(\$ million)

Period	Final consumption expenditure		Gross fixed capital expenditure		State final demand
	Private	Government	Private	Public	
1994–95	42 971	10 742	14 576	4 225	72 514
1995–96	44 579	11 405	13 920	4 161	74 065
1996–97	45 728	11 665	15 371	4 520	77 284
1996—					
June qtr	11 086	3 010	3 739	1 332	19 167
September qtr	11 342	2 953	3 821	696	18 812
December qtr	11 977	2 967	3 865	1 081	19 890
1997—					
March qtr	10 986	2 790	3 476	1 037	18 289
June qtr	11 423	2 955	4 209	1 706	20 293
September qtr	11 759	3 046	4 260	963	20 018

(a) At average 1989–90 prices.

NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY GROUP AND TYPE OF ASSET, QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

Period	Industry group			Type of asset		
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	New capital equipment
1994–95	938	1 309	3 275	5 522	1 892	3 629
1995–96	961	1 433	3 459	5 853	1 563	4 290
1996–97	1 844	1 738	3 996	7 577	2 723	4 855
1996—						
March qtr	192	363	698	1 253	254	999
June qtr	343	434	1 161	1 937	627	1 310
September qtr	430	307	1 007	1 745	625	1 119
December qtr	458	386	1 054	1 897	735	1 162
1997—						
March qtr	543	420	870	1 833	747	1 086
June qtr	413	624	1 065	2 102	615	1 487
						2 102

VALUE OF INTERSTATE EXPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND

(\$'000)

(Source: Queensland Government Statistician)

Period	Total	Meat (c)	Selected commodities (b)				
			Crude materials, inedible (d)	Chemicals and related materials	Manuf. goods class. chiefly by material	Machinery and transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured items
1991-92	3 858 636	179 091	808 259	155 304	787 723	557 196	235 352
1992-93	4 235 353	180 508	743 687	178 785	857 203	656 852	252 174
1993-94	4 627 314	213 859	757 955	190 465	925 859	868 571	294 577
1994-95	5 326 975	203 049	705 341	196 411	1 130 058	1 086 215	329 097
1995-96	6 219 976	174 819	760 638	265 811	1 318 475	974 455	397 904
1996-97	6 022 732	149 247	717 739	318 837	1 142 478	920 284	437 023
1996—							
March qtr	1 516 182	42 228	195 255	87 261	304 118	244 296	93 477
June qtr	1 668 390	41 087	185 749	74 786	387 797	254 176	91 447
September qtr	1 527 750	30 494	180 082	68 757	301 157	217 737	104 998
December qtr	1 479 243	31 163	180 745	75 144	273 180	236 267	114 248
1997—							
March qtr	1 388 873	36 959	161 186	78 818	246 958	213 590	133 189
June qtr	1 626 866	50 630	195 727	96 118	321 184	252 691	84 588

(a) Interstate exports are compiled using a new classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. (c) All meat and meat products, fresh, frozen, preserved or canned. (d) Including gold ores and concentrates.

VALUE OF INTERSTATE IMPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND

(\$'000)

(Source: Queensland Government Statistician)

Period	Total	Food and live animals	Selected commodities (b)				
			Mineral fuels and lubricants	Chemicals	Iron and steel	Machinery and transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured items
1991-92	8 856 882	1 517 319	443 001	1 088 921	642 238	2 639 573	927 891
1992-93	9 768 709	1 438 186	598 897	1 257 271	645 807	2 844 247	1 273 387
1993-94	11 426 272	1 781 351	728 036	1 387 728	752 374	3 368 671	1 559 800
1994-95	12 496 497	1 948 425	754 779	1 472 191	796 620	3 794 489	1 737 118
1995-96	13 381 379	1 823 107	1 543 589	1 601 163	830 520	3 869 286	1 680 581
1996-97	13 486 288	1 809 836	1 438 294	1 710 559	782 342	3 913 782	1 815 744
1996—							
March qtr	3 115 275	444 123	335 776	384 136	210 109	894 122	383 436
June qtr	3 395 040	445 880	421 289	410 983	206 577	1 027 689	381 333
September qtr	3 372 267	445 039	361 104	415 355	205 689	981 005	444 269
December qtr	3 477 800	453 573	381 907	425 110	182 127	978 755	527 060
1997—							
March qtr	3 190 646	427 910	340 855	403 370	207 758	927 702	419 334
June qtr	3 445 575	483 313	354 427	466 725	186 767	1 026 320	425 080

(a) Interstate imports are compiled using a new classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown.

