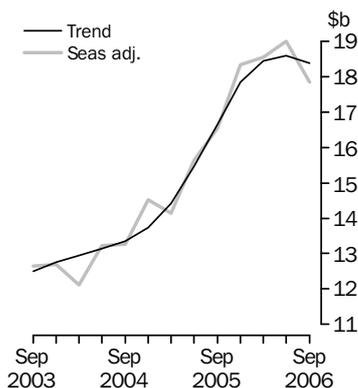


**PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
AND EXPECTED EXPENDITURE AUSTRALIA**

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New Capital Expenditure

in volume terms



KEY FIGURES

	Sep Qtr 06	Jun Qtr 06 to Sep Qtr 06	Sep Qtr 05 to Sep Qtr 06
	\$m	% change	% change
Trend estimates^(a)			
Total new capital expenditure	18 383	-1.1	10.4
Buildings & structures	7 275	-0.5	22.4
Equipment, plant & machinery	11 075	-1.6	3.3
Seasonally adjusted^(a)			
Total new capital expenditure	17 847	-6.0	7.9
Buildings & structures	6 848	-11.8	14.8
Equipment, plant & machinery	10 981	-2.5	3.6

(a) In volume terms.

KEY POINTS

ACTUAL EXPENDITURE (VOLUME TERMS)

- The trend estimate for total new capital expenditure in the September quarter 2006 decreased 1.1%, remaining at high levels after 21 consecutive increases. Seasonally adjusted there was a large fall this quarter (6.0%), following five quarters of growth.
- A seasonally adjusted decrease in building and structures (down 11.8%) has been the major contributor to the fall this quarter, mainly driven by Mining.
- Seasonally adjusted expenditure on equipment, plant and machinery declined 2.5% this quarter. There has been a fall across all the broad industries, with Mining recording the largest fall of 11.5%.

EXPECTED EXPENDITURE (CURRENT TERMS)

- This issue includes the fourth estimate for 2006-07.
- Estimate 4 for 2006-07 is \$69,870m, which is 10.3% higher than the comparable estimate for 2005-06 and 9.8% higher than the third estimate for 2006-07.
- See pages 6 to 9 for further commentary on expectations data.

INQUIRIES

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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

As happens each year, a seasonal re-analysis has been undertaken based on estimates up to and including the June quarter 2006. As part of this year's re-analysis, a number of the aggregation structures were amended to bring the seasonal adjustment methodology more into line with that used for the equivalent National Accounts series. This has resulted in revisions to seasonally adjusted estimates for most time series in this release.

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ABBREVIATIONS

ABN	Australian Business Number
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification
PAYGW	pay-as-you-go withholding
TAU	type of activity unit

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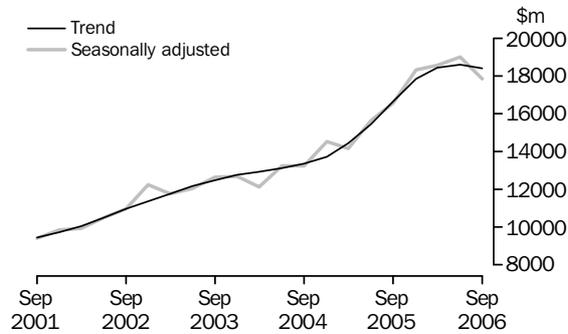
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ACTUAL NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE IN VOLUME TERMS

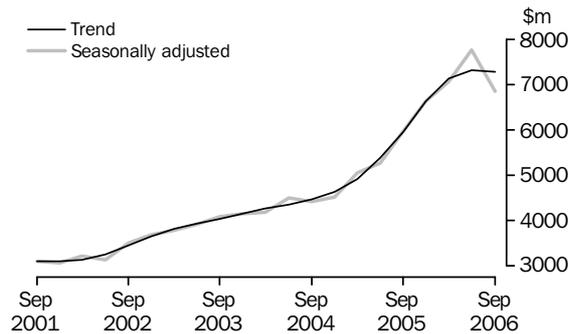
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The trend estimate for total capital expenditure in the September quarter decreased 1.1%, but remains at a high level after 21 consecutive increases. Seasonally adjusted there was a large fall this quarter (6.0%), following five quarters of growth. Buildings and structures recorded the strongest decrease (down 12%) and is driven by Mining.



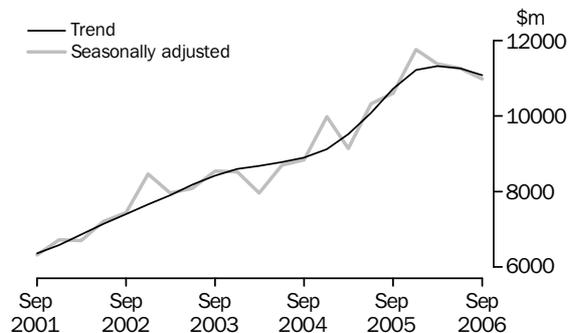
BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

The trend estimate for buildings and structures decreased 0.5% this quarter, the first fall in 18 quarters. In seasonally adjusted terms, the estimate decreased 11.8% following strong growth in the last 4 quarters. The decrease this quarter is mainly driven by Mining.



EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY

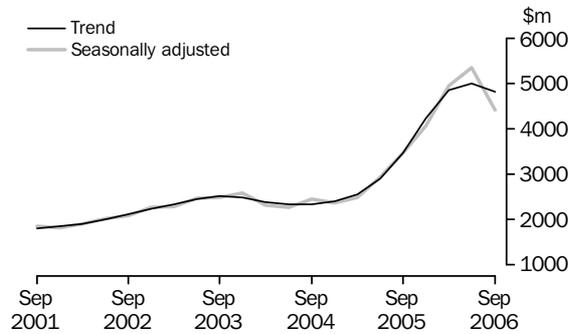
The trend estimate for equipment, plant and machinery decreased 1.6% in the September quarter 2006, the second consecutive fall. In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate has decreased by 2.5%, the third consecutive decline, following three quarters of growth. There has been a fall across all the broad industries, with Mining recording the largest fall of 12%.



ACTUAL NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE IN VOLUME TERMS *continued*

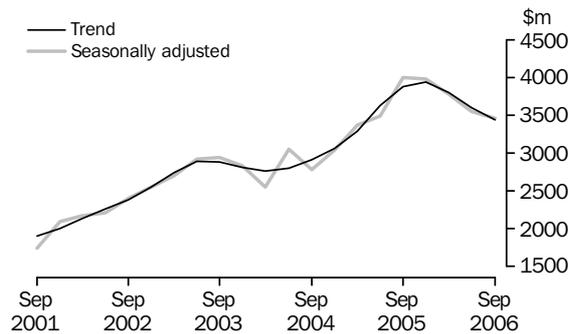
MINING

The trend estimate for Mining decreased 3.4% this quarter, the first decrease in eight quarters. In seasonally adjusted terms, there was a large fall of 16.6%, after five quarters of strong growth. Both asset types have declined, with building and structures falling 19% and equipment, plant and machinery 12%.



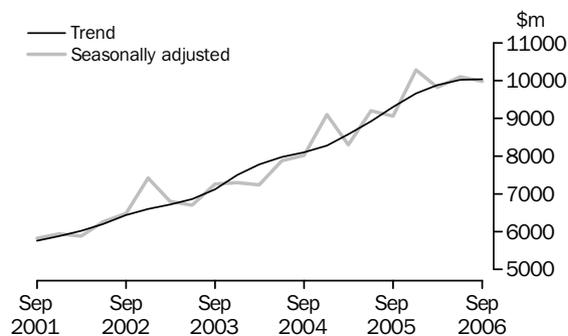
MANUFACTURING

The trend estimate for Manufacturing has decreased 4.3% this quarter, the third consecutive fall. In seasonally adjusted terms, the estimate has decreased 2.5% which is the fourth consecutive fall. A decrease in expenditure on both asset types contributed to the fall.



OTHER SELECTED INDUSTRIES

The trend estimate for Other selected industries has increased 0.2%. In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate decreased 1.3% with declines in expenditure on both asset types.



ACTUAL AND EXPECTED NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

FINANCIAL YEARS AT
CURRENT PRICES

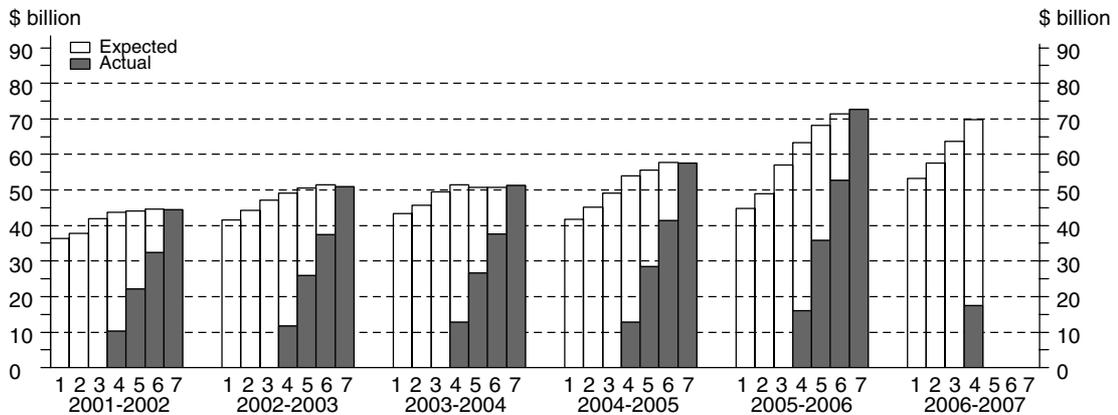
The graphs below show the seven estimates of actual and expected expenditure for each financial year. The estimates appearing below relate to data contained in tables 5 and 6. Advice about the application of realisation ratios to these estimates is in paragraphs 24 to 27 of the Explanatory Notes.

The timing and construction of these estimates are as follows:

Estimate	Based on data reported at:	COMPOSITION OF ESTIMATE.....		
		Data on long-term expected expenditure	Data on short-term expected expenditure	Data on actual expenditure
1	Jan-Feb, 5-6 months before period begins	12 months	Nil	Nil
2	Apr-May, 2-3 months before period begins	12 months	Nil	Nil
3	Jul-Aug, at beginning of period	6 months	6 months	Nil
4	Oct-Nov, 3-4 months into period	6 months	3 months	3 months
5	Jan-Feb, 6-7 months into period	Nil	6 months	6 months
6	Apr-May, 9-10 months into period	Nil	3 months	9 months
7	Jul-Aug, at end of period	Nil	Nil	12 months

TOTAL CAPITAL
EXPENDITURE

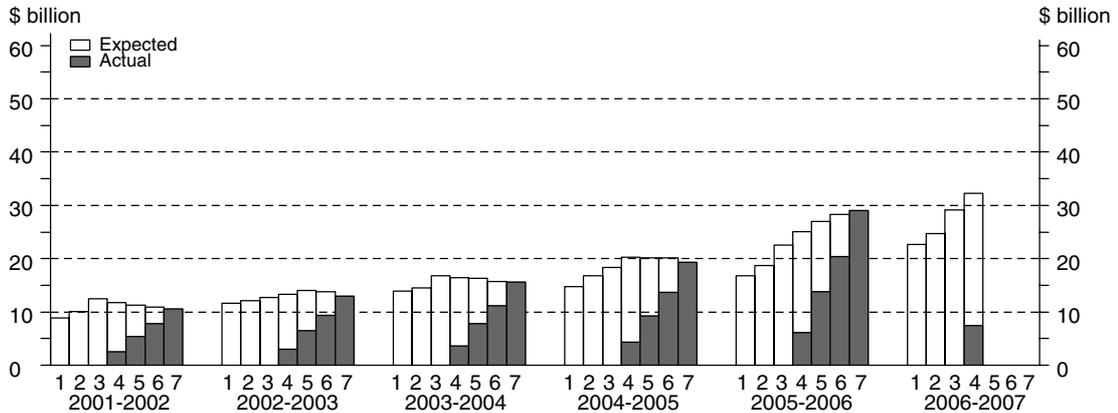
The fourth estimate for 2006-07 is \$69,870m which is 10.3% higher than the comparable estimate for 2005-06 and 9.8% higher than the third estimate for 2006-07. This increase has been in both building and structures and equipment, plant and machinery and is across the majority of industries with Mining (11%), Property and business services (11%) and Transport and storage (31%) recording the highest increases.



