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BUILDING APPROVALS

AUSTRALIA

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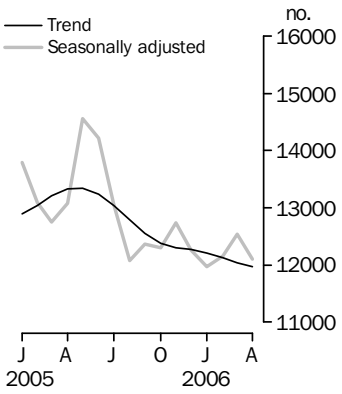

Private sector houses approved
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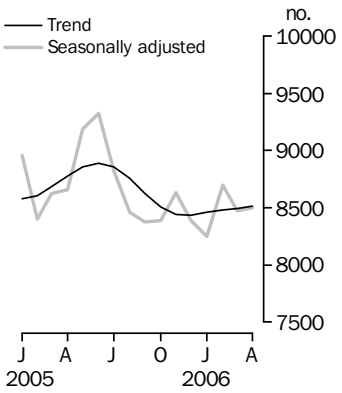

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KEY FIGURES

	Apr 06	Mar 06 to Apr 06	Apr 05 to Apr 06
	no.	% change	% change
TREND			
Total dwelling units approved	**11 976**	**–0.5**	**–10.1**
Private sector houses	8 511	0.2	–3.1
Private sector other dwellings	3 204	–2.3	–25.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			
Total dwelling units approved	**12 105**	**–3.4**	**–7.5**
Private sector houses	8 502	0.3	–1.8
Private sector other dwellings	3 272	–14.6	–23.0

KEY POINTS

TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for total dwelling approvals fell 0.5% in April 2006, the eleventh consecutive monthly fall.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling units approved fell 3.4%, to 12,105, in April 2006.

PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

- The trend estimate for private sector house approvals rose 0.2% in April 2006.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector houses approved rose 0.3%, to 8,502, in April 2006.

PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for private sector other dwellings approved fell 2.3% in April 2006.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector other dwellings approved fell 14.6%, to 3,272, in April 2006.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

- The trend estimate for the value of total building approved fell 0.3% in April 2006. The value of new residential building rose 0.1%. The value of alterations and additions fell 0.3%. The value of non-residential building approved fell 0.9%, the sixth consecutive monthly fall.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for the value of total building approved fell 11.4%, to $4,531.2m, in April 2006. The value of new residential building approved fell 9.0%, to $2,378.2m. The value of alterations and additions was flat at $447.8m.

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

ISSUE	*RELEASE DATE*
May 2006	3 July 2006
June 2006	1 August 2006
July 2006	4 September 2006
August 2006	3 October 2006
September 2006	1 November 2006
October 2006	4 December 2006

REVISIONS THIS MONTH

Revisions to Total Dwellings in this issue are:

	2004–05	*2005–06*	*Total*
NSW	54	177	231
Vic.	—	23	23
Qld	3	–1	2
SA	51	4	55
WA	—	–6	–6
Tas.	—	—	—
NT	—	—	—
ACT	—	—	—
Total	**108**	**197**	**305**

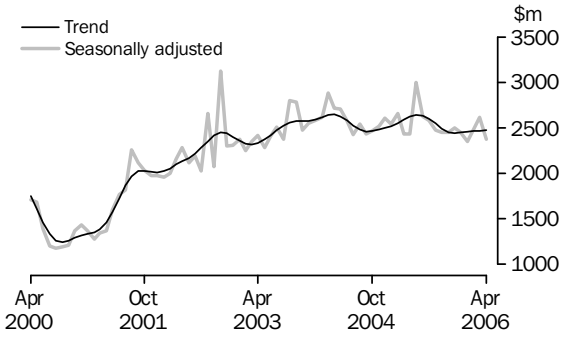
Revisions to the value of two non-residential building approvals removed $150m from Queensland in February 2006 and $99.5m from Queensland in November 2005.

Dennis Trewin
Australian Statistician

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend for the value of new residential building has shown small rises over the last five months.



ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

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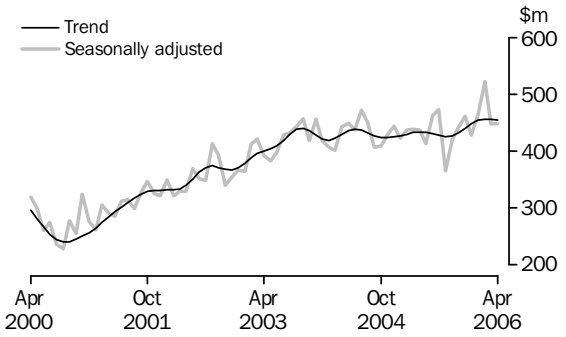

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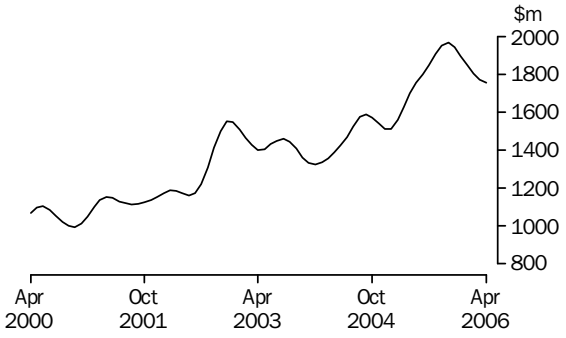
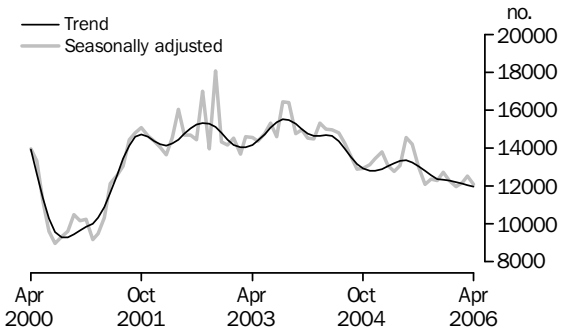


DWELLINGS APPROVED

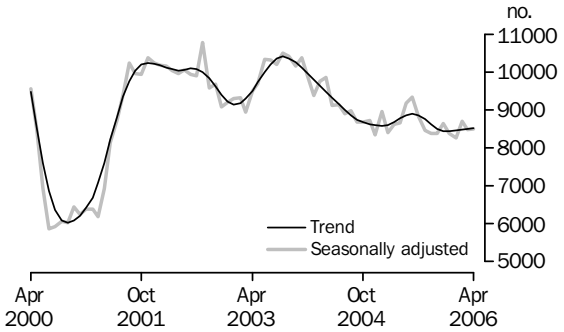
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

The trend for total dwelling units approved has fallen for eleven consecutive months.



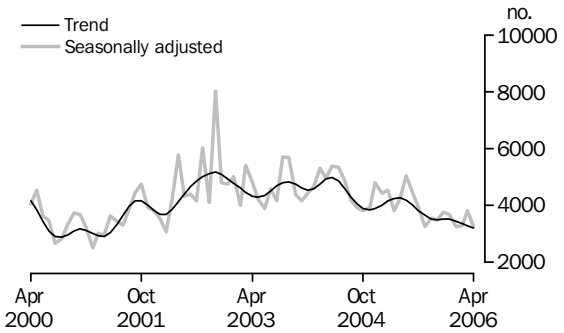
PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

The trend for private sector houses approved has risen for the last four months after falls in the previous six months.



PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS

The trend for private sector other dwellings approved has been in general decline since May 2005.



SUMMARY COMMENTS

The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved fell 0.5% in April 2006. The trend fell in New South Wales (-2.9%), Victoria (-0.4%), Western Australia (-0.5%) and the Australian Capital Territory (-7.8%), but rose in all other states and territories.

The trend estimate for private sector houses approved rose 0.2% in April 2006. The trend rose in New South Wales (+0.4%), Queensland (+0.9%), South Australia (+0.3%) and Western Australia (+0.8%), but fell in Victoria (-0.8%).

	NSW	*Vic.*	*Qld*	*SA*	*WA*	*Tas.*	*NT*	*ACT*	***Aust.***
				ORIGINAL					
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses *(no.)*	1 020	1 990	1 724	561	1 632	145	34	63	**7 169**
Total dwelling units *(no.)*	2 013	2 544	2 321	1 226	2 029	154	70	84	**10 441**
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses *(%)*	–21.0	–26.5	–26.6	–17.1	–12.2	–33.2	–56.4	–19.2	**–22.6**
Total dwelling units *(%)*	–15.4	–29.4	–36.4	13.7	–6.3	–44.4	–57.1	–38.7	**–22.4**
				SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses *(no.)*	1 223	2 260	2 075	674	2 001	na	na	na	**8 502**
Total dwelling units *(no.)*	2 349	2 763	2 852	1 362	2 444	183	na	na	**12 105**
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses *(%)*	0.1	–6.6	–1.0	5.3	15.1	na	na	na	**0.3**
Total dwelling units *(%)*	1.2	–18.4	–9.4	32.9	18.1	–35.3	na	na	**–3.4**
				TREND					
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses *(no.)*	1 210	2 374	2 096	651	1 863	na	na	na	**8 511**
Total dwelling units *(no.)*	2 308	3 046	2 967	930	2 259	222	103	142	**11 976**
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses *(%)*	0.4	–0.8	0.9	0.3	0.8	na	na	na	**0.2**
Total dwelling units *(%)*	–2.9	–0.4	0.5	2.4	–0.5	1.8	1.0	–7.8	**–0.5**

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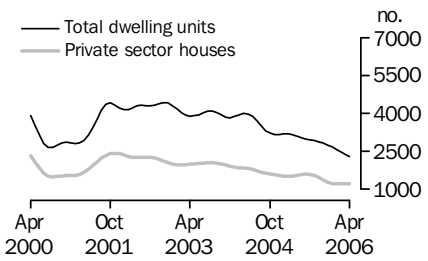
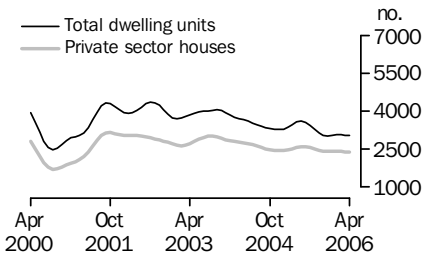
STATE TRENDS

NEW SOUTH WALES



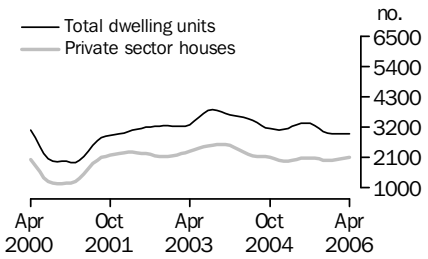
The trend for total dwelling units approved in New South Wales has been in decline for the past fifteen months. The trend estimate for private sector houses rose in April after falls in the previous nine months.

VICTORIA



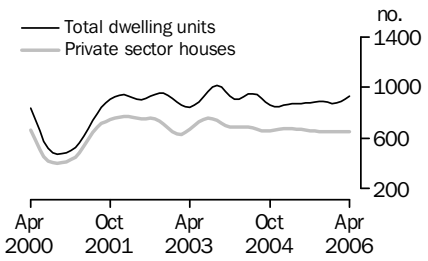
The trend for total dwelling units approved in Victoria is now showing small falls for the last two months. The trend for private sector houses now shows falls for the last three months.

QUEENSLAND



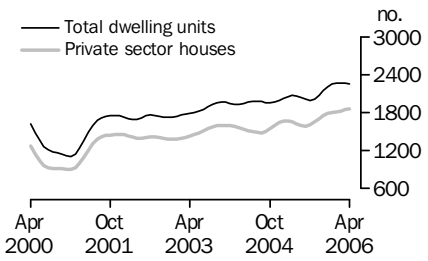
The trend for total dwelling units approved in Queensland is showing small rises for the last two months. The trend for private sector houses has risen for the last five months.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



The trend for total dwelling units approved in South Australia is now showing rises over the last four months. The trend for private sector houses is now showing small rises for the last two months.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA



The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Western Australia fell in April, following rises for the previous eight months. The trend for private sector houses is now showing rises for the last ten months.

