

**BUILDING ACTIVITY, NEW SOUTH WALES  
MARCH QUARTER 1995**

**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

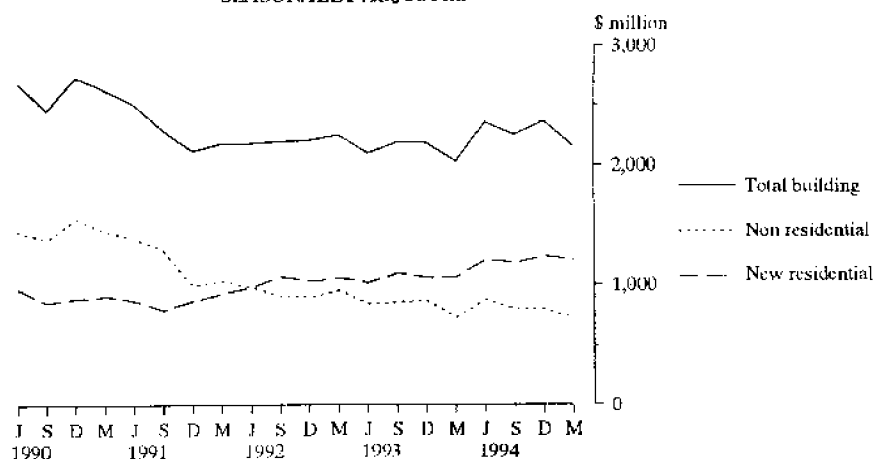
**Value of building work done at average 1989-90 prices,  
seasonally adjusted**

	Percentage change on	
	Dec. quarter 1994	Mar. quarter 1994
New residential building	-2.7	13.5
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	-18.3	-1.7
Non-residential building	-8.8	-0.2
<b>Total building</b>	<b>-8.6</b>	<b>6.7</b>

- In seasonally adjusted average 1989-90 prices, the total value of building work done during the March quarter 1995 fell 8.6% from the previous quarter to \$2,162.9 million.

- Work done on new residential building for the March quarter 1995 fell 2.7% to \$1,209.9 million from last quarter's record level for the series since it began with the September quarter 1980. However, this relatively small movement is comprised of a 12.6% fall for houses and a 12.2% increase for other residential buildings. Work done on other residential buildings has now recorded 4 successive quarterly records totalling a 44.2% increase over the year to \$542.5 million for the latest quarter. Compared with 3 years ago, work done on houses in the latest quarter was 5.2% higher at \$660.6 million, whereas other residential buildings was 80.2% higher.
- Work done on residential alterations and additions fell 18.3% during the March quarter 1995 from the previous quarter's record level to \$239.6 million.
- Work done on non-residential building during the latest quarter fell 8.8% to \$728.0 million, the lowest since the December quarter 1984.

**VALUE OF WORK DONE  
AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES  
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**



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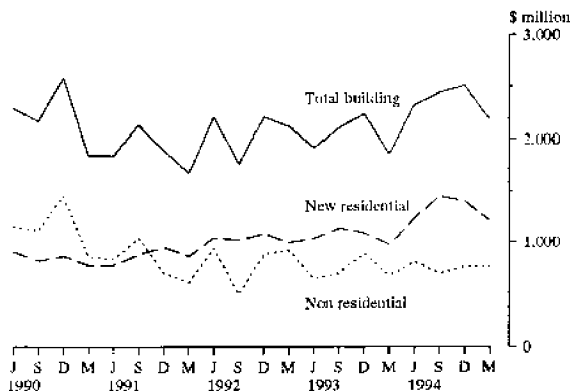
## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – continued

## Value of building work commenced at average 1989–90 prices

	Percentage change on	
	Dec. quarter 1994	Mar. quarter 1994
New residential building	-13.4	25.1
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	-41.2	-4.3
Non-residential building	1.1	13.5
<b>Total building</b>	<b>-12.6</b>	<b>17.6</b>

- In average 1989–90 prices (but not seasonally adjusted), the total value of all building work commenced during the March quarter 1995 fell 12.6% to \$2,190.7 million. However, the December quarter 1994 had recorded the highest level of commencements since the December quarter 1990 and the latest figure was still 17.6% up on a year earlier.
- The above fall was due entirely to falls in the residential sector. New residential building commencements during the March quarter were down 13.4% while commencements of alterations and additions slumped 41.2%, albeit from a record high for the previous quarter.
- Non-residential building commencements totalled \$776.7 million during the March quarter, not significantly different from the previous quarter but 13.5% more than a year earlier.

VALUE OF WORK COMMENCED AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES

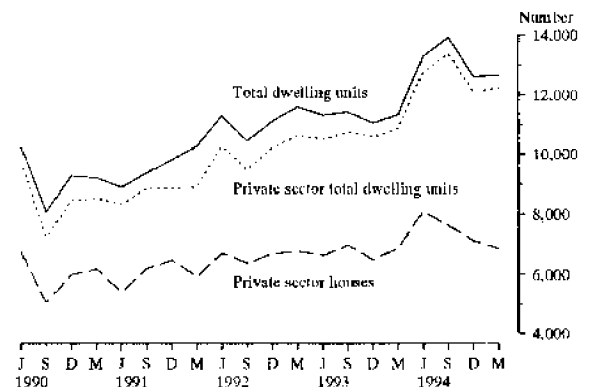


## Number of dwelling units commenced, seasonally adjusted

	Percentage change on	
	Dec. quarter 1994	Mar. quarter 1994
Private sector houses	-3.6	-0.5
Private sector dwelling units	1.3	12.7
<b>Total dwelling units</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>11.7</b>

- In seasonally adjusted terms, the estimate of the total number of dwelling units commenced during the March quarter 1995 was 12,683, not significantly different from the previous quarter.
- Similarly, the number of private sector houses commenced during the March quarter was 6,882, not significantly different from the previous quarter. However, this series has now fallen by 15.0% over the last 3 quarters to approximately the same level of a year earlier.

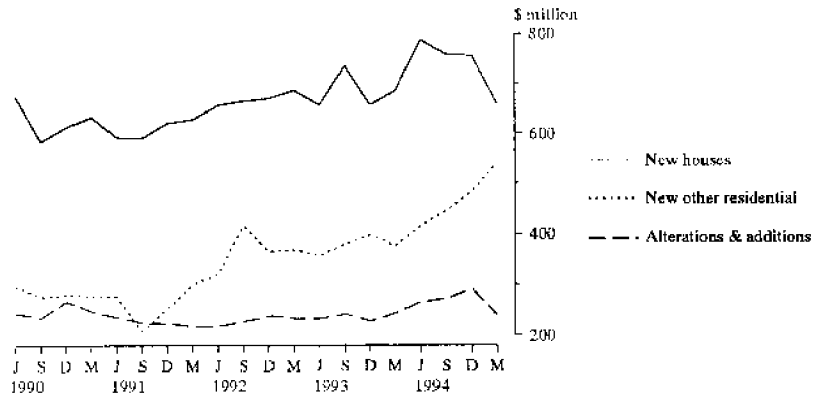
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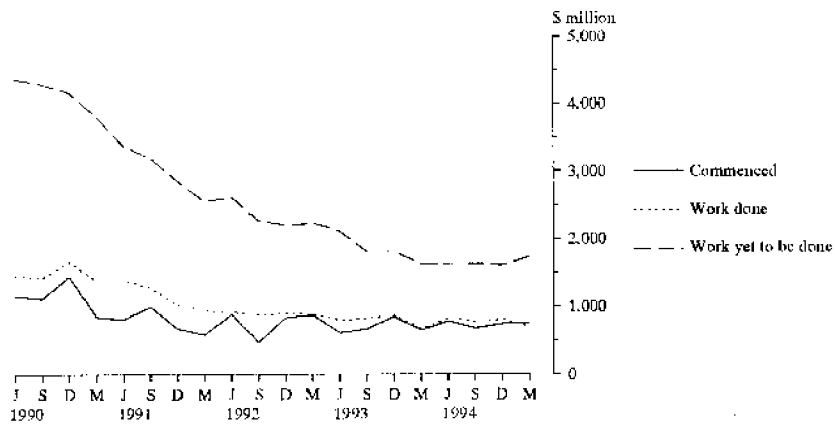
## Original unadjusted data

- The total value of building work commenced (unadjusted, at current prices) during the March quarter 1995 was down \$322.7 million or 12.7% from the previous quarter to \$2,226.4 million. This was entirely due to a fall of \$333.2 million or 18.5% in the residential sector where the number of new dwelling units commenced fell by 1,902 or 14.4% to 11,346.
- The total value of work done during the March quarter was down \$433.8 million or 17.1% to \$2,100.2 million. On the other hand, the value of work yet to be done on jobs under construction at the end of March 1995 rose by \$245.6 million to \$4,014.2 million and has now risen for 4 consecutive quarters by a total of \$739.3 million, mostly in the residential sector.

VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL WORK DONE  
AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES  
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



VALUE OF NON RESIDENTIAL BUILDING



VALUE OF NON RESIDENTIAL WORK DONE

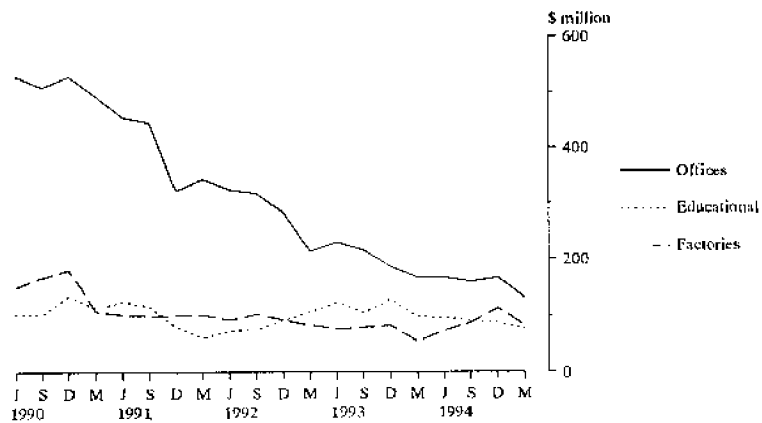


TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF BUILDING ACTIVITY, NSW

Period	New residential building				Value (\$m)													
	Houses		Other residential buildings		Total		Non-residential building											
	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total	
COMPLETED																		
1991-92	26,387	2,664.2	14,351	1,142.4	40,738	3,806.7	898.8	146.5	276.3	317.0	1,141.4	226.7	306.1	33.0	140.1	426.7	132.8	3,146.6
1992-93	27,397	2,815.7	17,064	1,366.8	44,461	4,182.6	944.6	109.9	415.8	294.4	518.3	243.9	482.7	38.0	474.5	175.2	96.1	2,798.7
1993-94	29,162	3,062.9	18,019	1,479.3	47,181	4,542.2	1,087.0	92.6	453.2	256.8	603.2	313.7	377.8	39.1	410.4	247.0	168.9	2,962.7
1993 Dec. qtr	6,786	711.7	4,815	397.6	11,601	1,109.3	271.0	38.2	106.0	56.7	225.8	98.3	108.1	11.2	68.8	62.7	74.8	852.7
1994 Mar. qtr	6,247	665.1	3,922	331.5	10,169	996.5	219.4	14.2	49.0	35.2	147.1	46.2	61.5	7.9	190.5	75.1	27.9	654.7
June qtr	8,526	899.8	4,761	380.9	13,287	1,280.6	293.5	18.8	210.8	116.5	99.2	73.5	106.9	7.1	74.7	36.3	38.0	781.8
Sept. qtr	8,256	875.5	6,482	612.7	14,738	1,488.2	305.8	9.8	154.1	102.1	92.6	54.2	60.2	5.7	114.7	47.8	42.5	683.6
Dec. qtr	7,486	804.5	5,762	635.3	13,248	1,439.9	363.3	29.7	74.7	74.2	126.5	83.3	101.0	8.9	76.6	52.7	118.5	746.0
1995 Mar. qtr	6,137	691.8	5,209	561.7	11,346	1,253.5	216.5	16.3	180.7	56.2	119.7	78.0	86.6	7.1	112.4	73.0	26.5	756.5
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD																		
1991-92	15,974	1,792.7	11,343	1,101.1	27,317	2,893.8	589.1	709.1	689.1	406.8	2,352.7	494.5	299.0	28.8	252.2	454.1	174.6	5,860.7
1992-93	15,716	1,767.0	12,198	1,147.3	27,914	2,914.3	595.9	348.6	701.4	349.5	1,676.9	185.0	370.4	22.3	541.0	363.7	145.6	4,704.6
1993-94	15,925	1,845.1	12,692	1,245.1	28,617	3,090.2	664.1	165.1	463.7	233.0	834.2	174.9	357.0	35.6	771.7	375.2	145.4	3,555.8
1993 Dec. qtr	14,578	1,674.7	11,616	1,139.3	26,194	2,814.0	612.1	328.6	342.7	198.7	884.7	225.0	400.3	32.9	628.0	377.4	141.9	3,560.1
1994 Mar. qtr	13,896	1,627.0	11,440	1,124.4	25,336	2,751.4	606.9	161.5	317.7	161.5	914.5	191.0	316.3	33.3	753.6	390.2	129.8	3,309.4
June qtr	15,925	1,845.1	12,692	1,245.1	28,617	3,090.2	664.1	165.1	463.7	233.0	834.2	174.9	357.0	35.6	771.7	375.2	145.4	3,555.8
Sept. qtr	16,437	1,908.7	14,758	1,503.8	31,195	3,409.5	735.5	159.8	499.7	260.4	662.9	163.8	328.5	32.1	797.6	211.1	163.0	3,276.9
Dec. qtr	15,279	1,791.5	16,061	1,791.3	31,340	3,582.8	807.0	126.0	447.1	271.6	630.6	169.1	299.7	27.3	755.7	172.2	257.3	3,156.7
1995 Mar. qtr	15,535	1,850.0	17,595	2,040.1	33,130	3,890.0	819.2	124.6	580.0	281.4	668.1	221.2	307.2	30.5	843.2	199.0	210.3	3,465.4
COMPLETED																		
1991-92	25,254	2,575.7	12,586	1,057.4	37,840	3,633.1	973.1	741.7	287.4	308.9	1,719.4	560.3	487.6	33.1	214.1	304.3	279.9	4,936.7
1992-93	27,182	2,826.4	15,840	1,332.8	43,022	4,159.1	964.9	471.1	414.8	480.8	1,204.3	595.8	362.0	45.0	205.8	189.6	123.4	4,012.5
1993-94	28,630	3,014.7	17,230	1,495.7	45,860	4,420.4	1,018.5	60.0	683.5	375.8	1,323.0	306.1	401.6	27.0	189.8	233.7	175.0	3,777.5
1993 Dec. qtr	8,479	884.2	5,190	415.2	13,669	1,299.5	314.0	22.2	186.9	199.5	193.3	88.5	126.5	7.4	45.6	67.4	82.6	1,020.0
1994 Mar. qtr	6,847	718.6	4,063	347.9	10,910	1,066.5	237.8	9.1	73.5	72.8	119.5	72.5	145.2	9.4	65.6	58.2	35.9	661.6
June qtr	6,420	688.6	3,436	274.6	9,856	963.3	249.3	17.3	65.4	48.9	170.2	84.5	67.6	4.3	63.2	52.4	27.7	601.7
Sept. qtr	7,666	821.3	4,356	364.0	12,022	1,185.3	253.0	14.6	118.4	76.9	305.4	63.5	93.2	9.3	92.5	232.8	25.9	1,032.7
Dec. qtr	8,561	922.3	4,347	348.3	12,908	1,270.6	304.3	61.7	137.6	86.1	143.9	80.0	129.6	13.3	137.2	100.1	24.6	914.1
1995 Mar. qtr	5,823	651.9	3,558	311.3	9,381	963.2	227.3	18.5	87.3	49.9	91.6	30.6	79.8	4.3	27.4	52.2	75.2	516.7