ACTUAL AND EXPECTED NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE *continued*

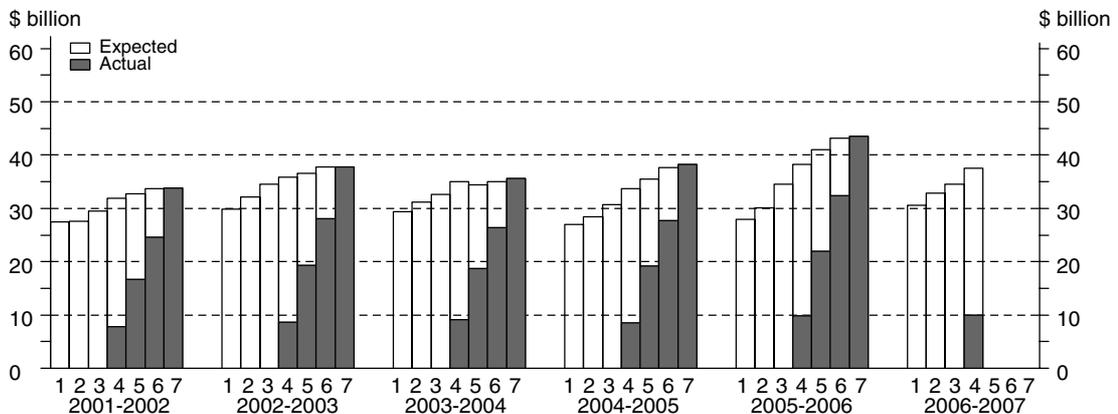
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Estimate 4 for 2006-07 is 28.6% higher than Estimate 4 for 2005-06 and 10.9% higher than Estimate 3. Mining (12%) and Transport and storage (69%) have had strong increases this quarter. Small increases in Property and business and Other Services, have been mainly offset by Retail and Wholesale.



EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY

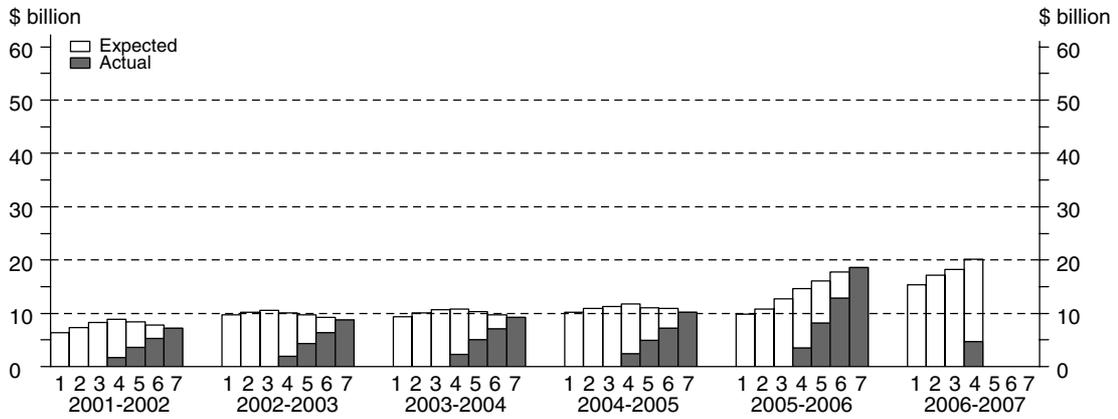
The fourth estimate for 2006-07 is 1.8% lower than the comparable estimate for 2005-06 but 8.9% higher than Estimate 3 for 2006-07. With the exception of Construction, all industries have increased since Estimate 3, with Property and business (15%), Transport (12%), Retail (13%) and Wholesale (18%) recording the strongest increases.



ACTUAL AND EXPECTED NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE *continued*

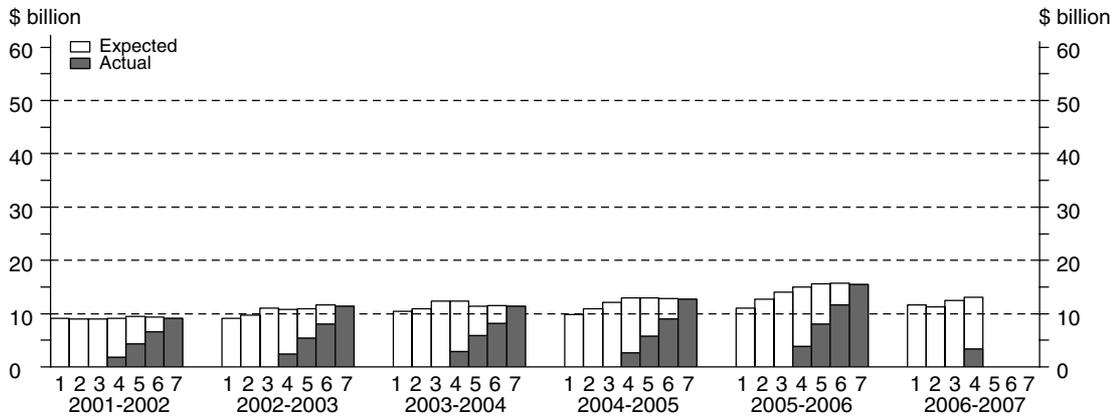
MINING

Estimate 4 for 2006-07 is 38.3% higher than the comparable estimate for 2005-06 and 10.6% higher than Estimate 3 for 2006-07. Both building and structures (13%) and equipment, plant and machinery (6%) increased.



MANUFACTURING

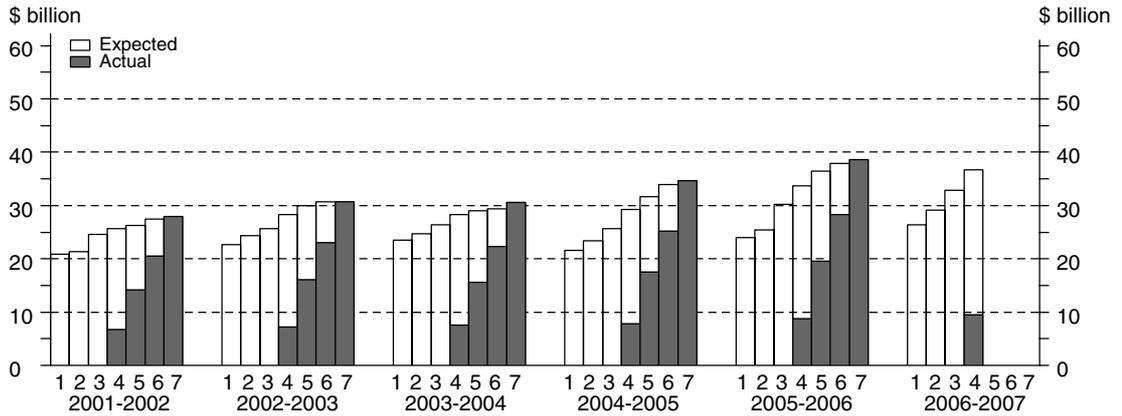
Estimate 4 for 2006-07 is 13.3% lower than Estimate 4 for 2005-06 and 4.6% higher than Estimate 3 for 2006-07. The increase is driven by equipment, plant and machinery (7%), with a relatively flat result in buildings and structures.



ACTUAL AND EXPECTED NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE *continued*

OTHER SELECTED INDUSTRIES

Estimate 4 for 2006-07 is the highest estimate 4 on record and is 8.6% higher than the corresponding estimate for 2005-06. Estimate 4 has increased 11.3% from Estimate 3. Both buildings and structures (13%) and equipment, plant and machinery (10%) increased. All components of Other selected industries recorded increases, with the exception of Construction, the strongest movement coming from Transport (31%) and Property and business services (11%).



EXPERIMENTAL PROJECTED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

IN CURRENT PRICE TERMS

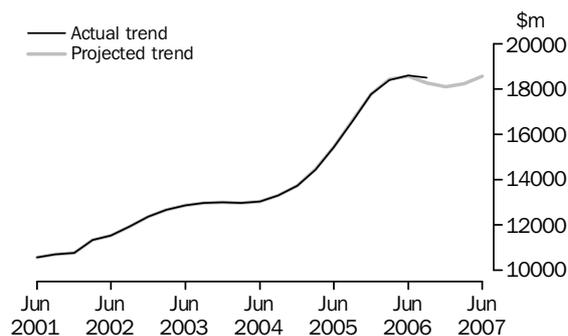
PROJECTED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE SERIES

The projected series below apply historical realisation ratios to contemporary expectations to convert these to quarterly figures. Trend estimates of resultant quarterly time series of actual and expected expenditure are produced.

The following graphs, with accompanying commentary, show the projected capital expenditure series based on September quarter 2006 data, which includes expected expenditure up to and including the June quarter 2007. Please see paragraphs 29 to 33 of the Explanatory Notes for further details about the methodology and cautionary notes for these series.

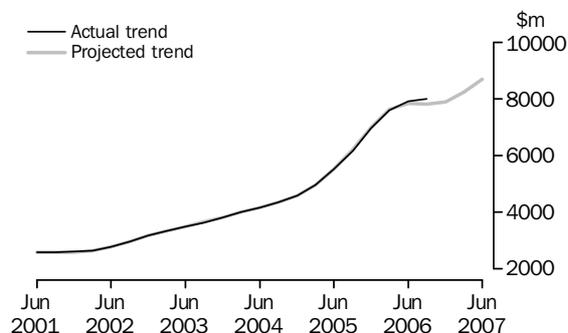
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Current price trend estimate for total Capital Expenditure have increased sharply over the last two financial years and have flattened out this quarter driven by Mining and Manufacturing. Estimates for the remainder of this financial year continue to suggest that the trend will flatten out over 2006-07. A fall in projected expenditure on equipment, plant and machinery estimates offsets a small increase in buildings and structures projected expenditure.



BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

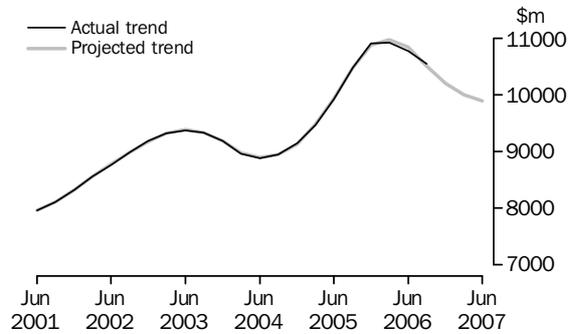
Current price trend estimates for buildings and structures have displayed sustained growth over the past few years, flattening out over the past two quarters. Expectations for the remainder of the financial year suggest that this growth rate is projected to increase towards the end of 2006-07.