VALUE OF FOREIGN EXPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$'000)

Selected commodities (c)

Period	Total (b)	Meat (d)	Sugar (e)	Wool (f)	Coal	Cereal grains	Nonferrous metals
1991-92	11 065 605	1 612 710	680 645	212 836	4 012 927	124 736	861 707
1992-93	12 026 653	1 780 254	986 462	154 362	4 379 206	146 213	934 754
1993-94	12 273 966	1 857 278	1 231 094	119 220	4 143 343	183 977	860 106
1994-95	12 747 169	1 597 302	1 619 577	170 231	4 124 509	53 496	836 778
1995-96	13 924 591	1 404 938	1 535 485	114 619	4 481 771	210 687	930 166
1996-97	13 878 826	1 218 756	1 523 488	113 654	4 557 085	544 597	779 798
1996—							
August	1 341 691	100 651	265 738	12 577	364 822	61 631	73 934
September	1 167 990	86 016	181 829	10 268	352 850	10 279	66 965
October	1 204 094	104 459	215 187	8 841	390 366	29 699	34 970
November	1 236 051	106 957	135 166	15 513	371 235	100 453	66 122
December	1 115 281	92 075	90 385	6 953	379 299	52 858	73 884
1997—							
January	959 535	55 154	76 764	4 485	419 317	43 423	70 237
February	1 118 138	96 237	77 908	5 573	367 111	62 051	79 693
March	896 981	104 244	47 380	6 258	359 191	31 782	19 756
April	1 182 264	123 570	46 946	6 831	439 281	46 704	77 071
May	1 310 754	127 211	80 172	16 587	472 058	40 113	76 739
June	1 128 725	118 291	53 580	8 146	307 464	36 043	69 110
July	1 412 869	141 268	215 905	18 720	415 192	12 297	100 806
August	1 452 874	145 814	208 871	13 479	436 330	37 746	104 539
September	1 445 408	133 903	227 030	9 312	456 090	41 824	87 684
October	1 510 334	161 119	233 678	14 296	439 211	44 415	111 189

(a) Foreign export data are compiled on the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDCS), not the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3).

(b) Excluding non-merchandise trade; including re-exports. (c) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. From April 1992, exports are compiled on the basis of goods shipped in any calendar month rather than the documentation of goods shipped in that or earlier months. Data have been revised back to July 1991 on the new compilation basis. (d) All meats and meat products, fresh, frozen or canned. (e) Raw or refined. (f) Greasy or scoured.

VALUE OF FOREIGN IMPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$'000)

Selected commodity groups (c)