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1991-92	..	2,660.7	..	1,028.3	..	3,689.0	..	941.8	391.6	456.6	391.4	1,433.1	461.8	326.5	31.3	212.9	266.8	195.4	4,167.5	8,798.3	1992-93	..	2,850.2	..	1,403.9	..	4,254.1	..	990.9	133.0	450.9	350.1	1,041.8	295.8	393.3	44.5	322.7	269.3	148.6	3,450.0	8,695.0	1993-94	..	3,092.2	..	1,466.3	..	4,558.6	..	1,055.5	95.2	450.1	286.7	732.9	314.2	425.7	35.2	377.8	347.7	137.8	3,203.2	8,817.2	1993 Dec. qtr	..	749.2	..	394.4	..	1,143.6	..	271.7	23.4	125.5	81.7	186.3	92.5	127.7	9.1	87.6	98.4	38.2	870.4	2,285.7	1994 Mar. qtr	..	690.6	..	333.0	..	1,023.5	..	234.7	19.3	64.5	59.9	165.7	69.7	97.4	10.6	87.4	77.5	30.0	676.2	1,934.3	June qtr	..	847.3	..	377.7	..	1,225.1	..	280.8	32.0	124.8	73.2	165.9	86.0	95.9	8.6	125.3	74.6	44.4	830.9	2,336.7	Sept. qtr	..	847.5	..	432.2	..	1,279.7	..	309.7	34.4	130.5	87.3	158.5	61.9	91.4	9.4	76.1	87.4	43.4	780.3	2,369.7	Dec. qtr r	..	876.3	..	489.3	..	1,365.6	..	355.9	23.3	148.3	112.7	166.3	58.9	86.8	8.1	88.8	70.0	49.2	812.5	2,534.0	1995 Mar. qtr	..	679.8	..	493.2	..	1,173.0	..	235.6	16.7	122.1	81.7	130.0	59.4	75.4	7.0	98.6	60.5	40.2	691.6	2,100.2	VALUE OF WORK DONE DURING PERIOD																																								1991-92	..	791.6	..	618.9	..	1,410.5	..	251.6	331.0	326.4	137.2	1,075.0	102.7	142.9	16.4	75.9	328.0	87.0	2,622.6	4,284.7	1992-93	..	780.7	..	609.3	..	1,390.0	..	246.9	308.8	305.2	134.0	593.9	95.7	188.2	10.8	254.4	190.7	34.4	2,116.0	3,753.0	1993-94	..	814.8	..	667.5	..	1,482.3	..	285.4	110.6	302.9	114.2	378.1	91.9	153.1	16.6	297.3	93.3	72.4	1,630.3	3,398.0	1993 Dec. qtr	..	757.4	..	638.2	..	1,395.6	..	265.0	281.4	230.7	84.0	436.1	132.5	176.1	19.3	237.5	134.8	79.6	1,812.0	3,472.5	1994 Mar. qtr	..	741.6	..	641.7	..	1,383.2	..	264.1	121.7	216.1	66.4	419.6	101.8	140.3	18.5	341.2	128.6	73.4	1,627.6	3,274.9	June qtr	..	814.8	..	667.5	..	1,482.3	..	285.4	110.6	302.9	114.2	378.1	91.9	153.1	16.6	297.3	93.3	72.4	1,630.3	3,398.0	Sept. qtr	..	855.5	..	861.4	..	1,716.8	..	301.0	85.6	327.3	131.1	370.7	82.9	126.1	13.1	339.6	74.7	72.6	1,623.6	3,641.4	Dec. qtr r	..	796.9	..	1,031.7	..	1,828.6	..	327.4	91.1	264.4	116.4	318.0	109.3	144.8	13.9	346.1	66.3	142.4	1,612.6	3,768.6	1995 Mar. qtr	..	829.5	..	1,106.2	..	1,935.7	..	331.7	91.5	362.4	94.4	317.1	132.6	156.7	14.3	362.4	84.8	130.6	1,746.8	4,014.2
1993 Dec. qtr	..	749.2	..	394.4	..	1,143.6	..	271.7	23.4	125.5	81.7	186.3	92.5	127.7	9.1	87.6	98.4	38.2	870.4	2,285.7	1994 Mar. qtr	..	690.6	..	333.0	..	1,023.5	..	234.7	19.3	64.5	59.9	165.7	69.7	97.4	10.6	87.4	77.5	30.0	676.2	1,934.3	June qtr	..	847.3	..	377.7	..	1,225.1	..	280.8	32.0	124.8	73.2	165.9	86.0	95.9	8.6	125.3	74.6	44.4	830.9	2,336.7	Sept. qtr	..	847.5	..	432.2	..	1,279.7	..	309.7	34.4	130.5	87.3	158.5	61.9	91.4	9.4	76.1	87.4	43.4	780.3	2,369.7	Dec. qtr r	..	876.3	..	489.3	..	1,365.6	..	355.9	23.3	148.3	112.7	166.3	58.9	86.8	8.1	88.8	70.0	49.2	812.5	2,534.0	1995 Mar. qtr	..	679.8	..	493.2	..	1,173.0	..	235.6	16.7	122.1	81.7	130.0	59.4	75.4	7.0	98.6	60.5	40.2	691.6	2,100.2	VALUE OF WORK DONE DURING PERIOD																																								1991-92	..	791.6	..	618.9	..	1,410.5	..	251.6	331.0	326.4	137.2	1,075.0	102.7	142.9	16.4	75.9	328.0	87.0	2,622.6	4,284.7	1992-93	..	780.7	..	609.3	..	1,390.0	..	246.9	308.8	305.2	134.0	593.9	95.7	188.2	10.8	254.4	190.7	34.4	2,116.0	3,753.0	1993-94	..	814.8	..	667.5	..	1,482.3	..	285.4	110.6	302.9	114.2	378.1	91.9	153.1	16.6	297.3	93.3	72.4	1,630.3	3,398.0	1993 Dec. qtr	..	757.4	..	638.2	..	1,395.6	..	265.0	281.4	230.7	84.0	436.1	132.5	176.1	19.3	237.5	134.8	79.6	1,812.0	3,472.5	1994 Mar. qtr	..	741.6	..	641.7	..	1,383.2	..	264.1	121.7	216.1	66.4	419.6	101.8	140.3	18.5	341.2	128.6	73.4	1,627.6	3,274.9	June qtr	..	814.8	..	667.5	..	1,482.3	..	285.4	110.6	302.9	114.2	378.1	91.9	153.1	16.6	297.3	93.3	72.4	1,630.3	3,398.0	Sept. qtr	..	855.5	..	861.4	..	1,716.8	..	301.0	85.6	327.3	131.1	370.7	82.9	126.1	13.1	339.6	74.7	72.6	1,623.6	3,641.4	Dec. qtr r	..	796.9	..	1,031.7	..	1,828.6	..	327.4	91.1	264.4	116.4	318.0	109.3	144.8	13.9	346.1	66.3	142.4	1,612.6	3,768.6	1995 Mar. qtr	..	829.5	..	1,106.2	..	1,935.7	..	331.7	91.5	362.4	94.4	317.1	132.6	156.7	14.3	362.4	84.8	130.6	1,746.8	4,014.2																																																															
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1995 Mar. qtr	..	829.5	..	1,106.2	..	1,935.7	..	331.7	91.5	362.4	94.4	317.1	132.6	156.7	14.3	362.4	84.8	130.6	1,746.8	4,014.2																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																													

NOTE: The number of self-contained dwelling units commenced as part of the construction of non-residential building and alterations and additions to existing buildings (including conversions to dwelling units) are excluded from this table. There were 174 such dwelling units commenced in the March quarter 1995.

TABLE 2. SUMMARY OF PRIVATE SECTOR BUILDING ACTIVITY, NSW

Period	New residential building				Non-residential building										Total building				
	Houses		Other residential buildings		Total		Alterations and additions to residential buildings					Other business premises							
	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Educational	Religious	Health	Recreational		Miscellaneous	Total		
COMPLETED																			
1991-92	25,412	2,583.9	11,542	911.3	36,954	3,495.1	893.5	145.8	265.4	305.3	711.3	168.4	84.2	32.8	70.8	214.5	80.5	2,079.0	6,467.6
1992-93	26,554	2,734.1	14,225	1,163.3	40,779	3,897.4	939.1	107.9	378.7	290.8	349.3	189.7	124.4	38.0	67.4	134.5	54.1	1,734.8	6,571.2
1993-94	28,547	3,003.6	16,365	1,374.8	44,912	4,378.4	1,050.4	89.2	433.2	250.6	379.7	228.5	85.0	39.1	225.0	205.6	84.3	2,020.3	7,449.1
1993 Dec. qtr	6,699	703.0	4,571	379.5	11,270	1,082.5	269.8	37.6	96.1	54.8	84.9	57.7	28.9	11.2	16.3	46.6	20.0	454.3	1,806.6
1994 Mar. qtr	6,153	655.5	3,642	313.2	9,795	968.6	218.7	13.7	48.1	34.0	117.0	33.7	13.2	7.9	80.0	67.9	21.3	436.7	1,624.0
June qtr	8,292	878.3	4,332	351.5	12,624	1,229.8	292.1	17.1	205.7	113.8	75.0	60.8	17.5	7.1	62.4	31.7	23.8	614.9	2,136.7
Sept. qtr	6,072	857.3	5,948	577.5	14,020	1,434.8	303.9	9.8	151.7	85.6	71.3	46.6	24.0	5.7	21.2	39.4	19.6	475.0	2,213.7
Dec. qtr	7,382	794.2	5,523	618.9	12,905	1,413.1	361.0	27.5	66.8	68.4	114.4	49.3	45.5	8.9	16.8	44.5	26.4	468.6	2,242.7
1995 Mar. qtr	6,090	687.2	4,927	542.9	11,017	1,230.1	214.6	16.1	179.3	55.4	79.7	56.1	24.7	7.1	42.0	67.5	23.0	551.0	1,995.6
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD																			
1991-92	15,764	1,775.2	9,069	904.1	24,833	2,679.3	586.4	708.4	686.3	398.6	1,391.8	194.9	47.5	28.6	55.0	253.3	83.0	3,847.1	7,112.9
1992-93	15,326	1,729.9	10,377	1,017.8	25,703	2,747.7	592.7	347.3	673.8	346.8	975.1	150.2	67.3	22.3	50.8	136.2	58.3	2,825.2	6,165.6
1993-94	15,727	1,827.5	11,762	1,181.0	27,489	3,008.5	662.0	162.9	447.7	227.7	419.6	162.7	37.3	35.6	196.1	158.8	71.6	1,920.0	5,590.5
1993 Dec. qtr	14,497	1,665.6	11,058	1,099.5	25,555	2,765.1	609.3	327.3	328.0	194.3	426.0	170.4	77.4	32.9	101.8	150.8	63.0	1,872.0	5,246.4
1994 Mar. qtr	13,807	1,617.3	10,800	1,081.9	24,607	2,699.2	605.0	160.9	304.1	156.0	458.8	161.0	45.7	33.3	161.0	166.5	62.7	1,710.1	5,014.3
June qtr	15,727	1,827.5	11,762	1,181.0	27,489	3,008.5	662.0	162.9	447.7	227.7	419.6	162.7	37.3	35.6	196.1	158.8	71.6	1,920.0	5,590.5
Sept. qtr	16,185	1,881.0	13,593	1,423.3	29,778	3,304.4	733.2	158.3	484.7	241.5	417.7	153.5	50.9	32.1	161.9	182.7	73.0	1,956.4	5,993.9
Dec. qtr	15,158	1,778.3	15,171	1,730.6	30,329	3,508.9	894.7	122.4	433.8	248.8	459.0	138.3	81.9	27.3	158.0	146.0	82.2	1,897.9	6,211.4
1995 Mar. qtr	15,431	1,836.5	16,683	1,975.9	32,114	3,814.4	815.7	124.4	573.2	258.3	476.7	170.3	85.4	30.5	188.3	168.8	87.6	2,163.5	6,793.6
COMPLETED																			
1991-92	24,303	2,493.7	10,230	797.6	34,533	3,291.3	947.5	741.7	278.0	296.6	1,253.3	326.8	152.9	33.1	68.9	252.0	116.6	3,520.0	7,758.9
1992-93	26,519	2,764.2	12,548	1,059.9	39,067	3,824.1	959.9	469.9	402.9	390.1	775.7	237.6	106.2	44.8	77.3	161.9	75.4	2,741.8	7,525.8
1993-94	27,823	2,935.8	14,709	1,233.0	42,532	4,168.8	1,010.6	57.5	651.0	372.0	834.7	214.1	106.9	27.0	89.0	181.7	73.3	2,607.2	7,786.7
1993 Dec. qtr	8,207	858.4	3,895	334.0	12,102	1,192.4	309.8	21.2	185.9	199.2	138.5	66.3	24.9	7.4	28.9	47.6	13.7	733.6	2,235.8
1994 Mar. qtr	6,761	709.5	3,865	331.6	10,626	1,041.2	236.1	7.9	71.6	72.6	86.6	44.8	44.0	9.4	19.8	47.6	19.5	423.8	1,701.1
June qtr	6,295	675.0	3,297	264.4	9,592	939.4	241.2	17.2	62.7	46.0	119.8	62.8	25.5	4.3	32.6	42.4	18.5	431.9	1,612.5
Sept. qtr	7,535	810.1	4,057	345.0	11,592	1,155.1	251.3	13.8	114.9	74.3	75.9	53.8	10.1	9.3	58.4	35.2	18.9	464.8	1,871.2
Dec. qtr	8,326	900.6	3,862	313.1	12,188	1,213.7	302.4	61.7	127.8	84.3	88.4	66.5	15.9	13.3	19.7	87.6	17.4	582.6	2,098.7
1995 Mar. qtr	5,759	645.6	3,298	294.8	9,057	940.4	226.6	14.8	80.2	48.8	69.8	25.9	22.7	4.3	13.8	50.3	21.9	352.6	1,519.6