EXPERIMENTAL PROJECTED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE *continued*

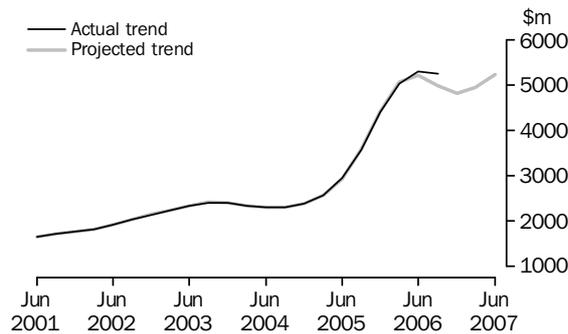
EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY

Current price trend estimates for equipment, plant and machinery have shown strong growth over the past two financial years, with the growth rate falling over the past two quarters. Expectations indicate that expenditure will continue to fall over the remainder of the 2006-07 financial year.



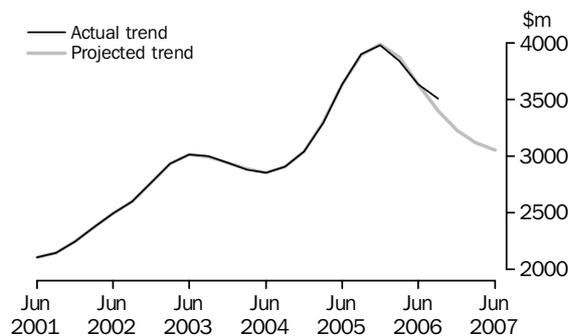
MINING

Current price trend estimates for Mining have increased sharply over the 2005-06 financial year being driven by growth on buildings and structures. Expectations suggest that spending will flatten out over the first half of this financial year but will sustain recent high levels of expenditure throughout 2006-07.



MANUFACTURING

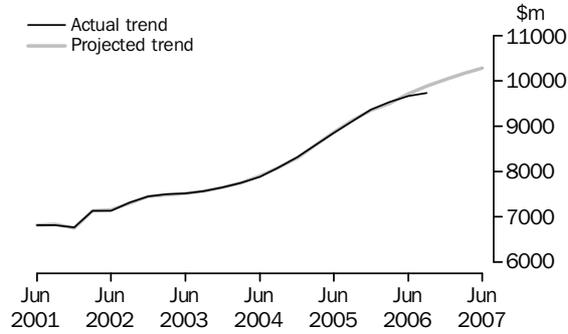
Current price trend estimates for Manufacturing look to have reached a peak in 2005-06. Recent quarters and expectations suggest that the expenditure will weaken considerably over the current financial year.



EXPERIMENTAL PROJECTED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE *continued*

OTHER SELECTED INDUSTRIES

Current price trend estimates for Other selected industries have had a steady growth rate over recent years. Expectations suggest that this growth will continue steadily over the next financial year.



ACTUAL AND EXPECTED EXPENDITURE, By type of asset and industry—Current prices

Period	BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES				EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY				TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
	Mining	Manu- facturing	Other selected indus- tries	Total	Mining	Manu- facturing	Other selected indus- tries	Total	Mining	Manu- facturing	Other selected indus- tries	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL (Actual)												
2004-05	6 062	3 690	9 509	19 262	4 191	8 991	25 111	38 293	10 253	12 681	34 620	57 554
2005-06	13 060	4 965	11 031	29 057	5 548	10 463	27 573	43 584	18 609	15 428	38 605	72 641
2004-05												
June	1 824	1 129	2 636	5 589	1 211	2 596	6 796	10 604	3 035	3 725	9 433	16 192
2005-06												
September	2 136	1 211	2 806	6 152	1 360	2 612	5 921	9 893	3 495	3 823	8 727	16 045
December	3 190	1 324	3 121	7 634	1 508	2 897	7 711	12 116	4 698	4 221	10 832	19 751
March	3 204	1 194	2 214	6 612	1 410	2 361	6 583	10 355	4 614	3 555	8 797	16 967
June	4 531	1 236	2 891	8 658	1 270	2 592	7 358	11 221	5 801	3 829	10 249	19 879
2006-07												
September	3 537	1 175	2 760	7 472	1 119	2 166	6 696	9 980	4 655	3 341	9 456	17 453
ORIGINAL (Expected) (a)												
2006-07												
3 mths to Dec	3 932	1 113	3 661	8 706	1 618	2 590	6 459	10 666	5 550	3 702	10 120	19 372
6 mths to Jun	7 257	1 926	6 921	16 105	2 730	4 070	10 140	16 940	9 987	5 996	17 061	33 045
Total fin year	14 726	4 214	13 343	32 284	5 466	8 826	23 294	37 586	20 193	13 040	36 637	69 870
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Actual)												
2004-05												
June	1 784	1 103	2 516	5 403	1 188	2 365	6 578	10 132	2 972	3 468	9 094	15 534
2005-06												
September	2 204	1 209	2 783	6 196	1 367	2 818	6 166	10 351	3 571	4 027	8 950	16 548
December	2 817	1 269	2 871	6 957	1 412	2 765	7 268	11 445	4 229	4 034	10 138	18 401
March	3 655	1 281	2 566	7 502	1 528	2 543	6 946	11 016	5 183	3 824	9 513	18 520
June	4 433	1 208	2 763	8 404	1 253	2 356	7 118	10 726	5 686	3 564	9 880	19 130
2006-07												
September	3 648	1 175	2 738	7 561	1 122	2 340	6 997	10 459	4 770	3 515	9 735	18 020
TREND ESTIMATES (Actual)												
2004-05												
June	1 785	1 114	2 628	5 527	1 166	2 519	6 240	9 924	2 951	3 633	8 852	15 436
2005-06												
September	2 230	1 209	2 731	6 170	1 338	2 690	6 451	10 478	3 568	3 899	9 122	16 589
December	2 943	1 262	2 756	6 961	1 455	2 716	6 728	10 898	4 398	3 978	9 370	17 746
March	3 606	1 259	2 728	7 593	1 416	2 577	6 928	10 920	5 022	3 836	9 526	18 384
June	3 988	1 223	2 704	7 915	1 301	2 409	7 062	10 772	5 289	3 632	9 663	18 584
2006-07												
September	4 082	1 191	2 713	7 986	1 157	2 318	7 063	10 544	5 239	3 509	9 730	18 478

(a) Not directly comparable with estimates of actual expenditure due to likely over/under realisation. See paragraphs 25 to 28 of the Explanatory Notes.

ACTUAL AND EXPECTED EXPENDITURE, By detailed industry—Current prices

<i>Period</i>	<i>Mining</i>	<i>Manu- facturing</i>	<i>Construction</i>	<i>Wholesale trade</i>	<i>Retail trade</i>	<i>Transport and storage</i>	<i>Finance and insurance</i>	<i>Property and business services</i>	<i>Other services</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL (Actual)										
2004-05	10 253	12 681	2 295	2 766	4 041	7 749	3 352	7 636	6 781	57 554
2005-06	18 609	15 428	2 461	3 015	4 448	9 062	3 412	8 976	7 230	72 641
2004-05										
June	3 035	3 725	599	825	1 017	2 146	942	2 126	1 777	16 192
2005-06										
September	3 495	3 823	^ 457	762	1 114	1 724	874	2 158	1 639	16 045
December	4 698	4 221	^ 711	^ 878	1 150	3 052	805	2 357	1 879	19 751
March	4 614	3 555	^ 584	^ 712	984	2 103	869	1 823	1 722	16 967
June	5 801	3 829	^ 709	663	1 200	2 185	865	2 637	1 991	19 879
2006-07										
September	4 655	3 341	^ 598	657	1 129	2 035	819	2 214	2 004	17 453
ORIGINAL (Expected) (a)										
2006-07										
3 mths to Dec	5 550	3 702	432	758	1 191	1 951	898	2 588	2 301	19 372
6 mths to Jun	9 987	5 996	598	1 238	2 045	3 759	1 531	3 802	4 088	33 045
Total fin year	20 193	13 040	1 629	2 654	4 365	7 745	3 248	8 604	8 393	69 870
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Actual)										
2004-05										
June	2 972	3 468	568	782	983	2 060	927	2 003	1 771	15 534
2005-06										
September	3 571	4 027	544	782	1 060	1 812	874	2 168	1 710	16 548
December	4 229	4 034	639	816	1 067	2 780	772	2 330	1 734	18 401
March	5 183	3 824	581	793	1 121	2 278	964	1 973	1 803	18 520
June	5 686	3 564	680	630	1 189	2 103	812	2 481	1 985	19 130
2006-07										
September	4 770	3 515	715	671	1 086	2 150	815	2 214	2 084	18 020
TREND ESTIMATES (Actual)										
2004-05										
June	2 951	3 633	562	774	1 012	1 867	873	2 036	1 728	15 436
2005-06										
September	3 568	3 899	569	806	1 038	2 036	865	2 079	1 729	16 589
December	4 398	3 978	594	799	1 086	2 203	865	2 078	1 745	17 746
March	5 022	3 836	625	753	1 125	2 234	860	2 096	1 833	18 384
June	5 289	3 632	665	694	1 138	2 199	852	2 159	1 956	18 584
2006-07										
September	5 239	3 509	702	638	1 135	2 104	831	2 243	2 077	18 478

^ estimate has a relative standard error of 10% to less than 25% and should be used with caution

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ACTUAL EXPENDITURE, By type of asset and industry—Chain volume measures(a)

Period	ASSET			INDUSTRY			
	Buildings and structures	Equipment, plant and machinery	Total	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL							
2002-03	14 906	31 940	47 065	9 123	10 582	27 426	47 065
2003-04	16 929	33 736	50 668	9 668	11 367	29 681	50 668
2004-05	19 262	38 293	57 554	10 253	12 681	34 620	57 554
2005-06	27 409	44 996	72 405	17 815	15 315	39 256	72 405
2004-05							
September	4 408	8 449	12 841	2 414	2 626	7 802	12 841
December	4 944	10 533	15 507	2 621	3 203	9 677	15 507
March	4 454	8 544	12 985	2 223	3 127	7 632	12 985
June	5 456	10 767	16 221	2 995	3 726	9 509	16 221
2005-06							
September	5 921	10 110	16 031	3 409	3 802	8 818	16 031
December	7 271	12 431	19 702	4 539	4 194	10 964	19 702
March	6 224	10 680	16 904	4 419	3 525	8 955	16 904
June	7 993	11 775	19 768	5 448	3 794	10 520	19 768
2006-07							
September	6 782	10 450	17 233	4 322	3 281	9 629	17 233
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
2004-05							
September	4 420	8 848	13 256	2 458	2 781	8 016	13 256
December	4 524	9 987	14 528	2 373	3 042	9 096	14 528
March	5 054	9 138	14 149	2 481	3 367	8 307	14 149
June	5 263	10 319	15 621	2 940	3 492	9 202	15 621
2005-06							
September	5 963	10 598	16 538	3 475	4 002	9 060	16 538
December	6 630	11 757	18 328	4 070	3 979	10 280	18 328
March	7 065	11 373	18 546	4 948	3 779	9 819	18 546
June	7 765	11 265	18 994	5 344	3 548	10 102	18 994
2006-07							
September	6 848	10 981	17 847	4 416	3 458	9 973	17 847
TREND							
2004-05							
September	4 465	8 894	13 355	2 337	2 912	8 094	13 355
December	4 627	9 115	13 740	2 396	3 060	8 277	13 740
March	4 916	9 510	14 425	2 560	3 294	8 573	14 425
June	5 388	10 079	15 455	2 906	3 632	8 923	15 455
2005-06							
September	5 943	10 720	16 652	3 476	3 878	9 304	16 652
December	6 628	11 205	17 835	4 234	3 940	9 662	17 835
March	7 126	11 308	18 443	4 850	3 795	9 877	18 443
June	7 315	11 251	18 584	4 990	3 596	10 015	18 584
2006-07							
September	7 275	11 075	18 383	4 822	3 443	10 037	18 383

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2004-05.