Period	Total (b)	Live animals, food, beverages and tobacco	Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.	Machinery and transport equipment		Other manufactured goods (d)
				Chemicals	Road motor vehicles	
1991-92	5 626 715	200 969	581 630	369 747	824 289	1 235 052
1992-93	6 334 175	225 394	699 920	387 065	1 144 443	1 395 816
1993-94	6 869 158	262 200	781 510	414 511	1 285 946	1 543 129
1994-95	7 771 035	336 535	809 042	476 033	1 647 337	1 891 645
1995-96	8 052 202	311 775	1 107 635	586 291	1 499 924	1 924 300
1996-97	8 609 943	321 817	1 198 006	698 279	1 629 122	2 255 131
1996—						
August	643 804	26 273	35 344	52 464	131 809	176 390
September	648 100	23 776	65 822	66 997	117 247	170 341
October	897 286	32 743	153 258	86 423	162 771	218 205
November	740 836	26 094	112 782	55 101	124 215	205 091
December	715 484	25 843	118 833	51 467	156 485	171 531
1997—						
January	784 272	27 519	123 611	59 842	111 582	259 344
February	682 129	24 343	105 855	44 623	123 211	166 721
March	665 077	24 028	95 852	44 470	139 561	162 986
April	705 378	27 924	101 386	68 518	135 721	176 615
May	650 879	33 186	74 991	49 678	122 824	165 963
June	755 152	24 650	150 876	63 066	163 683	162 977
July	788 588	28 325	128 510	65 381	176 984	154 622
August	820 765	38 441	86 088	61 625	174 928	216 584
September	769 696	30 384	87 229	66 019	169 954	192 215
October	874 213	38 496	124 490	74 819	194 202	198 381

(a) Imports relate to the State in which the import entry was lodged with the Australian Customs Service. Foreign import data are compiled on the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDCS), not the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) Excluding non-merchandise trade. (c) These are selected major groups only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. Imports are recorded statistically in the calendar month in which the import entries are finalised by the Australian Customs Service and passed to the ABS for further processing. (d) Manufactured goods not included in the other selected commodity groups listed in this table.

RETAIL TRADE (a): TURNOVER BY INDUSTRY, QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

Industry	1996-97	1996				1997			
		July	August	September	October	July	August	September	October
Food retailing	9 331.1	780.4	799.8	761.2	794.6	801.6	794.4	773.4	833.6
Department stores	1 965.7	158.2	156.5	152.1	164.5	158.2	142.8	163.3	164.0
Clothing and soft goods retailing	1 569.0	122.9	128.1	136.7	142.2	132.2	129.9	147.7	159.6
Household goods retailing	2 227.7	198.3	190.5	180.4	180.8	180.0	171.9	173.2	189.7
Recreational goods retailing	1 324.7	113.0	106.4	100.6	103.2	117.7	124.1	125.5	129.2
Other retailing	2 577.8	203.2	205.8	204.7	207.6	233.2	227.1	221.2	229.7
Hospitality and services	4 319.9	347.2	352.1	334.2	360.3	392.3	393.4	375.6	410.4
Total	22 315.7	1 923.1	1 939.2	1 869.8	1 953.1	2 015.3	1 983.6	1 979.9	2 116.2

(a) Excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.

TRANSPORT SERVICES: QUEENSLAND RAILWAYS AND BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL

Period	Queensland Railways (a)							Brisbane City Council bus passenger earnings (d)	
	Traffic (b) train- kilometres	Passenger journeys sold (c)	Paying freight		Passenger earnings		Total working expenses		
			Tonnes carried	Tonne-kms	Suburban	Country			
	'000	'000	'000	'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
1991-92	29 509	41 076	90 658	24 719 163	48 382	27 972	1 245 592	971 446	
1992-93	28 925	40 392	90 303	24 613 660	48 703	36 037	1 360 464	1 346 544	
1993-94	29 187	39 340	92 092	25 174 858	52 522	42 175	1 359 128	1 382 059	
1994-95	30 273	37 921	96 808	26 497 560	53 695	40 027	1 473 567	1 517 777	
1995-96	30 935	39 809	96 236	26 446 776	54 830	44 116	1 803 728	1 481 009	
1996-97	33 931	42 320	104 926	28 726 992	63 644	44 823	1 903 603	1 605 990	
1996—									
August	n.a.	3 797	8 226	2 256 897	5 782	4 768	159 358	n.a.	
September	n.a.	3 498	8 967	2 457 345	4 885	4 200	165 567	n.a.	
October	n.a.	3 774	9 350	2 508 418	5 432	4 191	169 002	n.a.	
November	n.a.	3 543	9 001	2 462 907	4 907	4 270	165 695	n.a.	
December	n.a.	2 971	8 442	2 342 423	4 488	3 435	160 598	n.a.	
1997—									
January	n.a.	2 966	9 258	2 558 175	4 383	3 617	166 357	n.a.	
February	n.a.	3 523	7 601	2 114 806	5 419	2 240	148 882	n.a.	
March	n.a.	3 545	8 188	2 258 423	5 567	3 236	154 630	n.a.	
April	n.a.	3 863	8 960	2 517 205	5 902	3 361	155 282	n.a.	
May	n.a.	3 333	9 426	2 559 656	5 848	3 766	138 923	n.a.	
June	n.a.	3 893	8 928	2 362 938	5 950	3 370	158 634	n.a.	
July	n.a.	3 485	8 462	2 181 554	5 957	4 500	153 172	n.a.	
August	n.a.	3 533	9 062	2 659 630	6 741	4 644	155 518	n.a.	
September	n.a.	3 545	9 398	2 579 356	5 186	4 398	154 017	n.a.	
October	n.a.	3 677	10 131	2 743 373	6 088	4 516	166 501	n.a.	