TABLE 2. SUMMARY OF PRIVATE SECTOR BUILDING ACTIVITY, NSW—continued

Period	New residential building										Non-residential building																			
	Houses					Other residential buildings					Total					Alterations and additions to residential buildings etc.					Shops Factories Offices business premises Educational Religious Health Entertainment and recreational Miscellaneous					Total building				
	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total									
	VALUE OF WORK DONE DURING PERIOD																													
1991-92	..	2,579.6	..	823.0	..	3,402.6	..	933.1	..	391.1	..	446.8	..	379.0	..	951.8	..	102.4	..	31.3	..	61.9	..	211.5	..	95.0	..	2,898.6	..	7,234.3
1992-93	..	2,776.8	..	1,142.7	..	3,919.4	..	986.5	..	131.8	..	418.3	..	343.7	..	623.9	..	105.2	..	44.3	..	79.9	..	169.2	..	74.2	..	2,196.6	..	7,102.6
1993-94	..	3,027.0	..	1,348.5	..	4,375.6	..	1,047.5	..	92.1	..	431.1	..	280.5	..	385.8	..	101.3	..	35.2	..	157.5	..	196.5	..	72.3	..	1,978.6	..	7,401.7
1993 Dec. qtr	..	735.0	..	355.7	..	1,090.7	..	269.1	..	22.2	..	123.8	..	80.5	..	100.1	..	38.1	..	9.1	..	32.3	..	52.3	..	18.0	..	541.9	..	1,901.7
1994 Mar. qtr	..	682.4	..	320.2	..	1,002.6	..	233.8	..	19.0	..	60.4	..	52.8	..	76.6	..	25.0	..	10.6	..	35.4	..	45.8	..	17.9	..	392.5	..	1,628.9
June qtr	..	831.6	..	360.2	..	1,191.8	..	279.6	..	31.2	..	118.0	..	70.1	..	83.8	..	13.5	..	8.6	..	61.5	..	48.2	..	25.6	..	530.7	..	2,002.0
Sept. qtr	..	828.8	..	397.5	..	1,226.3	..	308.1	..	34.0	..	125.0	..	86.0	..	99.5	..	15.3	..	9.4	..	34.1	..	66.6	..	21.7	..	545.3	..	2,079.8
Dec. qtr	..	862.9	..	459.2	..	1,322.2	..	354.1	..	20.7	..	142.9	..	106.4	..	129.6	..	25.7	..	8.1	..	34.2	..	63.1	..	24.0	..	597.0	..	2,273.2
1995 Mar. qtr	..	672.8	..	471.2	..	1,144.1	..	233.9	..	16.2	..	117.3	..	72.7	..	94.6	..	22.5	..	7.0	..	37.1	..	52.6	..	19.0	..	480.3	..	1,858.3
	VALUE OF WORK YET TO BE DONE																													
1991-92	..	783.7	..	516.0	..	1,299.7	..	250.8	..	330.7	..	325.0	..	135.2	..	640.4	..	21.9	..	16.2	..	30.3	..	151.7	..	38.4	..	1,781.5	..	3,331.9
1992-93	..	764.5	..	562.1	..	1,326.6	..	245.0	..	307.9	..	298.7	..	133.2	..	380.0	..	42.7	..	10.8	..	30.1	..	59.9	..	16.6	..	1,360.7	..	2,932.3
1993-94	..	804.4	..	630.6	..	1,435.0	..	284.6	..	109.4	..	295.4	..	113.2	..	282.4	..	20.0	..	16.6	..	107.0	..	72.6	..	31.6	..	1,135.6	..	2,855.2
1993 Dec. qtr	..	754.2	..	621.9	..	1,376.1	..	264.2	..	281.3	..	218.3	..	82.7	..	236.0	..	28.2	..	19.3	..	57.2	..	66.7	..	28.5	..	1,124.7	..	2,765.1
1994 Mar. qtr	..	737.0	..	619.1	..	1,356.1	..	263.5	..	121.4	..	207.0	..	64.9	..	278.6	..	15.9	..	18.5	..	100.8	..	84.3	..	29.8	..	1,014.1	..	2,633.7
June qtr	..	804.4	..	630.6	..	1,435.0	..	284.6	..	109.4	..	295.4	..	113.2	..	282.4	..	20.0	..	16.6	..	107.0	..	72.6	..	31.6	..	1,135.6	..	2,855.2
Sept. qtr	..	845.6	..	823.8	..	1,669.4	..	299.9	..	84.7	..	322.8	..	115.2	..	274.0	..	28.3	..	13.1	..	97.1	..	65.2	..	30.2	..	1,109.4	..	3,078.7
Dec. qtr	..	790.2	..	1,008.3	..	1,798.5	..	326.1	..	90.7	..	257.3	..	101.0	..	276.0	..	49.7	..	13.9	..	78.7	..	53.1	..	33.0	..	1,041.2	..	3,165.9
1995 Mar. qtr	..	825.2	..	1,084.9	..	1,910.1	..	330.2	..	91.3	..	359.7	..	86.7	..	268.8	..	53.5	..	14.3	..	85.6	..	73.5	..	41.3	..	1,179.2	..	3,419.6

TABLE 3. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC SECTOR BUILDING ACTIVITY, NSW

Period	New residential building										Non-residential building														
	Houses					Other residential buildings					Total					Other business premises					Total				
	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Total	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Educational	Religious	Health	Recreational	Enter-tainment and	Miscellaneous	Total						
COMMENCED																									
1991-92	975	80.4	2,809	231.2	3,784	311.5	5.3	0.7	10.9	11.6	430.1	58.3	222.0	0.2	69.3	212.2	52.3	1,067.7	1,384.6						
1992-93	843	81.6	2,839	203.6	3,682	285.1	5.5	1.9	37.1	3.6	169.0	54.1	308.4	—	407.1	40.8	41.9	1,064.0	1,354.6						
1993-94	615	59.3	1,634	104.5	2,249	163.8	6.6	3.3	19.9	6.2	223.5	85.2	292.9	—	185.5	41.4	84.6	942.4	1,112.8						
1993 Dec. qtr	87	8.7	244	18.1	331	26.8	1.2	0.6	11.9	1.9	140.9	40.5	79.2	—	52.5	16.1	54.8	398.4	426.4						
1994 Mar. qtr	94	9.6	280	18.3	374	27.9	0.7	0.4	0.9	1.3	30.2	12.5	48.3	—	110.5	7.2	6.7	218.0	246.6						
June qtr	234	21.5	429	29.4	663	50.9	1.4	1.8	5.1	2.8	24.1	12.7	89.4	—	12.3	4.5	14.2	167.0	219.2						
Sept. qtr	184	18.2	534	35.2	718	53.4	1.9	—	2.4	16.5	21.3	7.5	36.2	—	93.5	8.4	22.8	208.6	263.9						
Dec. qtr	104	10.3	239	16.4	343	26.7	2.2	2.2	7.9	5.7	12.1	33.9	55.5	—	59.8	8.2	97.1	277.4	308.4						
1995 Mar. qtr	47	4.6	282	18.8	329	23.4	1.9	0.2	1.3	0.7	40.0	21.9	61.9	—	70.5	5.5	3.4	205.5	230.8						
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD																									
1991-92	210	17.5	2,274	197.0	2,484	214.4	2.7	0.7	2.8	8.3	960.9	299.6	251.5	0.2	197.2	200.8	91.6	2,013.6	2,230.8						
1992-93	390	37.1	1,821	129.4	2,211	166.5	3.2	1.3	28.7	2.7	703.8	34.7	303.1	—	490.2	227.5	87.4	1,879.4	2,049.1						
1993-94	198	17.6	930	64.1	1,128	81.7	2.1	2.2	16.0	5.4	414.6	12.1	319.7	—	575.7	216.4	73.8	1,635.8	1,719.6						
1993 Dec. qtr	81	9.1	558	39.8	639	48.9	2.8	1.2	14.7	4.4	458.7	54.6	322.8	—	526.2	256.6	78.9	1,688.1	1,739.7						
1994 Mar. qtr	89	9.7	640	42.5	729	52.1	1.9	0.5	13.6	5.5	455.7	30.0	270.6	—	592.6	223.7	67.1	1,659.3	1,713.3						
June qtr	198	17.6	930	64.1	1,128	81.7	2.1	2.2	16.0	5.4	414.6	12.1	319.7	—	575.7	216.4	73.8	1,635.8	1,719.6						
Sept. qtr	252	24.6	1,165	80.5	1,417	105.1	2.3	1.4	15.0	18.9	245.2	10.3	275.7	—	635.7	284	90.0	1,320.6	1,427.9						
Dec. qtr	121	13.2	890	60.7	1,011	73.9	2.3	3.6	13.4	22.8	171.6	30.9	217.7	—	597.7	26.2	175.1	1,258.9	1,335.1						
1995 Mar. qtr	104	11.5	912	64.2	1,016	75.6	3.5	0.2	6.8	23.1	191.4	50.9	221.8	—	634.9	30.2	122.7	1,301.9	1,381.1						
COMPLETED																									
1991-92	951	82.0	2,356	259.8	3,307	341.8	25.6	—	9.4	12.3	466.1	233.5	334.7	—	145.2	52.3	163.2	1,416.7	1,784.1						
1992-93	663	62.2	3,292	372.9	3,955	335.1	5.0	1.2	11.9	10.7	428.6	358.2	255.8	0.2	128.5	27.7	47.9	1,270.7	1,610.8						
1993-94	807	78.8	2,521	172.7	3,328	251.5	7.9	2.5	32.5	3.8	490.3	92.0	294.7	—	100.8	52.0	101.7	1,170.3	1,429.7						
1993 Dec. qtr	272	25.8	1,295	81.2	1,567	107.1	4.2	1.0	1.0	0.3	54.8	22.2	101.6	—	16.7	19.8	69.0	286.4	397.7						
1994 Mar. qtr	86	9.0	198	16.3	284	25.3	1.7	1.2	1.9	0.2	32.9	27.7	101.2	—	45.8	10.6	16.4	237.8	264.8						
June qtr	125	13.6	139	10.2	264	23.9	1.2	0.1	2.6	2.9	50.4	21.7	42.1	—	30.6	10.0	9.2	169.8	194.8						
Sept. qtr	131	11.1	299	19.0	430	30.2	1.7	0.8	3.4	2.6	229.5	9.7	83.1	—	34.1	197.6	7.0	567.9	599.8						
Dec. qtr	235	21.7	485	35.2	720	56.9	1.9	—	9.7	1.8	55.6	13.5	113.7	—	117.6	12.5	7.1	331.5	390.3						
1995 Mar. qtr	64	6.3	260	16.4	324	22.8	0.7	3.7	7.1	1.0	21.8	4.7	57.1	—	13.6	1.8	53.3	164.1	187.6						