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1 DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	*Total*	*Private*	*Total*	*Private*	*Public*	***Total***
Month	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL							
2005							
February	8 127	8 232	4 200	4 235	12 327	140	**12 467**
March	8 514	8 635	3 859	4 120	12 373	382	**12 755**
April	8 285	8 382	4 099	4 170	12 384	168	**12 552**
May	9 861	10 027	5 109	5 359	14 970	416	**15 386**
June	10 205	10 455	4 201	4 508	14 406	557	**14 963**
July	8 845	9 002	3 763	3 945	12 608	339	**12 947**
August	9 352	9 554	3 697	3 774	13 049	279	**13 328**
September	8 586	8 709	3 991	4 125	12 577	257	**12 834**
October	8 420	8 611	3 547	3 728	11 967	372	**12 339**
November	9 345	9 551	3 863	3 950	13 208	293	**13 501**
December	7 402	7 524	3 765	3 820	11 167	177	**11 344**
2006							
January	6 592	6 754	2 742	2 843	9 334	263	**9 597**
February	8 399	8 472	2 980	3 046	11 379	139	**11 518**
March	9 258	9 411	3 916	4 038	13 174	275	**13 449**
April	7 169	7 321	2 978	3 120	10 147	294	**10 441**
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
2005							
February	8 405	8 510	4 538	4 589	12 943	156	**13 099**
March	8 623	8 744	3 814	4 000	12 437	307	**12 744**
April	8 661	8 758	4 251	4 324	12 912	170	**13 082**
May	9 184	9 350	5 045	5 209	14 229	330	**14 559**
June	9 329	9 579	4 475	4 632	13 804	407	**14 211**
July	8 827	8 984	3 945	4 069	12 772	281	**13 053**
August	8 458	8 660	3 269	3 414	11 727	347	**12 074**
September	8 374	8 497	3 549	3 869	11 923	443	**12 366**
October	8 385	8 576	3 495	3 719	11 880	415	**12 295**
November	8 630	8 836	3 768	3 898	12 398	336	**12 734**
December	8 389	8 511	3 691	3 752	12 080	183	**12 263**
2006							
January	8 251	8 413	3 260	3 552	11 511	454	**11 965**
February	8 695	8 768	3 283	3 383	11 978	173	**12 151**
March	8 475	8 628	3 832	3 906	12 307	227	**12 534**
April	8 502	8 654	3 272	3 451	11 774	331	**12 105**
TREND							
2005							
February	8 607	8 724	4 152	4 318	12 759	283	**13 042**
March	8 683	8 806	4 258	4 403	12 941	268	**13 209**
April	8 781	8 919	4 280	4 409	13 061	267	**13 328**
May	8 860	9 017	4 199	4 329	13 059	287	**13 346**
June	8 888	9 063	4 031	4 179	12 919	323	**13 242**
July	8 854	9 039	3 831	4 002	12 685	356	**13 041**
August	8 759	8 946	3 652	3 842	12 411	377	**12 788**
September	8 625	8 807	3 540	3 738	12 165	380	**12 545**
October	8 509	8 680	3 499	3 695	12 008	367	**12 375**
November	8 444	8 604	3 517	3 701	11 961	344	**12 305**
December	8 436	8 586	3 518	3 684	11 954	316	**12 270**
2006							
January	8 459	8 601	3 457	3 605	11 916	290	**12 206**
February	8 480	8 615	3 370	3 507	11 850	272	**12 122**
March	8 496	8 627	3 280	3 411	11 776	262	**12 038**
April	8 511	8 638	3 204	3 338	11 715	261	**11 976**

2 DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage change

	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	*Total*	*Private*	*Total*	*Private*	*Public*	***Total***
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
			ORIGINAL				
2005							
February	17.7	17.5	13.2	10.2	16.1	–39.1	**15.0**
March	4.8	4.9	–8.1	–2.7	0.4	172.9	**2.3**
April	–2.7	–2.9	6.2	1.2	0.1	–56.0	**–1.6**
May	19.0	19.6	24.6	28.5	20.9	147.6	**22.6**
June	3.5	4.3	–17.8	–15.9	–3.8	33.9	**–2.7**
July	–13.3	–13.9	–10.4	–12.5	–12.5	–39.1	**–13.5**
August	5.7	6.1	–1.8	–4.3	3.5	–17.7	**2.9**
September	–8.2	–8.8	8.0	9.3	–3.6	–7.9	**–3.7**
October	–1.9	–1.1	–11.1	–9.6	–4.9	44.7	**–3.9**
November	11.0	10.9	8.9	6.0	10.4	–21.2	**9.4**
December	–20.8	–21.2	–2.5	–3.3	–15.5	–39.6	**–16.0**
2006							
January	–10.9	–10.2	–27.2	–25.6	–16.4	48.6	**–15.4**
February	27.4	25.4	8.7	7.1	21.9	–47.1	**20.0**
March	10.2	11.1	31.4	32.6	15.8	97.8	**16.8**
April	–22.6	–22.2	–24.0	–22.7	–23.0	6.9	**–22.4**
			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
2005							
February	–6.1	–6.0	2.3	–3.1	–3.3	–60.6	**–5.0**
March	2.6	2.7	–16.0	–12.8	–3.9	96.8	**–2.7**
April	0.4	0.2	11.5	8.1	3.8	–44.6	**2.7**
May	6.0	6.8	18.7	20.5	10.2	94.1	**11.3**
June	1.6	2.4	–11.3	–11.1	–3.0	23.3	**–2.4**
July	–5.4	–6.2	–11.8	–12.2	–7.5	–31.0	**–8.1**
August	–4.2	–3.6	–17.1	–16.1	–8.2	23.5	**–7.5**
September	–1.0	–1.9	8.6	13.3	1.7	27.7	**2.4**
October	0.1	0.9	–1.5	–3.9	–0.4	–6.3	**–0.6**
November	2.9	3.0	7.8	4.8	4.4	–19.0	**3.6**
December	–2.8	–3.7	–2.0	–3.7	–2.6	–45.5	**–3.7**
2006							
January	–1.6	–1.2	–11.7	–5.3	–4.7	148.1	**–2.4**
February	5.4	4.2	0.7	–4.8	4.1	–61.9	**1.6**
March	–2.5	–1.6	16.7	15.5	2.7	31.2	**3.2**
April	0.3	0.3	–14.6	–11.6	–4.3	45.8	**–3.4**
			TREND				
2005							
February	0.3	0.2	3.5	3.2	1.3	–5.4	**1.2**
March	0.9	0.9	2.6	2.0	1.4	–5.3	**1.3**
April	1.1	1.3	0.5	0.1	0.9	–0.4	**0.9**
May	0.9	1.1	–1.9	–1.8	—	7.5	**0.1**
June	0.3	0.5	–4.0	–3.5	–1.1	12.5	**–0.8**
July	–0.4	–0.3	–5.0	–4.2	–1.8	10.2	**–1.5**
August	–1.1	–1.0	–4.7	–4.0	–2.2	5.9	**–1.9**
September	–1.5	–1.6	–3.1	–2.7	–2.0	0.8	**–1.9**
October	–1.3	–1.4	–1.2	–1.2	–1.3	–3.4	**–1.4**
November	–0.8	–0.9	0.5	0.2	–0.4	–6.3	**–0.6**
December	–0.1	–0.2	—	–0.5	–0.1	–8.1	**–0.3**
2006							
January	0.3	0.2	–1.7	–2.1	–0.3	–8.2	**–0.5**
February	0.2	0.2	–2.5	–2.7	–0.6	–6.2	**–0.7**
March	0.2	0.1	–2.7	–2.7	–0.6	–3.7	**–0.7**
April	0.2	0.1	–2.3	–2.1	–0.5	–0.4	**–0.5**

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

3 DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories

Month	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL									
2005									
February	3 245	3 162	2 962	717	1 987	191	156	47	**12 467**
March	3 039	3 363	2 875	1 064	1 945	220	95	154	**12 755**
April	2 906	3 719	2 705	804	2 029	201	52	136	**12 552**
May	3 407	4 138	4 106	917	2 247	265	100	206	**15 386**
June	2 919	5 103	3 568	769	2 173	196	122	113	**14 963**
July	3 107	2 739	3 649	917	2 058	222	166	89	**12 947**
August	3 035	3 070	3 406	1 027	2 226	227	133	204	**13 328**
September	3 181	3 075	3 282	909	1 912	237	148	90	**12 834**
October	2 574	3 045	3 241	927	2 202	206	70	74	**12 339**
November	2 963	3 436	3 334	911	2 372	213	127	145	**13 501**
December	2 874	2 473	2 516	881	2 037	201	115	247	**11 344**
2006									
January	2 051	2 383	2 049	769	2 027	183	69	66	**9 597**
February	2 307	2 936	2 966	848	1 959	173	84	245	**11 518**
March	2 379	3 603	3 647	1 078	2 165	277	163	137	**13 449**
April	2 013	2 544	2 321	1 226	2 029	154	70	84	**10 441**
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
February	3 320	3 373	3 231	790	1 971	215	na	na	**13 099**
March	3 096	3 402	2 590	944	2 244	218	na	na	**12 744**
April	3 055	3 584	3 131	923	1 979	235	na	na	**13 082**
May	2 978	3 800	4 341	874	2 047	247	na	na	**14 559**
June	2 959	4 760	3 248	778	2 008	205	na	na	**14 211**
July	3 153	2 889	3 619	894	2 025	217	na	na	**13 053**
August	2 732	2 903	2 992	918	1 993	208	na	na	**12 074**
September	2 936	2 990	3 215	862	1 899	222	na	na	**12 366**
October	2 772	2 790	3 184	939	2 263	204	na	na	**12 295**
November	2 713	3 409	3 079	876	2 202	191	na	na	**12 734**
December	2 888	2 914	2 858	835	2 206	196	na	na	**12 263**
2006									
January	2 557	2 957	2 544	890	2 637	205	na	na	**11 965**
February	2 341	3 079	3 221	974	2 018	197	na	na	**12 151**
March	2 322	3 386	3 148	1 025	2 070	283	na	na	**12 534**
April	2 349	2 763	2 852	1 362	2 444	183	na	na	**12 105**
TREND									
2005									
February	3 184	3 364	3 159	867	2 055	234	79	101	**13 042**
March	3 153	3 470	3 223	871	2 070	229	78	115	**13 209**
April	3 100	3 572	3 283	872	2 065	225	81	129	**13 328**
May	3 043	3 612	3 332	872	2 038	224	88	137	**13 346**
June	2 987	3 563	3 351	875	2 010	222	97	138	**13 242**
July	2 945	3 435	3 335	878	1 996	218	105	131	**13 041**
August	2 912	3 272	3 260	881	2 013	213	111	123	**12 788**
September	2 877	3 123	3 143	887	2 073	207	113	122	**12 545**
October	2 826	3 032	3 038	889	2 146	202	111	132	**12 375**
November	2 757	3 016	2 986	881	2 209	202	107	147	**12 305**
December	2 669	3 046	2 963	874	2 251	205	103	160	**12 270**
2006									
January	2 573	3 069	2 946	875	2 268	208	102	165	**12 206**
February	2 472	3 069	2 944	888	2 270	214	101	163	**12 122**
March	2 378	3 058	2 952	908	2 271	218	102	154	**12 038**
April	2 308	3 046	2 967	930	2 259	222	103	142	**11 976**

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4 DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories—Percentage change

Month	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2005									
February	34.0	36.4	13.4	–29.2	16.3	–9.0	90.2	–90.2	**15.0**
March	–6.3	6.4	–2.9	48.4	–2.1	15.2	–39.1	227.7	**2.3**
April	–4.4	10.6	–5.9	–24.4	4.3	–8.6	–45.3	–11.7	**–1.6**
May	17.2	11.3	51.8	14.1	10.7	31.8	92.3	51.5	**22.6**
June	–14.3	23.3	–13.1	–16.1	–3.3	–26.0	22.0	–45.1	**–2.7**
July	6.4	–46.3	2.3	19.2	–5.3	13.3	36.1	–21.2	**–13.5**
August	–2.3	12.1	–6.7	12.0	8.2	2.3	–19.9	129.2	**2.9**
September	4.8	0.2	–3.6	–11.5	–14.1	4.4	11.3	–55.9	**–3.7**
October	–19.1	–1.0	–1.2	2.0	15.2	–13.1	–52.7	–17.8	**–3.9**
November	15.1	12.8	2.9	–1.7	7.7	3.4	81.4	95.9	**9.4**
December	–3.0	–28.0	–24.5	–3.3	–14.1	–5.6	–9.4	70.3	**–16.0**
2006									
January	–28.6	–3.6	–18.6	–12.7	–0.5	–9.0	–40.0	–73.3	**–15.4**
February	12.5	23.2	44.8	10.3	–3.4	–5.5	21.7	271.2	**20.0**
March	3.1	22.7	23.0	27.1	10.5	60.1	94.0	–44.1	**16.8**
April	–15.4	–29.4	–36.4	13.7	–6.3	–44.4	–57.1	–38.7	**–22.4**
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
February	1.1	10.6	–3.1	–33.2	–6.2	–10.8	na	na	**–5.0**
March	–6.7	0.9	–19.8	19.5	13.9	1.4	na	na	**–2.7**
April	–1.3	5.3	20.9	–2.2	–11.8	7.8	na	na	**2.7**
May	–2.5	6.0	38.6	–5.3	3.4	5.1	na	na	**11.3**
June	–0.6	25.3	–25.2	–11.0	–1.9	–17.0	na	na	**–2.4**
July	6.6	–39.3	11.4	14.9	0.8	5.9	na	na	**–8.1**
August	–13.4	0.5	–17.3	2.7	–1.6	–4.1	na	na	**–7.5**
September	7.5	3.0	7.5	–6.1	–4.7	6.7	na	na	**2.4**
October	–5.6	–6.7	–1.0	8.9	19.2	–8.1	na	na	**–0.6**
November	–2.1	22.2	–3.3	–6.7	–2.7	–6.4	na	na	**3.6**
December	6.5	–14.5	–7.2	–4.7	0.2	2.6	na	na	**–3.7**
2006									
January	–11.5	1.5	–11.0	6.6	19.5	4.6	na	na	**–2.4**
February	–8.4	4.1	26.6	9.4	–23.5	–3.9	na	na	**1.6**
March	–0.8	10.0	–2.3	5.2	2.6	43.7	na	na	**3.2**
April	1.2	–18.4	–9.4	32.9	18.1	–35.3	na	na	**–3.4**
TREND									
2005									
February	–0.1	2.2	1.5	0.9	1.4	–1.7	–3.7	11.0	**1.2**
March	–1.0	3.2	2.0	0.5	0.7	–2.1	–1.3	13.9	**1.3**
April	–1.7	2.9	1.9	0.1	–0.2	–1.7	3.8	12.2	**0.9**
May	–1.8	1.1	1.5	—	–1.3	–0.4	8.6	6.2	**0.1**
June	–1.8	–1.4	0.6	0.3	–1.4	–0.9	10.2	0.7	**–0.8**
July	–1.4	–3.6	–0.5	0.3	–0.7	–1.8	8.2	–5.1	**–1.5**
August	–1.1	–4.7	–2.2	0.3	0.9	–2.3	5.7	–6.1	**–1.9**
September	–1.2	–4.6	–3.6	0.7	3.0	–2.8	1.8	–0.8	**–1.9**
October	–1.8	–2.9	–3.3	0.2	3.5	–2.4	–1.8	8.2	**–1.4**
November	–2.4	–0.5	–1.7	–0.9	2.9	—	–3.6	11.4	**–0.6**
December	–3.2	1.0	–0.8	–0.8	1.9	1.5	–3.7	8.8	**–0.3**
2006									
January	–3.6	0.8	–0.6	0.1	0.8	1.5	–1.0	3.1	**–0.5**
February	–3.9	—	–0.1	1.5	0.1	2.9	–1.0	–1.2	**–0.7**
March	–3.8	–0.4	0.3	2.3	—	1.9	1.0	–5.5	**–0.7**
April	–2.9	–0.4	0.5	2.4	–0.5	1.8	1.0	–7.8	**–0.5**