ACTUAL EXPENDITURE, By type of asset and industry—Percentage change, Chain volume measures(a)

Period	ASSET			INDUSTRY			
	Buildings and structures	Equipment, Plant and Machinery	Total	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL							
2002-03	18.8	18.4	18.5	20.2	29.0	14.6	18.5
2003-04	13.6	5.6	7.7	6.0	7.4	8.2	7.7
2004-05	13.8	13.5	13.6	6.1	11.6	16.6	13.6
2005-06	42.3	17.5	25.8	73.8	20.8	13.4	25.8
2004-05							
September	-5.5	-7.1	-6.6	4.3	-19.4	-4.3	-6.6
December	12.1	24.7	20.8	8.6	22.0	24.0	20.8
March	-9.9	-18.9	-16.3	-15.2	-2.4	-21.1	-16.3
June	22.5	26.0	24.9	34.7	19.2	24.6	24.9
2005-06							
September	8.5	-6.1	-1.2	13.8	2.0	-7.3	-1.2
December	22.8	23.0	22.9	33.2	10.3	24.3	22.9
March	-14.4	-14.1	-14.2	-2.7	-15.9	-18.3	-14.2
June	28.4	10.3	16.9	23.3	7.6	17.5	16.9
2006-07							
September	-15.1	-11.2	-12.8	-20.7	-13.5	-8.5	-12.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
2004-05							
September	-1.9	1.7	0.3	8.0	-8.8	1.7	0.3
December	2.3	12.9	9.6	-3.5	9.4	13.5	9.6
March	11.7	-8.5	-2.6	4.6	10.7	-8.7	-2.6
June	4.1	12.9	10.4	18.5	3.7	10.8	10.4
2005-06							
September	13.3	2.7	5.9	18.2	14.6	-1.5	5.9
December	11.2	10.9	10.8	17.1	-0.6	13.5	10.8
March	6.6	-3.3	1.2	21.6	-5.0	-4.5	1.2
June	9.9	-1.0	2.4	8.0	-6.1	2.9	2.4
2006-07							
September	-11.8	-2.5	-6.0	-17.4	-2.5	-1.3	-6.0
TREND							
2004-05							
September	2.4	1.4	1.7	-0.3	4.1	1.4	1.7
December	3.6	2.5	2.9	2.5	5.1	2.3	2.9
March	6.2	4.3	5.0	6.9	7.6	3.6	5.0
June	9.6	6.0	7.1	13.5	10.3	4.1	7.1
2005-06							
September	10.3	6.4	7.7	19.6	6.8	4.3	7.7
December	11.5	4.5	7.1	21.8	1.6	3.8	7.1
March	7.5	0.9	3.4	14.5	-3.7	2.2	3.4
June	2.6	-0.5	0.8	2.9	-5.2	1.4	0.8
2006-07							
September	-0.5	-1.6	-1.1	-3.4	-4.3	0.2	-1.1

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2004-05.

EXPECTED EXPENDITURE AND REALISATION RATIOS, By type of asset—Current prices

Financial Year	12 months expectation as reported in Jan-Feb of previous financial year (Estimate 1)	12 months expectation as reported in Apr-May of previous financial year (Estimate 2)	12 months expectation as reported in Jul-Aug (Estimate 3)	3 months actual and 9 months expectation as reported in Oct-Nov (Estimate 4)	6 months actual and 6 months expectation as reported in Jan-Feb (Estimate 5)	9 months actual and 3 months expectation as reported in Apr-May (Estimate 6)	12 months actual (Estimate 7)
BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES (\$ million)							
2002-03	11 694	12 124	12 691	13 344	14 067	13 744	13 000
2003-04	13 975	14 551	16 834	16 427	16 353	15 712	15 645
2004-05	14 754	16 775	18 359	20 323	20 176	20 160	19 262
2005-06	16 846	18 724	22 499	25 096	27 036	28 279	29 057
2006-07	22 695	24 648	29 103	32 284	nya	nya	nya
BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES (Realisation Ratio) (a)							
2003-04	1.12	1.08	0.93	0.95	0.96	1.00	1.00
2004-05	1.31	1.15	1.05	0.95	0.95	0.96	1.00
2005-06	1.72	1.55	1.29	1.16	1.07	1.03	1.00
5-year average	1.29	1.18	1.03	0.99	0.97	0.98	1.00
EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY (\$ million)							
2002-03	29 859	32 157	34 478	35 805	36 540	37 770	37 816
2003-04	29 393	31 129	32 627	35 031	34 402	35 034	35 602
2004-05	26 927	28 423	30 675	33 645	35 442	37 661	38 293
2005-06	27 975	30 147	34 508	38 272	41 064	43 116	43 584
2006-07	30 603	32 916	34 530	37 586	nya	nya	nya
EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY (Realisation Ratio) (a)							
2003-04	1.21	1.14	1.09	1.02	1.03	1.02	1.00
2004-05	1.42	1.35	1.25	1.14	1.08	1.02	1.00
2005-06	1.56	1.45	1.26	1.14	1.06	1.01	1.00
5-year average	1.34	1.27	1.17	1.08	1.05	1.01	1.00
TOTAL (\$ million)							
2002-03	41 553	44 281	47 169	49 149	50 607	51 514	50 816
2003-04	43 369	45 681	49 462	51 458	50 755	50 747	51 247
2004-05	41 682	45 197	49 034	53 969	55 619	57 821	57 554
2005-06	44 819	48 871	57 005	63 368	68 101	71 396	72 641
2006-07	53 299	57 564	63 634	69 870	nya	nya	nya
TOTAL (Realisation Ratio) (a)							
2003-04	1.18	1.12	1.04	1.00	1.01	1.01	1.00
2004-05	1.38	1.27	1.17	1.07	1.03	1.00	1.00
2005-06	1.62	1.49	1.27	1.15	1.07	1.02	1.00
5-year average	1.33	1.24	1.12	1.05	1.02	1.00	1.00
TOTAL (Percentage change over corresponding estimate for previous financial year)							
2002-03	14.4	17.3	12.5	12.3	14.7	15.5	14.5
2003-04	4.4	3.2	4.9	4.7	0.3	-1.5	0.8
2004-05	-3.9	-1.1	-0.9	4.9	9.6	13.9	12.3
2005-06	7.5	8.1	16.3	17.4	22.4	23.5	26.2
2006-07	18.9	17.8	11.6	10.3	nya	nya	nya

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(a) Ratio of actual expenditure for the financial year to each progressive estimate for the financial year. For more information see paragraphs 25 to 28 of the Explanatory Notes.

EXPECTED EXPENDITURE AND REALISATION RATIOS, By industry—Current prices

Financial Year	12 months expectation as reported in Jan-Feb of previous financial year (Estimate 1)	12 months expectation as reported in Apr-May of previous financial year (Estimate 2)	12 months expectation as reported in Jul-Aug (Estimate 3)	3 months actual and 9 months expectation as reported in Oct-Nov (Estimate 4)	6 months actual and 6 months expectation as reported in Jan-Feb (Estimate 5)	9 months actual and 3 months expectation as reported in Apr-May (Estimate 6)	12 months actual (Estimate 7)
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MINING (\$ million)

2002-03	9 764	10 163	10 510	10 089	9 695	9 222	8 766
2003-04	9 388	10 053	10 672	10 812	10 365	9 780	9 282
2004-05	10 192	10 937	11 226	11 784	10 998	10 950	10 253
2005-06	9 795	10 817	12 759	14 598	16 025	17 785	18 609
2006-07	15 298	17 100	18 260	20 193	nya	nya	nya

MINING (Realisation Ratio) (a)

2003-04	0.99	0.92	0.87	0.86	0.90	0.95	1.00
2004-05	1.01	0.94	0.91	0.87	0.93	0.94	1.00
2005-06	1.90	1.72	1.46	1.27	1.16	1.05	1.00
5-year average	1.19	1.09	0.99	0.94	0.95	0.96	1.00

MANUFACTURING (\$ million)

2002-03	9 173	9 776	11 021	10 808	10 904	11 624	11 384
2003-04	10 453	10 911	12 402	12 370	11 371	11 571	11 424
2004-05	9 853	10 915	12 133	12 937	12 928	12 895	12 681
2005-06	11 095	12 684	14 024	15 046	15 598	15 682	15 428
2006-07	11 651	11 293	12 471	13 040	nya	nya	nya

MANUFACTURING (Realisation Ratio) (a)

2003-04	1.09	1.05	0.92	0.92	1.00	0.99	1.00
2004-05	1.29	1.16	1.05	0.98	0.98	0.98	1.00
2005-06	1.39	1.22	1.10	1.03	0.99	0.98	1.00
5-year average	1.20	1.12	1.02	1.00	1.00	0.98	1.00

OTHER SELECTED INDUSTRIES (\$ million)

2002-03	22 616	24 341	25 638	28 252	30 009	30 669	30 665
2003-04	23 528	24 716	26 388	28 276	29 019	29 396	30 541
2004-05	21 637	23 346	25 676	29 247	31 693	33 976	34 620
2005-06	23 929	25 370	30 222	33 724	36 478	37 929	38 605
2006-07	26 350	29 171	32 903	36 637	nya	nya	nya

OTHER SELECTED INDUSTRIES (Realisation Ratio) (a)

2003-04	1.30	1.24	1.16	1.08	1.05	1.04	1.00
2004-05	1.60	1.48	1.35	1.18	1.09	1.02	1.00
2005-06	1.61	1.52	1.28	1.14	1.06	1.02	1.00
5-year average	1.44	1.36	1.22	1.12	1.06	1.02	1.00

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(a) Ratio of actual expenditure for the financial year to each progressive estimate for the financial year. For more information see paragraphs 25 to 28 of the Explanatory Notes.

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RATIOS OF ACTUAL TO SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS (a), By type of asset and industry—Current prices

<i>Financial Year</i>	3 MONTHS ENDING		6 MONTHS ENDING	
	<i>31 December (collected in September Survey)</i>	<i>30 June (collected in March Survey)</i>	<i>31 December (collected in June Survey)</i>	<i>30 June (collected in December Survey)</i>
TYPE OF ASSET				
Buildings and structures				
2003-04	0.91	0.99	0.91	0.92
2004-05	0.89	0.86	1.01	0.92
2005-06	1.07	1.10	1.14	1.15
5-year average	0.95	0.93	0.99	0.94
Equipment, plant and machinery				
2003-04	0.95	1.07	1.06	1.08
2004-05	1.08	1.06	1.18	1.18
2005-06	1.05	1.04	1.22	1.13
5-year average	1.03	1.04	1.13	1.10
Total				
2003-04	0.94	1.04	1.01	1.02
2004-05	1.01	0.98	1.12	1.07
2005-06	1.06	1.07	1.19	1.14
5-year average	1.01	1.00	1.08	1.05
TYPE OF INDUSTRY				
Mining				
2003-04	0.86	0.82	0.86	0.80
2004-05	0.79	0.81	0.90	0.88
2005-06	1.10	1.17	1.21	1.33
5-year average	0.86	0.89	0.92	0.92
Manufacturing				
2003-04	0.81	0.96	0.91	1.01
2004-05	0.85	0.95	0.99	0.97
2005-06	0.99	0.94	1.09	0.98
5-year average	0.90	0.94	0.98	1.00
Other selected industries				
2003-04	1.04	1.16	1.11	1.11
2004-05	1.18	1.07	1.26	1.21
2005-06	1.07	1.07	1.23	1.13
5-year average	1.11	1.08	1.19	1.13
Total				
2003-04	0.94	1.04	1.01	1.02
2004-05	1.01	0.98	1.12	1.07
2005-06	1.06	1.07	1.19	1.14
5-year average	1.01	1.00	1.08	1.05

(a) For more information on Realisation Ratios see paragraphs 25 to 28 of the Explanatory Notes.

