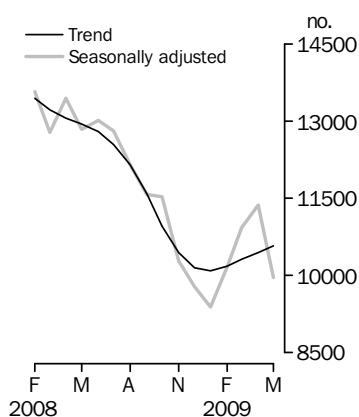


# BUILDING APPROVALS

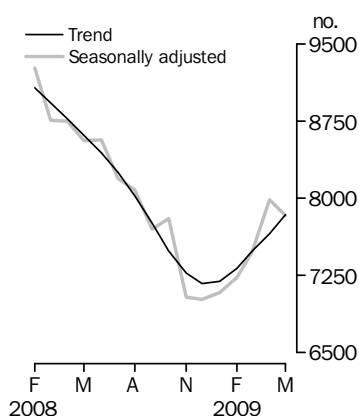
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## Dwelling units approved



## Private sector houses approved



## INQUIRIES

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## KEY FIGURES

### TREND

	May 09 no.	Apr 09 to May 09 % change	May 08 to May 09 % change
<b>Total dwelling units approved</b>	<b>10 577</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>-18.3</b>
Private sector houses	7 839	2.4	-9.0
Private sector other dwellings	2 331	-3.4	-42.4

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	May 09 no.	Apr 09 to May 09 % change	May 08 to May 09 % change
<b>Total dwelling units approved</b>	<b>9 953</b>	<b>-12.5</b>	<b>-22.4</b>
Private sector houses	7 831	-2.0	-8.5
Private sector other dwellings	1 677	-43.6	-57.5

## KEY POINTS

### TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved rose 1.3% in May 2009 and has risen for the last four months.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling units approved fell 12.5% following increases in the previous three months.

### PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

- The trend estimate for private sector houses approved rose 2.4% in May and has risen for five months.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector houses approved fell 2.0% following increases in the previous four months.

### PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for private sector other dwellings approved fell 3.4% in May and has now fallen for 11 months.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector other dwellings approved fell 43.6%.

### VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

- The trend estimate for the value of total building approved fell 0.4% in May. The trend estimates for the value of new residential building approved and alterations and additions approved rose 2.3% and 0.2% respectively. The trend estimate for the value of non-residential building approved fell 4.2%.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for the value of total building approved fell 12.3% in May. The seasonally adjusted estimates for the value of new residential building approved and alterations and additions approved fell 5.6% and 13.4% respectively. The seasonally adjusted estimate for the value of non-residential building fell 20.9%.

# NOTES

## FORTHCOMING ISSUES

ISSUE	RELEASE DATE
June 2009	30 July 2009
July 2009	1 September 2009
August 2009	30 September 2009
September 2009	4 November 2009
October 2009	1 December 2009
November 2009	6 January 2010

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## CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

There are no changes in this issue.

## REVISIONS THIS MONTH

Revisions to the total number of dwelling units approved in this issue are:

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	2007-08	2008-09	TOTAL
NSW	—	20	20
Vic.	—	27	27
Qld	—	117	117
SA	12	8	20
WA	—	12	12
Tas.	—	1	1
NT	—	12	12
ACT	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>209</b>

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## DATA NOTES

There are no notes about the data.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

\$m	million dollars
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification
Aust.	Australia
GST	goods and services tax
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
no.	number
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
Qld	Queensland
SA	South Australia
Tas.	Tasmania
Vic.	Victoria
WA	Western Australia

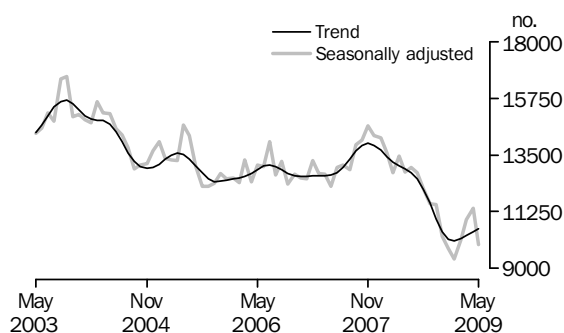
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## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

### TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

The trend estimate for the total number of dwelling units approved rose 1.3% in May and has risen for the last four months.

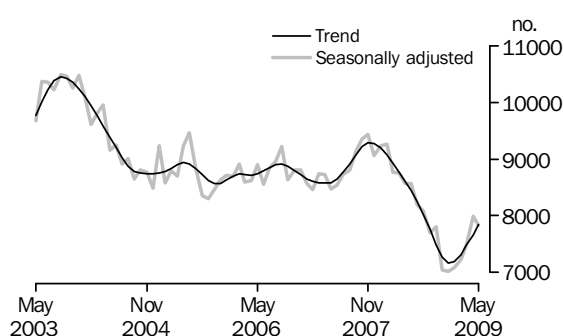
In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate fell 12.5% to 9,953 dwellings.



### PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals rose 2.4% and has risen for five months.

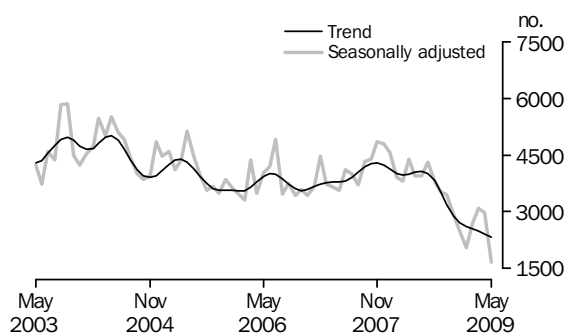
In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate fell 2.0% to 7,831 houses.



### PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS

The trend estimate for the number of private sector other dwellings approved fell 3.4% and has now fallen for 11 months.

In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate fell 43.6% to 1,677 dwellings, the lowest estimate since April 1987.



## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED STATES AND TERRITORIES

### SUMMARY COMMENTS

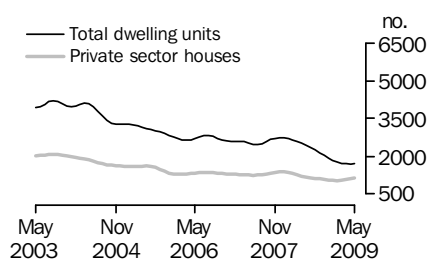
The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved rose 1.3% in May 2009. The trend rose in states and territories other than South Australia (-0.1%). In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate of total dwelling units approved fell 12.5% with falls in New South Wales (-25.6%), Victoria (-8.9%), Queensland (-13.3%) and South Australia (-17.5%). There was no change in Western Australia and Tasmania rose 26.8%.

The trend estimate for private sector houses approved rose 2.4% in May with rises in New South Wales (+3.5%), Victoria (+2.2%), Queensland (+1.9%), South Australia (+0.2%) and Western Australia (+3.0%).

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
ORIGINAL									
<b>Dwelling units approved</b>									
Private sector houses (no.)	1 284	2 641	1 671	667	1 519	252	57	196	<b>8 287</b>
Total dwelling units (no.)	1 885	3 236	2 067	868	1 792	326	84	276	<b>10 534</b>
<b>Percentage change from previous month</b>									
Private sector houses (%)	25.1	-0.8	12.1	-13.0	30.4	19.4	-13.6	17.4	<b>9.7</b>
Total dwelling units (%)	-8.1	-1.8	-10.6	-14.2	26.8	47.5	-28.8	-17.9	<b>-2.1</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>Dwelling units approved</b>									
Private sector houses (no.)	1 161	2 686	1 578	666	1 277	na	na	na	<b>7 831</b>
Total dwelling units (no.)	1 643	3 197	2 084	869	1 516	287	na	na	<b>9 953</b>
<b>Percentage change from previous month</b>									
Private sector houses (%)	—	-1.4	—	-15.5	-0.6	na	na	na	<b>-2.0</b>
Total dwelling units (%)	-25.6	-8.9	-13.3	-17.5	—	26.8	na	na	<b>-12.5</b>
TREND									
<b>Dwelling units approved</b>									
Private sector houses (no.)	1 146	2 693	1 537	740	1 273	na	na	na	<b>7 839</b>
Total dwelling units (no.)	1 702	3 572	2 142	974	1 544	252	104	287	<b>10 577</b>
<b>Percentage change from previous month</b>									
Private sector houses (%)	3.5	2.2	1.9	0.2	3.0	na	na	na	<b>2.4</b>
Total dwelling units (%)	0.5	0.3	2.7	-0.1	1.8	2.2	2.7	10.9	<b>1.3</b>
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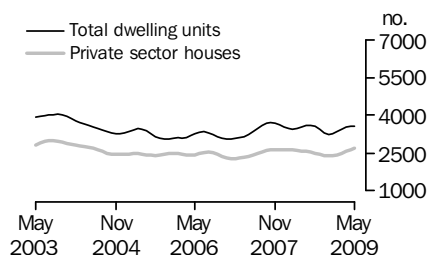
## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED STATE TRENDS

### NEW SOUTH WALES



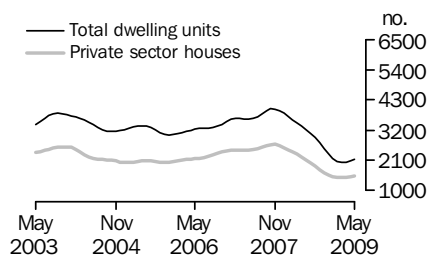
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in New South Wales rose 0.5% in May 2009 following falls in the previous 16 months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 3.5% and has risen for the last four months.

### VICTORIA



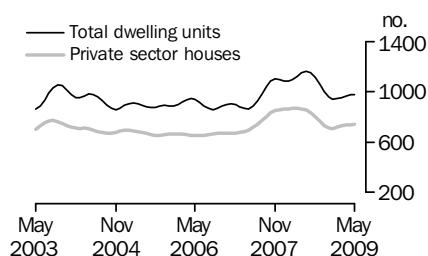
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Victoria rose 0.3% in May and has risen for six months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 2.2% and has risen for six months.

### QUEENSLAND



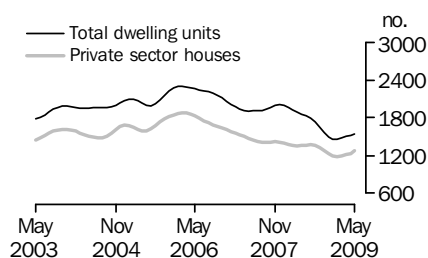
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Queensland rose 2.7% in May and has risen for three months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 1.9% and has risen for three months.

### SOUTH AUSTRALIA



The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in South Australia fell 0.1% in May following increases in the previous four months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 0.2% and has risen for five months.

### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

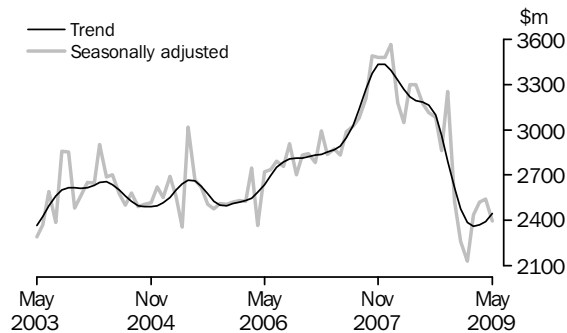


The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Western Australia rose 1.8% in May and has risen for the last four months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 3.0% and has risen for the last four months.

## VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

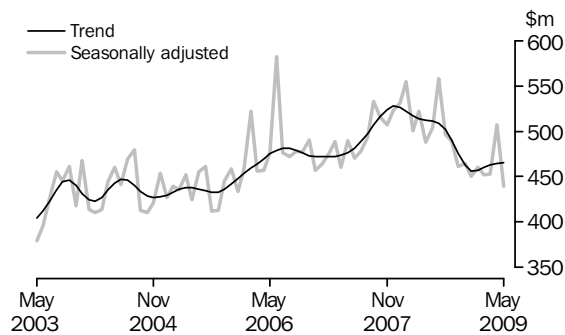
### NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of new residential building approved rose 2.3% in May 2009 and has risen for three months.



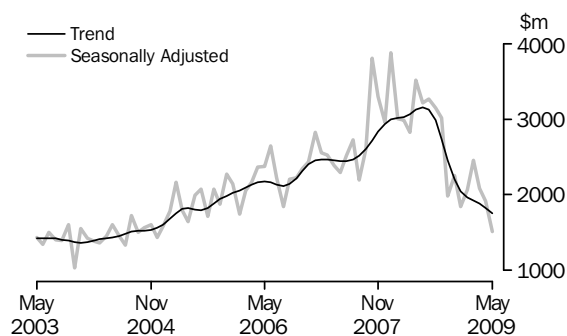
### ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of alterations and additions rose 0.2% in May and has risen for five months.



### NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of non-residential building fell 4.2% in May and is now showing falls for 11 months.



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## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Month	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL							
<b>2008</b>							
March	7 828	7 901	3 288	3 378	11 116	163	<b>11 279</b>
April	9 124	9 188	4 217	4 496	13 341	343	<b>13 684</b>
May	9 237	9 365	4 135	4 408	13 372	401	<b>13 773</b>
June	8 964	9 036	3 966	4 522	12 930	628	<b>13 558</b>
July	9 122	9 319	4 509	4 799	13 631	487	<b>14 118</b>
August	8 436	8 509	3 839	3 955	12 275	189	<b>12 464</b>
September	8 105	8 302	3 875	3 981	11 980	303	<b>12 283</b>
October	8 509	8 640	4 037	4 133	12 546	227	<b>12 773</b>
November	7 024	7 126	2 865	3 037	9 889	274	<b>10 163</b>
December	6 225	6 329	2 486	2 626	8 711	244	<b>8 955</b>
<b>2009</b>							
January	5 299	5 371	1 764	1 839	7 063	147	<b>7 210</b>
February	6 857	6 932	2 768	2 880	9 625	187	<b>9 812</b>
March	7 644	7 806	2 723	2 870	10 367	309	<b>10 676</b>
April	7 555	7 748	2 767	3 010	10 322	436	<b>10 758</b>
May	8 287	8 452	1 671	2 082	9 958	576	<b>10 534</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
<b>2008</b>							
March	8 760	8 850	3 809	3 931	12 569	212	<b>12 781</b>
April	8 750	8 808	4 392	4 637	13 142	303	<b>13 445</b>
May	8 562	8 690	3 946	4 143	12 508	325	<b>12 833</b>
June	8 567	8 623	3 954	4 393	12 521	495	<b>13 016</b>
July	8 194	8 333	4 313	4 476	12 506	303	<b>12 809</b>
August	8 082	8 161	3 817	3 990	11 900	251	<b>12 150</b>
September	7 702	7 874	3 533	3 696	11 235	335	<b>11 570</b>
October	7 803	7 939	3 448	3 586	11 251	274	<b>11 525</b>
November	7 042	7 147	2 937	3 137	9 979	306	<b>10 285</b>
December	7 018	7 125	2 485	2 662	9 504	283	<b>9 787</b>
<b>2009</b>							
January	7 083	7 181	2 059	2 205	9 142	244	<b>9 387</b>
February	7 229	7 345	2 682	2 821	9 911	256	<b>10 167</b>
March	7 480	7 657	3 096	3 270	10 576	350	<b>10 927</b>
April	7 987	8 162	2 976	3 212	10 963	411	<b>11 374</b>
May	7 831	8 010	1 677	1 943	9 508	445	<b>9 953</b>
TREND							
<b>2008</b>							
March	8 928	9 063	3 967	4 151	12 894	319	<b>13 214</b>
April	8 772	8 879	3 991	4 182	12 763	299	<b>13 061</b>
May	8 613	8 704	4 047	4 241	12 660	285	<b>12 945</b>
June	8 442	8 535	4 074	4 264	12 516	283	<b>12 798</b>
July	8 247	8 352	4 010	4 193	12 257	287	<b>12 545</b>
August	8 021	8 138	3 829	4 004	11 850	292	<b>12 142</b>
September	7 760	7 884	3 531	3 700	11 292	292	<b>11 584</b>
October	7 488	7 610	3 186	3 349	10 674	285	<b>10 959</b>
November	7 270	7 388	2 896	3 056	10 166	278	<b>10 444</b>
December	7 169	7 285	2 699	2 858	9 868	276	<b>10 143</b>
<b>2009</b>							
January	7 196	7 317	2 603	2 767	9 800	285	<b>10 084</b>
February	7 318	7 450	2 552	2 726	9 870	307	<b>10 177</b>
March	7 484	7 632	2 494	2 684	9 977	339	<b>10 316</b>
April	7 653	7 817	2 414	2 624	10 067	374	<b>10 441</b>
May	7 839	8 019	2 331	2 559	10 170	407	<b>10 577</b>

## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage change

Month	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

## ORIGINAL

## 2008

March	-14.6	-15.2	-16.6	-17.7	-15.2	-46.7	<b>-15.9</b>
April	16.6	16.3	28.3	33.1	20.0	110.4	<b>21.3</b>
May	1.2	1.9	-1.9	-2.0	0.2	16.9	<b>0.7</b>
June	-3.0	-3.5	-4.1	2.6	-3.3	56.6	<b>-1.6</b>
July	1.8	3.1	13.7	6.1	5.4	-22.5	<b>4.1</b>
August	-7.5	-8.7	-14.9	-17.6	-9.9	-61.2	<b>-11.7</b>
September	-3.9	-2.4	0.9	0.7	-2.4	60.3	<b>-1.5</b>
October	5.0	4.1	4.2	3.8	4.7	-25.1	<b>4.0</b>
November	-17.5	-17.5	-29.0	-26.5	-21.2	20.7	<b>-20.4</b>
December	-11.4	-11.2	-13.2	-13.5	-11.9	-10.9	<b>-11.9</b>

## 2009

January	-14.9	-15.1	-29.0	-30.0	-18.9	-39.8	<b>-19.5</b>
February	29.4	29.1	56.9	56.6	36.3	27.2	<b>36.1</b>
March	11.5	12.6	-1.6	-0.3	7.7	65.2	<b>8.8</b>
April	-1.2	-0.7	1.6	4.9	-0.4	41.1	<b>0.8</b>
May	9.7	9.1	-39.6	-30.8	-3.5	32.1	<b>-2.1</b>

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

## 2008

March	-5.4	-6.6	-2.8	-4.0	-4.6	-46.3	<b>-5.9</b>
April	-0.1	-0.5	15.3	17.9	4.6	42.7	<b>5.2</b>
May	-2.2	-1.3	-10.2	-10.7	-4.8	7.4	<b>-4.5</b>
June	0.1	-0.8	0.2	6.0	0.1	52.3	<b>1.4</b>
July	-4.4	-3.4	9.1	1.9	-0.1	-38.9	<b>-1.6</b>
August	-1.4	-2.1	-11.5	-10.9	-4.8	-17.2	<b>-5.1</b>
September	-4.7	-3.5	-7.5	-7.4	-5.6	33.8	<b>-4.8</b>
October	1.3	0.8	-2.4	-3.0	0.1	-18.3	<b>-0.4</b>
November	-9.8	-10.0	-14.8	-12.5	-11.3	11.7	<b>-10.8</b>
December	-0.3	-0.3	-15.4	-15.2	-4.8	-7.5	<b>-4.8</b>

## 2009

January	0.9	0.8	-17.2	-17.1	-3.8	-13.6	<b>-4.1</b>
February	2.1	2.3	30.3	27.9	8.4	4.8	<b>8.3</b>
March	3.5	4.2	15.4	15.9	6.7	36.9	<b>7.5</b>
April	6.8	6.6	-3.9	-1.8	3.7	17.2	<b>4.1</b>
May	-2.0	-1.9	-43.6	-39.5	-13.3	8.3	<b>-12.5</b>

## TREND

## 2008

March	-1.6	-1.9	-1.3	-1.1	-1.5	-6.8	<b>-1.6</b>
April	-1.7	-2.0	0.6	0.8	-1.0	-6.4	<b>-1.2</b>
May	-1.8	-2.0	1.4	1.4	-0.8	-4.5	<b>-0.9</b>
June	-2.0	-1.9	0.6	0.5	-1.1	-1.0	<b>-1.1</b>
July	-2.3	-2.1	-1.6	-1.7	-2.1	1.6	<b>-2.0</b>
August	-2.7	-2.6	-4.5	-4.5	-3.3	1.8	<b>-3.2</b>
September	-3.3	-3.1	-7.8	-7.6	-4.7	-0.1	<b>-4.6</b>
October	-3.5	-3.5	-9.8	-9.5	-5.5	-2.4	<b>-5.4</b>
November	-2.9	-2.9	-9.1	-8.7	-4.8	-2.6	<b>-4.7</b>
December	-1.4	-1.4	-6.8	-6.5	-2.9	-0.7	<b>-2.9</b>

## 2009

January	0.4	0.4	-3.5	-3.2	-0.7	3.3	<b>-0.6</b>
February	1.7	1.8	-2.0	-1.5	0.7	7.8	<b>0.9</b>
March	2.3	2.4	-2.3	-1.5	1.1	10.3	<b>1.4</b>
April	2.3	2.4	-3.2	-2.2	0.9	10.6	<b>1.2</b>
May	2.4	2.6	-3.4	-2.5	1.0	8.7	<b>1.3</b>

## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.

## ORIGINAL

## 2008

March	2 223	3 208	2 752	885	1 820	208	81	102	<b>11 279</b>
April	2 503	3 392	4 217	1 056	1 952	272	89	203	<b>13 684</b>
May	2 971	3 619	3 139	1 333	2 258	300	45	108	<b>13 773</b>
June	2 431	3 804	3 422	1 449	1 739	174	91	448	<b>13 558</b>
July	2 556	4 085	3 319	1 371	2 065	384	28	310	<b>14 118</b>
August	2 221	3 601	3 090	997	2 073	249	69	164	<b>12 464</b>
September	2 037	3 669	3 187	1 327	1 566	272	67	158	<b>12 283</b>
October	2 325	3 823	3 084	963	1 750	283	93	452	<b>12 773</b>
November	2 070	2 893	2 258	942	1 377	254	118	251	<b>10 163</b>
December	1 833	2 754	1 790	877	1 326	213	52	110	<b>8 955</b>

## 2009

January	1 182	2 431	1 425	727	1 071	233	39	102	<b>7 210</b>
February	1 652	3 564	1 679	901	1 548	208	79	181	<b>9 812</b>
March	1 606	4 023	2 052	983	1 429	238	122	223	<b>10 676</b>
April	2 052	3 294	2 312	1 012	1 413	221	118	336	<b>10 758</b>
May	1 885	3 236	2 067	868	1 792	326	84	276	<b>10 534</b>

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

## 2008

March	2 707	3 509	3 006	983	2 161	220	na	na	<b>12 781</b>
April	2 537	3 314	4 136	1 097	1 808	267	na	na	<b>13 445</b>
May	2 598	3 344	3 308	1 250	1 917	268	na	na	<b>12 833</b>
June	2 449	3 611	3 113	1 419	1 731	181	na	na	<b>13 016</b>
July	2 325	3 989	2 840	1 138	1 831	352	na	na	<b>12 809</b>
August	2 285	3 511	2 997	1 028	1 849	249	na	na	<b>12 150</b>
September	1 899	3 449	2 922	1 223	1 603	255	na	na	<b>11 570</b>
October	2 183	3 301	2 636	938	1 697	257	na	na	<b>11 525</b>
November	2 069	3 006	2 347	948	1 290	257	na	na	<b>10 285</b>
December	1 852	3 229	1 999	876	1 428	231	na	na	<b>9 787</b>

## 2009

January	1 484	3 225	1 937	933	1 366	245	na	na	<b>9 387</b>
February	1 732	3 396	1 875	960	1 674	250	na	na	<b>10 167</b>
March	1 702	4 121	2 047	1 018	1 454	228	na	na	<b>10 927</b>
April	2 209	3 508	2 404	1 053	1 516	226	na	na	<b>11 374</b>
May	1 643	3 197	2 084	869	1 516	287	na	na	<b>9 953</b>

## TREND

## 2008

March	2 644	3 456	3 576	1 096	1 921	258	89	174	<b>13 214</b>
April	2 584	3 476	3 459	1 121	1 885	255	83	197	<b>13 061</b>
May	2 514	3 532	3 344	1 149	1 856	255	71	224	<b>12 945</b>
June	2 438	3 584	3 217	1 163	1 831	259	61	245	<b>12 798</b>
July	2 341	3 599	3 083	1 152	1 794	264	58	254	<b>12 545</b>
August	2 241	3 550	2 927	1 116	1 733	265	62	248	<b>12 142</b>
September	2 138	3 432	2 743	1 062	1 649	263	69	227	<b>11 584</b>
October	2 028	3 302	2 536	1 002	1 561	258	75	198	<b>10 959</b>
November	1 920	3 232	2 334	961	1 491	251	79	176	<b>10 444</b>
December	1 831	3 258	2 156	944	1 455	243	83	173	<b>10 143</b>

## 2009

January	1 766	3 356	2 050	944	1 455	240	86	187	<b>10 084</b>
February	1 725	3 459	2 023	955	1 477	241	91	206	<b>10 177</b>
March	1 704	3 529	2 045	967	1 500	243	96	232	<b>10 316</b>
April	1 694	3 562	2 086	976	1 517	247	101	258	<b>10 441</b>
May	1 702	3 572	2 142	974	1 544	252	104	287	<b>10 577</b>

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## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories—Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

## ORIGINAL

## 2008

March	-16.7	-13.9	-20.1	-19.8	-1.8	-19.4	-46.0	-51.9	<b>-15.9</b>
April	12.6	5.7	53.2	19.3	7.3	30.8	9.9	99.0	<b>21.3</b>
May	18.7	6.7	-25.6	26.2	15.7	10.3	-49.4	-46.8	<b>0.7</b>
June	-18.2	5.1	9.0	8.7	-23.0	-42.0	102.2	314.8	<b>-1.6</b>
July	5.1	7.4	-3.0	-5.4	18.7	120.7	-69.2	-30.8	<b>4.1</b>
August	-13.1	-11.8	-6.9	-27.3	0.4	-35.2	146.4	-47.1	<b>-11.7</b>
September	-8.3	1.9	3.1	33.1	-24.5	9.2	-2.9	-3.7	<b>-1.5</b>
October	14.1	4.2	-3.2	-27.4	11.7	4.0	38.8	186.1	<b>4.0</b>
November	-11.0	-24.3	-26.8	-2.2	-21.3	-10.2	26.9	-44.5	<b>-20.4</b>
December	-11.4	-4.8	-20.7	-6.9	-3.7	-16.1	-55.9	-56.2	<b>-11.9</b>

## 2009

January	-35.5	-11.7	-20.4	-17.1	-19.2	9.4	-25.0	-7.3	<b>-19.5</b>
February	39.8	46.6	17.8	23.9	44.5	-10.7	102.6	77.5	<b>36.1</b>
March	-2.8	12.9	22.2	9.1	-7.7	14.4	54.4	23.2	<b>8.8</b>
April	27.8	-18.1	12.7	3.0	-1.1	-7.1	-3.3	50.7	<b>0.8</b>
May	-8.1	-1.8	-10.6	-14.2	26.8	47.5	-28.8	-17.9	<b>-2.1</b>

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

## 2008

March	3.7	—	-18.4	-15.0	10.3	-24.7	na	na	<b>-5.9</b>
April	-6.3	-5.6	37.6	11.6	-16.3	21.2	na	na	<b>5.2</b>
May	2.4	0.9	-20.0	14.0	6.0	0.5	na	na	<b>-4.5</b>
June	-5.7	8.0	-5.9	13.5	-9.7	-32.6	na	na	<b>1.4</b>
July	-5.1	10.5	-8.8	-19.8	5.8	94.3	na	na	<b>-1.6</b>
August	-1.8	-12.0	5.5	-9.7	1.0	-29.1	na	na	<b>-5.1</b>
September	-16.9	-1.8	-2.5	19.0	-13.3	2.4	na	na	<b>-4.8</b>
October	14.9	-4.3	-9.8	-23.4	5.9	0.8	na	na	<b>-0.4</b>
November	-5.2	-8.9	-10.9	1.1	-24.0	—	na	na	<b>-10.8</b>
December	-10.5	7.4	-14.8	-7.6	10.7	-10.4	na	na	<b>-4.8</b>

## 2009

January	-19.9	-0.1	-3.1	6.5	-4.4	6.5	na	na	<b>-4.1</b>
February	16.7	5.3	-3.2	3.0	22.6	1.7	na	na	<b>8.3</b>
March	-1.7	21.4	9.2	6.0	-13.2	-8.8	na	na	<b>7.5</b>
April	29.8	-14.9	17.4	3.4	4.2	-0.5	na	na	<b>4.1</b>
May	-25.6	-8.9	-13.3	-17.5	—	26.8	na	na	<b>-12.5</b>

## TREND

## 2008

March	-1.9	-0.8	-3.2	1.0	-2.0	-1.8	0.8	7.0	<b>-1.6</b>
April	-2.2	0.6	-3.3	2.3	-1.9	-1.3	-6.5	13.4	<b>-1.2</b>
May	-2.7	1.6	-3.3	2.4	-1.6	—	-13.6	13.6	<b>-0.9</b>
June	-3.0	1.5	-3.8	1.3	-1.3	1.6	-14.3	9.6	<b>-1.1</b>
July	-4.0	0.4	-4.1	-1.0	-2.0	1.9	-5.3	3.5	<b>-2.0</b>
August	-4.3	-1.3	-5.1	-3.1	-3.4	0.6	6.6	-2.4	<b>-3.2</b>
September	-4.6	-3.3	-6.3	-4.9	-4.8	-0.8	11.7	-8.3	<b>-4.6</b>
October	-5.2	-3.8	-7.6	-5.6	-5.3	-2.0	8.0	-12.8	<b>-5.4</b>
November	-5.3	-2.1	-7.9	-4.1	-4.5	-2.9	6.3	-11.0	<b>-4.7</b>
December	-4.6	0.8	-7.6	-1.8	-2.4	-2.9	4.7	-2.0	<b>-2.9</b>

## 2009

January	-3.6	3.0	-4.9	0.1	—	-1.2	4.1	7.9	<b>-0.6</b>
February	-2.3	3.1	-1.3	1.2	1.5	0.1	4.9	10.4	<b>0.9</b>
March	-1.2	2.0	1.1	1.3	1.6	0.8	6.0	12.5	<b>1.4</b>
April	-0.6	0.9	2.0	0.9	1.1	1.7	5.3	11.5	<b>1.2</b>
May	0.5	0.3	2.7	-0.1	1.8	2.2	2.7	10.9	<b>1.3</b>

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## PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, States and territories

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<b><i>Aust.</i></b>
<i>Month</i>	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.