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5 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, States and territories

Month	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL									
2005									
February	1 487	2 357	1 874	604	1 541	170	47	47	**8 127**
March	1 423	2 467	2 032	714	1 540	195	39	104	**8 514**
April	1 391	2 617	1 847	632	1 442	183	43	130	**8 285**
May	1 631	2 989	2 266	735	1 837	221	44	138	**9 861**
June	1 830	3 576	2 200	656	1 632	166	66	79	**10 205**
July	1 778	2 244	2 184	646	1 653	209	46	85	**8 845**
August	1 611	2 503	2 427	729	1 750	191	57	84	**9 352**
September	1 526	2 368	1 925	717	1 731	193	61	65	**8 586**
October	1 274	2 177	2 174	606	1 912	169	38	70	**8 420**
November	1 342	2 803	2 139	729	1 971	199	54	108	**9 345**
December	1 130	2 065	1 658	646	1 555	174	67	107	**7 402**
2006									
January	1 009	1 793	1 497	512	1 538	165	37	41	**6 592**
February	1 133	2 414	2 178	595	1 759	160	77	83	**8 399**
March	1 291	2 708	2 350	677	1 859	217	78	78	**9 258**
April	1 020	1 990	1 724	561	1 632	145	34	63	**7 169**
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
February	1 565	2 387	1 920	628	1 622	na	na	na	**8 405**
March	1 521	2 437	1 902	651	1 782	na	na	na	**8 623**
April	1 437	2 581	2 088	733	1 445	na	na	na	**8 661**
May	1 525	2 826	2 133	681	1 668	na	na	na	**9 184**
June	1 579	3 166	2 057	620	1 563	na	na	na	**9 329**
July	1 883	2 154	2 149	660	1 649	na	na	na	**8 827**
August	1 460	2 420	2 076	669	1 528	na	na	na	**8 458**
September	1 461	2 323	1 964	648	1 670	na	na	na	**8 374**
October	1 316	2 159	2 042	637	1 949	na	na	na	**8 385**
November	1 204	2 604	2 056	670	1 770	na	na	na	**8 630**
December	1 226	2 401	1 996	652	1 763	na	na	na	**8 389**
2006									
January	1 248	2 427	1 804	661	1 805	na	na	na	**8 251**
February	1 189	2 452	2 248	622	1 850	na	na	na	**8 695**
March	1 222	2 418	2 096	640	1 739	na	na	na	**8 475**
April	1 223	2 260	2 075	674	2 001	na	na	na	**8 502**
TREND									
2005									
February	1 520	2 468	1 966	677	1 667	na	na	na	**8 607**
March	1 525	2 513	1 989	674	1 654	na	na	na	**8 683**
April	1 547	2 569	2 028	671	1 623	na	na	na	**8 781**
May	1 580	2 605	2 068	668	1 593	na	na	na	**8 860**
June	1 601	2 605	2 090	664	1 586	na	na	na	**8 888**
July	1 592	2 571	2 094	659	1 609	na	na	na	**8 854**
August	1 542	2 517	2 074	654	1 654	na	na	na	**8 759**
September	1 458	2 457	2 041	652	1 708	na	na	na	**8 625**
October	1 360	2 419	2 012	653	1 755	na	na	na	**8 509**
November	1 278	2 410	2 001	653	1 785	na	na	na	**8 444**
December	1 232	2 417	2 008	651	1 805	na	na	na	**8 436**
2006									
January	1 217	2 422	2 028	649	1 816	na	na	na	**8 459**
February	1 210	2 412	2 052	648	1 830	na	na	na	**8 480**
March	1 205	2 393	2 078	649	1 849	na	na	na	**8 496**
April	1 210	2 374	2 096	651	1 863	na	na	na	**8 511**

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6 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, Percentage change

Month	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
					ORIGINAL				
2005									
February	20.9	26.4	17.9	25.8	1.9	–5.6	113.6	67.9	**17.7**
March	–4.3	4.7	8.4	18.2	–0.1	14.7	–17.0	121.3	**4.8**
April	–2.2	6.1	–9.1	–11.5	–6.4	–6.2	10.3	25.0	**–2.7**
May	17.3	14.2	22.7	16.3	27.4	20.8	2.3	6.2	**19.0**
June	12.2	19.6	–2.9	–10.7	–11.2	–24.9	50.0	–42.8	**3.5**
July	–2.8	–37.2	–0.7	–1.5	1.3	25.9	–30.3	7.6	**–13.3**
August	–9.4	11.5	11.1	12.8	5.9	–8.6	23.9	–1.2	**5.7**
September	–5.3	–5.4	–20.7	–1.6	–1.1	1.0	7.0	–22.6	**–8.2**
October	–16.5	–8.1	12.9	–15.5	10.5	–12.4	–37.7	7.7	**–1.9**
November	5.3	28.8	–1.6	20.3	3.1	17.8	42.1	54.3	**11.0**
December	–15.8	–26.3	–22.5	–11.4	–21.1	–12.6	24.1	–0.9	**–20.8**
2006									
January	–10.7	–13.2	–9.7	–20.7	–1.1	–5.2	–44.8	–61.7	**–10.9**
February	12.3	34.6	45.5	16.2	14.4	–3.0	108.1	102.4	**27.4**
March	13.9	12.2	7.9	13.8	5.7	35.6	1.3	–6.0	**10.2**
April	–21.0	–26.5	–26.6	–17.1	–12.2	–33.2	–56.4	–19.2	**–22.6**
					SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
2005									
February	–0.6	–9.8	–3.5	–6.2	–9.0	na	na	na	**–6.1**
March	–2.8	2.1	–1.0	3.7	9.9	na	na	na	**2.6**
April	–5.5	5.9	9.8	12.5	–18.9	na	na	na	**0.4**
May	6.1	9.5	2.2	–7.1	15.4	na	na	na	**6.0**
June	3.5	12.0	–3.6	–9.0	–6.3	na	na	na	**1.6**
July	19.3	–32.0	4.5	6.4	5.5	na	na	na	**–5.4**
August	–22.5	12.4	–3.4	1.5	–7.3	na	na	na	**–4.2**
September	—	–4.0	–5.4	–3.1	9.3	na	na	na	**–1.0**
October	–9.9	–7.0	3.9	–1.7	16.7	na	na	na	**0.1**
November	–8.5	20.6	0.7	5.1	–9.2	na	na	na	**2.9**
December	1.8	–7.8	–2.9	–2.7	–0.4	na	na	na	**–2.8**
2006									
January	1.8	1.1	–9.6	1.4	2.4	na	na	na	**–1.6**
February	–4.7	1.0	24.6	–5.9	2.5	na	na	na	**5.4**
March	2.8	–1.4	–6.8	2.9	–6.0	na	na	na	**–2.5**
April	0.1	–6.6	–1.0	5.3	15.1	na	na	na	**0.3**
					TREND				
2005									
February	–0.8	1.2	–0.4	0.1	0.3	na	na	na	**0.3**
March	0.3	1.8	1.2	–0.3	–0.7	na	na	na	**0.9**
April	1.5	2.2	2.0	–0.5	–1.9	na	na	na	**1.1**
May	2.1	1.4	1.9	–0.5	–1.8	na	na	na	**0.9**
June	1.4	—	1.1	–0.6	–0.5	na	na	na	**0.3**
July	–0.6	–1.3	0.2	–0.7	1.4	na	na	na	**–0.4**
August	–3.1	–2.1	–0.9	–0.7	2.8	na	na	na	**–1.1**
September	–5.5	–2.4	–1.6	–0.3	3.3	na	na	na	**–1.5**
October	–6.7	–1.5	–1.4	0.1	2.7	na	na	na	**–1.3**
November	–6.0	–0.4	–0.5	—	1.7	na	na	na	**–0.8**
December	–3.6	0.3	0.3	–0.4	1.1	na	na	na	**–0.1**
2006									
January	–1.2	0.2	1.0	–0.3	0.7	na	na	na	**0.3**
February	–0.6	–0.4	1.2	—	0.8	na	na	na	**0.2**
March	–0.4	–0.8	1.2	0.1	1.0	na	na	na	**0.2**
April	0.4	–0.8	0.9	0.3	0.8	na	na	na	**0.2**

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

Period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
HOUSES									
2002–03	25 068	33 526	27 652	8 652	18 067	1 973	518	1 889	**117 345**
2003–04	23 560	34 643	29 651	9 105	19 583	2 697	547	1 373	**121 159**
2004–05	19 206	31 372	24 954	8 364	19 393	2 434	679	985	**107 387**
2005									
May	1 641	3 002	2 292	748	1 915	227	64	138	**10 027**
June	1 873	3 604	2 217	672	1 765	168	76	80	**10 455**
July	1 802	2 257	2 207	678	1 707	215	51	85	**9 002**
August	1 629	2 531	2 447	761	1 837	205	60	84	**9 554**
September	1 540	2 388	1 947	756	1 748	203	61	66	**8 709**
October	1 298	2 198	2 195	670	1 961	171	48	70	**8 611**
November	1 356	2 855	2 178	766	2 034	200	54	108	**9 551**
December	1 150	2 078	1 675	665	1 596	175	67	118	**7 524**
2006									
January	1 018	1 877	1 499	531	1 586	165	37	41	**6 754**
February	1 142	2 416	2 189	618	1 776	160	77	94	**8 472**
March	1 296	2 713	2 371	769	1 871	217	78	96	**9 411**
April	1 049	2 014	1 750	583	1 682	145	34	64	**7 321**
OTHER DWELLINGS									
2002–03	25 075	14 686	14 007	2 226	3 741	172	432	1 281	**61 620**
2003–04	24 599	11 772	15 378	2 478	4 144	444	625	1 763	**61 203**
2004–05	19 340	11 161	13 955	2 527	4 684	329	709	1 294	**53 999**
2005									
May	1 766	1 136	1 814	169	332	38	36	68	**5 359**
June	1 046	1 499	1 351	97	408	28	46	33	**4 508**
July	1 305	482	1 442	239	351	7	115	4	**3 945**
August	1 406	539	959	266	389	22	73	120	**3 774**
September	1 641	687	1 335	153	164	34	87	24	**4 125**
October	1 276	847	1 046	257	241	35	22	4	**3 728**
November	1 607	581	1 156	145	338	13	73	37	**3 950**
December	1 724	395	841	216	441	26	48	129	**3 820**
2006									
January	1 033	506	550	238	441	18	32	25	**2 843**
February	1 165	520	777	230	183	13	7	151	**3 046**
March	1 083	890	1 276	309	294	60	85	41	**4 038**
April	964	530	571	643	347	9	36	20	**3 120**
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS									
2002–03	50 143	48 212	41 659	10 878	21 808	2 145	950	3 170	**178 965**
2003–04	48 159	46 415	45 029	11 583	23 727	3 141	1 172	3 136	**182 362**
2004–05	38 546	42 533	38 909	10 891	24 077	2 763	1 388	2 279	**161 386**
2005									
May	3 407	4 138	4 106	917	2 247	265	100	206	**15 386**
June	2 919	5 103	3 568	769	2 173	196	122	113	**14 963**
July	3 107	2 739	3 649	917	2 058	222	166	89	**12 947**
August	3 035	3 070	3 406	1 027	2 226	227	133	204	**13 328**
September	3 181	3 075	3 282	909	1 912	237	148	90	**12 834**
October	2 574	3 045	3 241	927	2 202	206	70	74	**12 339**
November	2 963	3 436	3 334	911	2 372	213	127	145	**13 501**
December	2 874	2 473	2 516	881	2 037	201	115	247	**11 344**
2006									
January	2 051	2 383	2 049	769	2 027	183	69	66	**9 597**
February	2 307	2 936	2 966	848	1 959	173	84	245	**11 518**
March	2 379	3 603	3 647	1 078	2 165	277	163	137	**13 449**
April	2 013	2 544	2 321	1 226	2 029	154	70	84	**10 441**