TABLE 3. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC SECTOR BUILDING ACTIVITY, NSW—continued

Period	New residential building										Non-residential building										Total building																														
	Houses					Other residential buildings					Total					Other business premises						Educational					Religious					Health					Recreational					Miscellaneous					Total				
	Number of dwelling units		Value (\$m)		Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)		Number of dwelling units		Value (\$m)		Alterations and additions to residential buildings		Hotels etc.		Shops		Factories		Offices		Other business premises		Educational		Religious		Health		Recreational		Miscellaneous		Total																	
	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units		Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)		Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$m)	Number of dwelling units															
New residential building										Non-residential building										Total building																															
VALUE OF WORK DONE DURING PERIOD																																																			
1991-92	81.1	..	205.3	..	286.4	8.7	0.5	9.7	12.4	481.3	294.0	224.1	—	151.0	55.3	100.5	1,268.9	1,564.0	1991-92	8.0	..	102.9	..	110.8	0.8	0.3	1.4	2.0	434.6	11.2	121.0	0.2	45.6	176.3	48.6	841.2	952.8														
1992-93	73.5	..	261.2	..	334.7	4.4	1.2	32.6	6.4	417.9	89.6	288.1	0.2	242.8	100.1	74.4	1,253.3	1,592.4	1992-93	16.3	..	47.2	..	63.4	1.9	0.9	6.5	0.8	213.8	14.9	145.4	—	224.3	130.8	17.9	755.3	820.6														
1993-94	65.2	..	117.8	..	183.0	7.9	3.1	19.0	6.2	347.1	88.0	324.4	—	220.3	151.2	65.5	1,224.6	1,415.5	1993-94	10.4	..	36.9	..	47.3	0.8	1.2	7.5	1.0	95.7	4.5	133.1	—	190.3	20.6	40.8	494.7	542.8														
1993 Dec. qtr	14.1	..	38.8	..	52.9	2.6	1.2	1.7	1.1	86.2	27.1	89.6	—	55.4	46.1	20.2	328.5	384.0	1993 Dec. qtr	3.2	..	16.3	..	19.5	0.8	0.1	12.4	1.3	200.2	25.8	147.9	—	180.3	68.1	51.1	687.2	707.5														
1994 Mar. qtr	8.2	..	12.7	..	20.9	0.9	0.3	4.1	1.1	89.1	20.6	72.5	—	52.1	31.7	12.2	283.6	305.4	1994 Mar. qtr	4.6	..	22.5	..	27.1	0.6	0.3	9.2	1.5	141.0	8.9	124.4	—	240.4	44.3	43.7	613.4	641.2														
June qtr	15.8	..	17.5	..	33.3	1.2	0.9	6.8	3.2	82.2	15.8	82.4	—	63.8	26.4	18.8	300.2	334.7	June qtr	10.4	..	36.9	..	47.3	0.8	1.2	7.5	1.0	95.7	4.5	133.1	—	190.3	20.6	40.8	494.7	542.8														
Sept. qtr	18.7	..	34.7	..	53.4	1.6	0.3	5.4	1.2	59.1	8.4	76.1	—	42.0	20.7	21.7	235.0	290.0	Sept. qtr	9.9	..	37.6	..	47.5	1.1	0.9	4.4	15.9	96.7	4.1	97.8	—	242.4	9.5	42.4	514.1	562.7														
Dec. qtr r	13.4	..	30.1	..	43.4	1.8	2.6	5.5	6.3	36.7	16.6	61.1	—	54.6	6.9	25.2	215.5	260.8	Dec. qtr r	6.7	..	23.4	..	30.1	1.2	0.5	7.0	15.4	42.1	21.5	95.0	—	267.4	13.3	109.4	571.4	602.7														
1995 Mar. qtr	7.0	..	21.9	..	28.9	1.7	0.6	4.8	9.0	35.3	18.1	52.9	—	61.4	7.9	21.1	211.2	241.9	1995 Mar. qtr	4.3	..	21.3	..	25.6	1.4	0.2	2.8	7.7	48.3	28.1	103.3	—	276.7	11.2	89.4	567.6	594.6														
VALUE OF WORK YET TO BE DONE																																																			
1991-92	8.0	..	102.9	..	110.8	0.8	0.3	1.4	2.0	434.6	11.2	121.0	0.2	45.6	176.3	48.6	841.2	952.8	1991-92	8.0	..	102.9	..	110.8	0.8	0.3	1.4	2.0	434.6	11.2	121.0	0.2	45.6	176.3	48.6	841.2	952.8														
1992-93	16.3	..	47.2	..	63.4	1.9	0.9	6.5	0.8	213.8	14.9	145.4	—	224.3	130.8	17.9	755.3	820.6	1992-93	16.3	..	47.2	..	63.4	1.9	0.9	6.5	0.8	213.8	14.9	145.4	—	224.3	130.8	17.9	755.3	820.6														
1993-94	10.4	..	36.9	..	47.3	0.8	1.2	7.5	1.0	95.7	4.5	133.1	—	190.3	20.6	40.8	494.7	542.8	1993-94	10.4	..	36.9	..	47.3	0.8	1.2	7.5	1.0	95.7	4.5	133.1	—	190.3	20.6	40.8	494.7	542.8														
1993 Dec. qtr	3.2	..	16.3	..	19.5	0.8	0.1	12.4	1.3	200.2	25.8	147.9	—	180.3	68.1	51.1	687.2	707.5	1993 Dec. qtr	3.2	..	16.3	..	19.5	0.8	0.1	12.4	1.3	200.2	25.8	147.9	—	180.3	68.1	51.1	687.2	707.5														
1994 Mar. qtr	4.6	..	22.5	..	27.1	0.6	0.3	9.2	1.5	141.0	8.9	124.4	—	240.4	44.3	43.7	613.4	641.2	1994 Mar. qtr	4.6	..	22.5	..	27.1	0.6	0.3	9.2	1.5	141.0	8.9	124.4	—	240.4	44.3	43.7	613.4	641.2														
June qtr	10.4	..	36.9	..	47.3	0.8	1.2	7.5	1.0	95.7	4.5	133.1	—	190.3	20.6	40.8	494.7	542.8	June qtr	10.4	..	36.9	..	47.3	0.8	1.2	7.5	1.0	95.7	4.5	133.1	—	190.3	20.6	40.8	494.7	542.8														
Sept. qtr	9.9	..	37.6	..	47.5	1.1	0.9	4.4	15.9	96.7	4.1	97.8	—	242.4	9.5	42.4	514.1	562.7	Sept. qtr	9.9	..	37.6	..	47.5	1.1	0.9	4.4	15.9	96.7	4.1	97.8	—	242.4	9.5	42.4	514.1	562.7														
Dec. qtr r	6.7	..	23.4	..	30.1	1.2	0.5	7.0	15.4	42.1	21.5	95.0	—	267.4	13.3	109.4	571.4	602.7	Dec. qtr r	6.7	..	23.4	..	30.1	1.2	0.5	7.0	15.4	42.1	21.5	95.0	—	267.4	13.3	109.4	571.4	602.7														
1995 Mar. qtr	4.3	..	21.3	..	25.6	1.4	0.2	2.8	7.7	48.3	28.1	103.3	—	276.7	11.2	89.4	567.6	594.6	1995 Mar. qtr	4.3	..	21.3	..	25.6	1.4	0.2	2.8	7.7	48.3	28.1	103.3	—	276.7	11.2	89.4	567.6	594.6														