ACTUAL EXPENDITURE ON BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, Current prices

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2002-03	3 112	2 343	2 122	783	2 898	255	1 380	107	13 000
2003-04	4 084	2 670	2 363	969	3 793	167	1 520	78	15 645
2004-05	4 820	3 161	3 033	992	5 135	430	1 534	158	19 262
2005-06	5 979	4 370	4 845	1 464	10 142	276	1 748	233	29 057
2004-05									
September	1 136	714	621	221	1 153	93	327	*22	4 284
December	1 198	788	836	235	1 334	^ 116	363	^ 33	4 902
March	1 020	778	707	245	1 219	104	368	*45	4 486
June	1 467	881	870	291	1 429	^ 118	475	*58	5 589
2005-06									
September	1 603	970	908	296	1 746	^ 82	463	*84	6 152
December	1 838	1 143	1 354	369	2 333	77	477	*43	7 634
March	1 111	997	1 132	291	2 509	62	446	**64	6 612
June	1 427	1 260	1 451	^ 508	3 554	^ 55	362	*42	8 658
2006-07									
September	1 136	1 194	1 297	442	2 835	^ 35	493	^ 40	7 472
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2004-05									
September	1 140	681	655	240	1 168	np	np	np	4 303
December	1 082	732	737	202	1 223	np	np	np	4 496
March	1 240	873	794	302	1 366	np	np	np	5 101
June	1 362	891	843	260	1 382	np	np	np	5 403
2005-06									
September	1 611	933	970	325	1 787	np	np	np	6 196
December	1 661	1 062	1 186	320	2 127	np	np	np	6 957
March	1 359	1 112	1 269	360	2 811	np	np	np	7 502
June	1 319	1 275	1 406	451	3 440	np	np	np	8 404
2006-07									
September	1 144	1 154	1 393	486	2 904	np	np	np	7 561
TREND									
2004-05									
September	1 126	684	693	256	1 140	94	338	26	4 348
December	1 134	754	731	262	1 234	109	355	31	4 590
March	1 226	832	775	274	1 316	113	407	47	4 967
June	1 414	898	866	290	1 459	106	449	62	5 527
2005-06									
September	1 564	957	991	302	1 739	91	466	68	6 170
December	1 575	1 047	1 151	328	2 260	76	458	62	6 961
March	1 447	1 139	1 283	378	2 781	63	445	52	7 593
June	1 289	1 195	1 369	432	3 102	51	436	44	7 915
2006-07									
September	1 157	1 218	1 415	478	3 199	40	431	42	7 986

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** estimate has a relative standard error greater than 50% and is considered too unreliable for general use

* estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

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ACTUAL EXPENDITURE ON EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY, Current prices

	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>Queensland</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Australian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Period</i>	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2002-03	11 312	10 487	6 929	3 223	4 241	626	427	570	37 816
2003-04	10 287	9 198	6 612	2 978	5 124	533	381	489	35 602
2004-05	11 986	9 648	7 306	2 993	4 815	698	316	534	38 293
2005-06	12 606	11 111	8 677	3 089	6 329	875	402	496	43 584
2004-05									
September	2 609	2 121	1 717	608	1 119	^ 135	61	^ 135	8 504
December	3 261	2 725	2 013	885	1 338	209	^ 77	^ 146	10 655
March	2 679	2 197	1 514	^ 671	1 156	^ 135	^ 61	^ 117	8 530
June	3 436	2 605	2 062	828	1 201	^ 219	^ 117	^ 136	10 604
2005-06									
September	3 089	2 448	1 784	671	1 503	^ 209	^ 79	111	9 893
December	3 568	3 115	2 201	^ 967	1 727	^ 273	^ 124	^ 140	12 116
March	2 863	2 713	2 233	689	1 452	^ 187	^ 112	^ 105	10 355
June	3 086	2 835	2 459	^ 762	1 647	^ 206	^ 87	^ 140	11 221
2006-07									
September	2 694	2 716	2 235	668	1 291	131	^ 118	^ 128	9 980
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2004-05									
September	2 692	2 166	1 846	680	1 129	np	np	np	8 879
December	3 059	2 505	1 863	773	1 225	np	np	np	10 068
March	2 965	2 395	1 689	759	1 295	np	np	np	9 092
June	3 233	2 567	1 890	768	1 173	np	np	np	10 132
2005-06									
September	3 199	2 502	1 916	752	1 523	np	np	np	10 351
December	3 336	2 862	2 028	844	1 573	np	np	np	11 445
March	3 178	2 948	2 511	781	1 627	np	np	np	11 016
June	2 895	2 799	2 248	704	1 611	np	np	np	10 726
2006-07									
September	2 802	2 779	2 396	752	1 311	np	np	np	10 459
TREND									
2004-05									
September	2 710	2 257	1 786	724	1 169	150	62	139	8 950
December	2 862	2 376	1 814	746	1 194	163	67	140	9 147
March	3 017	2 455	1 801	757	1 233	178	80	129	9 469
June	3 165	2 512	1 811	770	1 314	199	93	123	9 924
2005-06									
September	3 271	2 629	1 946	788	1 440	225	103	123	10 478
December	3 271	2 793	2 140	796	1 584	236	106	124	10 898
March	3 140	2 868	2 287	777	1 612	215	106	124	10 920
June	2 966	2 856	2 370	747	1 532	184	109	126	10 772
2006-07									
September	2 778	2 796	2 387	720	1 428	162	110	129	10 544

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<i>Period</i>	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>Queensland</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Australian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2002-03	14 424	12 830	9 052	4 006	7 140	881	1 806	677	50 816
2003-04	14 371	11 869	8 975	3 947	8 917	700	1 901	567	51 247
2004-05	16 805	12 809	10 339	3 985	9 950	1 127	1 849	692	57 554
2005-06	18 585	15 481	13 522	4 553	16 471	1 151	2 150	729	72 641
2004-05									
September	3 745	2 834	2 338	829	2 272	227	387	^ 157	12 789
December	4 459	3 513	2 849	1 120	2 672	324	440	^ 179	15 557
March	3 699	2 975	2 221	917	2 375	239	429	^ 162	13 016
June	4 902	3 486	2 932	1 119	2 630	^ 337	592	^ 194	16 192
2005-06									
September	4 692	3 418	2 692	967	3 249	^ 291	541	^ 195	16 045
December	5 406	4 258	3 554	1 336	4 060	^ 350	601	^ 183	19 751
March	3 974	3 709	3 366	980	3 961	^ 249	558	^ 169	16 967
June	4 513	4 095	3 909	^ 1 270	5 201	^ 260	449	^ 182	19 879
2006-07									
September	3 831	3 910	3 531	1 109	4 126	166	611	^ 168	17 453
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2004-05									
September	3 832	2 847	2 501	920	2 297	241	368	169	13 181
December	4 141	3 237	2 600	975	2 448	306	408	179	14 563
March	4 205	3 268	2 483	1 061	2 661	257	480	164	14 192
June	4 595	3 458	2 733	1 028	2 555	316	604	182	15 534
2005-06									
September	4 810	3 435	2 886	1 077	3 310	312	518	205	16 548
December	4 997	3 924	3 214	1 164	3 700	323	559	185	18 401
March	4 537	4 060	3 780	1 141	4 438	273	619	169	18 520
June	4 214	4 074	3 654	1 155	5 051	243	457	169	19 130
2006-07									
September	3 946	3 933	3 789	1 238	4 215	180	590	176	18 020
TREND									
2004-05									
September	3 836	2 941	2 479	980	2 309	244	400	165	13 296
December	3 996	3 130	2 545	1 008	2 428	272	422	171	13 736
March	4 243	3 287	2 576	1 031	2 549	291	487	176	14 448
June	4 579	3 410	2 677	1 060	2 773	305	542	185	15 436
2005-06									
September	4 835	3 586	2 937	1 090	3 179	316	569	191	16 589
December	4 846	3 840	3 291	1 124	3 844	312	564	186	17 746
March	4 587	4 007	3 570	1 155	4 393	278	551	176	18 384
June	4 255	4 051	3 739	1 179	4 634	235	545	170	18 584
2006-07									
September	3 935	4 014	3 802	1 198	4 627	202	541	171	18 478

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Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2002-03	3 572	2 680	2 437	899	3 322	294	1 580	124	14 906
2003-04	4 418	2 889	2 558	1 049	4 103	180	1 646	85	16 929
2004-05	4 820	3 161	3 033	992	5 135	430	1 534	158	19 262
2005-06	5 654	4 122	4 571	1 379	9 541	261	1 660	220	27 409
2004-05									
September	1 169	734	639	227	1 185	96	336	23	4 408
December	1 208	795	843	237	1 345	117	367	33	4 944
March	1 012	772	702	243	1 210	103	366	45	4 454
June	1 431	860	849	284	1 395	115	464	57	5 456
2005-06									
September	1 542	934	874	285	1 680	79	447	81	5 921
December	1 750	1 088	1 290	352	2 221	73	456	41	7 271
March	1 045	937	1 067	274	2 360	58	422	60	6 224
June	1 317	1 163	1 340	469	3 280	51	336	39	7 993
2006-07									
September	1 031	1 084	1 177	401	2 571	32	449	36	6 782
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2004-05									
September	1 170	697	675	245	1 203	np	np	np	4 420
December	1 089	735	745	201	1 232	np	np	np	4 524
March	1 230	862	789	295	1 354	np	np	np	5 054
June	1 331	866	824	250	1 346	np	np	np	5 263
2005-06									
September	1 555	894	936	311	1 715	np	np	np	5 963
December	1 588	1 007	1 132	305	2 020	np	np	np	6 630
March	1 286	1 042	1 198	342	2 639	np	np	np	7 065
June	1 225	1 173	1 301	421	3 167	np	np	np	7 765
2006-07									
September	1 037	1 043	1 267	435	2 633	np	np	np	6 848
TREND									
2004-05									
September	1 156	700	715	247	1 174	96	347	27	4 465
December	1 142	756	740	240	1 246	109	356	32	4 627
March	1 215	821	771	252	1 304	112	402	47	4 916
June	1 380	873	847	277	1 422	103	437	61	5 388
2005-06									
September	1 511	919	957	293	1 672	88	448	66	5 943
December	1 506	992	1 098	314	2 143	72	436	60	6 628
March	1 367	1 064	1 207	356	2 603	59	418	48	7 126
June	1 197	1 100	1 268	400	2 861	48	403	41	7 315
2006-07									
September	1 065	1 104	1 293	438	2 905	37	390	38	7 275

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(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2004-05.