## ORIGINAL

## 2008

March	1 137	2 544	2 020	690	1 179	169	26	63	<b>7 828</b>
April	1 290	2 817	2 392	818	1 364	249	37	157	<b>9 124</b>
May	1 339	2 564	2 321	1 015	1 624	263	33	78	<b>9 237</b>
June	1 204	2 799	2 385	876	1 320	156	43	181	<b>8 964</b>
July	1 249	2 712	2 304	984	1 484	301	22	66	<b>9 122</b>
August	1 261	2 746	1 877	750	1 452	214	54	82	<b>8 436</b>
September	1 119	2 637	1 879	801	1 319	221	48	81	<b>8 105</b>
October	1 284	2 599	1 877	806	1 569	209	69	96	<b>8 509</b>
November	974	2 297	1 563	706	1 139	189	60	96	<b>7 024</b>
December	892	2 001	1 302	636	1 081	169	39	105	<b>6 225</b>

## 2009

January	791	1 742	1 027	551	924	161	33	70	<b>5 299</b>
February	971	2 450	1 316	718	1 097	153	39	113	<b>6 857</b>
March	1 096	2 659	1 503	751	1 225	210	41	159	<b>7 644</b>
April	1 026	2 663	1 490	767	1 165	211	66	167	<b>7 555</b>
May	1 284	2 641	1 671	667	1 519	252	57	196	<b>8 287</b>

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

## 2008

March	1 343	2 750	2 215	765	1 406	na	na	na	<b>8 760</b>
April	1 282	2 628	2 337	836	1 248	na	na	na	<b>8 750</b>
May	1 182	2 486	2 226	934	1 392	na	na	na	<b>8 562</b>
June	1 141	2 612	2 260	869	1 322	na	na	na	<b>8 567</b>
July	1 100	2 460	2 025	837	1 407	na	na	na	<b>8 194</b>
August	1 158	2 599	1 781	789	1 411	na	na	na	<b>8 082</b>
September	1 073	2 506	1 771	751	1 271	na	na	na	<b>7 702</b>
October	1 229	2 377	1 648	753	1 462	na	na	na	<b>7 803</b>
November	1 036	2 314	1 596	709	1 047	na	na	na	<b>7 042</b>
December	990	2 338	1 499	647	1 206	na	na	na	<b>7 018</b>

## 2009

January	996	2 448	1 403	720	1 170	na	na	na	<b>7 083</b>
February	1 024	2 503	1 410	743	1 195	na	na	na	<b>7 229</b>
March	1 088	2 539	1 490	763	1 191	na	na	na	<b>7 480</b>
April	1 161	2 723	1 578	788	1 285	na	na	na	<b>7 987</b>
May	1 161	2 686	1 578	666	1 277	na	na	na	<b>7 831</b>

## TREND

## 2008

March	1 318	2 622	2 403	866	1 361	na	na	na	<b>8 928</b>
April	1 265	2 604	2 321	868	1 354	na	na	na	<b>8 772</b>
May	1 212	2 588	2 229	864	1 358	na	na	na	<b>8 613</b>
June	1 170	2 568	2 124	854	1 368	na	na	na	<b>8 442</b>
July	1 141	2 537	2 010	834	1 370	na	na	na	<b>8 247</b>
August	1 126	2 494	1 890	802	1 360	na	na	na	<b>8 021</b>
September	1 112	2 450	1 764	764	1 330	na	na	na	<b>7 760</b>
October	1 090	2 409	1 646	729	1 281	na	na	na	<b>7 488</b>
November	1 063	2 382	1 554	710	1 229	na	na	na	<b>7 270</b>
December	1 041	2 388	1 497	709	1 194	na	na	na	<b>7 169</b>

## 2009

January	1 035	2 431	1 473	717	1 183	na	na	na	<b>7 196</b>
February	1 049	2 498	1 470	728	1 194	na	na	na	<b>7 318</b>
March	1 077	2 569	1 484	736	1 214	na	na	na	<b>7 484</b>
April	1 107	2 636	1 509	739	1 236	na	na	na	<b>7 653</b>
May	1 146	2 693	1 537	740	1 273	na	na	na	<b>7 839</b>

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## PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

## ORIGINAL

## 2008

March	-21.0	-3.0	-19.1	-25.6	-10.8	-28.7	-44.7	-18.2	<b>-14.6</b>
April	13.5	10.7	18.4	18.6	15.7	47.3	42.3	149.2	<b>16.6</b>
May	3.8	-9.0	-3.0	24.1	19.1	5.6	-10.8	-50.3	<b>1.2</b>
June	-10.1	9.2	2.8	-13.7	-18.7	-40.7	30.3	132.1	<b>-3.0</b>
July	3.7	-3.1	-3.4	12.3	12.4	92.9	-48.8	-63.5	<b>1.8</b>
August	1.0	1.3	-18.5	-23.8	-2.2	-28.9	145.5	24.2	<b>-7.5</b>
September	-11.3	-4.0	0.1	6.8	-9.2	3.3	-11.1	-1.2	<b>-3.9</b>
October	14.7	-1.4	-0.1	0.6	19.0	-5.4	43.8	18.5	<b>5.0</b>
November	-24.1	-11.6	-16.7	-12.4	-27.4	-9.6	-13.0	—	<b>-17.5</b>
December	-8.4	-12.9	-16.7	-9.9	-5.1	-10.6	-35.0	9.4	<b>-11.4</b>

## 2009

January	-11.3	-12.9	-21.1	-13.4	-14.5	-4.7	-15.4	-33.3	<b>-14.9</b>
February	22.8	40.6	28.1	30.3	18.7	-5.0	18.2	61.4	<b>29.4</b>
March	12.9	8.5	14.2	4.6	11.7	37.3	5.1	40.7	<b>11.5</b>
April	-6.4	0.2	-0.9	2.1	-4.9	0.5	61.0	5.0	<b>-1.2</b>
May	25.1	-0.8	12.1	-13.0	30.4	19.4	-13.6	17.4	<b>9.7</b>

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

## 2008

March	-4.0	6.7	-12.6	-19.0	-0.6	na	na	na	<b>-5.4</b>
April	-4.5	-4.4	5.5	9.2	-11.3	na	na	na	<b>-0.1</b>
May	-7.8	-5.4	-4.8	11.8	11.6	na	na	na	<b>-2.2</b>
June	-3.4	5.1	1.5	-7.0	-5.1	na	na	na	<b>0.1</b>
July	-3.6	-5.8	-10.4	-3.6	6.5	na	na	na	<b>-4.4</b>
August	5.3	5.7	-12.1	-5.7	0.3	na	na	na	<b>-1.4</b>
September	-7.4	-3.6	-0.5	-4.8	-9.9	na	na	na	<b>-4.7</b>
October	14.6	-5.1	-6.9	0.3	15.0	na	na	na	<b>1.3</b>
November	-15.7	-2.6	-3.2	-5.9	-28.4	na	na	na	<b>-9.8</b>
December	-4.5	1.0	-6.1	-8.7	15.2	na	na	na	<b>-0.3</b>

## 2009

January	0.6	4.7	-6.4	11.3	-3.0	na	na	na	<b>0.9</b>
February	2.9	2.2	0.5	3.3	2.1	na	na	na	<b>2.1</b>
March	6.2	1.4	5.6	2.6	-0.3	na	na	na	<b>3.5</b>
April	6.7	7.3	5.9	3.4	7.9	na	na	na	<b>6.8</b>
May	—	-1.4	—	-15.5	-0.6	na	na	na	<b>-2.0</b>

## TREND

## 2008

March	-2.9	-0.7	-3.1	0.2	-1.1	na	na	na	<b>-1.6</b>
April	-4.0	-0.7	-3.4	0.1	-0.5	na	na	na	<b>-1.7</b>
May	-4.1	-0.6	-4.0	-0.4	0.3	na	na	na	<b>-1.8</b>
June	-3.5	-0.8	-4.7	-1.2	0.7	na	na	na	<b>-2.0</b>
July	-2.5	-1.2	-5.3	-2.4	0.2	na	na	na	<b>-2.3</b>
August	-1.3	-1.7	-6.0	-3.8	-0.7	na	na	na	<b>-2.7</b>
September	-1.2	-1.8	-6.7	-4.7	-2.3	na	na	na	<b>-3.3</b>
October	-2.0	-1.7	-6.7	-4.7	-3.7	na	na	na	<b>-3.5</b>
November	-2.5	-1.1	-5.6	-2.5	-4.1	na	na	na	<b>-2.9</b>
December	-2.1	0.3	-3.7	-0.2	-2.9	na	na	na	<b>-1.4</b>

## 2009

January	-0.5	1.8	-1.6	1.2	-0.9	na	na	na	<b>0.4</b>
February	1.4	2.8	-0.2	1.5	0.9	na	na	na	<b>1.7</b>
March	2.6	2.9	1.0	1.1	1.7	na	na	na	<b>2.3</b>
April	2.8	2.6	1.6	0.4	1.7	na	na	na	<b>2.3</b>
May	3.5	2.2	1.9	0.2	3.0	na	na	na	<b>2.4</b>

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories: **Original**

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
<i>Period</i>	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>HOUSES</b>									
<b>2005-06</b>	16 875	28 808	25 342	8 325	22 071	2 288	678	1 044	<b>105 431</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	15 951	28 867	28 751	8 597	19 580	2 541	766	1 264	<b>106 317</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	15 786	31 556	30 240	10 378	17 121	2 540	590	1 284	<b>109 495</b>
<b>2008</b>									
June	1 208	2 810	2 401	890	1 327	158	43	199	<b>9 036</b>
July	1 267	2 729	2 319	1 009	1 583	312	26	74	<b>9 319</b>
August	1 268	2 749	1 894	767	1 458	216	66	91	<b>8 509</b>
September	1 154	2 672	1 900	823	1 364	222	53	114	<b>8 302</b>
October	1 285	2 622	1 927	813	1 591	216	80	106	<b>8 640</b>
November	980	2 308	1 578	741	1 151	189	69	110	<b>7 126</b>
December	895	2 022	1 307	696	1 092	169	42	106	<b>6 329</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	812	1 747	1 033	580	933	161	35	70	<b>5 371</b>
February	982	2 453	1 332	732	1 117	155	46	115	<b>6 932</b>
March	1 124	2 667	1 526	805	1 246	217	60	161	<b>7 806</b>
April	1 053	2 674	1 532	768	1 234	215	104	168	<b>7 748</b>
May	1 295	2 659	1 720	685	1 560	266	70	197	<b>8 452</b>
<b>OTHER DWELLINGS</b>									
<b>2005-06</b>	17 285	7 721	12 691	3 133	4 099	346	685	823	<b>46 783</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	15 451	9 075	12 765	2 221	5 507	399	698	982	<b>47 098</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	15 516	11 352	14 807	3 002	6 520	398	582	1 055	<b>53 232</b>
<b>2008</b>									
June	1 223	994	1 021	559	412	16	48	249	<b>4 522</b>
July	1 289	1 356	1 000	362	482	72	2	236	<b>4 799</b>
August	953	852	1 196	230	615	33	3	73	<b>3 955</b>
September	883	997	1 287	504	202	50	14	44	<b>3 981</b>
October	1 040	1 201	1 157	150	159	67	13	346	<b>4 133</b>
November	1 090	585	680	201	226	65	49	141	<b>3 037</b>
December	938	732	483	181	234	44	10	4	<b>2 626</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	370	684	392	147	138	72	4	32	<b>1 839</b>
February	670	1 111	347	169	431	53	33	66	<b>2 880</b>
March	482	1 356	526	178	183	21	62	62	<b>2 870</b>
April	999	620	780	244	179	6	14	168	<b>3 010</b>
May	590	577	347	183	232	60	14	79	<b>2 082</b>
<b>TOTAL DWELLING UNITS</b>									
<b>2005-06</b>	34 160	36 529	38 033	11 458	26 170	2 634	1 363	1 867	<b>152 214</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	31 402	37 942	41 516	10 818	25 087	2 940	1 464	2 246	<b>153 415</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	31 302	42 908	45 047	13 380	23 641	2 938	1 172	2 339	<b>162 727</b>
<b>2008</b>									
June	2 431	3 804	3 422	1 449	1 739	174	91	448	<b>13 558</b>
July	2 556	4 085	3 319	1 371	2 065	384	28	310	<b>14 118</b>
August	2 221	3 601	3 090	997	2 073	249	69	164	<b>12 464</b>
September	2 037	3 669	3 187	1 327	1 566	272	67	158	<b>12 283</b>
October	2 325	3 823	3 084	963	1 750	283	93	452	<b>12 773</b>
November	2 070	2 893	2 258	942	1 377	254	118	251	<b>10 163</b>
December	1 833	2 754	1 790	877	1 326	213	52	110	<b>8 955</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	1 182	2 431	1 425	727	1 071	233	39	102	<b>7 210</b>
February	1 652	3 564	1 679	901	1 548	208	79	181	<b>9 812</b>
March	1 606	4 023	2 052	983	1 429	238	122	223	<b>10 676</b>
April	2 052	3 294	2 312	1 012	1 413	221	118	336	<b>10 758</b>
May	1 885	3 236	2 067	868	1 792	326	84	276	<b>10 534</b>

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By Capital City Statistical Division(a): **Original**

	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Greater Hobart	Darwin	Canberra
Period	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
HOUSES								
<b>2005-06</b>	6 563	18 742	9 918	4 982	15 392	1 004	517	1 041
<b>2006-07</b>	6 460	19 169	10 775	5 526	13 462	1 165	573	1 263
<b>2007-08</b>	6 686	22 124	11 935	6 673	11 742	1 044	471	1 268
<b>2008</b>								
June	547	2 010	1 055	541	932	67	40	199
July	518	1 860	1 010	621	1 048	138	23	74
August	633	2 063	752	472	1 012	96	61	91
September	522	1 853	842	455	918	117	44	113
October	566	1 965	835	520	1 121	84	52	105
November	440	1 641	686	467	836	81	57	110
December	409	1 395	596	430	781	69	36	105
<b>2009</b>								
January	328	1 206	418	376	646	77	28	69
February	457	1 673	581	489	786	54	41	114
March	491	1 919	687	504	906	73	46	161
April	424	1 919	603	519	808	92	69	166
May	552	1 784	751	444	1 117	134	62	194
OTHER DWELLINGS								
<b>2005-06</b>	11 403	6 626	5 862	2 785	3 218	113	462	823
<b>2006-07</b>	10 993	8 120	4 880	1 645	4 138	178	668	982
<b>2007-08</b>	11 689	10 273	6 256	2 705	5 388	142	526	1 055
<b>2008</b>								
June	930	815	491	519	355	6	48	249
July	855	1 321	679	327	349	26	2	236
August	731	700	442	188	553	—	3	73
September	705	883	665	324	160	24	12	44
October	798	1 063	368	130	97	44	13	346
November	755	527	199	189	179	57	49	141
December	783	663	317	165	145	28	9	4
<b>2009</b>								
January	281	647	148	145	130	54	4	32
February	496	1 052	79	165	386	24	29	66
March	345	1 319	313	174	150	15	62	62
April	878	595	460	240	126	—	14	168
May	450	527	205	178	222	29	14	79
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS								
<b>2005-06</b>	17 966	25 368	15 780	7 767	18 610	1 117	979	1 864
<b>2006-07</b>	17 453	27 289	15 655	7 171	17 600	1 343	1 241	2 245
<b>2007-08</b>	18 375	32 397	18 191	9 378	17 130	1 186	997	2 323
<b>2008</b>								
June	1 477	2 825	1 546	1 060	1 287	73	88	448
July	1 373	3 181	1 689	948	1 397	164	25	310
August	1 364	2 763	1 194	660	1 565	96	64	164
September	1 227	2 736	1 507	779	1 078	141	56	157
October	1 364	3 028	1 203	650	1 218	128	65	451
November	1 195	2 168	885	656	1 015	138	106	251
December	1 192	2 058	913	595	926	97	45	109
<b>2009</b>								
January	609	1 853	566	521	776	131	32	101
February	953	2 725	660	654	1 172	78	70	180
March	836	3 238	1 000	678	1 056	88	108	223
April	1 302	2 514	1 063	759	934	92	83	334
May	1 002	2 311	956	622	1 339	163	76	273

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(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 25.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By sector: **Original**

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings</i>	<i>Conversion(a)</i>	<i>Non-residential building(a)</i>	<i>Total dwelling units</i>
<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
PRIVATE SECTOR						
<b>2005-06</b>	103 443	43 464	470	1 091	320	<b>148 788</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	104 121	44 381	491	479	356	<b>149 828</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	107 528	49 644	635	320	301	<b>158 428</b>
<b>2008</b>						
June	8 959	3 924	21	4	22	<b>12 930</b>
July	9 116	4 386	84	23	22	<b>13 631</b>
August	8 430	3 743	43	26	33	<b>12 275</b>
September	8 091	3 823	34	13	19	<b>11 980</b>
October	8 498	3 976	32	23	17	<b>12 546</b>
November	7 014	2 831	30	8	6	<b>9 889</b>
December	6 215	2 408	32	34	22	<b>8 711</b>
<b>2009</b>						
January	5 295	1 698	31	27	12	<b>7 063</b>
February	6 815	2 668	81	48	13	<b>9 625</b>
March	7 634	2 670	25	27	11	<b>10 367</b>
April	7 539	2 657	85	13	28	<b>10 322</b>
May	8 276	1 632	29	9	12	<b>9 958</b>
PUBLIC SECTOR						
<b>2005-06</b>	1 855	1 515	51	2	3	<b>3 426</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	1 962	1 607	14	2	2	<b>3 587</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	1 822	2 293	71	105	8	<b>4 299</b>
<b>2008</b>						
June	72	547	3	6	—	<b>628</b>
July	196	283	1	6	1	<b>487</b>
August	73	92	1	21	2	<b>189</b>
September	196	106	—	1	—	<b>303</b>
October	131	96	—	—	—	<b>227</b>
November	101	154	3	16	—	<b>274</b>
December	104	140	—	—	—	<b>244</b>
<b>2009</b>						
January	72	72	—	3	—	<b>147</b>
February	75	112	—	—	—	<b>187</b>
March	162	147	—	—	—	<b>309</b>
April	193	239	4	—	—	<b>436</b>
May	165	410	—	—	1	<b>576</b>
TOTAL						
<b>2005-06</b>	105 298	44 979	521	1 093	323	<b>152 214</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	106 083	45 988	505	481	358	<b>153 415</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	109 350	51 937	706	425	309	<b>162 727</b>
<b>2008</b>						
June	9 031	4 471	24	10	22	<b>13 558</b>
July	9 312	4 669	85	29	23	<b>14 118</b>
August	8 503	3 835	44	47	35	<b>12 464</b>
September	8 287	3 929	34	14	19	<b>12 283</b>
October	8 629	4 072	32	23	17	<b>12 773</b>
November	7 115	2 985	33	24	6	<b>10 163</b>
December	6 319	2 548	32	34	22	<b>8 955</b>
<b>2009</b>						
January	5 367	1 770	31	30	12	<b>7 210</b>
February	6 890	2 780	81	48	13	<b>9 812</b>
March	7 796	2 817	25	27	11	<b>10 676</b>
April	7 732	2 896	89	13	28	<b>10 758</b>
May	8 441	2 042	29	9	13	<b>10 534</b>

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(a) See Glossary for definition.