(a) Source: Queensland Rail. From July 1992, Queensland Rail introduced an accrual accounting system (previously cash based). (b) Comprises goods and passenger. (c) Based on ticket sales. All season ticket journeys counted in month of sale. (d) Source: Brisbane City Council.

REGISTRATION OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR VEHICLES ON REGISTER, QUEENSLAND

Period	New motor vehicles registered								Number on register at end of period (a) ('000)		
	Original series (a)						Seasonally adjusted series				
	Passenger vehicles	Light commer- cial/ vehicles	Trucks			Motor cycles	Pass- enger vehicles	Total motor vehicles (b)	Pass- enger vehicles	Total motor vehicles (b)	
Passenger vehicles	Light commer- cial/ vehicles	Rigid	Artic- ulated	Non-freight- carrying	Buses	Motor cycles	Pass- enger vehicles	Total motor vehicles (b)	Pass- enger vehicles	Total motor vehicles (b)	
1991-92	76 493	16 481	2 187	400	115	810	3 667	..	..	1 343.8	1 767.1
1992-93	81 656	18 916	2 316	524	91	899	3 865	..	..	1 393.6	1 827.6
1993-94	86 045	20 489	2 488	739	144	778	3 522	..	..	1 454.4	1 905.8
1994-95	92 586	21 605	2 743	1 047	190	1 019	3 954	..	..	1 504.3	1 969.0
1995-96	98 610	21 292	2 200	594	122	993	4 297	..	..	1 552.5	2 023.6
1996-97	100 546	21 416	2 143	715	206	938	4 323	..	..	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
1996—											
August	8 758	1 806	154	79	26	80	350	8 881	11 351	..	..
September	7 813	1 682	147	64	9	74	326	8 121	10 300	..	..
October	8 224	1 724	172	62	12	104	410	7 248	9 166	..	..
November	7 809	1 659	176	61	17	101	331	8 616	10 749	..	..
December	8 502	1 713	186	44	32	67	332	9 027	10 123	..	..
1997—											
January	6 871	1 428	148	36	8	61	357	7 829	9 928	..	..
February	7 832	1 707	181	39	16	48	411	8 524	10 813	..	..
March	8 564	1 731	185	57	13	69	324	8 948	11 206	..	..
April	8 398	1 783	180	64	12	84	369	8 177	10 040	..	..
May	8 327	1 841	204	63	19	92	406	8 225	10 364	..	..
June	10 901	2 639	226	85	23	87	350	10 948	13 422	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
July	10 022	1 902	247	73	30	71	318	8 716	10 616	..	..
August	8 809	1 546	206	59	61	68	356	9 192	11 456	..	..
September	9 532	1 783	174	76	80	67	356	9 411	11 737	..	..
October	9 726	1 809	197	94	91	81	456	8 755	10 885	..	..