<i>Period</i>	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>Queensland</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Australian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2002-03	9 427	8 777	5 877	2 753	3 710	531	368	473	31 940
2003-04	9 686	8 682	6 294	2 838	4 924	507	363	459	33 736
2004-05	11 986	9 648	7 306	2 993	4 815	698	316	534	38 293
2005-06	13 093	11 492	8 935	3 178	6 465	899	413	521	44 996
2004-05									
September	2 590	2 105	1 707	603	1 115	134	61	134	8 449
December	3 215	2 694	1 995	875	1 329	206	76	144	10 533
March	2 688	2 199	1 514	673	1 157	136	61	118	8 544
June	3 492	2 650	2 090	842	1 213	222	119	139	10 767
2005-06									
September	3 170	2 509	1 819	683	1 521	213	80	115	10 110
December	3 680	3 205	2 252	989	1 753	279	127	146	12 431
March	2 973	2 802	2 297	709	1 482	193	115	109	10 680
June	3 271	2 976	2 567	797	1 708	214	91	151	11 775
2006-07									
September	2 856	2 848	2 317	695	1 338	136	123	138	10 450
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2004-05									
September	2 681	2 152	1 841	676	1 123	np	np	np	8 848
December	3 025	2 480	1 852	767	1 214	np	np	np	9 987
March	2 985	2 401	1 693	765	1 294	np	np	np	9 138
June	3 295	2 614	1 920	785	1 183	np	np	np	10 319
2005-06									
September	3 285	2 566	1 956	769	1 538	np	np	np	10 598
December	3 441	2 945	2 078	865	1 595	np	np	np	11 757
March	3 299	3 044	2 586	804	1 660	np	np	np	11 373
June	3 068	2 937	2 350	736	1 672	np	np	np	11 265
2006-07									
September	2 975	2 917	2 491	787	1 354	np	np	np	10 981
TREND									
2004-05									
September	2 740	2 238	1 782	720	1 165	150	61	136	8 894
December	2 924	2 365	1 811	745	1 189	164	66	138	9 115
March	3 084	2 464	1 808	762	1 232	181	80	130	9 510
June	3 230	2 551	1 835	783	1 321	204	93	125	10 079
2005-06									
September	3 345	2 693	1 986	806	1 455	230	104	127	10 720
December	3 377	2 877	2 196	817	1 610	242	107	129	11 205
March	3 271	2 972	2 362	802	1 656	221	108	131	11 308
June	3 123	2 982	2 462	777	1 578	191	113	135	11 251
2006-07									
September	2 959	2 933	2 488	757	1 513	168	115	139	11 075

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(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2004-05.

ACTUAL TOTAL EXPENDITURE—Chain volume measures(a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>Queensland</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Australian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2002-03	13 102	11 504	8 308	3 666	7 050	815	1 956	594	47 065
2003-04	14 054	11 567	8 857	3 877	9 093	697	2 012	549	50 668
2004-05	16 805	12 809	10 339	3 985	9 950	1 127	1 849	692	57 554
2005-06	18 747	15 614	13 506	4 557	16 006	1 160	2 074	741	72 405
2004-05									
September	3 746	2 837	2 351	827	2 297	227	395	158	12 841
December	4 431	3 498	2 837	1 117	2 677	323	443	178	15 507
March	3 706	2 965	2 210	914	2 370	238	426	161	12 985
June	4 922	3 509	2 941	1 126	2 606	339	586	195	16 221
2005-06									
September	4 711	3 443	2 693	968	3 201	292	527	196	16 031
December	5 430	4 294	3 542	1 341	3 975	352	582	186	19 702
March	4 018	3 739	3 364	983	3 843	251	537	169	16 904
June	4 588	4 138	3 907	1 265	4 988	265	427	189	19 768
2006-07									
September	3 887	3 932	3 494	1 096	3 909	169	572	174	17 233
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2004-05									
September	3 842	2 852	2 523	919	2 323	244	373	169	13 256
December	4 126	3 222	2 599	973	2 449	306	408	177	14 528
March	4 212	3 256	2 476	1 057	2 651	259	473	164	14 149
June	4 625	3 478	2 741	1 036	2 527	320	595	182	15 621
2005-06									
September	4 840	3 460	2 891	1 080	3 253	315	502	206	16 538
December	5 030	3 952	3 210	1 171	3 615	324	538	188	18 328
March	4 585	4 087	3 783	1 146	4 299	275	591	171	18 546
June	4 293	4 109	3 651	1 157	4 839	246	432	176	18 994
2006-07									
September	4 012	3 960	3 758	1 222	3 987	185	550	182	17 847
TREND									
2004-05									
September	3 891	2 944	2 497	967	2 340	246	405	164	13 355
December	4 069	3 124	2 551	985	2 434	273	421	170	13 740
March	4 301	3 283	2 576	1 015	2 537	293	482	176	14 425
June	4 610	3 422	2 678	1 060	2 744	307	531	185	15 455
2005-06									
September	4 855	3 611	2 941	1 098	3 126	318	553	192	16 652
December	4 884	3 869	3 294	1 132	3 753	314	543	189	17 835
March	4 639	4 036	3 568	1 158	4 246	280	526	179	18 443
June	4 321	4 082	3 729	1 177	4 438	238	515	176	18 584
2006-07									
September	4 001	4 033	3 787	1 195	4 415	205	505	178	18 383

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2004-05.

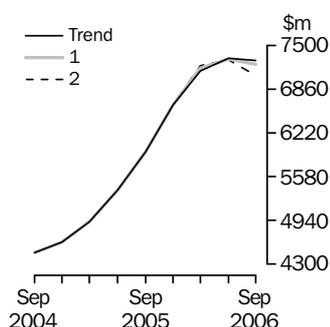
WHAT IF...? REVISIONS TO TREND ESTIMATES

EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

TREND REVISIONS

Recent seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are likely to be revised when original estimates for subsequent quarters become available. The approximate effects of possible scenarios on trend estimates for capital expenditure in chain volume terms are presented below by illustrating the impact if next quarter's seasonally adjusted estimate rises or falls by a specified percentage (based on the historical average of movements in seasonally adjusted estimates). For further information, see paragraphs 43 and 44 in the Explanatory Notes.

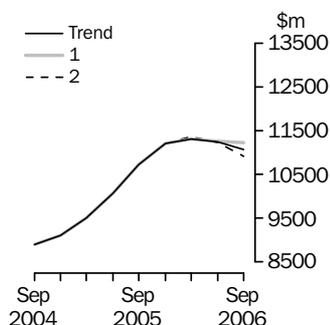
BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES



WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

	Trend as published		(1) rises by 6.7% on this quarter		(2) falls by 6.7% on this quarter	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
2005						
December	6 628	11.5	6 628	11.5	6 628	11.5
2006						
March	7 126	7.5	7 166	8.1	7 201	8.7
June	7 315	2.6	7 305	1.9	7 291	1.2
September	7 275	-0.5	7 227	-1.1	7 056	-3.2

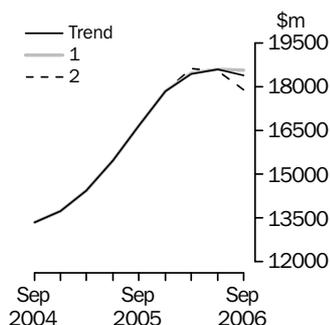
EQUIPMENT, PLANT AND MACHINERY



WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

	Trend as published		(1) rises by 4.9% on this quarter		(2) falls by 4.9% on this quarter	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
2005						
December	11 205	4.5	11 205	4.5	11 205	4.5
2006						
March	11 308	0.9	11 307	0.9	11 370	1.5
June	11 251	-0.5	11 256	-0.5	11 233	-1.2
September	11 075	-1.6	11 226	-0.3	10 922	-2.8

TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE



WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

	Trend as published		(1) rises by 4.4% on this quarter		(2) falls by 4.4% on this quarter	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
2005						
December	17 835	7.1	17 835	7.1	17 835	7.1
2006						
March	18 443	3.4	18 465	3.5	18 606	4.3
June	18 584	0.8	18 584	0.6	18 535	-0.4
September	18 383	-1.1	18 565	-0.1	17 890	-3.5

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication contains estimates of actual and expected new capital expenditure by private businesses for selected industries in Australia. The series have been compiled from data collected by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) in its quarterly Survey of New Capital Expenditure.

SCOPE OF THE SURVEY

2 The Survey of New Capital Expenditure includes the following industries classified according to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification, ANZSIC, 1993:

Mining (Division B)

Manufacturing (Division C)

Other selected industries:

Construction (Division E)

Wholesale trade (Division F)

Retail trade (Division G)

Transport and storage (Division I)

Finance and insurance (Division K, but excluding Superannuation funds (Class 7412))

Property and business services (Division L)

Other selected services:

Electricity, gas and water (Division D)

Accommodation, cafes and restaurants (Division H)

Communication services (Division J)

Cultural and recreational services (Division P)

Personal services (Subdivision 95)

3 The survey excludes the following industries:

Agriculture, forestry and fishing (Division A)

Government administration and defence (Division M)

Superannuation funds (Class 7412)

Education (Division N)

Health and community services (Division O)

Other services (Subdivision 96)

4 The scope excludes public sector business units (i.e. all departments, authorities and other organisations owned and controlled by Commonwealth, State and Local Government).

5 The Survey of New Capital Expenditure, like most ABS economic collections, takes its frame from employing businesses on the ABS Business Register which is primarily based on registrations to the Australian Taxation Office's Pay As You Go Withholding (PAYGW) scheme (and prior to 1 July 2000 the Group Employer scheme). The frame is updated quarterly to take account of new businesses, businesses which have ceased employing, changes in employment levels, changes in industry and other general business changes.

6 Businesses which have ceased employing are identified when the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) cancels their PAYGW registration (or previously their Group Employer registration). In addition, from September quarter 1999, businesses which did not remit under the Group Employer scheme for the previous five quarters were removed from the frame. A similar process has been adopted to remove businesses which did not remit under the PAYGW scheme.

7 The statistics in this publication exclude non-employing businesses. Though there are a substantial number of these businesses, it is expected that they would not contribute significantly to the estimates, although the impact would vary from industry to industry.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

STATISTICAL UNIT

8 In the Survey of New Capital Expenditure, the statistical unit used to represent businesses, and for which statistics are reported, is the Australian Business Number (ABN) unit, in most cases. The ABN unit is the business unit which has registered for an ABN, and thus appears on the ATO administered Australian Business Register. This unit is suitable for ABS statistical needs when the business is simple in structure. For more significant and diverse businesses where the ABN unit is not suitable for ABS statistical needs, the statistical unit used is the Type of Activity Unit (TAU). A TAU is comprised of one or more business entities, sub-entities or branches of a business entity within an Enterprise Group that can report production and employment data for similar economic activities. When a minimum set of data items is available, a TAU is created which covers all the operations within an industry subdivision (and the TAU is classified to the relevant subdivision of the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC)). Where a business cannot supply adequate data for each industry, a TAU is formed which contains activity in more than one industry subdivision and the TAU is classified to the predominant ANZSIC subdivision. Further details about the ABS economic statistical units used in this survey, and in other ABS economic surveys (both sample surveys and censuses), can be found in Chapter 2 of the *Standard Economic Sector Classifications of Australia (SESCA) 2002* (cat. no. 1218.0).

SURVEY METHODOLOGY

9 The survey is conducted by mail on a quarterly basis. It is based on a random sample of approximately 8,000 units which is stratified by industry, state/territory and number of employees. The figures obtained from the selected businesses are supplemented by data from units which have large capital expenditure and/or large employment and which are outside the sample framework, or not adequately covered by it.

10 Respondents are asked to provide data on the same basis as their own management accounts. Where a selected unit does not respond in a given survey period, a value is estimated. If data are subsequently provided, the estimated value is replaced with reported data. Aggregates are calculated from all data using the 'number raised' estimation technique. Data are edited at both individual unit level and at aggregate level.

TIMING AND CONSTRUCTION OF SURVEY CYCLE

11 Surveys are conducted in respect of each quarter and returns are completed in the 8 or 9 week period after the end of the quarter to which the survey data relate (e.g. March quarter survey returns are completed during April and May).

