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## NOTES

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### ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

*South Australian Economic Indicators* is a monthly publication which contains the latest available data at the time of preparation for a range of statistical series that have been identified as indicators of economic activity in this state. In a number of cases the figures presented are preliminary and subject to revision in subsequent issues.

Data relating to the natural increase of the population has been added to the Labour force and demography section of table 1.

### SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| n.a.   | not available  |
| n.y.a. | not yet available  |
| qtr    | quarter  |
| *      | subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes |
| ..     | not applicable   |
| 0, 0.0 | nil, or rounded to zero  |

### ROUNDING

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

### INFORMATION

All data are presented in original terms, unless otherwise stated. More detailed information on each series, including explanatory and technical notes, can be obtained from other Australian Bureau of Statistics publications or alternative data sources. To assist those seeking further information, the series presented in the statistical and state summaries provides a reference to the Publication Source Index which is at the end of this publication.

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## OVERVIEW

The data in this Overview are presented in trend terms, unless otherwise stated.

### INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The value of South Australian merchandise exports in original terms for the month of January 2003 was \$558.9m. This was a decrease of 32.9% from \$832.9m recorded in December 2002 and a decrease of 0.5% from the January 2002 figure of \$561.8m.

The value of South Australian merchandise imports in original terms for January 2003 was \$447.4m. This was a decrease of 18.9% from \$551.3m recorded in December 2002 and an increase of 10.1% from the January 2002 figure of \$406.2m.

### CONSUMPTION AND INVESTMENT

In the twelve months to January 2003 retail turnover increased by 7.4% or \$75.1m. Trend turnover for January was \$1,086.7m, an increase of 0.2% on the previous month.

February 2003 saw a total of 4,921 new motor vehicle sales—an increase of 2.8% on the previous month's figure of 4,785 vehicles, and 14.8% on the 4,285 vehicles recorded in February 2002.

Private new capital expenditure in the December quarter 2002 was \$919m, an increase of 25.4% (\$224m) on the December quarter 2001, and an increase of 2.0% (\$18m) on the September 2002 quarter figure of \$901m.

### HOUSING

In January 2003 the total number of dwelling units approved in South Australia was 986, six less than that for December of last year (980 units). January is the first month of decline following six consecutive months of growth.

### CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The all groups consumer price index in Adelaide for the December quarter 2002 was 141.5 (original terms). This was an increase of 1.2 percentage points from the September quarter 2002, and an increase of 4.9 percentage points on the level recorded twelve months previously.

### LABOUR FORCE AND DEMOGRAPHY

In February 2003 the estimate of employed persons in South Australia was 707,100. This was 18,900 persons higher than the level of twelve months ago (688,200). The total number of persons employed full-time in South Australia was 499,900 in February 2003.

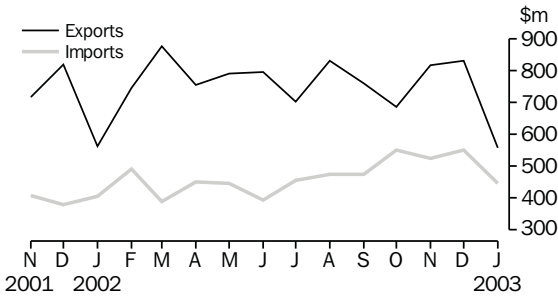
In February 2003, the estimate of the unemployment rate for South Australia was 6.0% and was significantly lower than the rate in February 2002 (6.9%). The estimate of the participation rate in South Australia was 61.3% in February 2003 compared with 60.8% in February 2002.

### FINANCIAL MARKETS

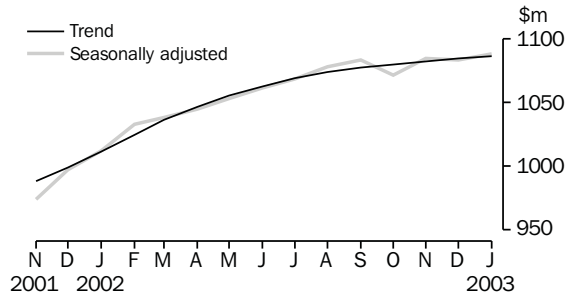
The value of secured housing finance commitments (excluding alterations and additions) was \$506m in January 2003, a very slight increase on the December 2002 figure of \$504m. The January 2003 figure is an increase of 5.7% on that of January 2002 (\$479m).