(a) Source: Queensland Department of Transport and Commonwealth Department of Administrative Services. (b) Excluding motor cycles, plant, equipment and trailers.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS (a), QUEENSLAND

Period	Persons killed (b)			Persons injured (c)			
	Brisbane Statistical Division	Rest of State		Total	Brisbane Statistical Division	Rest of State	Total
1991	121	274	395	3 527	5 258	8 785	
1992	125	291	416	3 747	5 730	9 477	
1993	111	285	396	3 998	5 930	9 928	
1994	129	293	422	4 450	6 355	10 805	
1995	113	343	456	4 742	6 583	11 325	
1996	93	292	385	4 406	6 871	11 277	
1996—							
September	6	31	37	350	619	969	
October	7	29	36	355	596	961	
November	6	42	48	348	663	1 011	
December	11	28	39	358	562	920	
1997—							
January	6	21	27	368	527	895	
February	9	24	33	341	458	799	
March	11	20	31	313	517	830	
April	7	19	26	338	544	882	
May	7	27	34	338	514	852	
June	5	14	19	341	522	863	
July	8	25	33	356	531	887	
August	6	34	40	334	599	933	
September	4	30	34	296	480	776	
October	3	24	27	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	
November	5	14	19	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	

(a) Source: Queensland Department of Transport. (b) Killed instantly or died within 30 days of receiving injuries. (c) Injured to an extent requiring medical treatment.

OIL INDUSTRY: SALES OF MAIN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, QUEENSLAND (a)

(Source: Department of Primary Industries and Energy)
(million litres)

Period	Aviation gasoline	Automotive gasoline (b)	Aviation turbine fuel	Lighting and power kerosene (c)	Liquid petroleum gas	Auto-motive diesel oil (d)	Industrial and marine diesel fuel		Fuel oil	
							Inland	Bunkers	Inland (e)	Bunkers
1991-92	22.7	3 179.6	691.3	15.9	302.6	2 464.9	—	2.1	117.1	103.7
1992-93	24.0	3 278.0	813.0	27.1	306.2	2 562.2	—	2.6	70.8	73.2
1993-94	24.6	3 430.5	900.6	16.5	414.5	2 704.5	0.5	1.5	92.5	78.3
1994-95	26.4	3 515.1	1 054.0	13.4	439.9	2 856.1	1.4	0.5	111.8	205.9
1995-96	27.3	3 606.0	1 072.6	8.5	407.5	3 012.0	9.0	1.0	91.5	119.4
1996-97	26.8	3 633.7	1 102.8	18.4	366.0	3 164.6	25.9	9.8	59.3	123.4
1996—										
July	2.5	317.5	94.4	2.0	32.5	293.7	0.9	7.3	9.2	40.0
August	2.2	290.5	94.6	1.7	36.0	261.8	2.2	0.4	8.5	4.2
September	2.3	301.1	92.3	1.2	27.1	271.1	1.7	0.1	5.1	4.9
October	2.2	318.2	94.7	1.0	35.8	293.3	1.2	0.1	5.8	5.8
November	2.4	308.2	94.7	1.4	25.8	278.1	3.4	0.1	3.1	5.7
December	2.0	321.2	94.2	1.2	35.5	246.1	2.6	0.5	5.0	5.5
1997—										
January	1.9	307.4	91.5	1.9	27.5	233.4	2.6	0.1	3.2	2.1
February	2.0	279.0	89.0	1.0	19.1	225.1	1.3	0.2	3.9	37.8
March	2.0	298.2	98.4	1.1	33.1	245.9	2.3	—	3.2	4.1
April	2.6	304.5	86.1	1.6	31.4	273.2	2.8	0.2	3.8	5.9
May	2.5	296.8	84.2	1.8	28.9	263.4	3.2	0.3	4.4	2.1
June	2.3	291.2	84.6	2.4	33.3	279.4	1.6	0.5	4.1	5.2
July	2.6	305.3	95.1	2.5	33.3	293.5	0.8	0.5	5.1	8.6
August	2.5	298.0	88.9	1.9	37.2	287.9	1.5	0.5	2.9	12.6
September	2.6	306.8	94.9	1.1	33.0	284.3	1.2	0.5	4.0	5.7

(a) The State marketing area also includes the Murwillumbah district of New South Wales. (b) Including leaded and unleaded octane. (c) Including heating oil (564,000 litres in September 1997). (d) Including a small quantity of bunker sales. (e) Excluding refinery fuel.