TABLE 4. VALUE OF BUILDING ACTIVITY BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION  
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Period	Non-residential building										Total	
	Other residential buildings (a)	Hotels, etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational		Miscellaneous
<b>COMMENCED</b>												
1991-92	809.4	99.7	213.2	169.6	817.8	144.7	205.5	25.4	71.7	329.5	66.3	2,143.3
1992-93	992.4	86.7	326.6	210.8	434.3	149.9	265.3	12.6	400.4	109.4	50.4	2,046.4
1993-94	1,208.5	53.5	363.6	194.2	524.2	241.7	221.2	30.7	294.1	183.2	112.9	2,219.3
1993												
Dec. qtr	347.8	29.1	82.1	31.9	212.5	78.4	63.3	9.3	59.6	48.7	60.8	675.8
1994												
Mar. qtr	250.6	5.3	36.6	22.3	118.5	30.1	31.1	6.5	155.7	60.3	16.7	483.3
June qtr	312.6	8.7	186.8	104.9	78.6	53.7	72.8	5.0	57.3	16.8	17.4	601.9
Sept. qtr	506.8	1.8	124.0	49.6	74.7	24.9	33.3	3.8	94.3	34.2	20.1	460.7
Dec. qtr r	660.6	24.8	51.8	33.8	115.0	52.0	63.6	7.2	62.6	23.0	99.8	535.6
1995												
Mar. qtr	489.9	7.1	132.6	41.6	108.9	58.6	42.3	4.6	94.8	51.4	19.3	561.1
<b>UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD</b>												
1991-92	885.9	677.5	659.4	303.2	2,311.6	433.1	180.2	21.5	179.5	388.2	116.4	5,290.5
1992-93	918.2	332.5	649.0	289.3	1,641.2	137.8	237.6	12.8	481.9	293.2	110.0	4,185.3
1993-94	1,076.5	141.0	427.0	187.4	791.6	143.4	220.3	27.5	632.7	343.1	109.5	3,023.4
1993												
Dec. qtr	965.3	313.2	306.2	152.9	849.1	169.1	249.5	23.9	515.8	343.2	104.5	3,027.3
1994												
Mar. qtr	949.4	140.5	283.9	114.4	877.4	160.7	186.8	26.1	619.9	366.0	95.9	2,871.5
June qtr	1,076.5	141.0	427.0	187.4	791.6	143.4	220.3	27.5	632.7	343.1	109.5	3,023.4
Sept. qtr	1,325.0	133.3	455.5	181.9	619.2	118.9	187.3	25.2	719.2	170.4	112.8	2,723.8
Dec. qtr r	1,724.2	100.4	411.5	179.1	606.0	131.5	162.5	21.0	679.1	117.7	201.7	2,610.3
1995												
Mar. qtr	1,989.5	99.9	521.9	195.6	641.1	176.1	179.5	22.2	762.1	133.0	157.9	2,889.4
<b>COMPLETED</b>												
1991-92	800.4	713.7	230.5	225.2	1,389.4	469.6	350.6	21.5	175.6	168.1	193.2	4,127.5
1992-93	974.8	429.7	347.9	268.9	1,111.3	508.5	210.4	21.5	114.0	124.4	54.8	3,191.5
1993-94	1,076.3	26.3	585.7	293.2	1,250.9	213.4	238.7	17.2	147.9	128.9	120.5	3,022.7
1993												
Dec. qtr	333.7	8.1	146.2	170.5	174.3	72.1	70.5	4.8	38.6	39.2	78.2	802.4
1994												
Mar. qtr	267.9	5.3	59.3	59.3	92.2	28.7	93.1	6.1	51.6	33.8	22.2	451.6
June qtr	199.6	9.1	43.5	34.5	153.9	66.5	41.0	3.1	46.0	39.4	9.2	446.1
Sept. qtr	266.5	9.5	99.5	57.5	288.1	47.7	66.6	6.0	8.4	227.5	17.0	827.8
Dec. qtr r	263.2	53.4	105.9	59.3	112.2	41.0	90.1	10.9	123.0	83.4	11.6	690.8
1995												
Mar. qtr	229.1	8.3	62.0	29.4	82.9	18.2	25.5	3.6	13.1	41.3	61.7	345.9

TABLE 4. VALUE OF BUILDING ACTIVITY BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION - continued  
(\$m)

Period	Non residential building										Total	
	Other residential buildings (a)	Hotels, etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational		Miscellaneous
	VALUE OF WORK DONE DURING PERIOD											
1991-92	734.2	347.7	390.3	261.2	1,305.6	379.8	204.1	23.3	146.3	149.1	121.1	3,328.4
1992-93	1,031.3	104.4	377.3	232.6	947.3	198.7	233.0	19.6	271.4	185.9	82.5	2,672.6
1993-94	1,141.7	58.7	360.6	209.0	647.3	232.2	265.1	24.4	256.0	278.2	89.3	2,420.7
1993												
Dec. qtr	304.9	13.5	100.5	61.2	166.5	73.6	85.5	5.6	56.2	74.7	26.8	664.4
1994												
Mar. qtr	259.7	13.1	50.5	35.6	144.6	47.0	61.7	7.4	58.7	65.9	19.1	503.6
June qtr	296.8	22.3	103.7	56.0	140.9	66.6	49.4	7.0	85.2	63.5	24.9	619.4
Sept. qtr	348.9	25.5	105.5	67.4	140.7	36.2	51.1	7.6	50.7	72.6	29.4	584.6
Dec. qtr r	427.3	12.7	116.0	73.0	150.5	29.3	50.8	6.1	73.4	50.4	30.5	592.7
1995												
Mar. qtr	433.9	9.8	102.2	49.8	116.8	40.3	41.5	5.2	82.5	40.0	26.0	514.2
	VALUE OF WORK YET TO BE DONE											
1991-92	505.3	319.2	310.9	104.8	1,050.1	80.3	95.1	12.1	57.0	290.9	55.0	2,375.5
1992-93	494.5	299.7	273.2	108.7	575.6	74.6	132.7	5.6	208.7	165.1	22.2	1,866.0
1993-94	594.8	96.3	277.7	97.7	364.2	75.7	90.7	13.7	251.4	70.6	53.0	1,391.0
1993												
Dec. qtr	570.7	271.9	207.2	59.7	426.6	112.1	96.2	15.2	180.7	125.1	60.6	1,535.3
1994												
Mar. qtr	564.6	109.0	194.6	45.6	402.5	85.4	65.2	16.2	277.7	115.7	55.1	1,367.0
June qtr	594.8	96.3	277.7	97.7	364.2	75.7	90.7	13.7	251.4	70.6	53.0	1,391.0
Sept. qtr	763.9	72.7	302.6	82.2	356.2	63.2	74.8	9.8	295.6	52.9	44.1	1,354.0
Dec. qtr r	1,021.2	80.4	248.5	66.3	306.6	87.4	91.4	10.9	305.1	33.5	114.2	1,344.2
1995												
Mar. qtr	1,088.5	78.4	318.7	62.5	307.8	109.8	92.4	10.5	318.6	50.1	106.3	1,455.2

(a) Includes alterations and additions to other residential buildings but excludes all work on houses. For definitions, see Explanatory Note 9.

**TABLE 5. NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS BY STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, NSW  
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES**

Period	Houses				Total			
	Private sector		Total		Private sector		Total	
	Commenced	Completed	Commenced	Completed	Commenced	Completed	Commenced	Completed
1993 Dec. qtr	6,494	7,427	6,559	7,633	10,579	10,866	11,065	12,165
1994 Mar. qtr	6,920	7,245	7,066	7,329	10,874	11,533	11,351	11,736
June qtr	8,101	6,444	8,297	6,626	12,780	9,815	13,325	10,478
Sept. qtr	7,641	7,654	7,829	7,774	13,395	11,750	13,928	11,919
Dec. qtr	7,136	7,525	7,215	7,698	12,101	10,919	12,632	11,478
1995 Mar. qtr	6,882	6,162	6,974	6,227	12,260	9,839	12,683	10,087

**TABLE 6. VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE, NSW  
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES  
(\$ million)**

Period	New residential building			Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total building
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total		Private sector	Total	
1993 Dec. qtr	710.2	371.1	1,084.5	246.2	497.6	832.4	2,188.8
1994 Mar. qtr	742.5	350.8	1,096.4	264.0	430.4	698.2	2,044.8
June qtr	854.7	391.0	1,255.6	289.0	545.6	846.0	2,386.2
Sept. qtr	828.0	421.8	1,232.4	298.8	531.9	777.3	2,298.3
Dec. qtr	830.6	461.0	1,295.9	322.3	547.3	778.2	2,429.6
1995 Mar. qtr	731.3	519.2	1,256.6	265.3	527.1	712.0	2,216.6

**TABLE 7. VALUE OF BUILDING WORK COMMENCED, AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES (a), NSW**  
(\$ million)

Period	New residential building			Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total building
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total		Private sector	Total	
1991-92	2,518.3	1,223.3	3,741.6	857.6	2,189.0	3,315.1	7,914.3
1992-93	2,664.1	1,482.9	4,147.0	901.5	1,834.9	2,959.9	8,008.4
1993-94	2,851.2	1,593.6	4,444.8	989.8	2,114.7	3,102.3	8,536.9
1993 Dec. qtr	662.7	429.9	1,092.6	253.0	477.2	895.7	2,241.3
1994 Mar. qtr	616.4	356.5	972.9	205.5	456.3	684.1	1,862.5
June qtr	832.4	406.5	1,238.9	273.0	639.2	812.8	2,324.7
Sept. qtr	804.7	649.1	1,453.8	282.7	491.2	706.9	2,443.4
Dec. qtr	735.4	670.1	1,405.5	334.1	482.6	768.3	2,507.9
1995 Mar. qtr	626.7	590.7	1,217.4	196.6	565.7	776.7	2,190.7

(a) See paragraphs 24 and 25 of the Explanatory Notes. Constant price estimates are subject to revision each quarter as more up to date information on prices and commodity compositions becomes available.