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

Period	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Greater Hobart	Darwin	Canberra
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
HOUSES								
2002–03	10 787	22 657	13 062	5 537	13 295	918	316	1 888
2003–04	9 290	22 698	12 948	5 619	14 079	1 182	330	1 373
2004–05	7 066	20 350	9 787	5 064	13 520	916	428	984
2005								
May	556	1 893	862	483	1 307	96	37	138
June	584	2 399	847	383	1 158	81	40	79
July	552	1 443	864	414	1 153	96	26	85
August	609	1 588	874	427	1 204	103	44	84
September	636	1 509	778	442	1 231	77	44	66
October	563	1 398	791	397	1 348	79	35	70
November	546	1 929	853	484	1 408	87	43	107
December	484	1 390	708	348	1 084	69	45	118
2006								
January	393	1 111	603	341	1 125	67	37	41
February	485	1 585	807	350	1 256	70	70	94
March	530	1 826	991	481	1 339	98	61	96
April	429	1 358	743	337	1 252	62	28	64
OTHER DWELLINGS								
2002–03	20 712	13 792	6 282	2 031	2 893	60	361	1 281
2003–04	19 511	10 675	6 901	2 241	3 077	242	578	1 763
2004–05	14 150	9 864	6 390	1 943	3 696	179	642	1 294
2005								
May	1 234	1 004	1 066	161	271	31	33	68
June	536	1 333	380	88	266	20	43	33
July	804	411	870	203	254	5	115	4
August	940	465	452	240	304	6	73	120
September	1 217	566	525	135	147	20	5	24
October	943	772	615	232	176	3	12	4
November	726	516	338	136	264	—	29	37
December	1 102	318	487	203	403	13	48	129
2006								
January	847	399	260	94	371	12	5	25
February	872	427	359	218	176	4	7	151
March	695	828	733	282	265	—	47	41
April	677	453	193	625	294	—	30	20
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS								
2002–03	31 499	36 449	19 344	7 568	16 188	978	677	3 169
2003–04	28 801	33 373	19 849	7 860	17 156	1 424	908	3 136
2004–05	21 216	30 214	16 177	7 007	17 216	1 095	1 070	2 278
2005								
May	1 790	2 897	1 928	644	1 578	127	70	206
June	1 120	3 732	1 227	471	1 424	101	83	112
July	1 356	1 854	1 734	617	1 407	101	141	89
August	1 549	2 053	1 326	667	1 508	109	117	204
September	1 853	2 075	1 303	577	1 378	97	49	90
October	1 506	2 170	1 406	629	1 524	82	47	74
November	1 272	2 445	1 191	620	1 672	87	72	144
December	1 586	1 708	1 195	551	1 487	82	93	247
2006								
January	1 240	1 510	863	435	1 496	79	42	66
February	1 357	2 012	1 166	568	1 432	74	77	245
March	1 225	2 654	1 724	763	1 604	98	108	137
April	1 106	1 811	936	962	1 546	62	58	84

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(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 24.

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

Period	*New houses*	*New other residential building*	*Alterations and additions to residential buildings*	*Conversion*(a)	*Non-residential building*(a)	***Total dwelling units***
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
PRIVATE SECTOR						
2002–03	115 095	56 733	818	1 841	381	**174 868**
2003–04	119 286	57 029	754	1 488	368	**178 925**
2004–05	105 273	49 579	517	1 607	178	**157 154**
2005						
May	9 840	5 054	30	34	12	**14 970**
June	10 194	3 891	48	248	25	**14 406**
July	8 833	3 489	20	212	54	**12 608**
August	9 341	3 562	30	111	5	**13 049**
September	8 575	3 931	31	8	32	**12 577**
October	8 408	3 499	36	13	11	**11 967**
November	9 330	3 796	33	10	39	**13 208**
December	7 393	3 690	48	13	23	**11 167**
2006						
January	6 576	2 625	8	117	8	**9 334**
February	8 390	2 806	25	147	11	**11 379**
March	9 246	3 760	110	31	27	**13 174**
April	7 158	2 738	53	160	38	**10 147**
PUBLIC SECTOR						
2002–03	2 090	1 994	12	—	1	**4 097**
2003–04	1 717	1 704	13	2	1	**3 437**
2004–05	1 942	2 229	22	34	5	**4 232**
2005						
May	166	250	—	—	—	**416**
June	250	267	5	34	1	**557**
July	157	182	—	—	—	**339**
August	202	64	13	—	—	**279**
September	123	132	—	—	2	**257**
October	191	151	30	—	—	**372**
November	206	87	—	—	—	**293**
December	122	54	1	—	—	**177**
2006						
January	162	99	—	2	—	**263**
February	73	66	—	—	—	**139**
March	153	122	—	—	—	**275**
April	152	137	5	—	—	**294**
TOTAL						
2002–03	117 185	58 727	830	1 841	382	**178 965**
2003–04	121 003	58 733	767	1 490	369	**182 362**
2004–05	107 215	51 808	539	1 641	183	**161 386**
2005						
May	10 006	5 304	30	34	12	**15 386**
June	10 444	4 158	53	282	26	**14 963**
July	8 990	3 671	20	212	54	**12 947**
August	9 543	3 626	43	111	5	**13 328**
September	8 698	4 063	31	8	34	**12 834**
October	8 599	3 650	66	13	11	**12 339**
November	9 536	3 883	33	10	39	**13 501**
December	7 515	3 744	49	13	23	**11 344**
2006						
January	6 738	2 724	8	119	8	**9 597**
February	8 463	2 872	25	147	11	**11 518**
March	9 399	3 882	110	31	27	**13 449**
April	7 310	2 875	58	160	38	**10 441**

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10 DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories—By sector: **Original**

States and territories	*New houses* no.	*New other residential building* no.	*Alterations and additions to residential buildings* no.	*Conversions*(a) no.	*Non-residential building*(a) no.	***Total dwelling units*** no.
			PRIVATE SECTOR			
NSW	1 014	792	29	133	7	**1 975**
Vic.	1 990	493	2	—	29	**2 514**
Qld	1 723	527	18	—	—	**2 268**
SA	560	618	1	—	1	**1 180**
WA	1 631	250	2	21	1	**1 905**
Tas.	143	2	1	6	—	**152**
NT	34	36	—	—	—	**70**
ACT	63	20	—	—	—	**83**
Aust.	7 158	2 738	53	160	38	**10 147**
			PUBLIC SECTOR			
NSW	29	9	—	—	—	**38**
Vic.	24	6	—	—	—	**30**
Qld	26	27	—	—	—	**53**
SA	22	24	—	—	—	**46**
WA	50	69	5	—	—	**124**
Tas.	—	2	—	—	—	**2**
NT	—	—	—	—	—	—
ACT	1	—	—	—	—	**1**
Aust.	152	137	5	—	—	**294**
			TOTAL			
NSW	1 043	801	29	133	7	**2 013**
Vic.	2 014	499	2	—	29	**2 544**
Qld	1 749	554	18	—	—	**2 321**
SA	582	642	1	—	1	**1 226**
WA	1 681	319	7	21	1	**2 029**
Tas.	143	4	1	6	—	**154**
NT	34	36	—	—	—	**70**
ACT	64	20	—	—	—	**84**
Aust.	7 310	2 875	58	160	38	**10 441**

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(a) See Glossary for definition.

11 DWELLING UNITS APPROVED IN NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS(a), Number and value: Original

Period	New houses	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF: One storey	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF: Two or more storeys	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF: Total	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: One or two storeys	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: Three storeys	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: Four or more storeys	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: Total	Total new other residential building	**Total new residential building**
					DWELLING UNITS *(no.)*					
2002–03	117 185	9 570	12 030	21 600	3 662	5 555	27 910	37 127	58 727	**175 912**
2003–04	121 003	10 767	13 136	23 903	4 411	5 408	25 011	34 830	58 733	**179 736**
2004–05	107 215	10 689	12 245	22 934	3 832	5 066	19 976	28 874	51 808	**159 023**
2005										
February	8 221	694	749	1 443	488	386	1 696	2 570	4 013	**12 234**
March	8 624	1 146	723	1 869	282	436	1 452	2 170	4 039	**12 663**
April	8 370	987	930	1 917	432	450	1 235	2 117	4 034	**12 404**
May	10 006	938	1 245	2 183	389	509	2 223	3 121	5 304	**15 310**
June	10 444	922	1 260	2 182	302	336	1 338	1 976	4 158	**14 602**
July	8 990	727	751	1 478	285	255	1 653	2 193	3 671	**12 661**
August	9 543	866	901	1 767	150	737	972	1 859	3 626	**13 169**
September	8 698	847	901	1 748	381	545	1 389	2 315	4 063	**12 761**
October	8 599	815	831	1 646	149	524	1 331	2 004	3 650	**12 249**
November	9 536	821	839	1 660	170	429	1 624	2 223	3 883	**13 419**
December	7 515	817	808	1 625	217	465	1 437	2 119	3 744	**11 259**
2006										
January	6 738	536	863	1 399	194	275	856	1 325	2 724	**9 462**
February	8 463	664	743	1 407	210	251	1 004	1 465	2 872	**11 335**
March	9 399	699	952	1 651	309	531	1 391	2 231	3 882	**13 281**
April	7 310	818	744	1 562	217	381	715	1 313	2 875	**10 185**
					VALUE *($m)*					
2002–03	18 768.9	981.3	1 708.8	2 690.0	452.7	774.2	5 939.6	7 166.5	9 856.5	**28 625.4**
2003–04	21 517.9	1 210.3	2 038.9	3 249.2	633.2	821.1	5 448.2	6 902.5	10 151.7	**31 669.6**
2004–05	20 881.9	1 294.8	2 090.0	3 384.8	556.2	955.2	4 969.1	6 480.5	9 865.3	**30 747.1**
2005										
February	1 605.1	93.1	140.0	233.1	70.6	81.5	558.2	710.2	943.3	**2 548.5**
March	1 717.3	139.7	131.1	270.8	45.0	91.2	321.6	457.8	728.6	**2 445.9**
April	1 655.6	111.5	153.1	264.6	93.0	91.7	251.3	436.0	700.6	**2 356.2**
May	2 021.4	115.3	223.5	338.8	49.7	134.7	630.3	814.7	1 153.5	**3 174.9**
June	2 060.0	117.8	202.5	320.3	55.2	53.4	334.6	443.3	763.6	**2 823.5**
July	1 800.3	96.4	138.6	235.0	44.9	53.4	441.2	539.5	774.5	**2 574.9**
August	1 940.6	99.1	153.7	252.8	31.2	146.6	310.6	488.5	741.3	**2 681.9**
September	1 784.2	102.7	141.2	244.0	51.3	78.4	394.5	524.2	768.2	**2 552.4**
October	1 754.9	110.6	148.1	258.7	34.3	87.4	329.8	451.5	710.2	**2 465.1**
November	1 965.0	118.4	152.2	270.6	32.4	72.2	350.2	454.8	725.4	**2 690.4**
December	1 544.5	97.3	141.5	238.8	36.5	60.5	344.0	441.0	679.8	**2 224.3**
2006										
January	1 413.9	76.6	155.5	232.1	38.8	46.0	185.3	270.2	502.2	**1 916.1**
February	1 808.1	90.7	124.6	215.2	41.8	42.8	286.0	370.6	585.9	**2 393.9**
March	1 973.6	95.9	178.9	274.8	45.0	78.7	394.6	518.3	793.1	**2 766.7**
April	1 585.5	99.6	145.7	245.3	41.4	64.4	128.8	234.7	480.0	**2 065.4**

(a) See Glossary for definition.