LICENSED HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES (a), QUEENSLAND

Period	Establishments	Guest rooms	Bed spaces	Room nights occupied		Room occupancy	Guest nights	Bed occupancy	Guest arrivals	Takings
				No.	No.					
1991-92	1 109	39 187	119 330	7 734 236	54.4	14 252 630	32.9	6 015 824	616 765	
1992-93	1 121	39 965	121 403	8 410 946	58.0	15 572 091	35.3	6 517 376	685 384	
1993-94	1 101	40 211	122 473	9 072 760	62.0	16 959 444	38.2	7 095 147	779 950	
1994-95	1 102	41 301	126 304	9 384 803	63.1	17 424 499	38.4	7 336 981	858 115	
1995-96	1 131	43 667	134 099	9 592 387	61.7	17 609 221	37.0	7 378 928	933 395	
1996-97	1 141	45 066	139 673	9 755 045	60.5	18 001 669	36.1	7 553 876	966 035	
1996—										
April				755 634	58.0	1 424 121	35.6	601 585	75 368	
May				750 412	55.8	1 297 755	31.4	566 701	70 873	
June				772 280	59.0	1 410 105	35.1	615 584	71 961	
July				883 757	65.7	1 639 231	39.5	683 171	83 917	
August				883 622	65.6	1 612 739	38.8	665 704	85 923	
September				849 793	65.2	1 582 463	39.3	648 207	83 105	
October				924 174	67.3	1 688 743	39.8	688 124	93 191	
November				857 079	64.4	1 524 586	37.1	638 570	87 369	
December				775 499	56.4	1 528 172	36.0	626 626	82 031	
1997—										
January				800 454	58.1	1 651 796	38.7	642 380	84 796	
February				704 789	56.7	1 240 274	32.3	536 408	68 541	
March				783 224	56.9	1 414 181	33.2	609 960	76 611	
April				755 520	56.5	1 372 452	33.1	592 824	76 175	
May				755 877	54.7	1 315 773	30.7	592 800	71 109	
June				781 257	58.0	1 431 259	34.3	629 102	73 267	
July				911 762	64.3	1 707 027	38.8	736 940	86 131	
August				918 950	64.7	1 699 106	38.5	730 497	90 183	
September				896 035	64.7	1 676 401	39.0	718 880	87 756	

(a) From December quarter 1993, hotel, motel and guest house establishments with fewer than five rooms have been formally excluded from the scope of this statistical collection.