<i>States and territories</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings</i>	<i>Conversions(a)</i>	<i>Non-residential building(a)</i>	<i>Total dwelling units</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>						
NSW	1 279	387	8	2	4	<b>1 680</b>
Vic.	2 641	472	3	3	2	<b>3 121</b>
Qld	1 669	289	3	—	3	<b>1 964</b>
SA	667	181	—	—	2	<b>850</b>
WA	1 518	161	13	1	—	<b>1 693</b>
Tas.	250	50	1	2	1	<b>304</b>
NT	56	13	1	1	—	<b>71</b>
ACT	196	79	—	—	—	<b>275</b>
Aust.	8 276	1 632	29	9	12	<b>9 958</b>
<b>PUBLIC SECTOR</b>						
NSW	11	194	—	—	—	<b>205</b>
Vic.	18	97	—	—	—	<b>115</b>
Qld	49	54	—	—	—	<b>103</b>
SA	18	—	—	—	—	<b>18</b>
WA	41	58	—	—	—	<b>99</b>
Tas.	14	7	—	—	1	<b>22</b>
NT	13	—	—	—	—	<b>13</b>
ACT	1	—	—	—	—	<b>1</b>
Aust.	165	410	—	—	1	<b>576</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>						
NSW	1 290	581	8	2	4	<b>1 885</b>
Vic.	2 659	569	3	3	2	<b>3 236</b>
Qld	1 718	343	3	—	3	<b>2 067</b>
SA	685	181	—	—	2	<b>868</b>
WA	1 559	219	13	1	—	<b>1 792</b>
Tas.	264	57	1	2	2	<b>326</b>
NT	69	13	1	1	—	<b>84</b>
ACT	197	79	—	—	—	<b>276</b>
Aust.	8 441	2 042	29	9	13	<b>10 534</b>

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## Original

	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF				NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF					
Period	New houses	One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total	Total new other residential building	Total new residential building
DWELLING UNITS (no.)										
2005-06	105 298	10 180	10 561	20 741	3 037	5 166	16 035	24 238	44 979	150 277
2006-07	106 083	10 025	11 247	21 272	2 478	4 379	17 859	24 716	45 988	152 071
2007-08	109 350	10 518	12 264	22 782	3 332	4 293	21 530	29 155	51 937	161 287
2008										
March	7 896	631	580	1 211	190	193	1 700	2 083	3 294	11 190
April	9 160	1 003	1 049	2 052	242	463	1 629	2 334	4 386	13 546
May	9 357	979	1 091	2 070	312	341	1 603	2 256	4 326	13 683
June	9 031	1 136	1 231	2 367	206	250	1 648	2 104	4 471	13 502
July	9 312	875	1 255	2 130	241	356	1 942	2 539	4 669	13 981
August	8 503	852	722	1 574	393	266	1 602	2 261	3 835	12 338
September	8 287	1 006	943	1 949	169	450	1 361	1 980	3 929	12 216
October	8 629	727	778	1 505	159	183	2 225	2 567	4 072	12 701
November	7 115	754	761	1 515	149	271	1 050	1 470	2 985	10 100
December	6 319	644	615	1 259	242	139	908	1 289	2 548	8 867
2009										
January	5 367	295	459	754	98	231	687	1 016	1 770	7 137
February	6 890	787	535	1 322	254	250	954	1 458	2 780	9 670
March	7 796	497	679	1 176	237	172	1 232	1 641	2 817	10 613
April	7 732	544	718	1 262	151	273	1 210	1 634	2 896	10 628
May	8 441	561	667	1 228	171	121	522	814	2 042	10 483
VALUE (\$m)										
2005-06	21 989.0	1 396.9	1 884.5	3 281.4	524.5	886.5	4 132.4	5 543.4	8 824.9	30 813.9
2006-07	24 038.0	1 403.2	2 119.8	3 523.1	458.9	926.1	5 040.8	6 425.8	9 948.9	33 986.9
2007-08	26 588.5	1 649.8	2 484.1	4 133.9	611.1	947.4	6 947.6	8 506.2	12 640.0	39 228.5
2008										
March	1 935.6	97.8	120.2	218.0	29.0	39.8	495.4	564.1	782.2	2 717.8
April	2 230.8	153.3	217.6	370.9	49.9	79.7	710.2	839.8	1 210.6	3 441.4
May	2 316.9	176.6	236.1	412.7	53.4	94.5	592.8	740.7	1 153.4	3 470.3
June	2 266.8	187.3	269.8	457.1	61.2	44.8	449.1	555.2	1 012.3	3 279.2
July	2 339.6	155.2	281.9	437.1	38.2	78.3	600.2	716.7	1 153.8	3 493.4
August	2 170.1	131.1	165.0	296.2	48.8	70.2	452.9	571.9	868.0	3 038.1
September	2 072.4	187.6	199.4	387.0	35.0	65.3	494.8	595.1	982.1	3 054.5
October	2 131.6	120.4	173.6	293.9	28.0	48.8	1 028.2	1 105.0	1 398.9	3 530.5
November	1 811.1	126.8	156.9	283.7	35.4	44.8	323.0	403.2	686.8	2 498.0
December	1 575.1	95.0	135.9	230.8	38.0	36.9	248.1	322.9	553.8	2 128.9
2009										
January	1 331.9	41.3	90.4	131.6	15.6	34.2	183.9	233.7	365.3	1 697.2
February	1 668.4	141.6	114.4	256.0	53.7	43.4	308.7	405.9	662.0	2 330.4
March	1 871.3	72.2	137.8	209.9	37.9	39.5	337.7	415.2	625.1	2 496.4
April	1 875.0	81.3	141.5	222.7	23.7	57.8	288.1	369.6	592.3	2 467.3
May	2 020.8	86.5	142.2	228.7	25.9	23.5	113.9	163.3	392.0	2 412.8

(a) See Glossary for definition.

# DWELLING UNITS APPROVED IN NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, States and territories—Number and value: **Original**

		NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF			NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF					
States and territories	New houses	One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total	Total new other residential building	Total new residential building
DWELLING UNITS (no.)										
NSW	1 290	52	213	265	53	53	210	316	581	1 871
Vic.	2 659	96	244	340	6	10	213	229	569	3 228
Qld	1 718	88	102	190	97	56	—	153	343	2 061
SA	685	89	57	146	5	—	30	35	181	866
WA	1 559	100	42	142	6	2	69	77	219	1 778
Tas.	264	53	—	53	4	—	—	4	57	321
NT	69	4	9	13	—	—	—	—	13	82
ACT	197	79	—	79	—	—	—	—	79	276
Aust.	8 441	561	667	1 228	171	121	522	814	2 042	10 483
VALUE (\$m)										
NSW	340.4	9.8	42.0	51.7	8.6	9.1	50.9	68.6	120.3	460.8
Vic.	631.5	15.0	57.8	72.7	0.9	2.7	33.4	37.0	109.7	741.2
Qld	429.6	13.5	19.0	32.6	13.5	11.0	—	24.4	57.0	486.7
SA	126.9	13.5	8.1	21.6	1.0	—	3.0	4.0	25.6	152.5
WA	376.8	17.0	12.6	29.7	1.5	0.7	26.6	28.8	58.5	435.3
Tas.	54.2	8.0	—	8.0	0.4	—	—	0.4	8.4	62.6
NT	22.6	0.7	2.7	3.4	—	—	—	—	3.4	26.0
ACT	38.7	9.0	—	9.0	—	—	—	—	9.0	47.8
Aust.	2 020.8	86.5	142.2	228.7	25.9	23.5	113.9	163.3	392.0	2 412.8

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

<i>Month</i>	<i>New residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings(a)</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non- residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
ORIGINAL					
<b>2008</b>					
April	3 441.4	511.8	3 953.2	2 680.7	<b>6 634.0</b>
May	3 470.3	508.0	3 978.3	3 583.2	<b>7 561.5</b>
June	3 279.2	523.4	3 802.5	3 247.6	<b>7 050.1</b>
July	3 493.4	615.2	4 108.6	3 824.4	<b>7 933.1</b>
August	3 038.1	538.3	3 576.4	3 207.1	<b>6 783.5</b>
September	3 054.5	536.6	3 591.0	3 277.5	<b>6 868.6</b>
October	3 530.5	498.5	4 029.1	2 147.8	<b>6 176.9</b>
November	2 498.0	472.8	2 970.8	2 227.0	<b>5 197.8</b>
December	2 128.9	376.2	2 505.1	1 646.8	<b>4 151.9</b>
<b>2009</b>					
January	1 697.2	367.0	2 064.2	2 027.7	<b>4 091.9</b>
February	2 330.4	434.0	2 764.4	2 228.5	<b>4 992.9</b>
March	2 496.4	472.8	2 969.2	2 101.1	<b>5 070.3</b>
April	2 467.3	454.0	2 921.3	1 672.4	<b>4 593.7</b>
May	2 412.8	452.3	2 865.1	1 428.1	<b>4 293.2</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
<b>2008</b>					
April	3 297.8	522.2	3 820.0	2 826.2	<b>6 646.2</b>
May	3 295.5	487.7	3 783.2	3 513.1	<b>7 296.3</b>
June	3 173.3	503.6	3 676.9	3 212.0	<b>6 888.9</b>
July	3 114.6	557.6	3 672.2	3 266.6	<b>6 938.8</b>
August	3 081.7	496.6	3 578.3	3 149.7	<b>6 728.0</b>
September	2 861.8	489.4	3 351.2	3 012.2	<b>6 363.5</b>
October	3 252.7	461.0	3 713.7	1 982.8	<b>5 696.4</b>
November	2 528.5	465.0	2 993.5	2 255.7	<b>5 249.2</b>
December	2 260.3	450.3	2 710.6	1 839.5	<b>4 550.1</b>
<b>2009</b>					
January	2 133.4	460.6	2 594.0	2 059.7	<b>4 653.8</b>
February	2 437.9	452.3	2 890.2	2 457.1	<b>5 347.3</b>
March	2 523.3	452.8	2 976.0	2 084.8	<b>5 060.8</b>
April	2 541.3	507.4	3 048.7	1 913.1	<b>4 961.8</b>
May	2 398.5	439.4	2 838.0	1 513.2	<b>4 351.1</b>
TREND					
<b>2008</b>					
April	3 217.8	514.2	3 732.0	3 070.3	<b>6 802.3</b>
May	3 192.1	512.3	3 704.4	3 126.6	<b>6 831.0</b>
June	3 182.0	511.1	3 693.1	3 160.7	<b>6 853.8</b>
July	3 163.0	508.4	3 671.4	3 124.0	<b>6 795.4</b>
August	3 096.1	501.9	3 598.0	2 982.6	<b>6 580.6</b>
September	2 964.5	490.7	3 455.2	2 739.3	<b>6 194.5</b>
October	2 793.6	475.6	3 269.2	2 453.3	<b>5 722.5</b>
November	2 619.2	463.0	3 082.1	2 203.9	<b>5 286.0</b>
December	2 476.0	456.7	2 932.7	2 042.9	<b>4 975.6</b>
<b>2009</b>					
January	2 389.7	457.3	2 847.0	1 965.3	<b>4 812.3</b>
February	2 362.3	460.2	2 822.5	1 926.0	<b>4 748.5</b>
March	2 372.3	462.7	2 835.0	1 880.5	<b>4 715.5</b>
April	2 391.0	464.7	2 855.8	1 829.7	<b>4 685.5</b>
May	2 447.0	465.5	2 912.5	1 753.7	<b>4 666.2</b>

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

## VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

<i>Month</i>	<i>New residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings(a)</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non- residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL					
<b>2008</b>					
April	26.6	11.0	24.4	-0.2	<b>13.1</b>
May	0.8	-0.7	0.6	33.7	<b>14.0</b>
June	-5.5	3.0	-4.4	-9.4	<b>-6.8</b>
July	6.5	17.5	8.0	17.8	<b>12.5</b>
August	-13.0	-12.5	-13.0	-16.1	<b>-14.5</b>
September	0.5	-0.3	0.4	2.2	<b>1.3</b>
October	15.6	-7.1	12.2	-34.5	<b>-10.1</b>
November	-29.2	-5.2	-26.3	3.7	<b>-15.9</b>
December	-14.8	-20.4	-15.7	-26.1	<b>-20.1</b>
<b>2009</b>					
January	-20.3	-2.4	-17.6	23.1	<b>-1.4</b>
February	37.3	18.2	33.9	9.9	<b>22.0</b>
March	7.1	8.9	7.4	-5.7	<b>1.6</b>
April	-1.2	-4.0	-1.6	-20.4	<b>-9.4</b>
May	-2.2	-0.4	-1.9	-14.6	<b>-6.5</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
<b>2008</b>					
April	8.2	4.3	7.7	-5.4	<b>1.7</b>
May	-0.1	-6.6	-1.0	24.3	<b>9.8</b>
June	-3.7	3.3	-2.8	-8.6	<b>-5.6</b>
July	-1.9	10.7	-0.1	1.7	<b>0.7</b>
August	-1.1	-10.9	-2.6	-3.6	<b>-3.0</b>
September	-7.1	-1.4	-6.3	-4.4	<b>-5.4</b>
October	13.7	-5.8	10.8	-34.2	<b>-10.5</b>
November	-22.3	0.9	-19.4	13.8	<b>-7.9</b>
December	-10.6	-3.2	-9.4	-18.5	<b>-13.3</b>
<b>2009</b>					
January	-5.6	2.3	-4.3	12.0	<b>2.3</b>
February	14.3	-1.8	11.4	19.3	<b>14.9</b>
March	3.5	0.1	3.0	-15.2	<b>-5.4</b>
April	0.7	12.1	2.4	-8.2	<b>-2.0</b>
May	-5.6	-13.4	-6.9	-20.9	<b>-12.3</b>
TREND					
<b>2008</b>					
April	-1.5	-0.6	-1.4	1.4	<b>-0.1</b>
May	-0.8	-0.4	-0.7	1.8	<b>0.4</b>
June	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	<b>0.3</b>
July	-0.6	-0.5	-0.6	-1.2	<b>-0.9</b>
August	-2.1	-1.3	-2.0	-4.5	<b>-3.2</b>
September	-4.3	-2.2	-4.0	-8.2	<b>-5.9</b>
October	-5.8	-3.1	-5.4	-10.4	<b>-7.6</b>
November	-6.2	-2.7	-5.7	-10.2	<b>-7.6</b>
December	-5.5	-1.4	-4.8	-7.3	<b>-5.9</b>
<b>2009</b>					
January	-3.5	0.1	-2.9	-3.8	<b>-3.3</b>
February	-1.1	0.6	-0.9	-2.0	<b>-1.3</b>
March	0.4	0.5	0.4	-2.4	<b>-0.7</b>
April	0.8	0.4	0.7	-2.7	<b>-0.6</b>
May	2.3	0.2	2.0	-4.2	<b>-0.4</b>