**TABLE 8. VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE, AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES (a), NSW**  
ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES  
(\$ million)

Period	New residential building			Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total building
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total		Private sector	Total	
<b>ORIGINAL</b>							
1991-92	2,498.0	1,077.0	3,575.0	884.1	2,992.9	4,304.2	8,763.3
1992-93	2,680.3	1,509.1	4,189.4	932.0	2,307.8	3,624.1	8,745.5
1993-94	2,867.0	1,572.9	4,439.9	978.5	2,066.9	3,346.3	8,764.7
1993 Dec. qtr	694.9	423.8	1,118.7	252.0	566.8	910.4	2,281.1
1994 Mar. qtr	637.7	357.2	994.9	216.7	410.1	706.4	1,918.0
June qtr	781.1	403.1	1,184.2	258.8	551.7	863.8	2,306.8
Sept. qtr	776.1	456.9	1,233.0	283.6	563.3	806.1	2,322.7
Dec. qtr	797.4	512.9	1,310.3	323.8	612.3	833.3	2,467.4
1995 Mar. qtr	614.1	515.3	1,129.4	212.8	491.1	707.1	2,049.3
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED</b>							
1993 Dec. qtr	658.7	398.8	1,060.9	228.3	520.5	870.7	2,184.4
1994 Mar. qtr	685.7	376.3	1,065.7	243.8	449.7	729.5	2,027.5
June qtr	787.9	417.2	1,213.7	266.4	567.2	879.6	2,355.6
Sept. qtr	758.2	445.9	1,187.4	273.5	549.4	803.0	2,252.7
Dec. qtr	755.8	483.3	1,243.4	293.2	561.3	798.1	2,365.7
1995 Mar. qtr	660.6	542.5	1,209.9	239.6	538.9	728.0	2,162.9

(a) See paragraphs 24 and 25 of the Explanatory Notes. Constant price estimates are subject to revision each quarter as more up to date information on prices and commodity compositions becomes available.

TABLE 9. NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS BY OWNERSHIP,  
CLASS OF BUILDER AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, NSW

Period	Private sector					Public sector			Total		
	Houses			Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
	Contractor-built	Other	Total								
<b>COMMENCED</b>											
1991-92	17,541	7,871	25,412	11,542	36,954	975	2,809	3,784	26,387	14,351	40,738
1992-93	19,193	7,361	26,554	14,225	40,779	843	2,839	3,682	27,397	17,064	44,461
1993-94	22,289	6,257	28,547	16,385	44,932	615	1,634	2,249	29,162	18,019	47,181
1993 Dec. qtr	5,093	1,606	6,699	4,571	11,270	87	244	331	6,786	4,815	11,601
1994 Mar. qtr	4,891	1,262	6,153	3,642	9,795	94	280	374	6,247	3,922	10,169
June qtr	6,367	1,925	8,292	4,332	12,624	234	429	663	8,526	4,761	13,287
Sept. qtr	6,491	1,581	8,072	5,948	14,020	184	534	718	8,256	6,482	14,738
Dec. qtr	5,749	1,633	7,382	5,523	12,905	104	239	343	7,486	5,762	13,248
1995 Mar. qtr	4,497	1,593	6,090	4,927	11,017	47	282	329	6,137	5,209	11,346
<b>UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD</b>											
1991-92	5,905	9,859	15,764	9,069	24,833	210	2,274	2,484	15,974	11,343	27,317
1992-93	6,194	9,133	15,326	10,377	25,703	390	1,821	2,211	15,716	12,198	27,914
1993-94	7,507	8,220	15,727	11,762	27,489	198	930	1,128	15,925	12,692	28,617
1993 Dec. qtr	5,755	8,742	14,497	11,058	25,555	81	558	639	14,578	11,616	26,194
1994 Mar. qtr	5,900	7,907	13,807	10,800	24,607	89	640	729	13,896	11,440	25,336
June qtr	7,507	8,220	15,727	11,762	27,489	198	930	1,128	15,925	12,692	28,617
Sept. qtr	8,345	7,841	16,185	13,593	29,778	252	1,165	1,417	16,437	14,758	31,195
Dec. qtr	7,567	7,591	15,158	15,171	30,329	121	890	1,011	15,279	16,061	31,340
1995 Mar. qtr	7,570	7,862	15,431	16,683	32,114	104	912	1,016	15,535	17,595	33,130
<b>COMPLETED</b>											
1991-92	16,533	7,770	24,303	10,230	34,533	951	2,356	3,307	25,254	12,586	37,840
1992-93	18,906	7,612	26,519	12,548	39,067	663	3,292	3,955	27,182	15,840	43,022
1993-94	21,129	6,694	27,823	14,709	42,532	807	2,521	3,328	28,630	17,230	45,860
1993 Dec. qtr	6,319	1,888	8,207	3,895	12,102	272	1,295	1,567	8,479	5,190	13,669
1994 Mar. qtr	4,749	2,011	6,761	3,865	10,626	86	198	284	6,847	4,063	10,910
June qtr	4,858	1,437	6,295	3,297	9,592	125	139	264	6,420	3,436	9,856
Sept. qtr	5,791	1,744	7,535	4,057	11,592	131	299	430	7,666	4,356	12,022
Dec. qtr	6,567	1,759	8,326	3,862	12,188	235	485	720	8,561	4,347	12,908
1995 Mar. qtr	4,457	1,302	5,759	3,298	9,057	64	260	324	5,823	3,558	9,381

**TABLE 10. NUMBER AND VALUE OF NEW HOUSES BUILT BY CONTRACT BUILDERS FOR PRIVATE OWNERSHIP, BY COMPLETION VALUE RANGE AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, NSW**

Period	Commenced				Under construction at end of period				Completed			
	Less than \$40,000	\$40,000 to \$59,999	\$60,000 and over	Total	Less than \$40,000	\$40,000 to \$59,999	\$60,000 and over	Total	Less than \$40,000	\$40,000 to \$59,999	\$60,000 and over	Total
	<b>NUMBER</b>											
1991-92	244	2,287	15,010	17,541	108	465	5,331	5,905	231	2,462	13,840	16,533
1992-93	301	2,541	16,351	19,193	66	593	5,535	6,194	379	2,342	16,185	18,906
1993-94	377	2,168	19,745	22,289	110	479	6,918	7,507	370	2,248	18,511	21,129
1993 Dec. qtr	100	599	4,395	5,093	123	565	5,067	5,755	119	656	5,544	6,319
1994 Mar. qtr	59	497	4,335	4,891	63	475	5,362	5,900	99	589	4,061	4,749
June qtr	139	437	5,791	6,367	110	479	6,918	7,507	112	411	4,335	4,858
Sept. qtr	40	556	5,895	6,491	97	567	7,681	8,345	53	468	5,270	5,791
Dec. qtr	20	496	5,233	5,749	77	389	7,101	7,567	40	634	5,893	6,567
1995 Mar. qtr	79	158	4,260	4,497	116	210	7,244	7,570	39	318	4,099	4,457
<b>VALUE (\$m)</b>												
1991-92	7.6	117.7	1,620.1	1,745.4	3.4	23.7	722.7	749.8	6.9	127.1	1,529.9	1,663.9
1992-93	8.5	132.8	1,788.2	1,929.6	2.0	30.8	726.5	759.2	11.1	122.1	1,820.3	1,953.5
1993-94	11.7	113.5	2,199.7	2,324.9	3.3	25.2	906.4	934.8	11.9	116.8	2,068.3	2,197.1
1993 Dec. qtr	3.5	30.2	488.7	522.4	3.6	28.5	676.7	708.9	4.2	33.6	613.6	651.3
1994 Mar. qtr	1.5	26.7	491.9	520.1	1.7	24.3	718.4	744.4	2.8	30.6	459.1	492.5
June qtr	4.5	22.9	654.4	681.8	3.3	25.2	906.4	934.8	3.7	21.5	491.3	516.5
Sept. qtr	1.2	29.2	654.4	684.8	2.9	29.9	1,011.8	1,044.6	1.6	24.7	583.8	610.2
Dec. qtr	0.8	25.8	582.5	609.1	2.3	20.6	918.2	941.1	1.6	32.5	688.2	722.2
1995 Mar. qtr	2.3	8.9	475.0	486.2	3.7	11.0	926.0	940.6	0.9	17.3	476.5	494.7

**TABLE 11. SUMMARY OF BUILDING ACTIVITY, NSW  
RELATIVE STANDARD ERRORS, MARCH QUARTER 1995  
(per cent)**

Ownership and stage of construction	New residential building				Value		
	Houses		Total		Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Total building	
	Number	Value	Number of dwelling units	Value			
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>							
Commenced	4.3	4.9	2.4	2.7	4.9	1.8	
Under construction at end of period	3.0	3.2	1.4	1.5	2.7	0.9	
Completed	5.4	6.0	3.4	4.1	5.7	2.7	
Value of work done	..	3.5	..	2.1	3.5	1.3	
Value of work yet to be done	..	4.1	..	1.8	3.1	1.1	
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS</b>							
Commenced	4.2	4.9	2.3	2.7	4.9	1.6	
Under construction at end of period	3.0	3.2	1.4	1.5	2.7	0.8	
Completed	5.3	6.0	3.3	4.0	5.7	2.4	
Value of work done	..	3.5	..	2.0	3.5	1.2	
Value of work yet to be done	..	4.1	..	1.7	3.1	0.9	

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

## Introduction

This publication contains detailed results from the quarterly Building Activity Survey. Users should note that data for the latest quarter is subject to revision.

2. The statistics are compiled on the basis of returns collected from builders and other individuals and organisations engaged in building activity. The quarterly survey consists of two components.

- (a) A sample survey of private sector house building activity involving new house construction or alterations and additions valued at \$10,000 or more to houses.
- (b) A complete enumeration of jobs involving construction of new residential buildings other than private sector houses, all alterations and additions to residential buildings (other than private sector houses) with an approval value of \$10,000 or more, and all non-residential building jobs with an approval value of \$50,000 or more.

3. Prior to the September quarter 1990, the cut-off for inclusion of non-residential building jobs (both new and alterations and additions) was \$30,000 or more and prior to the September quarter 1985 it was \$10,000 or more. Care should be taken in interpreting data for specific classes of non-residential building.