TOTAL CARAVAN PARKS, QUEENSLAND

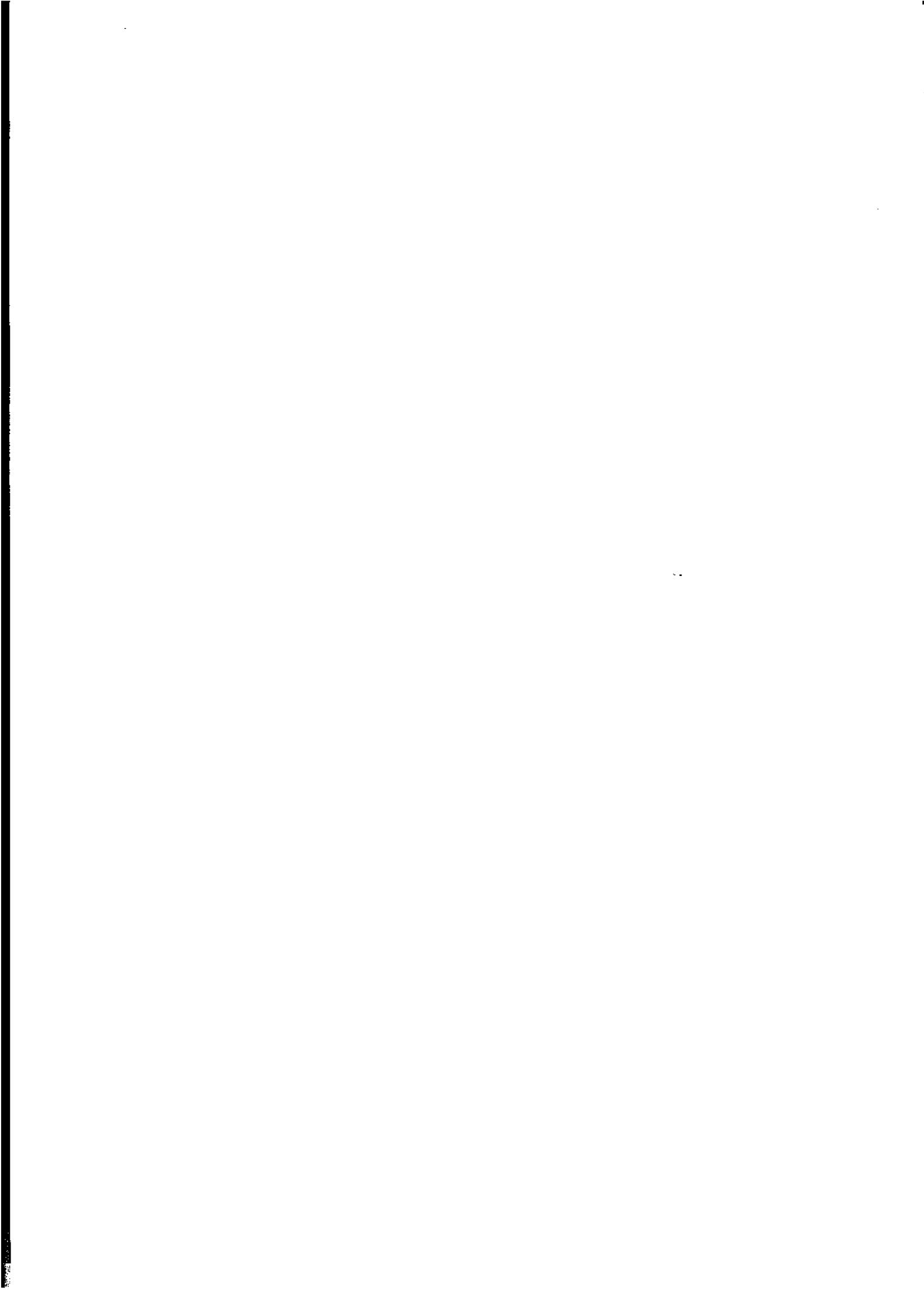
Period	Establishments					Sites occupied by long-term guests	Other sites permanently reserved (b)	Site nights occupied (b)	Site occupancy (b)	Takings
		Powered sites (a)	Unpowered sites	Cabins, etc.	Total sites					
1991-92	629	38 329	14 132	3 156	55 647	..	..	9 237 681	45.8	\$9 439
1992-93	626	38 234	13 864	3 388	55 486	..	..	9 426 015	46.7	93 354
1993-94	631	38 185	13 377	3 587	55 159	..	..	9 468 294	46.9	97 950
1994-95	628	37 979	13 063	3 781	54 823	..	..	9 332 391	46.8	101 333
1995-96	632	37 809	12 959	4 052	54 820	..	..	9 133 368	45.6	104 070
1996-97	622	37 491	13 279	4 294	55 064	..	..	9 192 101	45.6	111 235
1996—										
April								726 798	44.5	8 417
May								740 901	43.9	8 416
June								823 023	50.2	9 731
July								945 672	55.1	11 453
August								922 745	53.9	10 942
September								830 456	50.1	10 180
October								756 339	44.1	9 434
November								677 809	40.8	8 068
December								735 695	43.0	8 839
1997—										
January								758 732	44.3	9 537
February								599 496	38.8	6 744
March								682 942	39.9	8 099
April								706 048	42.8	8 565
May								746 553	43.7	8 926
June								529 614	50.2	10 448
July								946 452	56.0	12 278
August								917 589	54.4	11 602
September								814 977	49.9	10 905