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

## VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
<b>2008</b>									
March	1 244.2	1 784.6	1 508.1	261.8	840.6	100.2	75.3	49.8	<b>5 864.8</b>
April	1 854.5	1 445.7	1 801.5	442.8	815.3	94.3	64.6	115.3	<b>6 634.0</b>
May	1 495.6	1 833.0	1 785.9	415.2	1 656.0	145.5	45.7	184.6	<b>7 561.5</b>
June	1 702.8	1 660.7	1 713.7	886.8	782.7	85.2	90.6	127.5	<b>7 050.1</b>
July	1 439.7	1 887.5	2 570.6	478.8	1 128.6	116.5	31.4	279.9	<b>7 933.1</b>
August	1 365.6	1 816.1	2 072.0	449.0	878.8	85.7	47.2	69.2	<b>6 783.5</b>
September	1 640.6	1 782.9	1 783.8	383.7	811.2	155.2	84.0	227.1	<b>6 868.6</b>
October	1 205.8	1 571.2	1 792.4	374.9	805.8	95.9	57.8	273.0	<b>6 176.9</b>
November	1 379.5	1 339.0	1 219.3	265.2	635.8	141.0	68.3	149.7	<b>5 197.8</b>
December	932.6	1 131.0	905.4	366.8	601.7	91.3	53.8	69.2	<b>4 151.9</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	1 048.8	1 098.9	907.2	275.4	461.7	87.0	29.5	183.5	<b>4 091.9</b>
February	843.7	1 434.4	991.1	343.5	551.2	82.0	60.2	686.7	<b>4 992.9</b>
March	1 364.9	1 618.8	966.7	285.7	545.2	85.7	114.1	89.2	<b>5 070.3</b>
April	1 015.1	1 254.3	1 144.0	414.3	540.7	78.2	64.7	82.6	<b>4 593.7</b>
May	914.6	1 221.0	875.9	227.5	633.5	131.8	66.3	222.7	<b>4 293.2</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2008</b>									
March	1 438.3	1 666.3	1 570.7	330.2	1 031.4	na	na	na	<b>6 534.8</b>
April	1 838.0	1 521.3	1 872.5	369.9	761.2	na	na	na	<b>6 646.2</b>
May	1 421.0	1 812.6	1 776.1	428.4	1 512.6	na	na	na	<b>7 296.3</b>
June	1 572.1	1 590.5	1 650.1	845.8	820.0	na	na	na	<b>6 888.9</b>
July	1 423.3	1 720.0	2 201.9	479.2	917.5	na	na	na	<b>6 938.8</b>
August	1 378.0	1 733.2	2 219.2	420.5	903.4	na	na	na	<b>6 728.0</b>
September	1 272.8	1 677.6	1 614.4	387.6	824.4	na	na	na	<b>6 363.5</b>
October	1 343.5	1 390.0	1 467.8	324.9	814.7	na	na	na	<b>5 696.4</b>
November	1 299.3	1 446.8	1 220.0	278.9	611.5	na	na	na	<b>5 249.2</b>
December	1 007.3	1 315.7	1 121.8	365.1	584.8	na	na	na	<b>4 550.1</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	1 167.4	1 324.9	1 062.8	319.7	491.8	na	na	na	<b>4 653.8</b>
February	878.9	1 441.3	1 128.5	367.7	623.6	na	na	na	<b>5 347.3</b>
March	1 466.2	1 515.3	957.0	331.9	598.0	na	na	na	<b>5 060.8</b>
April	1 076.1	1 370.6	1 239.0	340.6	562.0	na	na	na	<b>4 961.8</b>
May	887.1	1 280.0	908.8	257.0	573.2	na	na	na	<b>4 351.1</b>
TREND									
<b>2008</b>									
March	1 514.7	1 689.3	1 773.3	376.6	992.8	na	na	na	<b>6 810.6</b>
April	1 496.5	1 675.7	1 764.5	395.0	961.8	na	na	na	<b>6 802.3</b>
May	1 480.7	1 676.1	1 781.6	420.1	935.1	na	na	na	<b>6 831.0</b>
June	1 467.2	1 682.9	1 806.9	437.2	914.4	na	na	na	<b>6 853.8</b>
July	1 438.3	1 684.3	1 812.5	437.6	897.1	na	na	na	<b>6 795.4</b>
August	1 398.4	1 653.9	1 768.7	418.9	867.7	na	na	na	<b>6 580.6</b>
September	1 334.9	1 585.0	1 666.7	386.8	813.4	na	na	na	<b>6 194.5</b>
October	1 265.2	1 503.4	1 506.2	354.3	742.4	na	na	na	<b>5 722.5</b>
November	1 207.1	1 435.2	1 329.2	334.6	670.1	na	na	na	<b>5 286.0</b>
December	1 164.5	1 397.1	1 187.4	330.1	615.3	na	na	na	<b>4 975.6</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	1 134.6	1 385.6	1 104.3	333.5	581.1	na	na	na	<b>4 812.3</b>
February	1 108.0	1 390.4	1 072.7	334.8	568.8	na	na	na	<b>4 748.5</b>
March	1 081.1	1 391.6	1 052.1	330.0	566.4	na	na	na	<b>4 715.5</b>
April	1 050.3	1 386.9	1 032.6	321.2	566.8	na	na	na	<b>4 685.5</b>
May	1 022.6	1 371.8	1 024.4	310.5	576.2	na	na	na	<b>4 666.2</b>

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## VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
<b>2008</b>									
March	-16.7	7.5	-16.2	-24.5	-5.7	31.8	11.3	-62.7	<b>-9.3</b>
April	49.1	-19.0	19.5	69.1	-3.0	-5.9	-14.3	131.4	<b>13.1</b>
May	-19.4	26.8	-0.9	-6.2	103.1	54.3	-29.3	60.1	<b>14.0</b>
June	13.9	-9.4	-4.0	113.6	-52.7	-41.4	98.5	-30.9	<b>-6.8</b>
July	-15.5	13.7	50.0	-46.0	44.2	36.7	-65.4	119.6	<b>12.5</b>
August	-5.2	-3.8	-19.4	-6.2	-22.1	-26.5	50.4	-75.3	<b>-14.5</b>
September	20.1	-1.8	-13.9	-14.5	-7.7	81.2	78.1	228.2	<b>1.3</b>
October	-26.5	-11.9	0.5	-2.3	-0.7	-38.2	-31.2	20.2	<b>-10.1</b>
November	14.4	-14.8	-32.0	-29.3	-21.1	47.0	18.1	-45.2	<b>-15.9</b>
December	-32.4	-15.5	-25.7	38.3	-5.4	-35.2	-21.3	-53.8	<b>-20.1</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	12.5	-2.8	0.2	-24.9	-23.3	-4.7	-45.2	165.0	<b>-1.4</b>
February	-19.6	30.5	9.2	24.7	19.4	-5.7	104.1	274.2	<b>22.0</b>
March	61.8	12.9	-2.5	-16.8	-1.1	4.5	89.7	-87.0	<b>1.6</b>
April	-25.6	-22.5	18.3	45.0	-0.8	-8.8	-43.3	-7.5	<b>-9.4</b>
May	-9.9	-2.7	-23.4	-45.1	17.2	68.6	2.6	169.8	<b>-6.5</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2008</b>									
March	-2.3	1.2	-17.7	-11.2	-0.7	na	na	na	<b>-3.0</b>
April	27.8	-8.7	19.2	12.0	-26.2	na	na	na	<b>1.7</b>
May	-22.7	19.1	-5.1	15.8	98.7	na	na	na	<b>9.8</b>
June	10.6	-12.3	-7.1	97.4	-45.8	na	na	na	<b>-5.6</b>
July	-9.5	8.1	33.4	-43.3	11.9	na	na	na	<b>0.7</b>
August	-3.2	0.8	0.8	-12.2	-1.5	na	na	na	<b>-3.0</b>
September	-7.6	-3.2	-27.3	-7.8	-8.7	na	na	na	<b>-5.4</b>
October	5.6	-17.1	-9.1	-16.2	-1.2	na	na	na	<b>-10.5</b>
November	-3.3	4.1	-16.9	-14.2	-24.9	na	na	na	<b>-7.9</b>
December	-22.5	-9.1	-8.0	30.9	-4.4	na	na	na	<b>-13.3</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	15.9	0.7	-5.3	-12.4	-15.9	na	na	na	<b>2.3</b>
February	-24.7	8.8	6.2	15.0	26.8	na	na	na	<b>14.9</b>
March	66.8	5.1	-15.2	-9.7	-4.1	na	na	na	<b>-5.4</b>
April	-26.6	-9.6	29.5	2.6	-6.0	na	na	na	<b>-2.0</b>
May	-17.6	-6.6	-26.7	-24.5	2.0	na	na	na	<b>-12.3</b>
TREND									
<b>2008</b>									
March	-1.3	-1.7	-1.5	1.3	-2.7	na	na	na	<b>-0.8</b>
April	-1.2	-0.8	-0.5	4.9	-3.1	na	na	na	<b>-0.1</b>
May	-1.1	—	1.0	6.4	-2.8	na	na	na	<b>0.4</b>
June	-0.9	0.4	1.4	4.1	-2.2	na	na	na	<b>0.3</b>
July	-2.0	0.1	0.3	0.1	-1.9	na	na	na	<b>-0.9</b>
August	-2.8	-1.8	-2.4	-4.3	-3.3	na	na	na	<b>-3.2</b>
September	-4.5	-4.2	-5.8	-7.7	-6.3	na	na	na	<b>-5.9</b>
October	-5.2	-5.2	-9.6	-8.4	-8.7	na	na	na	<b>-7.6</b>
November	-4.6	-4.5	-11.8	-5.6	-9.7	na	na	na	<b>-7.6</b>
December	-3.5	-2.7	-10.7	-1.3	-8.2	na	na	na	<b>-5.9</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	-2.6	-0.8	-7.0	1.0	-5.6	na	na	na	<b>-3.3</b>
February	-2.3	0.3	-2.9	0.4	-2.1	na	na	na	<b>-1.3</b>
March	-2.4	0.1	-1.9	-1.4	-0.4	na	na	na	<b>-0.7</b>
April	-2.9	-0.3	-1.8	-2.7	0.1	na	na	na	<b>-0.6</b>
May	-2.6	-1.1	-0.8	-3.3	1.7	na	na	na	<b>-0.4</b>

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## VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
<b>2008</b>									
March	664.7	870.4	792.3	171.5	562.5	49.5	39.1	28.8	<b>3 178.9</b>
April	743.7	916.8	1 341.1	212.2	596.2	61.9	26.9	54.5	<b>3 953.2</b>
May	868.0	992.5	971.1	267.7	753.5	69.0	24.7	31.7	<b>3 978.3</b>
June	798.9	1 047.8	968.6	332.3	479.8	46.5	34.9	93.8	<b>3 802.5</b>
July	828.6	1 200.4	982.3	288.1	608.8	99.9	15.1	85.4	<b>4 108.6</b>
August	709.3	1 032.3	878.2	215.0	622.5	58.1	24.8	36.1	<b>3 576.4</b>
September	670.1	988.2	1 022.8	283.1	474.9	67.0	45.0	39.8	<b>3 591.0</b>
October	776.5	1 075.1	1 206.8	208.3	526.8	67.4	29.3	138.8	<b>4 029.1</b>
November	583.3	833.5	761.4	201.8	422.8	66.3	51.6	50.1	<b>2 970.8</b>
December	565.5	769.4	493.3	195.0	378.7	52.7	17.7	32.7	<b>2 505.1</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	413.0	647.2	418.8	158.5	339.4	53.4	14.6	19.4	<b>2 064.2</b>
February	515.1	985.1	512.2	201.3	430.9	48.5	30.0	41.3	<b>2 764.4</b>
March	525.1	1 072.2	622.2	210.9	387.7	57.7	39.4	54.0	<b>2 969.2</b>
April	612.7	882.1	650.0	206.4	407.1	55.7	42.9	64.5	<b>2 921.3</b>
May	587.4	873.2	584.1	177.7	484.0	73.0	32.5	53.3	<b>2 865.1</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2008</b>									
March	801.5	970.0	805.1	205.0	645.5	na	na	na	<b>3 547.4</b>
April	709.1	883.4	1 309.9	210.3	574.3	na	na	na	<b>3 820.0</b>
May	766.1	981.1	1 024.3	250.8	647.8	na	na	na	<b>3 783.2</b>
June	756.1	1 023.1	932.5	326.4	491.4	na	na	na	<b>3 676.9</b>
July	778.1	1 032.0	882.1	256.3	551.7	na	na	na	<b>3 672.2</b>
August	722.7	1 018.7	893.5	238.0	576.3	na	na	na	<b>3 578.3</b>
September	575.7	964.8	919.5	244.6	500.1	na	na	na	<b>3 351.2</b>
October	785.6	927.8	981.7	210.5	556.2	na	na	na	<b>3 713.7</b>
November	599.3	900.6	766.4	183.8	384.5	na	na	na	<b>2 993.5</b>
December	599.8	847.7	566.2	197.7	385.1	na	na	na	<b>2 710.6</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	507.5	839.3	557.4	193.2	374.0	na	na	na	<b>2 594.0</b>
February	532.7	966.8	579.4	208.3	466.0	na	na	na	<b>2 890.2</b>
March	546.0	1 046.3	584.5	224.3	429.5	na	na	na	<b>2 976.0</b>
April	644.1	930.0	678.8	214.5	419.9	na	na	na	<b>3 048.7</b>
May	537.7	920.6	618.3	185.6	426.9	na	na	na	<b>2 838.0</b>
TREND									
<b>2008</b>									
March	773.7	955.8	1 071.0	213.8	612.9	na	na	na	<b>3 783.2</b>
April	759.5	962.0	1 034.8	225.7	598.7	na	na	na	<b>3 732.0</b>
May	751.9	977.9	997.0	240.5	584.1	na	na	na	<b>3 704.4</b>
June	747.7	994.9	965.3	251.0	571.7	na	na	na	<b>3 693.1</b>
July	736.4	1 005.2	943.5	253.2	558.0	na	na	na	<b>3 671.4</b>
August	718.9	995.6	920.6	246.1	537.0	na	na	na	<b>3 598.0</b>
September	692.6	965.6	885.4	231.5	508.4	na	na	na	<b>3 455.2</b>
October	658.4	928.5	828.8	214.8	476.1	na	na	na	<b>3 269.2</b>
November	620.8	901.4	753.1	203.1	444.9	na	na	na	<b>3 082.1</b>
December	588.3	895.6	678.3	199.4	422.3	na	na	na	<b>2 932.7</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	563.7	907.6	621.3	200.9	411.8	na	na	na	<b>2 847.0</b>
February	546.5	927.3	593.2	204.1	413.5	na	na	na	<b>2 822.5</b>
March	536.3	944.9	588.7	206.5	419.2	na	na	na	<b>2 835.0</b>
April	529.9	957.2	594.4	207.5	424.2	na	na	na	<b>2 855.8</b>
May	537.1	965.2	615.5	207.5	435.4	na	na	na	<b>2 912.5</b>