4. The use of sample survey techniques in the Building Activity Survey means that reliable estimates of private sector house building activity, including alterations and additions to houses, are available only at the State/Territory and Australia levels with the exception of the Northern Territory. However, dwelling unit commencement data for regions below State level are shown in the monthly series of dwelling unit commencements compiled by State offices of the ABS. Data from this series, unlike those compiled from the Building Activity Survey, are based on information reported by local and other government authorities.

## Scope and coverage

5. The statistics relate to *building* activity which includes construction of new buildings and alterations and additions to existing buildings. Construction activity not defined as building (e.g. construction of roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.) is excluded.

6. Building jobs included in each quarter in the Building Activity Survey comprise those building jobs selected in previous quarters which have not been completed (or commenced) by the end of the previous quarter and those building jobs newly selected in the current quarter. The population list from which building jobs are selected for inclusion comprises all approved building jobs which were notified to the ABS up to but not including the last month of the reference quarter (e.g. up to the end of August in respect of the September quarter survey). This introduces a lag to the statistics in respect of those building jobs notified and commenced in the last month of the reference quarter (e.g. for the month of September in respect of the September quarter survey). For example, building jobs which were notified as approved in the month of June and which actually commenced in that month are shown as commencements in the September quarter. Similarly, building jobs which were notified in the month of September and which actually commenced in that month are shown as commencements in the December quarter.

## Definitions

7. A *building* is defined as a rigid, fixed and permanent structure which has a roof. Its intended purpose is primarily to house people, plant, machinery, vehicles, goods or livestock. An integral feature of a building's design, to satisfy its intended use, is the provision for regular access by persons.

8. A *dwelling unit* is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for *long-term* residential use. Units (whether self-contained or not) within buildings offering institutional care, such as hospitals, or temporary accommodation such as motels, hostels and holiday apartments, are not defined as dwelling units. The value of units of this type is included in the appropriate category of non-residential building.

9. A *residential building* is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either *houses* or *other residential buildings*.

(a) A *house* is defined as a detached building predominantly used for long-term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit. Thus, detached 'granny flats' and detached dwelling units (such as caretakers' residences) associated with non-residential buildings are defined as houses for the purpose of these statistics.

(b) An *other residential building* is defined as a building which is predominantly used for long-term residential purposes and which contains (or has attached to it) more than one dwelling unit (e.g. includes townhouses, duplexes, apartment buildings, etc.).

10. The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings, and through the construction of new non-residential buildings, is not included in the tables but is shown as a footnote to Table 1.

11. *Commenced*. A building job is regarded as commenced when the first physical building activity has been performed on site in the form of materials fixed in place and/or labour expended (this includes site preparation but excludes delivery of building materials, the drawing of plans and specifications and the construction of non-building infrastructures such as roads).

12. *Under construction*. A building job is regarded as being under construction at the end of a period if it has been commenced but has not been completed, and work on it has not been abandoned.

13. *Completed*. A building job is regarded as completed when building activity has progressed to the stage when the building can fulfil its intended function. In practice, the ABS regards buildings as completed when notified as such by respondents to the survey.

## Valuation of building jobs

14. The value series in this publication are derived from estimates reported on survey returns as follows.

(a) *Value of building commenced or under construction* represents the anticipated completion value based, where practicable, on estimated market or contract price of building jobs excluding the value of land and landscaping. Site preparation costs are included. Where building jobs proceed over several quarters, the anticipated completion value reported on the return for



the first (commencement) quarter may be amended on returns for subsequent (under construction) quarters as the job nears completion.

- (b) *Value of building completed* represents the actual completion value based, where practicable, on the market or contract price of building jobs including site preparation costs but excluding the value of land and landscaping.
- (c) *Value of building work done during the period* represents the estimated value of building work actually carried out during the quarter on building jobs which have commenced.
- (d) *Value of building work yet to be done* represents the difference between the anticipated completion value and the estimated value of work done up to the end of the period on building jobs commenced but not completed.

### Building classification

15. *Ownership.* The ownership of a building is classified as either *public sector* or *private sector* according to the sector of the intended owner of the completed building as evident at the time of approval. Residential buildings being constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes whereby the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the buildings on or before completion, are classified as public sector.

16. *Builder type.* Houses are classified according to the type of builder as follows.

- (a) *Contractor-built houses* are those constructed by a private recognised building contractor, either under contract, or in anticipation of sale or rental.
- (b) *Houses built by other than contract builders* are those constructed by an owner (other than a recognised building contractor) or under the owner's direction, without the services of a single contractor responsible for the whole job. Houses built by businesses (other than recognised building contractors) and public sector organisations are also included in this category.

17. *Functional classification of buildings.* A building is classified according to its intended major function. Hence, a building which is ancillary to other buildings or forms a part of a group of related buildings is classified to the function of the building and not to the function of the group as a whole. An example of this can be seen in the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. In this case a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Shops, while factory buildings would be classified to Factories. An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings where, for example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Educational.

18. Examples of the types of buildings included under each main functional heading are shown in the following list.

- (a) *Houses.* Includes cottages, bungalows, detached caretakers'/managers' cottages, rectories.
- (b) *Other residential buildings.* Includes blocks of flats, home units, attached townhouses, villa units, terrace houses, semi-detached houses, maisonettes.
- (c) *Hotels, etc.* Includes motels, hostels, boarding houses, guesthouses, holiday apartment buildings.

(d) *Shops.* Includes retail shops, restaurants, cafes, taverns, dry cleaners, laundromats, hair salons, shopping arcades.

(e) *Factories.* Includes paper mills, oil refinery buildings, brickworks, foundries, powerhouses, manufacturing laboratories, workshops as part of a manufacturing process.

(f) *Offices.* Includes banks, post offices, council chambers, head and regional offices.

(g) *Other business premises.* Includes warehouses, storage depots, service stations, transport depots and terminals, electricity sub-station buildings, pumping station buildings, telephone exchanges, mail sorting centres, broadcasting stations, film studios.

(h) *Educational.* Includes schools, colleges, kindergartens, libraries, museums, art galleries, research and teaching laboratories, theological colleges.

(i) *Religious.* Includes churches, chapels, temples.

(j) *Health.* Includes hospitals, nursing homes, surgeries, clinics, medical centres.

(k) *Entertainment and recreational.* Includes clubs, theatres, cinemas, public halls, gymnasiums, grandstands, squash courts, sports and recreation centres.

(l) *Miscellaneous.* Includes law courts, homes for the aged (where medical care is not provided as a normal service), orphanages, gaols, barracks, mine buildings, glasshouses, livestock sheds, shearing sheds, fruit and skin drying sheds, public toilets, and ambulance, fire and police stations.

### Reliability of the estimates

19. Since the figures for private sector house building activity (including alterations and additions) are derived from information obtained from a sample of approved building jobs, they are subject to sampling error; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained if information for all approved jobs for the relevant period had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of approved jobs was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all approved jobs had been included, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Another measure of sampling variability is the *relative standard error*, which is obtained by expressing the standard error as a percentage of the estimate to which it refers. The relative standard errors of estimates provide an indication of the percentage errors likely to have occurred due to sampling, and are shown in Table 11.

20. An example of the use of relative standard errors is as follows. Assume that the estimate of the number of new private sector houses commenced during the latest quarter is 2,000 (for actual estimate see Table 2) and that the associated relative standard error is 2.5 per cent (for actual percentage see Table 11). There would then be about two chances in three that the number which would have been obtained if information had been collected about all approved private sector house jobs would have been within the range 1,950 to 2,050 (2.5 per cent of 2,000 is 50) and about nineteen chances in twenty that the number would have been within the range 1,900 to 2,100.

21. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the relative standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of inadequacies in the source of building approval information, imperfections in reporting by respondents, and errors made in the coding and processing of data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling error, and may occur in any enumeration whether it be a full count or only a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by the careful design of questionnaires, efforts to obtain responses for all selected building jobs, and efficient operating procedures.

#### Seasonal adjustment

22. Seasonally adjusted building statistics are shown in Tables 5, 6 and 8. In the seasonally adjusted series, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors and trading day effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the quarter) and the effect of the movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different quarters. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting the series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0).

23. Since seasonally adjusted statistics reflect both irregular and trend movements, an upward or downward movement in a seasonally adjusted series does not necessarily indicate a change of trend. Particular care should therefore be taken in interpreting individual quarter to quarter movements. Each of the component series shown has been seasonally adjusted independently. As a consequence, while the unadjusted components in the original series shown add to the totals, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals. Further, the difference between independently seasonally adjusted series does not necessarily produce series which are optimal or even adequate adjustments of the similarly derived original series. Thus the figures which can be derived by subtracting seasonally adjusted private sector dwelling units from the seasonally adjusted total should not be used to represent seasonally adjusted public sector dwelling units.

#### Estimates at constant prices

24. Estimates of the value of commencements and work done at average 1989-90 prices are shown in Tables 7 and 8. Constant price estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated. The deflators used to revalue the current price estimates in this publication are derived from the same price data underlying the deflators compiled for the dwellings and non-dwelling construction components of the national accounts aggregate 'Gross fixed capital expenditure'.

25. Estimates at constant prices are subject to a number of approximations and assumptions. Further information on the nature and concepts of constant price estimates is contained in Chapter 4 of *Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5216.0).

26. The factors used to seasonally adjust the constant price series are identical to those used to adjust the corresponding current price series.

#### Unpublished data and related publications

27. The ABS can also make available certain building approvals and activity data which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required information by telephone, data can be provided in the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, computer printout, floppy disk and clerically extracted tabulation. Inquiries should be made to the contact shown at the front of this publication.

28. Users may also wish to refer to the following building and construction publications which are available on request:

*Building Approvals, Australia* (8731.0) - monthly (\$13.50)  
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