(a) Including both on-site van sites and other powered sites. (b) From September quarter 1992, caravan park sites, etc. permanently reserved but only casually occupied by their tenants have been recorded continuously as site nights occupied irrespective of whether the tenants of individual sites were in residence on any particular night. Occupancy measures from September quarter 1992 are therefore not comparable with those from previous quarters.

METEOROLOGY, BRISBANE
(Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

Period	Rainfall				Shade temperature			
	Total	Wet days (a)	Average (b)	mm	deg. C	Absolute minimum	Mean maximum	Mean minimum
1991	792	98			33.5	3.0	25.9	15.5
1992	1 274	110			34.8	3.4	25.1	15.3
1993	726	117			36.3	4.2	25.3	15.8
1994	838	113		1 184	37.5	0.6	25.2	14.7
1995	1 128	116			37.6	1.3	25.2	15.4
1996	1 478	111			34.5	1.8	25.3	15.2
1996—								
September	20	2	33		31.9	3.8	24.8	10.4
October	58	10	93		30.0	9.0	24.8	15.2
November	119	14	96		33.8	11.0	27.8	16.8
December	143	14	126		34.5	15.3	27.8	19.5
1997—								
January	83	14	162		29.8	15.7	27.4	19.6
February	70	12	176		32.1	17.4	29.3	20.9
March	38	9	142		30.9	16.7	27.9	19.0
April	16	4	90		31.6	12.3	26.5	15.5
May	198	13	96		25.6	8.2	23.0	13.8
June	27	7	71		23.6	4.4	20.7	10.1
July	24	6	62		22.7	7.7	20.3	10.0
August	1	3	41		25.2	1.2	21.7	8.5
September	39	9	33		29.9	6.6	24.3	12.7
October	120	6	93		28.9	10.8	24.8	1.6
November	123	11	96		31.4	14.2	27.2	18.5

(a) Days on which 0.1 millimetres or more of rain fell. (b) Average of all years of record.





For more information . . .

The ABS publishes a wide range of statistics and other information on Australia's economic and social conditions. Details of what is available in various publications and other products can be found in the ABS Catalogue of Publications and Products available from all ABS Offices.

ABS Products and Services

Many standard products are available from ABS bookshops located in each State and Territory. In addition to these products, information tailored to the needs of clients can be obtained on a wide range of media by contacting your nearest ABS Office. The ABS also provides a Subscription Service for standard products and some tailored information services.

National Dial-a-Statistic Line

0055 86 400

Steadycom P/L: premium rate 25c/20 secs.

This number gives 24-hour access, 365 days a year, for a range of important economic statistics including the CPI.

Internet

<http://www.abs.gov.au>

A wide range of ABS information is available via the Internet, with basic statistics available for each State, Territory and Australia. We also have Key National Indicators, ABS product release details and other information of general interest.

Sales and Inquiries

client.services@abs.gov.au

National Mail Order Service
Subscription Service

(02) 6252 5249
1300 366 323

Information Inquiries

CANBERRA	(06) 6252 6627
SYDNEY	(02) 9268 4611
MELBOURNE	(03) 9615 7755
BRISBANE	(07) 3222 6351
PERTH	(09) 9360 5140
ADELAIDE	(08) 8237 7100
HOBART	(03) 6222 5800
DARWIN	(08) 8943 2111

Bookshop Sales

(06) 6207 0326
(02) 9268 4620
(03) 9615 7755
(07) 3222 6350
(09) 9360 5307
(08) 8237 7582
(03) 6222 5800
(08) 8943 2111



Client Services, ABS, PO Box 10, Belconnen ACT 2616