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## VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
<b>2008</b>									
March	579.5	914.2	715.8	90.4	278.1	50.7	36.2	21.0	<b>2 685.9</b>
April	1 110.8	528.9	460.4	230.7	219.1	32.4	37.7	60.9	<b>2 680.7</b>
May	627.6	840.5	814.8	147.5	902.5	76.5	20.9	152.9	<b>3 583.2</b>
June	903.9	613.0	745.1	554.6	302.9	38.7	55.8	33.6	<b>3 247.6</b>
July	611.1	687.1	1 588.3	190.7	519.8	16.6	16.2	194.5	<b>3 824.4</b>
August	656.2	783.8	1 193.7	233.9	256.3	27.5	22.4	33.1	<b>3 207.1</b>
September	970.5	794.6	761.0	100.6	336.3	88.3	39.0	187.3	<b>3 277.5</b>
October	429.3	496.1	585.6	166.7	278.9	28.5	28.6	134.2	<b>2 147.8</b>
November	796.2	505.6	458.0	63.4	213.1	74.6	16.7	99.6	<b>2 227.0</b>
December	367.1	361.6	412.1	171.8	223.0	38.6	36.1	36.5	<b>1 646.8</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	635.7	451.6	488.4	117.0	122.3	33.6	14.9	164.1	<b>2 027.7</b>
February	328.6	449.4	478.9	142.2	120.3	33.5	30.2	645.4	<b>2 228.5</b>
March	839.8	546.6	344.4	74.8	157.6	28.0	74.7	35.2	<b>2 101.1</b>
April	402.4	372.3	494.0	207.9	133.6	22.5	21.8	18.0	<b>1 672.4</b>
May	327.2	347.8	291.8	49.8	149.5	58.8	33.9	169.4	<b>1 428.1</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2008</b>									
March	636.8	696.2	765.5	125.2	385.9	na	na	na	<b>2 987.4</b>
April	1 129.0	638.0	562.6	159.6	186.9	na	na	na	<b>2 826.2</b>
May	654.9	831.6	751.8	177.6	864.8	na	na	na	<b>3 513.1</b>
June	816.0	567.4	717.6	519.4	328.6	na	na	na	<b>3 212.0</b>
July	645.1	688.0	1 319.8	222.9	365.8	na	na	na	<b>3 266.6</b>
August	655.2	714.5	1 325.8	182.5	327.1	na	na	na	<b>3 149.7</b>
September	697.1	712.9	694.9	143.0	324.4	na	na	na	<b>3 012.2</b>
October	557.9	462.1	486.1	114.3	258.5	na	na	na	<b>1 982.8</b>
November	700.0	546.2	453.6	95.1	227.0	na	na	na	<b>2 255.7</b>
December	407.5	468.1	555.6	167.4	199.7	na	na	na	<b>1 839.5</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	659.9	485.6	505.4	126.5	117.8	na	na	na	<b>2 059.7</b>
February	346.2	474.5	549.0	159.4	157.6	na	na	na	<b>2 457.1</b>
March	920.2	469.1	372.5	107.5	168.5	na	na	na	<b>2 084.8</b>
April	432.0	440.5	560.2	126.1	142.1	na	na	na	<b>1 913.1</b>
May	349.4	359.4	290.5	71.4	146.3	na	na	na	<b>1 513.2</b>
TREND									
<b>2008</b>									
March	741.1	733.5	702.3	162.8	379.9	na	na	na	<b>3 027.4</b>
April	737.0	713.6	729.6	169.3	363.1	na	na	na	<b>3 070.3</b>
May	728.8	698.2	784.6	179.7	351.0	na	na	na	<b>3 126.6</b>
June	719.5	688.0	841.6	186.2	342.7	na	na	na	<b>3 160.7</b>
July	701.9	679.1	869.0	184.3	339.1	na	na	na	<b>3 124.0</b>
August	679.5	658.3	848.1	172.8	330.8	na	na	na	<b>2 982.6</b>
September	642.4	619.5	781.3	155.2	305.0	na	na	na	<b>2 739.3</b>
October	606.8	574.8	677.4	139.4	266.3	na	na	na	<b>2 453.3</b>
November	586.3	533.8	576.0	131.5	225.2	na	na	na	<b>2 203.9</b>
December	576.2	501.5	509.2	130.7	193.0	na	na	na	<b>2 042.9</b>
<b>2009</b>									
January	570.9	478.0	483.0	132.6	169.4	na	na	na	<b>1 965.3</b>
February	561.5	463.1	479.5	130.7	155.3	na	na	na	<b>1 926.0</b>
March	544.8	446.7	463.4	123.5	147.1	na	na	na	<b>1 880.5</b>
April	520.4	429.7	438.2	113.7	142.6	na	na	na	<b>1 829.7</b>
May	485.5	406.6	408.9	103.0	140.7	na	na	na	<b>1 753.7</b>

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, By sector: **Original**

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions creating dwellings</i>	<i>Alterations and additions not creating dwellings</i>	<i>Conversions</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>								
<b>2005-06</b>	21 640.5	8 578.6	59.1	5 025.8	318.8	35 622.8	18 775.6	<b>54 398.4</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	23 609.6	9 658.8	68.4	5 355.8	84.5	38 777.1	22 639.3	<b>61 416.4</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	26 134.8	12 218.0	119.6	5 777.3	91.0	44 340.7	29 229.3	<b>73 570.0</b>
<b>2008</b>								
June	2 250.7	916.5	1.5	518.0	0.2	3 686.9	2 327.7	<b>6 014.6</b>
July	2 292.4	1 096.9	10.2	586.5	7.2	3 993.2	2 508.0	<b>6 501.2</b>
August	2 152.2	850.4	6.9	515.0	4.6	3 529.1	1 926.7	<b>5 455.9</b>
September	2 023.5	961.7	4.6	516.2	3.6	3 509.5	2 643.5	<b>6 153.1</b>
October	2 098.0	1 381.5	3.8	484.6	4.4	3 972.2	1 580.4	<b>5 552.6</b>
November	1 787.0	660.8	4.4	452.8	0.9	2 906.0	1 639.8	<b>4 545.7</b>
December	1 557.0	530.1	3.7	360.2	0.8	2 451.9	1 290.5	<b>3 742.4</b>
<b>2009</b>								
January	1 317.2	352.5	5.2	326.4	25.1	2 026.4	945.3	<b>2 971.7</b>
February	1 648.1	639.7	18.8	395.1	4.4	2 706.1	1 177.7	<b>3 883.8</b>
March	1 835.1	598.9	13.8	446.0	3.8	2 897.5	1 352.7	<b>4 250.2</b>
April	1 820.6	551.1	13.5	424.2	7.3	2 816.7	1 073.5	<b>3 890.2</b>
May	1 976.7	301.1	5.5	442.0	1.2	2 726.5	940.6	<b>3 667.0</b>
<b>PUBLIC SECTOR</b>								
<b>2005-06</b>	348.5	246.3	5.1	162.3	0.2	762.4	6 657.0	<b>7 419.4</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	428.4	290.1	1.9	172.6	0.2	893.1	5 598.0	<b>6 491.1</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	453.7	422.0	11.4	120.6	8.4	1 016.1	7 705.6	<b>8 721.7</b>
<b>2008</b>								
June	16.2	95.8	—	2.9	0.7	115.7	919.9	<b>1 035.6</b>
July	47.2	56.9	0.1	10.8	0.5	115.4	1 316.4	<b>1 431.8</b>
August	17.9	17.7	0.2	9.7	1.8	47.2	1 280.3	<b>1 327.6</b>
September	48.9	20.4	—	12.1	0.1	81.5	634.0	<b>715.5</b>
October	33.6	17.4	—	5.8	—	56.8	567.4	<b>624.2</b>
November	24.1	26.0	2.5	10.9	1.2	64.8	587.3	<b>652.1</b>
December	18.1	23.6	—	11.4	—	53.2	356.3	<b>409.5</b>
<b>2009</b>								
January	14.7	12.8	—	10.0	0.3	37.8	1 082.4	<b>1 120.2</b>
February	20.3	22.2	—	15.7	—	58.3	1 050.8	<b>1 109.1</b>
March	36.3	26.2	—	9.2	—	71.7	748.4	<b>820.2</b>
April	54.4	41.3	0.9	8.1	—	104.6	598.9	<b>703.5</b>
May	44.1	90.9	—	3.6	—	138.6	487.6	<b>626.2</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>								
<b>2005-06</b>	21 989.0	8 824.9	64.2	5 188.1	319.0	36 385.1	25 432.6	<b>61 817.8</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	24 038.0	9 948.9	70.3	5 528.3	84.7	39 670.2	28 237.3	<b>67 907.5</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	26 588.5	12 640.0	131.0	5 897.9	99.4	45 356.8	36 935.0	<b>82 291.7</b>
<b>2008</b>								
June	2 266.8	1 012.3	1.5	521.0	1.0	3 802.5	3 247.6	<b>7 050.1</b>
July	2 339.6	1 153.8	10.2	597.3	7.7	4 108.6	3 824.4	<b>7 933.1</b>
August	2 170.1	868.0	7.1	524.7	6.4	3 576.4	3 207.1	<b>6 783.5</b>
September	2 072.4	982.1	4.6	528.3	3.7	3 591.0	3 277.5	<b>6 868.6</b>
October	2 131.6	1 398.9	3.8	490.3	4.4	4 029.1	2 147.8	<b>6 176.9</b>
November	1 811.1	686.8	6.9	463.8	2.2	2 970.8	2 227.0	<b>5 197.8</b>
December	1 575.1	553.8	3.7	371.6	0.8	2 505.1	1 646.8	<b>4 151.9</b>
<b>2009</b>								
January	1 331.9	365.3	5.2	336.4	25.4	2 064.2	2 027.7	<b>4 091.9</b>
February	1 668.4	662.0	18.8	410.7	4.4	2 764.4	2 228.5	<b>4 992.9</b>
March	1 871.3	625.1	13.8	455.2	3.8	2 969.2	2 101.1	<b>5 070.3</b>
April	1 875.0	592.3	14.4	432.3	7.3	2 921.3	1 672.4	<b>4 593.7</b>
May	2 020.8	392.0	5.5	445.6	1.2	2 865.1	1 428.1	<b>4 293.2</b>

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories—By sector: **Original**

<i>States and territories</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions creating dwellings</i>	<i>Alterations and additions not creating dwellings</i>	<i>Conversions</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>								
NSW	337.5	73.6	2.5	123.8	0.2	537.5	258.7	796.2
Vic.	626.9	87.0	0.8	128.0	0.8	843.5	202.1	1 045.6
Qld	417.0	48.9	0.3	96.8	—	563.0	240.7	803.7
SA	123.5	25.6	—	25.2	—	174.4	28.5	202.9
WA	364.5	46.2	1.9	46.2	0.1	458.9	126.1	585.0
Tas.	50.9	7.4	—	10.1	0.1	68.5	54.5	123.1
NT	17.7	3.4	—	6.3	0.1	27.5	20.7	48.2
ACT	38.6	9.0	—	5.5	—	53.1	9.2	62.3
<i>Aust.</i>	<i>1 976.7</i>	<i>301.1</i>	<i>5.5</i>	<i>442.0</i>	<i>1.2</i>	<i>2 726.5</i>	<i>940.6</i>	<i>3 667.0</i>
<b>PUBLIC SECTOR</b>								
NSW	2.9	46.7	—	0.2	—	49.9	68.5	118.4
Vic.	4.7	22.7	—	2.4	—	29.7	145.7	175.4
Qld	12.6	8.2	—	0.3	—	21.1	51.1	72.2
SA	3.3	—	—	—	—	3.4	21.2	24.6
WA	12.3	12.3	—	0.5	—	25.0	23.4	48.5
Tas.	3.3	1.1	—	0.1	—	4.5	4.2	8.7
NT	4.9	—	—	—	—	4.9	13.2	18.1
ACT	0.2	—	—	—	—	0.2	160.2	160.4
<i>Aust.</i>	<i>44.1</i>	<i>90.9</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>3.6</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>138.6</i>	<i>487.6</i>	<i>626.2</i>
<b>TOTAL</b>								
NSW	340.4	120.3	2.5	124.0	0.2	587.4	327.2	914.6
Vic.	631.5	109.7	0.8	130.4	0.8	873.2	347.8	1 221.0
Qld	429.6	57.0	0.3	97.1	—	584.1	291.8	875.9
SA	126.9	25.6	—	25.2	—	177.7	49.8	227.5
WA	376.8	58.5	1.9	46.7	0.1	484.0	149.5	633.5
Tas.	54.2	8.4	—	10.2	0.1	73.0	58.8	131.8
NT	22.6	3.4	—	6.4	0.1	32.5	33.9	66.3
ACT	38.7	9.0	—	5.5	—	53.3	169.4	222.7
<i>Aust.</i>	<i>2 020.8</i>	<i>392.0</i>	<i>5.5</i>	<i>445.6</i>	<i>1.2</i>	<i>2 865.1</i>	<i>1 428.1</i>	<i>4 293.2</i>

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>Commercial</b>									
Retail/wholesale trade	95.7	57.6	43.5	6.3	28.6	11.2	2.6	0.2	245.7
Transport	4.3	2.8	6.7	—	—	10.1	—	2.7	26.6
Offices	64.1	39.9	53.9	13.4	39.9	24.2	5.3	154.4	395.0
Other commercial n.e.c.	3.8	1.0	1.3	0.9	0.1	0.2	—	—	7.4
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>167.8</i>	<i>101.3</i>	<i>105.4</i>	<i>20.6</i>	<i>68.6</i>	<i>45.7</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>157.3</i>	<i>674.7</i>
<b>Industrial</b>									
Factories	3.2	10.2	22.4	2.8	2.9	0.7	0.8	—	43.0
Warehouses	5.8	28.0	44.1	11.9	9.5	0.1	3.3	0.1	102.8
Agricultural/aquacultural	21.0	2.1	0.8	0.2	0.5	0.3	—	—	24.9
Other industrial n.e.c.	8.9	1.4	9.7	0.3	2.0	1.9	—	—	24.2
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>38.9</i>	<i>41.7</i>	<i>76.9</i>	<i>15.2</i>	<i>14.9</i>	<i>3.1</i>	<i>4.1</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>194.9</i>
<b>Other non-residential</b>									
Educational	19.6	109.3	36.7	6.5	15.2	4.8	16.6	10.9	219.5
Religious	1.1	1.0	0.2	0.2	14.7	0.3	0.7	—	18.0
Aged care facilities	33.6	5.4	24.3	—	11.2	—	—	—	74.4
Health	17.9	17.1	12.5	1.9	5.8	2.6	2.4	—	60.1
Entertainment and recreation	22.0	9.6	4.9	1.7	8.0	0.9	0.1	1.2	48.3
Accommodation	7.0	16.1	3.7	0.6	8.0	0.4	2.1	—	37.8
Other non-residential n.e.c.	19.3	46.3	27.3	3.2	3.1	1.1	—	—	100.2
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>120.5</i>	<i>204.7</i>	<i>109.5</i>	<i>14.0</i>	<i>66.0</i>	<i>9.9</i>	<i>21.8</i>	<i>12.1</i>	<i>558.5</i>
<b>Total non-residential</b>	<b>327.2</b>	<b>347.8</b>	<b>291.8</b>	<b>49.8</b>	<b>149.5</b>	<b>58.8</b>	<b>33.9</b>	<b>169.4</b>	<b>1 428.1</b>