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

States and territories	New houses	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF: One storey	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF: Two or more storeys	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF: Total	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: One or two storeys	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: Three storeys	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: Four or more storeys	NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF: Total	Total new other residential building	**Total new residential building**
					DWELLING UNITS *(no.)*					
NSW	1 043	134	214	348	48	279	126	453	801	**1 844**
Vic.	2 014	192	196	388	3	2	106	111	499	**2 513**
Qld	1 749	156	179	335	156	10	53	219	554	**2 303**
SA	582	238	49	287	8	47	300	355	642	**1 224**
WA	1 681	90	86	176	—	43	100	143	319	**2 000**
Tas.	143	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	4	**147**
NT	34	6	—	6	—	—	30	30	36	**70**
ACT	64	—	18	18	2	—	—	2	20	**84**
Aust.	7 310	818	744	1 562	217	381	715	1 313	2 875	**10 185**
					VALUE *($m)*					
NSW	262.3	16.3	42.7	59.0	6.2	34.9	22.1	63.2	122.2	**384.5**
Vic.	443.0	22.9	36.7	59.6	0.6	2.8	10.2	13.6	73.1	**516.1**
Qld	397.6	18.8	38.4	57.1	32.7	1.9	21.2	55.8	112.9	**510.5**
SA	89.6	28.4	7.0	35.3	1.7	15.5	40.0	57.2	92.5	**182.1**
WA	341.4	12.1	15.6	27.7	—	9.4	26.4	35.7	63.4	**404.8**
Tas.	27.8	0.3	0.4	0.7	—	—	—	—	0.7	**28.5**
NT	9.1	0.8	—	0.8	—	—	9.0	9.0	9.8	**19.0**
ACT	14.7	—	5.0	5.0	0.2	—	—	0.2	5.3	**19.9**
Aust.	1 585.5	99.6	145.7	245.3	41.4	64.4	128.8	234.7	480.0	**2 065.4**

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

13 VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

Month	*New residential building* $m	*Alterations and additions to residential buildings*(a) $m	*Total residential building* $m	*Non-residential building* $m	***Total building*** $m
			ORIGINAL		
2005					
March	2 445.9	439.9	2 885.8	1 860.1	**4 745.9**
April	2 356.2	417.0	2 773.2	1 883.0	**4 656.2**
May	3 174.9	474.4	3 649.3	1 636.4	**5 285.7**
June	2 823.5	474.8	3 298.4	1 839.3	**5 137.6**
July	2 574.9	457.9	3 032.8	2 178.8	**5 211.6**
August	2 681.9	458.8	3 140.7	1 751.4	**4 892.1**
September	2 552.4	434.7	2 987.2	2 239.9	**5 227.1**
October	2 465.1	451.7	2 916.8	1 993.1	**4 909.9**
November	2 690.4	480.0	3 170.4	2 197.5	**5 367.9**
December	2 224.3	356.7	2 581.0	1 937.3	**4 518.3**
2006					
January	1 916.1	364.4	2 280.5	1 500.5	**3 781.0**
February	2 393.9	494.4	2 888.3	1 720.8	**4 609.1**
March	2 766.7	473.0	3 239.7	2 052.5	**5 292.3**
April	2 065.4	394.8	2 460.3	1 705.3	**4 165.5**
			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED		
2005					
March	2 435.1	438.5	2 873.6	na	**4 733.7**
April	2 435.3	437.7	2 872.9	na	**4 755.9**
May	2 998.3	414.1	3 412.3	na	**5 048.8**
June	2 625.0	462.3	3 087.3	na	**4 926.6**
July	2 584.8	472.5	3 057.4	na	**5 236.1**
August	2 470.4	365.5	2 835.8	na	**4 587.2**
September	2 449.8	419.6	2 869.4	na	**5 109.4**
October	2 452.5	441.6	2 894.2	na	**4 887.3**
November	2 498.8	461.9	2 960.7	na	**5 158.2**
December	2 453.1	427.4	2 880.4	na	**4 817.7**
2006					
January	2 351.4	464.3	2 815.8	na	**4 316.3**
February	2 480.9	521.9	3 002.7	na	**4 723.5**
March	2 614.1	447.7	3 061.9	na	**5 114.4**
April	2 378.2	447.8	2 826.0	na	**4 531.2**
			TREND		
2005					
March	2 591.8	432.8	3 024.6	1 629.3	**4 653.9**
April	2 625.9	434.0	3 059.9	1 699.6	**4 759.5**
May	2 642.2	433.0	3 075.2	1 755.7	**4 830.9**
June	2 633.0	430.7	3 063.6	1 797.1	**4 860.7**
July	2 599.4	427.6	3 026.9	1 844.8	**4 871.8**
August	2 548.2	425.2	2 973.4	1 904.7	**4 878.1**
September	2 490.2	426.4	2 916.6	1 950.1	**4 866.8**
October	2 448.7	432.0	2 880.7	1 967.0	**4 847.7**
November	2 440.1	440.1	2 880.1	1 943.5	**4 823.6**
December	2 450.1	448.4	2 898.5	1 896.5	**4 795.0**
2006					
January	2 458.0	454.2	2 912.3	1 844.8	**4 757.1**
February	2 464.3	456.0	2 920.3	1 801.2	**4 721.5**
March	2 468.8	455.5	2 924.3	1 770.4	**4 694.7**
April	2 470.4	454.0	2 924.4	1 754.9	**4 679.3**

na not available

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

14 VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

Month	*New residential building* %	*Alterations and additions to residential buildings*(a) %	*Total residential building* %	*Non-residential building* %	***Total building*** %
			ORIGINAL		
2005					
March	–4.0	6.4	–2.6	12.6	**2.9**
April	–3.7	–5.2	–3.9	1.2	**–1.9**
May	34.7	13.8	31.6	–13.1	**13.5**
June	–11.1	0.1	–9.6	12.4	**–2.8**
July	–8.8	–3.6	–8.1	18.5	**1.4**
August	4.2	0.2	3.6	–19.6	**–6.1**
September	–4.8	–5.3	–4.9	27.9	**6.8**
October	–3.4	3.9	–2.4	–11.0	**–6.1**
November	9.1	6.3	8.7	10.3	**9.3**
December	–17.3	–25.7	–18.6	–11.8	**–15.8**
2006					
January	–13.9	2.2	–11.6	–22.5	**–16.3**
February	24.9	35.7	26.7	14.7	**21.9**
March	15.6	–4.3	12.2	19.3	**14.8**
April	–25.3	–16.5	–24.1	–16.9	**–21.3**
			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED		
2005					
March	–8.2	0.3	–7.0	na	**–0.2**
April	—	–0.2	—	na	**0.5**
May	23.1	–5.4	18.8	na	**6.2**
June	–12.5	11.7	–9.5	na	**–2.4**
July	–1.5	2.2	–1.0	na	**6.3**
August	–4.4	–22.7	–7.2	na	**–12.4**
September	–0.8	14.8	1.2	na	**11.4**
October	0.1	5.2	0.9	na	**–4.3**
November	1.9	4.6	2.3	na	**5.5**
December	–1.8	–7.5	–2.7	na	**–6.6**
2006					
January	–4.1	8.7	–2.2	na	**–10.4**
February	5.5	12.4	6.6	na	**9.4**
March	5.4	–14.2	2.0	na	**8.3**
April	–9.0	—	–7.7	na	**–11.4**
			TREND		
2005					
March	1.6	0.7	1.5	4.6	**2.5**
April	1.3	0.3	1.2	4.3	**2.3**
May	0.6	–0.2	0.5	3.3	**1.5**
June	–0.4	–0.5	–0.4	2.4	**0.6**
July	–1.3	–0.7	–1.2	2.7	**0.2**
August	–2.0	–0.6	–1.8	3.2	**0.1**
September	–2.3	0.3	–1.9	2.4	**–0.2**
October	–1.7	1.3	–1.2	0.9	**–0.4**
November	–0.4	1.9	—	–1.2	**–0.5**
December	0.4	1.9	0.6	–2.4	**–0.6**
2006					
January	0.3	1.3	0.5	–2.7	**–0.8**
February	0.3	0.4	0.3	–2.4	**–0.7**
March	0.2	–0.1	0.1	–1.7	**–0.6**
April	0.1	–0.3	—	–0.9	**–0.3**

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

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(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

15 VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

Month	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m
ORIGINAL									
2005									
February	1 248.1	1 100.6	1 265.6	191.6	639.8	66.5	71.4	29.8	**4 613.3**
March	1 638.1	1 132.2	1 026.9	351.1	433.2	55.1	52.3	57.0	**4 745.9**
April	1 242.6	1 379.3	1 024.7	264.9	518.1	114.2	50.9	61.7	**4 656.2**
May	1 372.6	1 408.5	1 370.4	250.5	562.3	90.9	56.0	174.4	**5 285.7**
June	1 220.9	1 655.6	1 126.5	259.9	702.8	61.7	41.1	69.1	**5 137.6**
July	1 155.8	1 466.0	1 595.1	216.7	578.9	70.9	73.0	55.2	**5 211.6**
August	1 426.2	1 119.0	1 116.6	282.6	623.2	67.0	71.2	186.4	**4 892.1**
September	1 444.3	1 276.0	1 273.9	342.9	531.8	73.1	39.0	246.0	**5 227.1**
October	1 146.1	1 288.6	1 299.7	252.5	601.3	72.6	60.2	189.0	**4 909.9**
November	1 269.3	1 540.9	1 313.0	259.8	684.2	73.0	45.0	182.6	**5 367.9**
December	1 105.3	970.6	1 213.6	307.2	648.8	62.0	65.0	145.7	**4 518.3**
2006									
January	978.7	891.1	989.1	216.9	525.4	52.6	20.2	107.0	**3 781.0**
February	1 185.7	1 207.2	1 030.1	330.9	530.3	67.3	38.3	219.4	**4 609.1**
March	1 183.2	1 614.8	1 311.8	309.1	640.9	83.4	75.4	73.6	**5 292.3**
April	1 155.1	917.4	891.8	315.0	685.1	50.5	43.2	107.3	**4 165.5**
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
February	1 262.8	1 131.5	1 322.1	209.7	639.8	na	na	na	**4 742.5**
March	1 663.5	1 160.4	919.7	350.1	474.5	na	na	na	**4 733.7**
April	1 300.1	1 322.7	1 110.8	273.7	523.8	na	na	na	**4 755.9**
May	1 281.4	1 402.2	1 296.5	241.8	526.2	na	na	na	**5 048.8**
June	1 229.5	1 502.3	1 082.3	257.5	678.5	na	na	na	**4 926.6**
July	1 157.4	1 539.2	1 576.1	210.2	552.6	na	na	na	**5 236.1**
August	1 327.2	1 070.7	1 030.6	271.1	573.2	na	na	na	**4 587.2**
September	1 354.8	1 252.1	1 237.2	341.6	564.1	na	na	na	**5 109.4**
October	1 181.4	1 226.4	1 308.5	251.9	599.5	na	na	na	**4 887.3**
November	1 207.4	1 503.7	1 257.6	247.7	644.4	na	na	na	**5 158.2**
December	1 148.8	1 064.1	1 322.3	307.1	690.5	na	na	na	**4 817.7**
2006									
January	1 129.2	1 036.2	1 115.9	234.0	607.9	na	na	na	**4 316.3**
February	1 195.8	1 235.3	1 077.0	350.7	530.3	na	na	na	**4 723.5**
March	1 182.8	1 559.8	1 200.8	301.4	643.3	na	na	na	**5 114.4**
April	1 256.3	964.5	1 010.6	344.3	749.1	na	na	na	**4 531.2**
TREND									
2005									
February	1 240.1	1 146.1	1 093.3	261.3	485.4	na	na	na	**4 539.1**
March	1 238.8	1 216.9	1 117.0	269.3	480.2	na	na	na	**4 653.9**
April	1 238.9	1 285.3	1 152.2	270.4	485.0	na	na	na	**4 759.5**
May	1 244.6	1 323.8	1 192.3	264.3	498.7	na	na	na	**4 830.9**
June	1 256.3	1 328.8	1 222.3	252.6	519.7	na	na	na	**4 860.7**
July	1 263.3	1 310.5	1 248.2	243.3	544.2	na	na	na	**4 871.8**
August	1 263.9	1 280.9	1 266.8	240.1	570.3	na	na	na	**4 878.1**
September	1 252.3	1 244.6	1 271.4	244.1	593.6	na	na	na	**4 866.8**
October	1 229.3	1 223.8	1 261.2	252.3	609.3	na	na	na	**4 847.7**
November	1 203.7	1 222.4	1 245.8	258.8	617.3	na	na	na	**4 823.6**
December	1 181.3	1 227.9	1 220.7	263.8	621.6	na	na	na	**4 795.0**
2006									
January	1 170.8	1 225.3	1 189.0	267.5	626.1	na	na	na	**4 757.1**
February	1 175.2	1 216.9	1 148.5	271.0	634.1	na	na	na	**4 721.5**
March	1 187.3	1 206.3	1 105.6	275.0	646.8	na	na	na	**4 694.7**
April	1 208.8	1 195.2	1 068.6	277.4	660.6	na	na	na	**4 679.3**