12 Businesses are requested to provide 3 basic figures each survey:

- Actual expenditure incurred during the reference period (Act)
- A short term expectation (E1)
- A longer term expectation (E2).

Period to which reported data relates

Survey quarter	2004–2005				2005–2006			2006–2007	
	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec
December 2004	Act	E1			E2				
March 2005	Act	Act	E1		E2				
June 2005	Act	Act	Act	E1		E2			
September 2005				Act	E1	E2			
December 2005				Act	Act	E1		E2	
March 2006				Act	Act	Act	E1	E2	
June 2006				Act	Act	Act	Act	E1	E2

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

TIMING AND CONSTRUCTION OF SURVEY CYCLE *continued*

13 This survey cycle facilitates the formation of estimates of expenditure for financial years (12 months ending 30 June) which are presented in tables 5 and 6 of this publication. For example, as the table above shows for 2005-2006:

- the first estimate was available from the December 2004 survey as a longer term expectation (E2)
- the second estimate is available from the March 2005 survey (again as a longer term expectation)
- the third estimate will be available from in the June 2005 survey as the sum of two expectations (E1 + E2)
- in the September 2005, December 2005 and March 2006 surveys the fourth, fifth and sixth estimates, respectively, are derived as the sum of actual expenditure (for that part of the year completed) and expected expenditure (for the remainder of the year) as recorded in the current quarter's survey
- the final (or seventh) estimate from the June quarter 2006 survey is derived by summing the actual expenditure for each of the four quarters in the 2005-06 financial year.

14 Businesses are requested to provide actual expenditure data by state/territory each quarter. Prior to 2002, businesses were also asked to provide expected expenditure data by state/territory each December quarter. Since 2002 state/territory expectations data have been directly collected each December quarter only from those businesses contributing significantly to data for a particular state or territory. Expectations data for the remaining businesses which operate in more than one state or territory are pro-rated to states/territories based on actual expenditure for the December quarter in each state or territory. As has always been the case, expectations data for businesses operating within a single state/territory are allocated to that state/territory.

15 These expectations data by state/territory are not included in this publication but are released on AusStats and are available on request.

SAMPLE REVISION

16 The survey frames and samples are revised each quarter to ensure that they remain representative of the survey population. The timing for creating each quarter's survey frame is consistent with that of other ABS business surveys. This provides for greater consistency when comparing data across surveys.

17 Additionally, with these revisions to the sample, some of the units from the sampled sector are rotated out of the survey and are replaced by others to spread the reporting workload equitably.

18 Adjustments are included in the estimates to allow for lags in processing new businesses to the ABS Business Register, and the omission of some businesses from the register. The majority of businesses affected and to which adjustments apply are small in size. As an indication of the size of these adjustments, in the September quarter 2006 they represented about 0.7% of the total estimate of new capital expenditure.

CLASSIFICATION BY INDUSTRY

19 The Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) has been developed for use in both countries for the production and analysis of industry statistics. For more information, users are referred to *Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), 1993* (cat. no. 1292.0).

20 In order to classify new capital expenditure by industry, each statistical unit (as defined above) is classified to the (ANZSIC) industry in which it mainly operates.

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

21 The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually reweighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in the chosen reference year (currently 2004-05). The current price values may be thought as being the product of a price and quantity. The value in chain volume terms can be derived by linking together movements in volumes, calculated using the average prices of the previous financial year

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

continued

and applying compound movements to the current price estimates of the reference year. Each year's quarter-to-quarter growth rates in the chain volume series are based on the prices of the previous financial year, except for those quarters of the latest incomplete year which are based upon the second most recent financial year. Quarterly chain volume estimates for a financial year sum to the corresponding annual estimate.

22 With each release of the June quarter issue of this publication, a new base year is introduced and the reference year is advanced one year to coincide with it. This means that with the release of the June quarter 2007 issue of this publication, the chain volume measures for 2006–07 will have 2005–06 (the previous financial year) as their base year rather than 2004–05, and the reference year will be 2005–06.

23 A change in the reference year changes levels but not growth rates for all periods. A change in the base year can result in revisions, small in most cases, to growth rates for the last year.

24 Chain volume measures are not generally additive. In other words, component chain volume measures do not, in general, sum to a total in the way original current price components do. For capital expenditure data, this means that the original chain volume estimates for industry groups will not add to total capital expenditure for Australia. In order to minimise the impact of this, the ABS uses the latest base year as the reference year. By adopting this approach, additivity does exist for the quarters following the reference year and non-additivity is relatively small for the quarters in the reference year and those immediately preceding it. For further information on chain volume measures refer to *Information Paper: Introduction of Chain Volume Measures in the Australian National Accounts* (cat. no. 5248.0).

DERIVATION AND USEFULNESS OF REALISATION RATIOS

25 Once actual expenditure for a financial year is known, it is useful to investigate the relationship between each of the prior six estimates of expenditure for that financial year and the actual expenditure (see page 6 for an explanation of the derivation of the seven estimates). The resultant realisation ratios (subsequent actual expenditure divided by expected expenditure) then indicate how much expenditure was actually incurred against the amount expected to be incurred at the various times of reporting. Realisation ratios can also be formed separately for three or six month expectations as well as the 12 month E2 estimates or combinations of estimates containing at least some expectation components (e.g. six months actual and six months expected expenditure).

26 Realisation ratios provide an important tool in understanding and interpreting expectation statistics for future periods. The application of realisation ratios enables the adjustment of expectation data for known under (or over) realisation patterns in the past and hence provides a valid basis for comparison with other expectation data and actual expenditure estimates. Once this has been done the predictions can be more validly compared with each other and with previously derived estimates of actual expenditure for earlier years. For example, if one wished to make a prediction about actual expenditure for 2005–06 based on the June 2005 survey results and compare this with 2004–05 expenditure, it is necessary to apply the relevant realisation factors to the expectation to put both estimates on the same basis.

27 There are many ways in which realisation ratios can be applied to make predictions of actual expenditure for a future period. A range of realisation ratios for both type of asset and industry estimates is provided in tables 5 and 6.

28 In using realisation ratios to adjust expectations data, attention should be paid to the range of values that has occurred in the past. A wide range of values is indicative of volatility in the realisation patterns and hence greater caution should be exercised regarding the predictive value of the expectation, even after adjustment by application of realisation ratios. This is particularly the case with the early 12 month expectations for the following financial year collected in the December and March surveys.

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EXPERIMENTAL PROJECTED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

29 Current short and long term expectations are of varying periods depending on the quarter in which they are collected (see paragraph 12 of the Explanatory Notes). Each expectation from the beginning of the time series is confronted with the actual expenditure that occurred in each quarter to which that expectations figure related (for example, June quarter 2005 short-term expectations related to the September and December quarters 2005). The output of this is to produce a quarterly realisation ratio for each expectations estimate through time.

30 Five-year average realisation ratios are then calculated. These average realisation ratios are applied to contemporary expectations to produce estimates of projected expenditure for forthcoming quarters.

31 These estimates of likely expenditure are then linked with the current price time series of actual expenditure to produce a quarterly time series which extends to the end point of the contemporary expectations series. For December, March and June quarters, the end point is 30 June of the following financial year. For September quarters, the end point is 30 June of the current financial year.

32 The resultant quarterly time series are then produced in trend terms. The same aggregation structure which is used to produce seasonally adjusted and trend estimates of actual capital expenditure is used for these projected series. (See Paragraphs 38 to 43 of the Explanatory notes for more information regarding seasonally adjusted and trend estimates).

33 While the ABS has produced these projected series to assist users in interpreting capital expenditure expectations, users should exercise caution in comparing these estimates with the estimates of actual and expected expenditure contained elsewhere in this release. In particular:

- The trend estimates which feature as key indicators in this release are based on the time series up to and including the current quarter, while the projected trend estimates are based on a time series which concludes at the end point of available expectations. Paragraph 43 of the Explanatory Notes describe the potential impact of future estimates on the end point of the trend estimate, and this is shown in more detail in the "What if ..." analysis on page 26 of this release.
- Key indicators of actual expenditure in this release are presented in volume terms, which removes the impact of price changes on the time series. Tables 1 and 2 of this release also present actual and expected expenditure in current price terms. The projected series, however, are compiled using current price estimates for the actual component of the time series (that is, prices as they related to the particular quarter) and expectations which are generally based on prices for the quarter in which they were reported.
- The projected series is based on five-year average realisation ratios. As is discussed in paragraphs 25 to 28 of the Explanatory Notes, there is some volatility in realisation ratios over time and so it is not necessarily the case that contemporary expectations will be realised in line with the average of the past five years.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

34 Estimates provided in this publication are subject to non-sampling and sampling errors. The most common way of quantifying sampling error is to calculate the standard error for the published estimate. Details of standard errors are on pages 36 and 37 of this publication.

35 Estimates that have an estimated relative standard error between 10% and 25% are annotated with the symbol '^'. These estimates should be used with caution as they are subject to sampling variability too high for some purposes. Estimates with an RSE between 25% and 50% are annotated with the symbol '*', indicating that the estimate should be used with caution as it is subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes. Estimates with an RSE greater than 50% are annotated with the

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES *continued*

symbol '**' indicating that the sampling variability causes the estimates to be considered too unreliable for general use. These annotations have only been applied to estimates from the September quarter 2003.

36 Non-sampling errors may arise as a result of errors in the reporting, recording or processing of the data and can occur even if there is a complete enumeration of the population. These errors can be introduced through inadequacies in the questionnaire, treatment of non-response, inaccurate reporting by respondents, errors in the application of survey procedures, incorrect recording of answers, and errors in data entry and processing.

37 Estimates for the latest quarter presented in this publication are considered preliminary and revised estimates will be released with the next issue. As discussed in Paragraphs 39 to 44 below, seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are also subject to revision as data are revised and more data become available.

38 It is difficult to measure the size of non-sampling errors. However, every effort is made in the design of the survey and development of survey procedures to minimise their effects. In addition, respondents may have difficulties in allocating to the appropriate state(s) expenditure on some equipment items such as mobile assets (e.g. aircraft, bulk oil carriers, satellites, off-shore drilling platforms and large computer installations supporting a national network). Where such difficulties exist expenditure is allocated to the state of the businesses' head office or, in the case of aircraft, is allocated across states in proportion to the likely use of the asset.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

39 The quarterly original actual new capital expenditure series in this publication are affected in varying degrees by seasonal influences. The seasonal adjustment process estimates and removes the effects of normal seasonal variations from the original series so that the effects of other influences can be more easily recognised.

40 In the seasonal adjustment process, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors (e.g. increase in June quarter capital expenditure due to the impending end of the financial year) to produce the seasonally adjusted estimates. Particular care should be taken in interpreting quarterly movements in the seasonally adjusted estimates because seasonal adjustment does not remove the effect of irregular or non-seasonal influences (e.g. change in interest rates) and reflects the sampling and other errors to which the original estimates are subject.

41 In this publication, the seasonally adjusted estimates are produced by the concurrent seasonal adjustment method which takes account of the latest available original estimates. This method improves the estimation of seasonal factors, and therefore, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for the current and previous quarters. As a result of this improvement, revisions to the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates will be observed for recent periods. In most instances the only noticeable revisions will be to the previous quarter and the same quarter one year ago. A more detailed review is conducted annually prior to the September quarter release using data up to and including the June quarter. The concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology replaces the forward factor methodology previously used to adjust capital expenditure estimates where seasonal factors for these estimates were only revised following an annual reanalysis.