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
PRIVATE SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	78.8	57.3	43.3	6.3	27.9	11.2	2.4	0.2	227.4
Transport	4.3	2.4	0.6	—	—	10.1	—	2.7	20.0
Offices	58.0	35.2	50.7	11.3	36.3	24.2	5.1	4.4	225.3
Other commercial n.e.c.	3.1	1.0	1.3	—	0.1	0.2	—	—	5.7
Total commercial	144.2	95.9	95.9	17.6	64.3	45.7	7.5	7.3	478.4
Industrial									
Factories	3.2	9.2	22.4	2.8	2.9	0.7	0.8	—	42.1
Warehouses	5.7	27.8	43.8	4.9	9.5	0.1	3.3	0.1	95.2
Agricultural/aquacultural	21.0	2.1	0.8	0.2	0.5	0.3	—	—	24.9
Other industrial n.e.c.	8.9	0.9	9.2	0.1	1.9	1.9	—	—	22.9
Total industrial	38.8	40.1	76.1	8.0	14.8	3.1	4.1	0.1	185.1
Other non-residential									
Educational	8.2	23.7	19.6	0.9	6.5	4.4	6.3	0.8	70.4
Religious	1.1	1.0	0.2	0.2	14.7	0.3	0.7	—	18.0
Aged care facilities	27.7	5.4	24.3	—	10.7	—	—	—	68.0
Health	14.5	7.3	11.5	0.7	3.2	0.1	—	—	37.2
Entertainment and recreation	12.3	2.0	3.2	0.5	2.3	0.4	—	1.1	21.9
Accommodation	7.0	16.1	0.7	0.5	8.0	0.4	2.1	—	34.8
Other non-residential n.e.c.	5.0	10.6	9.2	0.2	1.5	0.1	—	—	26.7
Total other non-residential	75.7	66.2	68.7	2.9	47.0	5.7	9.1	1.9	277.1
<b>Total non-residential</b>	<b>258.7</b>	<b>202.1</b>	<b>240.7</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>126.1</b>	<b>54.5</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>940.6</b>
PUBLIC SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	16.9	0.3	0.2	—	0.7	—	0.2	—	18.3
Transport	—	0.5	6.2	—	—	—	—	—	6.6
Offices	6.1	4.6	3.1	2.1	3.6	—	0.3	150.0	169.8
Other commercial n.e.c.	0.7	—	—	0.9	—	—	—	—	1.6
Total commercial	23.6	5.4	9.5	3.0	4.3	—	0.5	150.0	196.3
Industrial									
Factories	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.0
Warehouses	0.1	0.2	0.3	7.1	—	—	—	—	7.7
Agricultural/aquacultural	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other industrial n.e.c.	—	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.1	—	—	—	1.3
Total industrial	0.1	1.7	0.8	7.2	0.1	—	—	—	9.9
Other non-residential									
Educational	11.3	85.6	17.1	5.7	8.7	0.4	10.3	10.2	149.1
Religious	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aged care facilities	6.0	—	—	—	0.4	—	—	—	6.4
Health	3.5	9.7	1.0	1.2	2.6	2.5	2.4	—	22.9
Entertainment and recreation	9.7	7.6	1.7	1.1	5.7	0.5	0.1	0.1	26.4
Accommodation	—	—	2.9	0.1	—	—	—	—	3.0
Other non-residential n.e.c.	14.3	35.7	18.1	3.0	1.6	0.9	—	—	73.5
Total other non-residential	44.8	138.6	40.8	11.0	19.0	4.2	12.8	10.2	281.4
<b>Total non-residential</b>	<b>68.5</b>	<b>145.7</b>	<b>51.1</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>160.2</b>	<b>487.6</b>

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NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, Jobs by value range: **Original**

	\$50,000 to less than \$1m	\$1m to less than \$5m	\$5m and over	Total
BUILDING JOBS (no.)				
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	547	31	6	584
Transport	7	3	2	12
Offices	350	40	8	398
Other commercial n.e.c.	17	1	—	18
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>921</i>	<i>75</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>1 012</i>
Industrial				
Factories	67	3	3	73
Warehouses	108	27	2	137
Agricultural/aquacultural	46	—	2	48
Other industrial n.e.c.	59	3	1	63
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>280</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>321</i>
Other non-residential				
Educational	134	42	5	181
Religious	13	—	1	14
Aged care facilities	12	4	5	21
Health	52	17	2	71
Entertainment and recreation	81	13	1	95
Accommodation	40	5	2	47
Other non-residential n.e.c.	101	21	5	127
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>433</i>	<i>102</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>556</i>
<b>Total non-residential</b>	<b>1 634</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1 889</b>

VALUE (\$m)				
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	107.2	64.3	74.2	245.7
Transport	2.4	8.1	16.2	26.6
Offices	82.6	88.0	224.4	395.0
Other commercial n.e.c.	5.9	1.5	—	7.4
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>198.0</i>	<i>161.9</i>	<i>314.8</i>	<i>674.7</i>
Industrial				
Factories	19.2	3.5	20.4	43.0
Warehouses	27.0	51.1	24.8	102.8
Agricultural/aquacultural	4.6	—	20.3	24.9
Other industrial n.e.c.	13.1	4.6	6.5	24.2
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>63.8</i>	<i>59.2</i>	<i>72.0</i>	<i>194.9</i>
Other non-residential				
Educational	40.4	96.5	82.6	219.5
Religious	3.3	—	14.7	18.0
Aged care facilities	2.3	7.8	64.3	74.4
Health	11.4	30.2	18.6	60.1
Entertainment and recreation	19.5	21.8	7.0	48.3
Accommodation	12.5	9.1	16.2	37.8
Other non-residential n.e.c.	25.4	40.8	34.0	100.2
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>114.8</i>	<i>206.2</i>	<i>237.5</i>	<i>558.5</i>
<b>Total non-residential</b>	<b>376.6</b>	<b>427.3</b>	<b>624.2</b>	<b>1 428.1</b>

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## VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Chain volume measures(a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>New residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b)</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
ORIGINAL (\$m)							
<b>2005-06</b>	22 749.6	9 289.2	32 040.3	5 694.6	37 739.9	26 989.8	64 728.0
<b>2006-07</b>	24 038.0	9 948.9	33 986.9	5 683.3	39 670.2	28 237.3	67 907.5
<b>2007-08</b>	25 240.5	11 867.7	37 108.2	5 832.2	42 940.4	34 478.4	77 418.8
<b>2007</b>							
December Qtr	6 523.8	3 516.0	10 039.7	1 447.6	11 487.3	9 590.8	21 078.1
<b>2008</b>							
March Qtr	5 682.3	2 571.0	8 253.3	1 375.9	9 629.2	8 455.2	18 084.5
June Qtr	6 337.6	3 095.5	9 433.1	1 436.8	10 869.8	8 642.6	19 512.5
September Qtr	6 043.7	2 710.0	8 753.7	1 553.7	10 307.3	9 214.2	19 521.6
December Qtr	5 061.0	2 413.9	7 474.9	1 236.3	8 711.2	5 422.1	14 133.3
<b>2009</b>							
March Qtr	4 499.4	1 540.3	6 039.7	1 176.0	7 215.7	5 879.6	13 095.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$m)							
<b>2007</b>							
December Qtr	6 576.9	3 435.4	10 012.3	1 491.6	11 503.9	9 793.1	21 297.1
<b>2008</b>							
March Qtr	6 355.4	2 947.2	9 302.6	1 502.5	10 805.1	8 744.0	19 549.1
June Qtr	6 036.6	2 902.4	8 939.0	1 366.9	10 305.9	8 554.5	18 860.4
September Qtr	5 654.3	2 602.5	8 256.8	1 456.1	9 712.9	8 738.2	18 451.1
December Qtr	5 099.5	2 346.5	7 446.0	1 275.6	8 721.6	5 562.5	14 284.1
<b>2009</b>							
March Qtr	4 862.7	1 656.0	6 518.7	1 262.6	7 781.3	6 121.8	13 903.1
TREND (\$m)							
<b>2007</b>							
December Qtr	6 448.9	3 060.2	9 509.2	1 481.2	10 990.3	8 703.7	19 694.7
<b>2008</b>							
March Qtr	6 371.7	3 092.5	9 464.2	1 475.7	10 940.0	9 222.9	20 162.7
June Qtr	6 049.8	2 918.1	8 967.9	1 434.9	10 402.8	8 772.7	19 175.4
September Qtr	5 610.3	2 586.4	8 201.5	1 379.8	9 581.3	7 713.7	17 300.5
December Qtr	5 196.1	2 231.6	7 429.9	1 320.0	8 749.9	6 681.7	15 433.2
<b>2009</b>							
March Qtr	4 821.3	1 860.4	6 628.9	1 264.2	7 893.2	5 926.6	13 799.6
TREND (% change from previous quarter)							
<b>2007</b>							
December Qtr	2.0	7.5	3.7	1.9	3.5	9.6	6.1
<b>2008</b>							
March Qtr	-1.2	1.1	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5	6.0	2.4
June Qtr	-5.1	-5.6	-5.2	-2.8	-4.9	-4.9	-4.9
September Qtr	-7.3	-11.4	-8.5	-3.8	-7.9	-12.1	-9.8
December Qtr	-7.4	-13.7	-9.4	-4.3	-8.7	-13.4	-10.8
<b>2009</b>							
March Qtr	-7.2	-16.6	-10.8	-4.2	-9.8	-11.3	-10.6

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2006-07. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 24.

(b) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>TOTAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING</b>									
<b>2005–06</b>	9 091.8	9 069.4	9 618.1	2 188.4	6 207.6	587.7	443.7	527.1	<b>37 739.9</b>
<b>2006–07</b>	8 994.6	9 959.7	10 517.7	2 065.4	6 462.2	635.2	471.1	564.4	<b>39 670.2</b>
<b>2007–08</b>	8 912.9	11 086.1	11 921.9	2 581.0	6 827.5	654.6	410.9	545.5	<b>42 940.4</b>
<b>2007</b>									
December Qtr	2 359.4	2 917.7	3 335.7	710.8	1 712.4	166.4	146.6	138.3	<b>11 487.3</b>
<b>2008</b>									
March Qtr	2 013.8	2 474.9	2 447.3	523.5	1 816.0	158.0	90.0	105.6	<b>9 629.2</b>
June Qtr	2 251.5	2 745.3	2 997.0	756.9	1 702.6	166.1	79.0	171.5	<b>10 869.8</b>
September Qtr	2 043.5	2 956.9	2 580.4	716.5	1 575.8	208.3	76.5	149.5	<b>10 307.3</b>
December Qtr	1 765.4	2 513.1	2 197.6	545.0	1 226.4	171.9	86.7	205.0	<b>8 711.2</b>
<b>2009</b>									
March Qtr	1 340.0	2 575.1	1 391.4	513.9	1 070.0	147.4	72.6	105.3	<b>7 215.7</b>
<b>NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING</b>									
<b>2005–06</b>	6 890.0	7 595.6	6 512.2	1 335.5	2 617.7	304.4	468.3	1 292.9	<b>26 989.8</b>
<b>2006–07</b>	7 944.8	7 870.3	6 760.7	1 197.1	2 758.5	398.5	264.9	1 042.6	<b>28 237.3</b>
<b>2007–08</b>	8 962.7	9 029.2	7 698.1	2 063.9	4 866.7	471.1	470.0	916.7	<b>34 478.4</b>
<b>2007</b>									
December Qtr	2 519.2	2 665.1	1 957.9	456.1	1 383.3	162.2	202.0	245.0	<b>9 590.8</b>
<b>2008</b>									
March Qtr	1 907.2	2 734.6	1 979.1	408.7	1 109.6	82.7	74.3	159.1	<b>8 455.2</b>
June Qtr	2 395.7	1 791.5	1 896.6	871.3	1 218.8	133.3	102.0	233.5	<b>8 642.6</b>
September Qtr	1 989.4	2 007.6	3 239.2	474.8	934.1	116.6	67.7	384.8	<b>9 214.2</b>
December Qtr	1 412.2	1 270.8	1 337.8	361.8	598.5	123.1	69.6	248.4	<b>5 422.1</b>
<b>2009</b>									
March Qtr	1 620.4	1 391.6	1 261.4	303.2	345.2	81.7	100.7	775.4	<b>5 879.6</b>
<b>TOTAL BUILDING</b>									
<b>2005–06</b>	15 989.9	16 647.3	16 128.0	3 523.1	8 825.5	893.6	914.0	1 819.0	<b>64 728.0</b>
<b>2006–07</b>	16 939.4	17 830.0	17 278.4	3 262.5	9 220.7	1 033.7	735.9	1 607.0	<b>67 907.5</b>
<b>2007–08</b>	17 875.6	20 115.3	19 620.0	4 644.9	11 694.2	1 125.7	881.0	1 462.2	<b>77 418.8</b>
<b>2007</b>									
December Qtr	4 878.6	5 582.8	5 293.5	1 166.9	3 095.7	328.6	348.6	383.3	<b>21 078.1</b>
<b>2008</b>									
March Qtr	3 921.0	5 209.5	4 426.4	932.2	2 925.6	240.8	164.2	264.7	<b>18 084.5</b>
June Qtr	4 647.2	4 536.8	4 893.6	1 628.2	2 921.4	299.4	181.0	404.9	<b>19 512.5</b>
September Qtr	4 032.9	4 964.5	5 819.6	1 191.3	2 509.8	324.9	144.2	534.3	<b>19 521.6</b>
December Qtr	3 177.6	3 783.9	3 535.4	906.8	1 824.9	294.9	156.3	453.4	<b>14 133.3</b>
<b>2009</b>									
March Qtr	2 960.4	3 966.6	2 652.9	817.0	1 415.2	229.1	173.3	880.7	<b>13 095.3</b>

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2006–07. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 24.

## WHAT IF...? REVISIONS TO TREND ESTIMATES

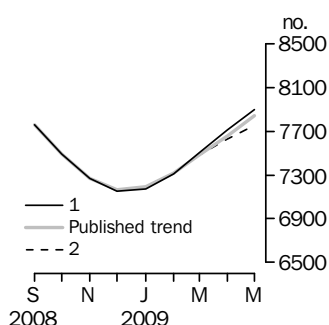
### EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

#### TREND REVISIONS

Recent seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are likely to be revised when original estimates for subsequent months become available. The approximate effect of possible scenarios on trend estimates are presented below. Generally, the greater the volatility of the original series, the larger the size of the revisions to trend estimates. Analysis of the building approval original series has shown that they can be revised substantially. As a result, some months can elapse before turning points in the trend series are reliably identified.

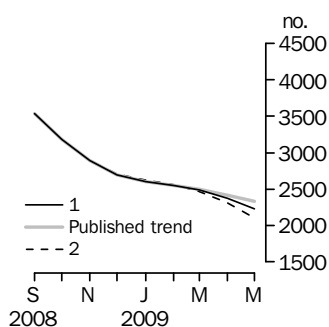
The graphs and tables which follow present the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates: that the June seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the May estimate by 3.5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 13% for private sector other dwelling units approved; and that the June seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the May estimate by 3.5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 13% for private sector other dwelling units approved. These percentages represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

#### PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED



		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:					
		Trend as published		(1) rises by 3.5% on May 2009		(2) falls by 3.5% on May 2009	
		no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
<b>2008</b>							
	December	7 169	-1.4	7 153	-1.6	7 163	-1.5
<b>2009</b>							
	January	7 196	0.4	7 172	0.3	7 190	0.4
	February	7 318	1.7	7 308	1.9	7 317	1.8
	March	7 484	2.3	7 505	2.7	7 481	2.3
	April	7 653	2.3	7 710	2.7	7 631	2.0
	May	7 839	2.4	7 899	2.5	7 751	1.6

#### PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS



		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:					
		Trend as published		(1) rises by 13% on May 2009		(2) falls by 13% on May 2009	
		no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
<b>2008</b>							
	December	2 699	-6.8	2 699	-6.8	2 707	-6.5
<b>2009</b>							
	January	2 603	-3.5	2 603	-3.5	2 618	-3.3
	February	2 552	-2.0	2 554	-1.9	2 561	-2.2
	March	2 494	-2.3	2 485	-2.7	2 466	-3.7
	April	2 414	-3.2	2 374	-4.5	2 309	-6.4
	May	2 331	-3.4	2 230	-6.1	2 108	-8.7

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

### SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- 1** This publication presents monthly details of building work approved.
- 2** Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:
  - permits issued by local government authorities and other principal certifying authorities
  - contracts let or day labour work authorised by commonwealth, state, semi-government and local government authorities
  - major building approvals in areas not subject to normal administrative approval e.g. building on remote mine sites.
- 3** The scope of the survey comprises the following:
  - construction of new buildings
  - alterations and additions to existing buildings
  - approved non-structural renovation and refurbishment work
  - approved installation of integral building fixtures.
- 4** Excluded from the statistics is construction activity not defined as building (e.g. roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.). Statistics for this activity can be found in *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8762.0).
- 5** From July 1990, the statistics include:
  - all approved new residential building valued at \$10,000 or more
  - approved alterations and additions to residential building valued at \$10,000 or more
  - all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more.