na not available

16 VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

Month	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2005									
February	16.5	29.3	55.0	–38.9	36.0	2.7	99.1	–86.4	**20.0**
March	31.3	2.9	–18.9	83.2	–32.3	–17.3	–26.6	91.6	**2.9**
April	–24.1	21.8	–0.2	–24.6	19.6	107.4	–2.7	8.2	**–1.9**
May	10.5	2.1	33.7	–5.4	8.5	–20.3	10.0	182.9	**13.5**
June	–11.0	17.5	–17.8	3.7	25.0	–32.2	–26.7	–60.4	**–2.8**
July	–5.3	–11.5	41.6	–16.6	–17.6	14.9	77.8	–20.2	**1.4**
August	23.4	–23.7	–30.0	30.4	7.7	–5.6	–2.5	237.7	**–6.1**
September	1.3	14.0	14.1	21.4	–14.7	9.2	–45.2	32.0	**6.8**
October	–20.6	1.0	2.0	–26.4	13.1	–0.7	54.2	–23.2	**–6.1**
November	10.7	19.6	1.0	2.9	13.8	0.5	–25.2	–3.4	**9.3**
December	–12.9	–37.0	–7.6	18.2	–5.2	–15.1	44.4	–20.2	**–15.8**
2006									
January	–11.5	–8.2	–18.5	–29.4	–19.0	–15.1	–69.0	–26.6	**–16.3**
February	21.1	35.5	4.2	52.5	0.9	27.9	89.9	105.0	**21.9**
March	–0.2	33.8	27.3	–6.6	20.9	23.9	97.0	–66.4	**14.8**
April	–2.4	–43.2	–32.0	1.9	6.9	–39.5	–42.6	45.7	**–21.3**
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
February	–0.3	10.8	30.6	–37.6	20.2	na	na	na	**5.3**
March	31.7	2.6	–30.4	66.9	–25.8	na	na	na	**–0.2**
April	–21.8	14.0	20.8	–21.8	10.4	na	na	na	**0.5**
May	–1.4	6.0	16.7	–11.7	0.5	na	na	na	**6.2**
June	–4.0	7.1	–16.5	6.5	28.9	na	na	na	**–2.4**
July	–5.9	2.5	45.6	–18.4	–18.5	na	na	na	**6.3**
August	14.7	–30.4	–34.6	29.0	3.7	na	na	na	**–12.4**
September	2.1	16.9	20.0	26.0	–1.6	na	na	na	**11.4**
October	–12.8	–2.0	5.8	–26.3	6.3	na	na	na	**–4.3**
November	2.2	22.6	–3.9	–1.7	7.5	na	na	na	**5.5**
December	–4.9	–29.2	5.1	24.0	7.2	na	na	na	**–6.6**
2006									
January	–1.7	–2.6	–15.6	–23.8	–12.0	na	na	na	**–10.4**
February	5.9	19.2	–3.5	49.8	–12.8	na	na	na	**9.4**
March	–1.1	26.3	11.5	–14.0	21.3	na	na	na	**8.3**
April	6.2	–38.2	–15.8	14.2	16.5	na	na	na	**–11.4**
TREND									
2005									
February	–0.4	4.6	0.2	4.5	–2.4	na	na	na	**1.9**
March	–0.1	6.2	2.2	3.1	–1.1	na	na	na	**2.5**
April	—	5.6	3.1	0.4	1.0	na	na	na	**2.3**
May	0.5	3.0	3.5	–2.3	2.8	na	na	na	**1.5**
June	0.9	0.4	2.5	–4.4	4.2	na	na	na	**0.6**
July	0.6	–1.4	2.1	–3.7	4.7	na	na	na	**0.2**
August	0.1	–2.3	1.5	–1.3	4.8	na	na	na	**0.1**
September	–0.9	–2.8	0.4	1.7	4.1	na	na	na	**–0.2**
October	–1.8	–1.7	–0.8	3.4	2.6	na	na	na	**–0.4**
November	–2.1	–0.1	–1.2	2.6	1.3	na	na	na	**–0.5**
December	–1.9	0.5	–2.0	1.9	0.7	na	na	na	**–0.6**
2006									
January	–0.9	–0.2	–2.6	1.4	0.7	na	na	na	**–0.8**
February	0.4	–0.7	–3.4	1.3	1.3	na	na	na	**–0.7**
March	1.0	–0.9	–3.7	1.5	2.0	na	na	na	**–0.6**
April	1.8	–0.9	–3.3	0.9	2.1	na	na	na	**–0.3**

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na not available

17 VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

Month	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	**Aust.**
	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m
ORIGINAL									
2005									
February	783.0	756.3	817.5	140.1	360.3	36.3	53.0	15.1	**2 961.8**
March	776.7	773.6	675.3	183.8	350.1	48.2	35.4	42.8	**2 885.8**
April	681.6	819.9	666.6	145.6	367.4	41.1	14.8	36.1	**2 773.2**
May	901.7	1 003.1	983.3	181.8	441.1	54.3	32.9	51.1	**3 649.3**
June	747.9	1 068.5	830.5	144.7	406.4	44.5	26.3	29.6	**3 298.4**
July	753.4	647.3	900.4	170.9	416.7	46.1	68.2	29.7	**3 032.8**
August	813.4	705.1	838.3	163.7	479.6	45.8	43.5	51.4	**3 140.7**
September	844.4	703.0	778.9	163.8	392.6	48.2	29.0	27.3	**2 987.2**
October	683.7	746.4	774.1	158.8	463.3	46.2	21.8	22.5	**2 916.8**
November	773.2	803.5	794.4	174.2	505.0	46.8	37.2	36.1	**3 170.4**
December	675.4	615.0	547.6	161.2	424.6	42.0	30.6	84.5	**2 581.0**
2006									
January	548.4	548.4	545.1	150.9	416.8	39.9	13.8	17.3	**2 280.5**
February	673.1	746.3	732.7	202.3	416.2	39.1	26.1	52.6	**2 888.3**
March	653.5	909.9	847.9	229.8	469.5	57.0	36.9	35.3	**3 239.7**
April	519.8	629.0	578.0	201.3	446.4	36.8	23.1	25.9	**2 460.3**
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2005									
February	797.8	787.2	874.1	158.2	360.3	na	na	na	**3 090.9**
March	802.1	801.8	568.1	182.8	391.3	na	na	na	**2 873.6**
April	739.2	763.3	752.8	154.5	373.1	na	na	na	**2 872.9**
May	810.5	996.7	909.4	173.1	405.0	na	na	na	**3 412.3**
June	756.4	915.2	786.3	142.3	382.1	na	na	na	**3 087.3**
July	754.9	720.5	881.4	164.4	390.4	na	na	na	**3 057.4**
August	714.4	656.8	752.4	152.2	429.6	na	na	na	**2 835.8**
September	754.9	679.0	742.2	162.5	424.9	na	na	na	**2 869.4**
October	719.1	684.3	783.0	158.2	461.5	na	na	na	**2 894.2**
November	711.3	766.2	738.9	162.1	465.2	na	na	na	**2 960.7**
December	718.8	708.4	656.3	161.1	466.3	na	na	na	**2 880.4**
2006									
January	698.9	693.5	671.9	168.0	499.2	na	na	na	**2 815.8**
February	683.2	774.3	779.6	222.1	416.2	na	na	na	**3 002.7**
March	653.1	854.9	736.9	222.1	471.8	na	na	na	**3 061.9**
April	620.9	676.1	696.7	230.5	510.4	na	na	na	**2 826.0**
TREND									
2005									
February	786.2	779.5	758.9	163.2	371.7	na	na	na	**2 980.8**
March	784.7	813.7	767.9	165.0	376.3	na	na	na	**3 024.6**
April	779.1	840.1	781.0	164.2	381.5	na	na	na	**3 059.9**
May	771.8	844.0	796.7	161.8	386.7	na	na	na	**3 075.2**
June	762.9	821.2	810.2	159.3	394.5	na	na	na	**3 063.6**
July	752.4	780.2	814.4	157.3	404.9	na	na	na	**3 026.9**
August	741.7	735.2	801.3	156.7	419.4	na	na	na	**2 973.4**
September	733.4	700.0	772.5	158.0	436.0	na	na	na	**2 916.6**
October	726.2	688.4	740.8	159.7	450.3	na	na	na	**2 880.7**
November	718.3	701.8	722.7	161.0	459.7	na	na	na	**2 880.1**
December	707.8	726.5	715.1	162.6	464.6	na	na	na	**2 898.5**
2006									
January	693.0	743.4	713.8	164.6	467.2	na	na	na	**2 912.3**
February	675.9	753.3	715.0	167.4	470.6	na	na	na	**2 920.3**
March	658.2	758.6	716.7	170.5	475.2	na	na	na	**2 924.3**
April	643.7	759.7	717.3	174.0	479.0	na	na	na	**2 924.4**

na not available

18 VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories(a)

Month	NSW $m	Vic. $m	Qld $m	SA $m	WA $m	Tas. $m	NT $m	ACT $m	**Aust.** $m
ORIGINAL									
2005									
February	465.0	344.3	448.1	51.5	279.5	30.2	18.3	14.7	**1 651.6**
March	861.4	358.6	351.6	167.3	83.2	6.9	17.0	14.2	**1 860.1**
April	560.9	559.4	358.0	119.3	150.7	73.0	36.2	25.5	**1 883.0**
May	470.9	405.5	387.1	68.7	121.2	36.6	23.1	123.3	**1 636.4**
June	473.1	587.1	296.0	115.2	296.4	17.2	14.7	39.6	**1 839.3**
July	402.4	818.7	694.7	45.8	162.2	24.8	4.8	25.5	**2 178.8**
August	612.9	413.9	278.2	118.9	143.6	21.1	27.7	135.0	**1 751.4**
September	599.9	573.0	495.0	179.1	139.2	25.0	10.0	218.8	**2 239.9**
October	462.3	542.2	525.6	93.7	138.0	26.5	38.3	166.5	**1 993.1**
November	496.1	737.5	518.6	85.6	179.2	26.2	7.8	146.5	**2 197.5**
December	430.0	355.6	665.9	146.0	224.2	19.9	34.4	61.2	**1 937.3**
2006									
January	430.3	342.7	444.0	66.1	108.6	12.8	6.4	89.7	**1 500.5**
February	512.6	460.9	297.4	128.6	114.1	28.2	12.2	166.8	**1 720.8**
March	529.8	704.9	463.9	79.3	171.4	26.3	38.5	38.4	**2 052.5**
April	635.3	288.4	313.8	113.8	238.7	13.7	20.1	81.5	**1 705.3**
TREND									
2005									
February	453.9	366.6	334.4	98.0	113.7	na	na	na	**1 558.3**
March	454.1	403.1	349.1	104.3	103.9	na	na	na	**1 629.3**
April	459.8	445.2	371.2	106.2	103.5	na	na	na	**1 699.6**
May	472.8	479.8	395.6	102.5	112.1	na	na	na	**1 755.7**
June	493.3	507.6	412.1	93.3	125.2	na	na	na	**1 797.1**
July	510.9	530.4	433.7	86.0	139.2	na	na	na	**1 844.8**
August	522.2	545.7	465.6	83.3	151.0	na	na	na	**1 904.7**
September	518.9	544.6	498.9	86.1	157.6	na	na	na	**1 950.1**
October	503.1	535.4	520.4	92.6	158.9	na	na	na	**1 967.0**
November	485.4	520.5	523.1	97.7	157.5	na	na	na	**1 943.5**
December	473.4	501.4	505.6	101.2	157.0	na	na	na	**1 896.5**
2006									
January	477.8	481.9	475.1	102.8	158.9	na	na	na	**1 844.8**
February	499.3	463.6	433.4	103.6	163.6	na	na	na	**1 801.2**
March	529.1	447.6	388.8	104.5	171.6	na	na	na	**1 770.4**
April	565.1	435.5	351.3	103.4	181.5	na	na	na	**1 754.9**

na not available

(a) Seasonally adjusted data is not available due to the volatility of the data.

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

Period	*New houses* $m	*New other residential building* $m	*Alterations and additions creating dwellings* $m	*Alterations and additions not creating dwellings* $m	*Conversions* $m	*Total residential building* $m	*Non-residential building* $m	***Total building*** $m
PRIVATE SECTOR								
2002–03	18 474.2	9 601.3	106.6	4 004.0	276.4	32 462.5	13 704.9	**46 167.4**
2003–04	21 243.6	9 919.0	118.0	4 655.2	287.8	36 223.7	12 972.2	**49 195.8**
2004–05	20 518.5	9 483.2	63.4	4 730.0	220.5	35 015.7	15 763.9	**50 779.6**
2005								
May	1 982.4	1 115.6	3.2	440.9	3.2	3 545.3	1 159.4	**4 704.7**
June	2 016.8	713.3	6.3	429.7	10.1	3 176.3	1 583.4	**4 759.7**
July	1 773.2	750.3	3.5	392.9	46.7	2 966.5	1 725.7	**4 692.3**
August	1 905.6	731.8	5.6	436.4	4.8	3 084.3	1 274.9	**4 359.2**
September	1 764.0	748.4	3.4	419.9	0.3	2 936.0	1 831.2	**4 767.2**
October	1 720.9	689.7	3.6	430.7	3.1	2 848.1	1 567.0	**4 415.1**
November	1 922.3	707.3	6.5	441.8	1.0	3 078.8	1 813.5	**4 892.3**
December	1 520.3	672.3	3.3	337.7	5.0	2 538.6	1 337.2	**3 875.8**
2006								
January	1 380.1	483.3	0.5	319.1	25.5	2 208.5	1 059.1	**3 267.6**
February	1 794.9	574.4	3.4	423.7	58.2	2 854.6	1 273.9	**4 128.5**
March	1 950.7	775.2	10.0	444.8	7.4	3 188.1	1 689.3	**4 877.3**
April	1 552.5	456.5	9.7	358.2	18.9	2 395.7	1 383.6	**3 779.2**
PUBLIC SECTOR								
2002–03	294.7	255.3	1.8	179.6	—	731.3	3 458.9	**4 190.2**
2003–04	274.3	232.6	1.7	159.4	0.4	668.5	3 957.0	**4 625.5**
2004–05	363.4	382.1	7.4	174.4	14.1	941.3	4 092.0	**5 033.3**
2005								
May	39.0	37.9	—	27.1	—	104.0	477.1	**581.0**
June	43.1	50.2	1.4	13.2	14.1	122.0	255.9	**377.9**
July	27.2	24.2	—	14.9	—	66.3	453.0	**519.3**
August	35.0	9.4	1.2	10.8	—	56.5	476.4	**532.9**
September	20.2	19.8	—	11.1	—	51.1	408.7	**459.9**
October	34.0	20.5	2.4	11.8	—	68.7	426.1	**494.8**
November	42.8	18.1	—	30.7	—	91.5	384.0	**475.6**
December	24.2	7.5	—	10.7	—	42.4	600.1	**642.5**
2006								
January	33.8	18.9	—	19.0	0.2	72.0	441.4	**513.4**
February	13.2	11.5	—	9.1	—	33.8	446.9	**480.6**
March	22.9	17.9	—	10.8	—	51.7	363.3	**414.9**
April	33.0	23.5	1.0	7.1	—	64.6	321.7	**386.3**
TOTAL								
2002–03	18 768.9	9 856.5	108.4	4 183.5	276.4	33 193.8	17 163.8	**50 357.6**
2003–04	21 517.9	10 151.7	119.8	4 814.6	288.2	36 892.1	16 929.2	**53 821.3**
2004–05	20 881.9	9 865.3	70.8	4 904.4	234.6	35 957.0	19 856.0	**55 812.9**
2005								
May	2 021.4	1 153.5	3.2	468.0	3.2	3 649.3	1 636.4	**5 285.7**
June	2 060.0	763.6	7.7	442.9	24.2	3 298.4	1 839.3	**5 137.6**
July	1 800.3	774.5	3.5	407.7	46.7	3 032.8	2 178.8	**5 211.6**
August	1 940.6	741.3	6.8	447.3	4.8	3 140.7	1 751.4	**4 892.1**
September	1 784.2	768.2	3.4	431.0	0.3	2 987.2	2 239.9	**5 227.1**
October	1 754.9	710.2	6.0	442.6	3.1	2 916.8	1 993.1	**4 909.9**
November	1 965.0	725.4	6.5	472.5	1.0	3 170.4	2 197.5	**5 367.9**
December	1 544.5	679.8	3.3	348.3	5.0	2 581.0	1 937.3	**4 518.3**
2006								
January	1 413.9	502.2	0.5	338.1	25.7	2 280.5	1 500.5	**3 781.0**
February	1 808.1	585.9	3.4	432.8	58.2	2 888.3	1 720.8	**4 609.1**
March	1 973.6	793.1	10.0	455.6	7.4	3 239.7	2 052.5	**5 292.3**
April	1 585.5	480.0	10.7	365.3	18.9	2 460.3	1 705.3	**4 165.5**