42 Seasonally adjusted estimates by asset type for Tasmania, Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory are not separately available because of the high sampling variability associated with them. They are included in totals for Australia and while a combined residual can be derived, the measure should not be considered reliable.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

TREND ESTIMATES

43 The trend estimates are derived by applying a 7-term Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted estimates. The 7-term Henderson moving average is symmetric, but as the end of a time series is approached, asymmetric forms of the moving average are applied. The asymmetric moving average has been tailored to suit the particular characteristics of individual series and enable trend estimates for recent quarters to be produced. Estimates of the trend will be improved at the current end of the time series as additional observations become available. This improvement is due to the application of different asymmetric moving averages for the most recent three quarters. As a result of the improvement, revisions to the trend estimates will generally be observed for the most recent three quarters.

44 There may also be revisions because of changes in the original estimates. As a result of these revisions, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates will also be revised. For further information, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series — Monitoring Trend, An Overview* (cat. no. 1349.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra (02) 6252 6345 or email <timeseries@abs.gov.au>.

DESCRIPTION OF TERMS

45 A description of the terms used in this publication is given below:

46 *New capital expenditure* refers to the acquisition of new tangible assets either on own account or under a finance lease and includes major improvements, alterations and additions. In general, this is expenditure charged to fixed tangible assets accounts excluding expenditure on second hand assets unless these are imported for the first time.

47 Some estimates are dissected by type of asset:

- *Buildings and structures.* Includes industrial and commercial buildings, houses, flats, home units, water and sewerage installations, lifts, heating, ventilating and similar equipment forming an integral part of buildings and structures, land development and construction site development, roads, bridges, wharves, harbours, railway lines, pipelines, power and telephone lines. Also includes mine development (e.g. construction of shafts in underground mines, preparation of mining and quarrying sites for open cut extraction and other developmental operations primarily for commencing or extending production). Excludes purchases of land, previously occupied buildings and speculatively built projects intended for sale before occupation.
- *Equipment, plant and machinery.* Includes plant, machinery, vehicles, electrical apparatus, office equipment, furniture, fixtures and fittings not forming an integral part of buildings, durable containers, special tooling, etc. Also includes goods imported for the first time whether previously used outside Australia or not.

COMPARISON WITH NATIONAL ACCOUNTS AND OTHER ABS STATISTICS

48 The statistics for new capital expenditure shown in this publication differ from estimates of private gross fixed capital expenditure shown in the Australian National Accounts for the following reasons:

- National Accounts estimates incorporate data from other sources as well as information from the new capital expenditure survey. For example, annual estimates for capital expenditure on 'machinery and equipment' are based on the ABS' annual Economic Activity Survey combined with data from the Australian Taxation Office. Quarterly estimates are interpolated between and extrapolated from the annual estimates using a variety of indicators including this survey. The ABS's quarterly Building Activity Survey and Engineering Construction Survey are the main sources for estimating the National Accounts dwellings and other building and structures items.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

COMPARISON WITH NATIONAL ACCOUNTS AND OTHER ABS STATISTICS *continued*

- National Accounts estimates include capital expenditure by all private businesses including units classified to agriculture, forestry and fishing, education, and health and community services industries and capital expenditure on dwellings by households. Data for these sectors are excluded from this publication.
- National Accounts estimates include the value of work done on speculative construction projects as the work is put into place. The statistics in this publication, however, include full value of the speculative projects as new capital expenditure of the purchases (if in scope), when the project is sold.
- National accounts estimates of gross fixed capital formation relate to acquisitions less disposals of new or existing fixed assets, whereas the survey figures are acquisitions of new fixed tangible assets only.

49 For a more detailed explanation of the concepts and methods used in compiling the National Accounts estimates see *Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 5216.0).

50 The estimates of capital expenditure on buildings and other structures will differ with estimates of Construction activity published in *Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary* (cat. no. 8755.0). The latter publication presents estimates of building and engineering construction work collected by the Building Activity Survey and the Engineering Construction Survey. Estimates of construction activity are based on the value of actual work done during the quarter of individual building or construction jobs by builders, and do not necessarily equate to capitalisation of this work by the builders' eventual clients. Estimates of capital expenditure in this publication are based on data reported by businesses (that is, the builders' clients) from their financial or management accounts for purchases of buildings and structures.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

51 Users may also wish to refer the following publications:

- *Australian National Accounts: National Income, Expenditure and Product* (cat. no. 5206.0)
- *Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 5216.0)
- *Building Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8752.0)
- *Business Indicators, Australia* (cat. no. 5676.0)
- *Business Operations and Industry Performance, Australia* (cat. no. 8140.0)
- *Constructon Work Done, Australia* (cat no 8755.0)
- *Directory of Capital Expenditure Data Sources and Related Statistics* (cat. no. 5653.0)
- *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8762.0)
- *Information Paper: Experimental Estimates: Australian Industry, A State Perspective, 1998–99* (cat. no. 8156.0)
- *Information Paper: Improvements to Australian Bureau of Statistics Business Indicators* (cat. no. 5677.0)
- *Information Paper: Australian National Accounts, Introduction of Chain Volume and Price Indexes* (cat. no. 5248.0)

52 Current publications and other products released by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (cat. no. 1101.0). The Catalogue is available from any ABS office or the ABS web site <<http://www.abs.gov.au>>. The ABS also issues a daily Release Advice on the web site which details products to be released in the week ahead.

ABS DATA AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

53 In addition to the data contained in this publication, more detailed industry and state information may be made available on request, the cost for such a service being dependent upon the amount of data requested. For example, data are generally available at the ANZSIC group (3 digit) level.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

DATA AVAILABLE ON AUSSTATS

54 The ABS' time series service AusStats contains most of the data included in this publication but with a longer time series. In addition to the series in this publication, data for Manufacturing Subdivisions and State by Industry data are also available. A full list of available AusStats tables is in Appendix 2 on page 38.

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APPENDIX 1 SAMPLING ERRORS

LEVEL ESTIMATES

INTRODUCTION

The estimates in this publication are based on a sample drawn from units in the surveyed population. Because the entire population is not surveyed, the published estimates are subject to sampling error. The most common way of quantifying such sampling error is to calculate the standard error for the published estimate or statistic.

EXAMPLE OF USE

To illustrate, let us say that the published level estimate for total capital expenditure is \$10,500m and the calculated standard error in this case is \$173m. The standard error is then used to interpret the level estimate of \$10,500m. For instance, the standard error of \$173m indicates that:

- There are approximately two chances in three that the real value falls within the range \$10,327m to \$10,673m ($\$10,500\text{m} \pm \173m)
- There are approximately 19 chances in 20 that the real value falls within the ranges \$10,154m and \$10,846m ($\$10,500\text{m} \pm \346m)

The real value in this case is the result we would obtain if we could enumerate the total population.

The following table shows the standard errors for quarterly level estimates. These standard errors are based on a smoothed average of capital expenditure estimates.

	<i>Buildings and structures</i>	<i>Equipment, plant and machinery</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Mining	11	16	36
Manufacturing	16	51	62
Construction	7	35	40
Wholesale trade	5	57	65
Retail trade	7	22	34
Transport and storage	10	40	45
Finance and insurance	3	29	31
Property and business services	52	62	84
Other services	69	36	89
Total	90	124	173
New South Wales	17	77	92
Victoria	73	71	108
Queensland	10	35	44
South Australia	2	13	27
Western Australia	5	25	32
Tasmania	1	8	8
Northern Territory	na	na	2
Australian Capital Territory	na	na	6
Australia	90	124	173

na not available

APPENDIX 1 SAMPLING ERRORS *continued*

MOVEMENT ESTIMATES

EXAMPLE OF USE

The following example illustrates how to use the standard error to interpret a movement estimate. Let us say that one quarter the published level estimate for total capital expenditure is \$10,500m, and the next quarter the published level estimate is \$11,100m. In this example the calculated standard error for the movement estimate is \$221m. The standard error is then used to interpret the published movement estimate of +\$600m.

For instance, the standard error of \$221m indicates that:

- There are approximately two chances in three that the real movement over the two quarter period falls within the range \$379m to \$821m ($\$600m \pm \$221m$)
- There are approximately nineteen chances in twenty that the real movement falls within the range \$158m to \$1,042m ($\$600m \pm \$442m$)

The following table shows the standard errors for national quarterly movement estimates. These standard errors are based on a smoothed average of capital expenditure estimates.

	<i>Buildings and structures</i>	<i>Equipment, plant and machinery</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Mining	15	23	49
Manufacturing	22	64	78
Construction	10	48	55
Wholesale trade	7	51	66
Retail trade	11	25	45
Transport and storage	12	49	53
Finance insurance	5	40	32
Property and business services	74	84	114
Other services	98	46	119
Total	127	153	221
New South Wales	26	99	103
Victoria	26	114	117
Queensland	63	75	100
South Australia	10	84	84
Western Australia	24	87	91
Tasmania	5	21	21
Northern Territory	na	na	33
Australian Capital Territory	na	na	67
Australia	127	153	221

na not available

APPENDIX 2 DATA AVAILABLE ON AUSSTATS

DATA AVAILABLE ON AUSSTATS

The full list of Ausstats tables is as follows:

- 1a Actual expenditure, By type of asset and broad industry, Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 1b Short-term expectations, By type of asset and broad industry, Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 1c Long-term expectations, By type of asset and broad industry, Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 1e Actual expenditure, By type of asset and broad industry, Australia, Seasonally adjusted, Current price terms
- 1f Actual expenditure, By type of asset and broad industry, Australia, Trend, Current price terms
- 2a Actual expenditure, By detailed industry, Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 2b Short-term expectations, By detailed industry, Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 2c Long-term expectations, By detailed industry, Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 2e Actual expenditure, By detailed industry, Australia, Seasonally adjusted, Current price terms
- 2f Actual expenditure, By detailed industry, Australia, Trend, Current price terms
- 3a Actual expenditure, By type of asset, Australia, Original, Seasonally adjusted, Trend, Chain volume measures
- 3b Actual expenditure, By industry, Australia, Original, Seasonally adjusted, Trend, Chain volume measures
- 4a Actual expenditure, By type of asset, States and Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 4b Actual expenditure, By type of asset, States and Australia, Seasonally adjusted, Current price terms
- 4c Actual expenditure, By type of asset, States and Australia, Trend, Current price terms
- 5a Actual expenditure, By type of asset, States and Australia, Original, Chain volume measures
- 5b Actual expenditure, By type of asset, States and Australia, Seasonally adjusted, Chain volume measures
- 5c Actual expenditure, By type of asset, States and Australia, Trend, Chain volume measures
- 6a Actual and expected expenditure, By type of asset, New South Wales, Original, Current price terms
- 6b Actual and expected expenditure, By industry, New South Wales, Original, Current price terms
- 7a Actual and expected expenditure, By type of asset, Victoria, Original, Current price terms
- 7b Actual and expected expenditure, By industry, Victoria, Original, Current price terms
- 8a Actual and expected expenditure, By type of asset, Queensland, Original, Current price terms
- 8b Actual and expected expenditure, By industry, Queensland, Original, Current price terms
- 9a Actual and expected expenditure, By type of asset, South Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 9b Actual and expected expenditure, By industry, South Australia, Original, Current price terms
- 10a Actual and expected expenditure, By type of asset, Western Australia, Original, Current price terms

APPENDIX 2 DATA AVAILABLE ON AUSSTATS *continued*

DATA AVAILABLE ON
AUSSTATS *continued*

10b Actual and expected expenditure, By industry, Western Australia, Original,
Current price terms

11a Actual and expected expenditure, By type of asset, Tasmania, Original, Current
price terms

11b Actual and expected expenditure, By industry, Tasmania, Original, Current price
terms

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