### VALUE DATA

- 6** Statistics on the value of building work approved are derived by aggregating the estimated 'value of building work when completed' as reported on building approval documents provided to local councils or other building approval authorities. Conceptually these value data should exclude the value of land and landscaping but include site preparation costs. These estimates are usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of 'houses'. However, for 'other residential buildings' and 'non-residential buildings', they can differ significantly from the completed value of the building as final costs and contracts have not been established before council approval is sought and gained.
- 7** The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) generally accepts values provided by approving bodies. Every effort is made to ensure data are provided on a consistent basis, however, there may be instances where value reported does not reflect the building completion value. For example, the reported value for most project homes is the contract price, which may include the cost of site preparation and landscaping. In other cases where a builder is contracted to construct a dwelling based on the owner's plans, the value may only be the builder's costs. Some councils do not use the value on approval documents, instead deriving a value based on floor area and type of structure.
- 8** From July 2000, value data includes the Goods and Services Tax (GST) for residential and non-residential building approvals. The ABS has consulted with councils and other approving authorities to ensure that approval values are reported inclusive of the GST. Where it was identified by a council or other approving authority that approvals submitted from its jurisdiction were on a GST-exclusive basis, the ABS made adjustments to the data to ensure that values were consistent with other data collected and were inclusive of GST.

### OWNERSHIP

- 9** Building ownership is classified as either public or private sector and is based on the sector of intended owner of the completed building at the time of approval. Residential buildings constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes are classified as public sector when the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the building on or before completion.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### BUILDING CLASSIFICATION

**10** *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 Retail/wholesale trade, 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. The categories included under type of building classifications are defined in the Glossary.

**11** In the case of a large multi-function building which, at the time of approval is intended to have more than one purpose (e.g. a hotel/shops/casino project), the ABS endeavours to split the approval details according to each main function. Where this is not possible because separate details cannot be obtained, the building is classified to the predominant function of the building on the basis of the function which represents the highest proportion of the total value of the project.

**12** Building approvals are classified both by the TYPE OF BUILDING (e.g. 'house', 'factory') and by the TYPE OF WORK involved (e.g. 'new', 'alterations and additions' and 'conversions'). These classifications are often used in conjunction with each other in this publication and are defined in the Glossary.

**13** The TYPE OF WORK classification refers to the building activity carried out. Conversion jobs are shown separately in tables 9, 10, 19 and 20. However, in other tables they are included within existing categories, as follows: in tables 1 and 2 they are included in the appropriate TYPE OF BUILDING category, and in tables 13, 14 and 24 they are included in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category.

### SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

**14** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised.

**15** In the seasonal adjustment of series, account has been taken of both normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month. Adjustment has also been made for the influence of Easter which may affect the March and April estimates differently.

**16** Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular or non-seasonal influences (e.g. the approval of large projects or a change in the administrative arrangements of approving authorities).

**17** From May 2003, the seasonally adjusted estimates are produced by the concurrent seasonal adjustment method which takes account of the latest available original estimates. The concurrent method improves the estimation of seasonal factors, and therefore, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for the current and previous months.

**18** The state/territory series have been seasonally adjusted independently. However, a further adjustment has been made to these series to provide coherence between the state/territory estimates and the Australian total estimates.

**19** A more detailed review of concurrent seasonal factors will be conducted annually, generally prior to the release of data for May. The timing of this review may vary and when appropriate will be notified in the 'Data Notes' section of this publication.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### TREND ESTIMATES

**20** The revision properties of the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates have been improved by the use of autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) modelling. ARIMA modelling relies on the characteristics of the series being analysed to project future period data. The ARIMA model is assessed as part of the annual reanalysis. For more information on the details of ARIMA modelling see feature article: Use of ARIMA modelling to reduce revisions in the October 2004 issue of Australian Economic Indicators (cat. no. 1350.0).

**21** Smoothing seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series and creates trend estimates. For monthly series, these trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all months of the seasonally adjusted series except the last six months. Trend series are created for the last six months by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. For the quarterly chain volume measures (table 24), the trend estimates are derived by applying a 7-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all quarters of the respective seasonally adjusted series except the last three quarters. Trend series are created for these last three quarters by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average seasonally adjusted series. For further information, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring Trends, 2003* (cat. no. 1349.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra (02) 6252 6345 or email <time.series.analysis@abs.gov.au>.

**22** While the smoothing techniques described in paragraph 20 enable trend estimates to be produced for the latest few periods, they do result in revisions to the trend estimates as new data becomes available. Generally, revisions become smaller over time and, after three months, usually have a negligible impact on the series. Revisions to the original data may also lead to revisions to the trend.

**23** The ABS produces trend estimates to best represent the underlying behaviour in ABS original estimates. Abnormally high or low values (outliers) are discounted or excluded from the trend estimates. Outliers are considered to be part of the irregular component of the original estimates and, thus, do not conceptually form a part of trend estimates but do appear in the original and seasonally adjusted estimates. Therefore, failure to exclude outliers can result in a distortion to the trend estimates.

### CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

**24** The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually reweighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year. The reference year is updated annually in the October issue of this publication. While current price estimates reflect both price and volume changes, chain volume estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated and hence only reflect volume changes. The direct impact of the GST is a price change, and hence is removed from chain volume estimates. Since the value of approvals are more timely than the building price deflators, chain volume measures for the latest quarter are published once an additional month (after the quarter) of building approvals data becomes available. Therefore chain volume measures are updated in the April, July, October and January issues. Further information on the nature and concepts of chain volume measures is contained in the ABS publication *Information Paper: Introduction of Chain Volume Measures in the Australian National Accounts* (cat. no. 5248.0).

### AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHIC CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)

**25** Area statistics are now being classified to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), 2008 Edition (cat. no. 1216.0), effective from July 2008. Building work approved before July 2008 was classified according to the current edition of the ASGC at that time, and is presented in this publication unrevised, in the original geographical area that applied at the time of approval.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD  
GEOGRAPHIC  
CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)  
*continued*

**26** From 1 July 2002, approvals in the External Territories of Australia are included in these statistics. Jervis Bay is included in New South Wales, while Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands are included in Western Australia.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

**27** Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:

*Building Activity, Australia*, cat. no. 8752.0

*Dwelling Unit Commencements, Australia, Preliminary*, cat. no. 8750.0

*Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary*, cat. no. 8755.0

*Engineering Construction Activity, Australia*, cat. no. 8762.0

*House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities*, cat. no. 6416.0

*Housing Finance, Australia*, cat. no. 5609.0

*Producer Price Indexes, Australia*, cat. no. 6427.0.

**28** While building approvals value series are shown inclusive of GST, this is different to building activity – *Building Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8752.0) and *Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary* (cat. no. 8755.0) – in which residential work is published inclusive of GST and non-residential work exclusive of GST. In the Engineering Construction Survey – *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8762.0) all values exclude GST.

ABS DATA AVAILABLE ON  
REQUEST

**29** As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant data available on request. Inquiries should be made to the National Information and Referral Service on 1300 135 070.

ROUNDING

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

## APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES

### ELECTRONIC TABLES

The following tables are available electronically via the ABS web site.

Note: not all series in the table go back to the earliest start date.

### DWELLING UNITS

	Publication table no. (a)	Electronic table no. (a)	Start date (b)
Dwelling units approved, New South Wales	na	1	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Victoria	na	2	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Queensland	na	3	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, South Australia	na	4	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Western Australia	na	5	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, all series, Australia	1	6	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, percentage change, Australia	2	na	..
Dwelling units approved, state and territories, number	3	7	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, states and territories, percentage change	4	na	..
Private sector houses approved, states and territories	5	8	July 1983
Private sector houses approved, states and territories, percentage change	6	na	..
Dwelling units approved, states and territories, by type	7	9	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, by Capital City Statistical Division, original	8	10	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, by sector, original, Australia	9	11	January 1956
Dwelling units approved, by sector, New South Wales	10	12	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Victoria	10	13	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Queensland	10	14	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, South Australia	10	15	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Western Australia	10	16	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Tasmania	10	17	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Northern Territory	10	18	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	10	19	July 1970
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	11	20	January 1956
Value of dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	11	21	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, New South Wales	12	22	January 1965
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Victoria	12	23	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Queensland	12	24	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, South Australia	12	25	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Western Australia	12	26	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Tasmania	12	27	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Northern Territory	12	28	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Australian Capital Territory	12	29	January 1965

(a) na not available

(b) .. not applicable

## APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES *continued*

### VALUE

	Publication table no. (a)	Electronic table no. (a)	Start date (b)
Value of building approved, New South Wales	na	30	July 1970
Value of building approved, Victoria	na	31	July 1970
Value of building approved, Queensland	na	32	July 1970
Value of building approved, South Australia	na	33	July 1970
Value of building approved, Western Australia	na	34	July 1970
Value of building approved, Tasmania	na	35	July 1970
Value of building approved, Northern Territory	na	36	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australian Capital Territory	na	37	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australia	13	38	January 1956
Value of building approved, Australia, percentage change	14	na	..
Value of total building approved, states and territories	15	39	July 1973
Value of total building approved, percentage change	16	na	..
Value of total building approved, states and territories	17	40	July 1973
Value of non-residential building approved, states and territories	18	41	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector	19	42	January 1961
Value of building approved, by sector, New South Wales	20	43	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Victoria	20	44	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Queensland	20	45	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, South Australia	20	46	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Western Australia	20	47	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Tasmania	20	48	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	20	49	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	20	50	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australia	21	51	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, New South Wales	22	52	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Victoria	22	53	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Queensland	22	54	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, South Australia	22	55	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Western Australia	22	56	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Tasmania	22	57	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	22	58	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	22	59	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	60	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Victoria	na	61	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Queensland	na	62	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, South Australia	na	63	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	64	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	65	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Australia	23	66	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	67	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Victoria	na	68	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Queensland	na	69	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, South Australia	na	70	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	71	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	72	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Australia	23	73	July 2000

(a) na not available

(b) .. not applicable

### CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

	Publication table no.	Electronic table no.	Start date
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australia	24	74	September 1970
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, New South Wales	25	75	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Victoria	25	76	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Queensland	25	77	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, South Australia	25	78	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Western Australia	25	79	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Tasmania	25	80	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Northern Territory	25	81	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australian Capital Territory	25	82	September 1985

## APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES *continued*

### DATA CUBES

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Statistical Local Areas, New South Wales, 2001–02 to 2008–09	1	1
Statistical Local Areas, Victoria, 2001–02 to 2008–09	2	2
Statistical Local Areas, Queensland, 2001–02 to 2008–09	3	3
Statistical Local Areas, South Australia, 2001–02 to 2008–09	4	4
Statistical Local Areas, Western Australia, 2001–02 to 2008–09	5	5
Statistical Local Areas, Tasmania, 2001–02 to 2008–09	6	6
Statistical Local Areas, Northern Territory, 2001–02 to 2008–09	7	7
Statistical Local Areas, Australian Capital Territory, 2001–02 to 2008–09	8	8
Number and value (\$m) of approvals, states and territories	9	na

## GLOSSARY

<b>Accommodation</b>	Buildings primarily providing short-term or temporary accommodation, and includes the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Self-contained, short-term apartments (e.g. serviced apartments)</li> <li>■ Hotels (predominantly accommodation), motels, boarding houses, cabins</li> <li>■ Other short-term accommodation n.e.c. (e.g. migrant hostels, youth hostels, lodges).</li> </ul>
<b>Aged care facilities</b>	Building used in the provision or support of aged care facilities, excluding dwellings (e.g. retirement villages). Includes aged care facilities with and without medical care.
<b>Agriculture/aquaculture</b>	Buildings housing, or associated with, agriculture and aquaculture activities, including bulk storage of produce (e.g. shearing shed, grain silo, shearers' quarters).
<b>Alterations and additions</b>	Building activity carried out on existing buildings. Includes adding to or diminishing floor area, altering the structural design of a building and affixing rigid components which are integral to the functioning of the building.
<b>Alterations and additions to residential buildings</b>	Alterations and additions carried out on existing residential buildings, which may result in the creation of new dwelling units. See also Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.
<b>Building</b>	A building is a rigid, fixed and permanent structure which has a roof. Its intended purpose is primarily to house people, plant, machinery, vehicles, goods or livestock. An integral feature of a building's design is the provision for regular access by persons in order to satisfy its intended use.
<b>Commercial</b>	Buildings primarily occupied with or engaged in commercial trade or work intended for commercial trade, including buildings used primarily in wholesale and retail trades, office and transport activities.
<b>Conversion</b>	Building activity which converts a non-residential building to a residential building, e.g. conversion of a warehouse to residential apartments. Conversion is considered to be a special type of alteration, and these jobs have been separately identified as such from the July 1996 reference month, though they have only appeared separately in this publication from the January 1998 issue. Prior to that issue, conversions were published as part of the 'Conversions, etc.' category or included elsewhere within a table. See also Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.
<b>Dwelling unit</b>	A dwelling unit is a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long-term residential use. Regardless of whether they are self-contained or not, units within buildings offering institutional care (e.g. hospitals) or temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments) are not defined as dwelling units. Such units are included in the appropriate category of non-residential building approvals. Dwelling units can be created in one of four ways: through new work to create a residential building; through alteration/addition work to an existing residential building; through either new or alteration/addition work on non-residential building or through conversion of a non-residential building to a residential building.
<b>Educational</b>	Buildings used in the provision or support of educational services, including group accommodation buildings (e.g. classrooms, school canteens, dormitories).
<b>Entertainment and recreation</b>	Buildings used in the provision of entertainment and recreational facilities or services (e.g. libraries, museums, casinos, sporting facilities).
<b>Factories</b>	Buildings housing, or associated with, production and assembly processes of intermediate and final goods.
<b>Flats, units or apartments</b>	Dwellings not having their own private grounds and usually sharing a common entrance, foyer or stairwell.
<b>Health</b>	Buildings used in the provision of non-aged care medical services (e.g. nursing quarters, laboratories, clinics).

## GLOSSARY *continued*

<b>House</b>	A house is a detached building primarily used for long term residential purposes. It consists of one dwelling unit. For instance, detached 'granny flats' and detached dwelling units (e.g. caretaker's residences) associated with a non-residential building are defined as houses. Also includes 'cottages', 'bungalows' and rectories.
<b>Industrial</b>	Buildings used for warehousing and the production and assembly activities of industrial establishments, including factories and plants.
<b>New</b>	Building activity which will result in the creation of a building which previously did not exist.
<b>Non-residential building</b>	A non-residential building is primarily intended for purposes other than long term residential purposes. Note that, on occasions, one or more dwelling units may be created through non-residential building activity. Prior to the January 1998 issue of this publication, they have been included in the 'Conversions, etc.' column in tables showing dwelling units approved. They are now identified separately (e.g. see table 9). However, the value of these dwelling units cannot be separated out from that of the non-residential building which they are part of, therefore the value associated with these remain in the appropriate non-residential category.
<b>Offices</b>	Buildings primarily used in the provision of professional services or public administration (e.g. offices, insurance or finance buildings).
<b>Other dwellings</b>	Includes all dwellings other than houses. They can be created by: the creation of new other residential buildings (e.g. flats); alteration/addition work to an existing residential building; either new or alteration/addition work on a non-residential building; conversion of a non-residential building to a residential building creating more than one dwelling unit.
<b>Other residential building</b>	An other residential building is a building other than a house primarily used for long-term residential purposes. An other residential building contains more than one dwelling unit. Other residential buildings are coded to the following categories: semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey; semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with two or more storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of one or two storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of three storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of four or more storeys; flat, unit or apartment attached to a house; other/number of storeys unknown. The latter two categories are included with the semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey category in table 11 and 12 of this publication.
<b>Religious</b>	Buildings used for or associated with worship or in support of programs sponsored by religious bodies (e.g. church, temple, church hall, dormitories).
<b>Residential building</b>	A residential building is a building consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either houses or other residential buildings.
<b>Retail/wholesale trade</b>	Buildings primarily used in the sale of goods to intermediate and end users.
<b>Semidetached, row or terrace houses, townhouses</b>	Dwellings having their own private grounds with no other dwellings above or below.
<b>Transport</b>	Buildings primarily used in the provision of transport services, and includes the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Passenger transport buildings (e.g. passenger terminals)</li> <li>■ Non-passenger transport buildings (e.g. freight terminals)</li> <li>■ Commercial car parks (excluded are those built as part of, and intended to service, other distinct building developments)</li> <li>■ Other transport buildings n.e.c.</li> </ul>
<b>Warehouses</b>	Buildings primarily used for storage of goods, excluding produce storage.



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