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

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

States and territories	*New houses* $m	*New other residential building* $m	*Alterations and additions creating dwellings* $m	*Alterations and additions not creating dwellings* $m	*Conversions* $m	*Total residential building* $m	*Non-residential building* $m	*Total building* $m
PRIVATE SECTOR								
NSW	255.8	120.7	7.7	119.4	8.0	511.5	518.6	1 030.2
Vic.	438.5	72.3	0.3	107.2	—	618.4	237.1	855.5
Qld	390.8	104.9	1.3	66.2	—	563.2	240.8	804.0
SA	86.6	89.4	0.1	18.7	—	194.9	109.0	303.8
WA	329.3	53.7	0.1	29.5	10.4	422.9	182.9	605.8
Tas.	27.8	0.3	0.3	7.6	0.5	36.4	11.2	47.6
NT	9.1	9.8	—	3.7	—	22.7	13.5	36.2
ACT	14.5	5.3	—	5.9	—	25.6	70.5	96.2
Aust.	*1 552.5*	*456.5*	*9.7*	*358.2*	*18.9*	*2 395.7*	*1 383.6*	*3 779.2*
PUBLIC SECTOR								
NSW	6.5	1.5	—	0.2	—	8.2	116.7	124.9
Vic.	4.5	0.8	—	5.4	—	10.6	51.3	61.9
Qld	6.8	8.0	—	—	—	14.8	73.0	87.8
SA	3.0	3.1	—	0.3	—	6.4	4.8	11.2
WA	12.1	9.8	1.0	0.7	—	23.5	55.8	79.3
Tas.	—	0.4	—	—	—	0.4	2.5	2.9
NT	—	—	—	0.4	—	0.4	6.6	7.1
ACT	0.2	—	—	—	—	0.2	11.0	11.2
Aust.	*33.0*	*23.5*	*1.0*	*7.1*	—	*64.6*	*321.7*	*386.3*
TOTAL								
NSW	262.3	122.2	7.7	119.6	8.0	519.8	635.3	1 155.1
Vic.	443.0	73.1	0.3	112.6	—	629.0	288.4	917.4
Qld	397.6	112.9	1.3	66.2	—	578.0	313.8	891.8
SA	89.6	92.5	0.1	19.0	—	201.3	113.8	315.0
WA	341.4	63.4	1.0	30.2	10.4	446.4	238.7	685.1
Tas.	27.8	0.7	0.3	7.6	0.5	36.8	13.7	50.5
NT	9.1	9.8	—	4.2	—	23.1	20.1	43.2
ACT	14.7	5.3	—	5.9	—	25.9	81.5	107.3
Aust.	*1 585.5*	*480.0*	*10.7*	*365.3*	*18.9*	*2 460.3*	*1 705.3*	*4 165.5*

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

21 VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories: **Original**

	NSW	*Vic.*	*Qld*	*SA*	*WA*	*Tas.*	*NT*	*ACT*	*Aust.*
	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	76.5	42.5	79.6	14.7	44.5	1.2	0.1	9.3	268.3
Transport	2.5	2.8	0.4	1.3	0.4	—	0.2	—	7.5
Offices	257.9	39.0	41.2	16.9	32.5	1.7	1.7	64.5	455.4
Other commercial n.e.c.	4.8	4.3	0.1	0.9	—	—	0.1	—	10.2
Total commercial	*341.6*	*88.7*	*121.1*	*33.8*	*77.3*	*2.9*	*2.2*	*73.8*	*741.4*
Industrial									
Factories	18.5	54.6	16.4	2.5	5.5	0.1	—	—	97.7
Warehouses	45.1	37.0	42.1	4.4	7.8	0.4	1.6	4.1	142.5
Agricultural/aquacultural	19.5	1.2	2.3	0.4	4.4	0.4	—	—	28.1
Other industrial n.e.c.	6.1	0.2	5.7	0.6	1.1	—	—	—	13.7
Total industrial	*89.2*	*92.9*	*66.5*	*7.9*	*18.8*	*0.9*	*1.6*	*4.1*	*281.9*
Other non-residential									
Educational	88.2	41.1	47.7	4.4	54.6	1.6	4.5	0.7	242.6
Religious	4.6	2.3	0.6	—	0.7	—	—	—	8.1
Aged care facilities	34.3	4.1	18.6	14.5	2.3	—	—	—	73.9
Health	30.5	8.0	12.5	0.8	1.4	6.3	0.1	0.5	60.0
Entertainment and recreation	12.2	29.1	10.4	7.4	22.4	0.7	10.9	2.3	95.4
Accommodation	16.4	10.7	26.8	44.0	14.9	0.7	—	—	113.5
Other non-residential n.e.c.	18.3	11.5	9.7	1.1	46.2	0.7	0.9	—	88.4
Total other non-residential	*204.5*	*106.8*	*126.2*	*72.1*	*142.5*	*9.9*	*16.4*	*3.6*	*681.9*
Total non-residential	**635.3**	**288.4**	**313.8**	**113.8**	**238.7**	**13.7**	**20.1**	**81.5**	**1 705.3**

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

22 VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories—By sector: Original

	NSW	*Vic.*	*Qld*	*SA*	*WA*	*Tas.*	*NT*	*ACT*	*Aust.*
	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m	$m
PRIVATE SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	76.2	42.2	79.6	14.7	44.5	1.2	0.1	9.3	267.8
Transport	1.7	2.8	0.4	1.2	0.2	—	0.2	—	6.5
Offices	250.4	35.4	18.5	16.3	30.9	1.7	0.4	54.4	407.9
Other commercial n.e.c.	0.8	3.7	0.1	0.9	—	—	—	—	5.4
Total commercial	*329.2*	*84.1*	*98.4*	*33.0*	*75.6*	*2.9*	*0.7*	*63.7*	*687.6*
Industrial									
Factories	18.2	52.1	16.4	2.5	5.3	0.1	—	—	94.6
Warehouses	45.0	36.9	40.8	4.4	7.8	0.4	1.6	4.1	140.9
Agricultural/aquacultural	19.5	1.2	2.3	0.4	4.4	0.4	—	—	28.1
Other industrial n.e.c.	5.9	0.2	5.5	0.6	0.9	—	—	—	13.2
Total industrial	*88.6*	*90.3*	*65.0*	*7.9*	*18.4*	*0.9*	*1.6*	*4.1*	*276.8*
Other non-residential									
Educational	22.2	11.6	1.8	3.3	9.7	1.5	—	—	50.1
Religious	4.6	2.3	0.6	—	0.7	—	—	—	8.1
Aged care facilities	34.1	4.1	18.6	14.5	2.0	—	—	—	73.4
Health	9.5	7.8	12.3	0.3	0.9	4.3	0.1	0.5	35.7
Entertainment and recreation	9.5	17.8	8.0	5.2	22.3	0.3	10.9	2.2	76.2
Accommodation	16.4	10.7	26.8	44.0	10.5	0.7	—	—	109.2
Other non-residential n.e.c.	4.5	8.4	9.3	0.7	42.7	0.6	0.2	—	66.5
Total other non-residential	*100.9*	*62.7*	*77.4*	*68.0*	*88.9*	*7.4*	*11.2*	*2.7*	*419.1*
Total non-residential	**518.7**	**237.1**	**240.8**	**109.0**	**182.9**	**11.2**	**13.5**	**70.5**	**1 383.6**
PUBLIC SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	0.2	0.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.5
Transport	0.8	—	—	0.1	0.1	—	—	—	1.0
Offices	7.5	3.6	22.7	0.7	1.6	—	1.4	10.1	47.5
Other commercial n.e.c.	4.0	0.6	—	—	—	—	0.1	—	4.7
Total commercial	*12.5*	*4.6*	*22.7*	*0.8*	*1.7*	—	*1.4*	*10.1*	*53.7*
Industrial									
Factories	0.3	2.5	—	—	0.3	—	—	—	3.1
Warehouses	0.1	0.1	1.4	—	—	—	—	—	1.6
Agricultural/aquacultural	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other industrial n.e.c.	0.2	—	0.2	—	0.2	—	—	—	0.5
Total industrial	*0.6*	*2.6*	*1.5*	—	*0.4*	—	—	—	*5.1*
Other non-residential									
Educational	65.9	29.5	45.9	1.1	44.9	0.1	4.5	0.7	192.5
Religious	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aged care facilities	0.2	—	—	—	0.3	—	—	—	0.5
Health	21.0	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	2.0	—	—	24.4
Entertainment and recreation	2.7	11.3	2.4	2.2	0.1	0.3	—	0.1	19.2
Accommodation	—	—	—	—	4.4	—	—	—	4.4
Other non-residential n.e.c.	13.8	3.1	0.4	0.3	3.5	0.1	0.7	—	21.9
Total other non-residential	*103.6*	*44.1*	*48.8*	*4.1*	*53.7*	*2.5*	*5.2*	*0.9*	*262.8*
Total non-residential	**116.7**	**51.3**	**73.0**	**4.8**	**55.8**	**2.5**	**6.6**	**11.0**	**321.7**

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

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

	$50,000 to less than $1m	*$1m to less than $5m*	*$5m and over*	*Total*
	BUILDING JOBS *(no.)*			
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	411	36	14	461
Transport	16	2	—	18
Offices	333	35	14	382
Other commercial n.e.c.	15	2	—	17
Total commercial	*775*	*75*	*28*	*878*
Industrial				
Factories	81	17	3	101
Warehouses	139	27	4	170
Agricultural/aquacultural	26	3	1	30
Other industrial n.e.c.	44	2	—	46
Total industrial	*290*	*49*	*8*	*347*
Other non-residential				
Educational	255	21	10	286
Religious	6	2	—	8
Aged care facilities	15	8	5	28
Health	50	9	3	62
Entertainment and recreation	66	20	4	90
Accommodation	26	12	4	42
Other non-residential n.e.c.	75	10	4	89
Total other non-residential	*493*	*82*	*30*	*605*
Total non-residential	**1 558**	**206**	**66**	**1 830**
	VALUE *($m)*			
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	74.2	70.8	123.3	268.3
Transport	3.4	4.1	—	7.5
Offices	72.2	77.5	305.8	455.4
Other commercial n.e.c.	3.4	6.8	—	10.2
Total commercial	*153.1*	*159.2*	*429.0*	*741.4*
Industrial				
Factories	26.3	31.8	39.6	97.7
Warehouses	44.0	59.0	39.5	142.5
Agricultural/aquacultural	3.2	6.5	18.4	28.1
Other industrial n.e.c.	9.7	3.9	—	13.7
Total industrial	*83.2*	*101.2*	*97.5*	*281.9*
Other non-residential				
Educational	69.6	58.0	115.0	242.6
Religious	2.1	6.0	—	8.1
Aged care facilities	2.9	16.3	54.7	73.9
Health	14.1	24.5	21.4	60.0
Entertainment and recreation	16.9	38.7	39.8	95.4
Accommodation	7.5	34.6	71.3	113.5
Other non-residential n.e.c.	24.1	18.5	45.8	88.4
Total other non-residential	*137.2*	*196.8*	*348.0*	*681.9*
Total non-residential	**373.6**	**457.2**	**874.5**	**1 705.3**

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

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

Period	New houses	New other residential building	New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b)	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
			ORIGINAL *($m)*				
2002–03	20 108.4	10 810.0	30 897.5	4 844.7	35 738.4	18 808.0	54 517.5
2003–04	21 517.9	10 151.7	31 669.6	5 222.6	36 892.1	16 929.2	53 821.3
2004–05	19 753.2	9 089.9	28 843.0	4 959.9	33 803.0	18 340.3	52 143.3
2004							
December Qtr	4 807.1	2 350.7	7 157.7	1 191.9	8 349.7	4 295.6	12 645.3
2005							
March Qtr	4 381.5	2 094.8	6 476.3	1 105.6	7 581.9	4 628.1	12 210.0
June Qtr	5 334.8	2 366.0	7 700.8	1 281.8	8 982.6	4 872.4	13 855.0
September Qtr	5 053.7	2 016.7	7 070.4	1 252.2	8 322.6	5 541.1	13 863.7
December Qtr	4 751.2	1 870.5	6 621.7	1 182.2	7 803.9	5 414.9	13 218.7
2006							
March Qtr	4 668.6	1 653.2	6 321.8	1 220.1	7 541.9	4 657.2	12 199.1
			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED *($m)*				
2004							
December Qtr	4 829.8	2 297.3	7 127.0	1 223.4	8 350.4	na	12 646.0
2005							
March Qtr	4 881.3	2 359.4	7 240.7	1 225.1	8 465.9	na	13 094.0
June Qtr	5 062.3	2 232.7	7 294.9	1 238.0	8 533.0	na	13 405.4
September Qtr	4 814.9	1 952.6	6 767.5	1 153.7	7 921.2	na	13 462.3
December Qtr	4 772.9	1 825.7	6 598.6	1 214.4	7 813.0	na	13 227.9
2006							
March Qtr	5 009.7	1 738.1	6 747.8	1 330.0	8 077.8	na	12 735.0
			TREND *($m)*				
2004							
December Qtr	4 889.1	2 300.2	7 189.3	1 247.6	8 436.9	4 437.5	12 874.4
2005							
March Qtr	4 910.7	2 287.5	7 198.3	1 222.7	8 421.0	4 631.0	13 052.1
June Qtr	4 913.7	2 198.5	7 112.2	1 199.7	8 311.9	5 027.4	13 338.9
September Qtr	4 883.1	2 005.2	6 890.9	1 199.9	8 090.8	5 294.5	13 377.4
December Qtr	4 865.6	1 837.2	6 704.1	1 230.3	7 934.4	5 243.4	13 174.3
2006							
March Qtr	4 885.5	1 739.0	6 603.9	1 281.4	7 885.4	5 036.9	12 928.8
			TREND *(% change from previous quarter)*				
2004							
December Qtr	–1.7	–3.2	–2.1	–1.2	–2.0	2.3	–0.6
2005							
March Qtr	0.4	–0.6	0.1	–2.0	–0.2	4.4	1.4
June Qtr	0.1	–3.9	–1.2	–1.9	–1.3	8.6	2.2
September Qtr	–0.6	–8.8	–3.1	—	–2.7	5.3	0.3
December Qtr	–0.4	–8.4	–2.7	2.5	–1.9	–1.0	–1.5
2006							
March Qtr	0.4	–5.3	–1.5	4.2	–0.6	–3.9	–1.9

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
na not available

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2003–04. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 23.
(b) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

25 VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories—Chain volume measures(a): Original

Period	NSW $m	Vic. $m	Qld $m	SA $m	WA $m	Tas. $m	NT $m	ACT $m	**Aust.** $m
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
2002–03	10 579.3	10 351.6	8 232.3	1 763.4	3 623.4	350.9	203.4	590.7	**35 738.4**
2003–04	10 500.4	10 140.4	9 094.0	1 842.0	3 879.4	553.9	260.1	622.0	**36 892.1**
2004–05	8 893.7	9 377.4	8 364.3	1 848.0	3 980.0	485.4	328.0	526.2	**33 803.0**
2004									
December Qtr	2 247.8	2 233.2	2 000.6	488.1	995.6	129.7	64.4	190.4	**8 349.7**
2005									
March Qtr	1 981.3	1 994.8	1 919.3	436.0	888.3	113.3	95.2	153.5	**7 581.9**
June Qtr	2 168.9	2 778.3	2 257.1	446.5	1 033.1	122.1	64.5	112.1	**8 982.6**
September Qtr	2 232.3	1 942.0	2 280.0	467.3	1 058.6	121.8	118.9	101.8	**8 322.6**
December Qtr	1 962.2	2 044.3	1 911.9	460.5	1 101.7	117.3	74.9	131.0	**7 803.9**
2006									
March Qtr	1 727.3	2 095.3	1 914.2	536.8	992.3	116.5	63.3	96.3	**7 541.9**
NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
2002–03	6 513.3	5 473.7	3 332.0	1 057.6	1 692.8	210.9	160.1	388.9	**18 808.0**
2003–04	5 395.4	4 871.9	3 249.3	1 179.2	1 522.4	187.0	169.5	354.4	**16 929.2**
2004–05	5 959.5	4 812.5	3 800.8	1 064.5	1 755.5	299.2	240.2	408.1	**18 340.3**
2004									
December Qtr	1 290.8	1 079.1	1 064.9	223.9	404.4	87.8	75.5	69.2	**4 295.6**
2005									
March Qtr	1 722.7	958.0	889.1	363.1	471.9	53.7	44.2	125.4	**4 628.1**
June Qtr	1 397.3	1 481.4	882.8	274.3	493.2	116.6	61.7	165.0	**4 872.4**
September Qtr	1 486.8	1 725.7	1 213.6	307.0	379.8	64.6	34.9	328.7	**5 541.1**
December Qtr	1 265.6	1 559.3	1 393.7	288.7	455.5	65.7	65.6	320.8	**5 414.9**
2006									
March Qtr	1 330.2	1 428.8	970.7	241.9	327.8	60.4	46.1	251.3	**4 657.2**
TOTAL BUILDING									
2002–03	17 060.2	15 812.7	11 567.7	2 820.0	5 316.3	564.0	363.4	980.0	**54 517.5**
2003–04	15 895.8	15 012.3	12 343.2	3 021.2	5 401.8	740.9	429.6	976.4	**53 821.3**
2004–05	14 853.2	14 189.8	12 165.1	2 912.5	5 735.5	784.6	568.2	934.3	**52 143.3**
2004									
December Qtr	3 538.6	3 312.3	3 065.5	712.0	1 399.9	217.5	139.8	259.7	**12 645.3**
2005									
March Qtr	3 704.1	2 952.8	2 808.4	799.1	1 360.2	167.1	139.4	279.0	**12 210.0**
June Qtr	3 566.2	4 259.7	3 140.0	720.8	1 526.3	238.8	126.3	277.1	**13 855.0**
September Qtr	3 719.0	3 667.6	3 493.6	774.3	1 438.4	186.4	153.8	430.5	**13 863.7**
December Qtr	3 227.7	3 603.6	3 305.6	749.2	1 557.3	183.0	140.5	451.9	**13 218.7**
2006									
March Qtr	3 057.5	3 524.0	2 884.9	778.7	1 320.1	176.9	109.4	347.6	**12 199.1**

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2003–04. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 23.

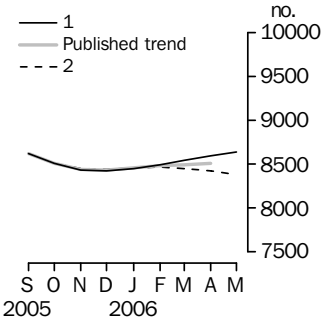
EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

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 May seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the April estimate by 3.7% for the number of private sector houses approved and 14% for private sector other dwelling units approved; and that the May seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the April estimate by 3.7% for the number of private sector houses approved and 14% for private sector other dwelling units approved. These percentages represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

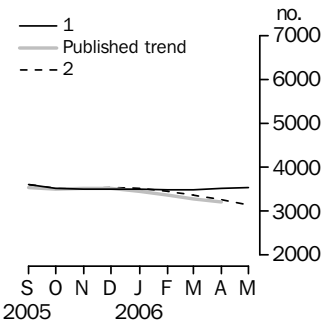
PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED



	Trend as published		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE: (1) rises by 3.7% on Apr 2006		(2) falls by 3.7% on Apr 2006	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
2005						
December	8 436	–0.1	8 420	–0.2	8 440	–0.1
2006						
January	8 459	0.3	8 451	0.4	8 461	0.2
February	8 480	0.2	8 494	0.5	8 467	0.1
March	8 496	0.2	8 541	0.5	8 450	–0.2
April	8 511	0.2	8 594	0.6	8 423	–0.3
May	—	—	8 639	0.5	8 381	–0.5

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS



	Trend as published		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE: (1) rises by 14% on Apr 2006		(2) falls by 14% on Apr 2006	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
2005						
December	3 518	—	3 513	0.2	3 544	0.6
2006						
January	3 457	–1.7	3 508	–0.1	3 524	–0.6
February	3 370	–2.5	3 494	–0.4	3 453	–2.0
March	3 280	–2.7	3 495	—	3 360	–2.7
April	3 204	–2.3	3 515	0.6	3 259	–3.0
May	—	—	3 533	0.5	3 147	–3.4

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication presents monthly details of building work approved.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

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.

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. As a result of this improvement, revisions to the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates will be observed for recent periods. The estimates that will improve the most will be for the current month, previous month and the same month one year ago. The concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology replaces the forward factor methodology previously used to adjust Building Approval series, where seasonal factors were only revised following an annual reanalysis.

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.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT *continued*

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.

TREND ESTIMATES

20 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 6540 or email <timeseries@abs.gov.au>.

21 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.

22 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

23 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 July 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)

24 Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), 2005 Edition* (cat. no. 1216.0), effective from July 2005. Building work approved before July 2005 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. From July 2001, the Statistical Division of Darwin includes Litchfield Shire, previously in the Statistical Division of Northern Territory Balance.

25 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

26 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.

27 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

28 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

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

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

APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES

ELECTRONIC TABLES

The following tables are available electronically via the ABS web site <http://www.abs.gov.au>.

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

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

ADDITIONAL TABLES

	Publication table no.	*Electronic table no.*	*Start date*
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australia	21–22	83	January 1965
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, NSW	21–22	84	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Vic.	21–22	85	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Qld	21–22	86	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, SA	21–22	87	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, WA	21–22	88	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Tas.	21–22	89	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, NT	21–22	90	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, ACT	21–22	91	July 1970

DATA CUBES

	SuperTable format	*Excel format*(a)
Statistical Local Areas, New South Wales, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	1	1
Statistical Local Areas, Victoria, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	2	2
Statistical Local Areas, Queensland, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	3	3
Statistical Local Areas, South Australia, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	4	4
Statistical Local Areas, Western Australia, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	5	5
Statistical Local Areas, Tasmania, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	6	6
Statistical Local Areas, Northern Territory, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	7	7
Statistical Local Areas, Australian Captial Territory, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05	8	8
Number and value ($m) of approvals, states and territories	9	na

(a) na not available

GLOSSARY

Accommodation Buildings primarily providing short-term or temporary accommodation, and includes the following categories:
- Self-contained, short-term apartments (e.g. serviced apartments)
- Hotels (predominantly accommodation), motels, boarding houses, cabins
- Other short-term accommodation n.e.c. (e.g. migrant hostels, youth hostels, lodges).

Aged care facilities 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.

Agriculture/aquaculture Buildings housing, or associated with, agriculture and aquaculture activities, including bulk storage of produce (e.g. shearing shed, grain silo, shearers' quarters).

Alterations and additions 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.

Alterations and additions to residential buildings 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.

Building 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.

Commercial 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.

Conversion 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.

Dwelling unit 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.

Educational Buildings used in the provision or support of educational services, including group accommodation buildings (e.g. classrooms, school canteens, dormitories).

Entertainment and recreation Buildings used in the provision of entertainment and recreational facilities or services (e.g. libraries, museums, casinos, sporting facilities).

Factories Buildings housing, or associated with, production and assembly processes of intermediate and final goods.

Flats, units or apartments Dwellings not having their own private grounds and usually sharing a common entrance, foyer or stairwell.

Health Buildings used in the provision of non-aged care medical services (e.g. nursing quarters, laboratories, clinics).

House 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.

Industrial Buildings used for warehousing and the production and assembly activities of industrial establishments, including factories and plants.

New Building activity which will result in the creation of a building which previously did not exist.

Non-residential building 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.

Offices Buildings primarily used in the provision of professional services or public administration (e.g. offices, insurance or finance buildings).

Other dwellings 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.

Other residential building 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.

Religious Buildings used for or associated with worship or in support of programs sponsored by religious bodies (e.g. church, temple, church hall, dormitories).

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

Retail/wholesale trade Buildings primarily used in the sale of goods to intermediate and end users.

Semidetached, row or terrace houses, townhouses Dwellings having their own private grounds with no other dwellings above or below.

Transport Buildings primarily used in the provision of transport services, and includes the following categories:

- Passenger transport buildings (e.g. passenger terminals)
- Non-passenger transport buildings (e.g. freight terminals)
- Commercial car parks (excluded are those built as part of, and intended to service, other distinct building developments)
- Other transport buildings n.e.c.

Warehouses Buildings primarily used for storage of goods, excluding produce storage.

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