# SELECTED FEATURES

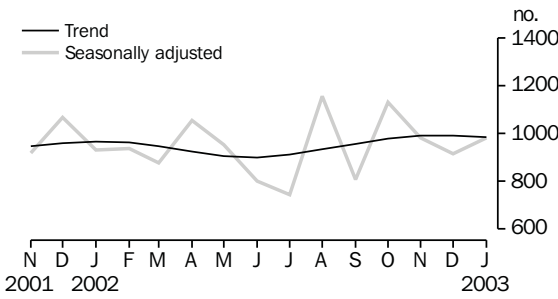
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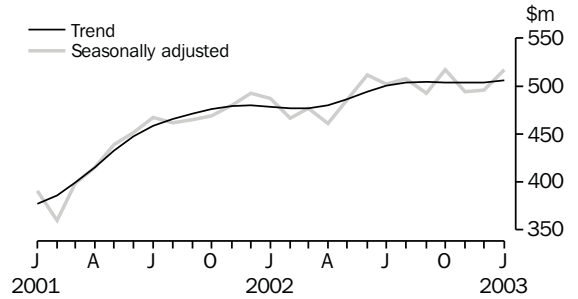
RETAIL TURNOVER



DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

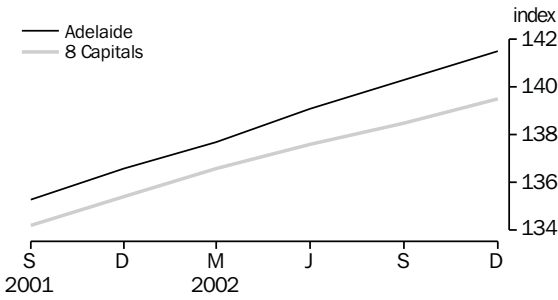


SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS(a)

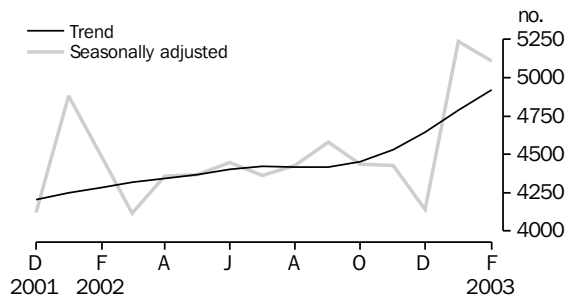


(a) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

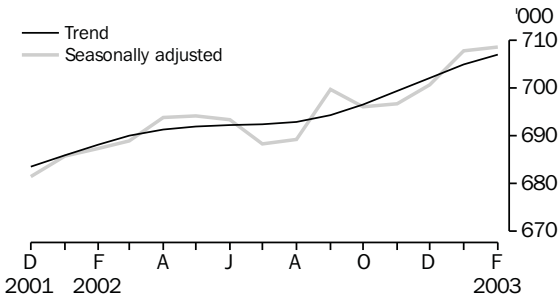
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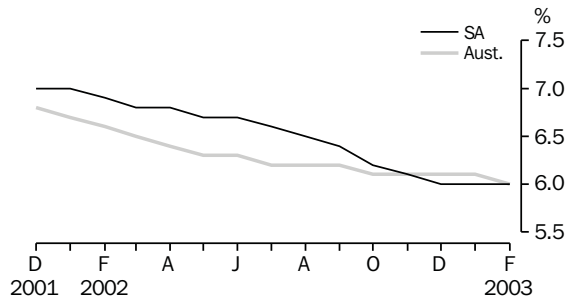
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| Indicator   | Period      | South Australia |                    |                                    | Australia |                    |                                    | SA<br>as a<br>% of<br>Aust. | Source<br>index |
|---|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
|   |             | Number          | % change from      |                                    | Number    | % change from      |                                    |                             |                 |
|   |             |                 | Previous<br>period | Same<br>period<br>previous<br>year |           | Previous<br>period | Same<br>period<br>previous<br>year |                             |                 |
| <b>State accounts</b>   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Domestic final demand   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Current prices trend (\$m)  | Dec qtr 02  | 13 714          | 2.0                | 10.1                               | 191 765   | 2.1                | 8.6                                | 7.2                         | (1)             |
| Chain volume measures trend (\$m)                                   | Dec qtr 02  | 13 112          | 1.1                | 7.3                                | 184 529   | 1.5                | 6.3                                | 7.1                         | (1)             |
| Private final consumption expenditure                               |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Current prices trend (\$m)  | Dec qtr 02  | 8 267           | 1.5                | 8.1                                | 112 659   | 1.3                | 6.5                                | 7.3                         | (1)             |
| Chain volume measures trend (\$m)                                   | Dec qtr 02  | 7 869           | 0.5                | 4.8                                | 107 961   | 0.7                | 4.1                                | 7.3                         | (1)             |
| Private gross fixed capital formation                               |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Current prices trend (\$m)  | Dec qtr 02  | 2 476           | 3.1                | 24.0                               | 38 154    | 4.5                | 18.6                               | 6.5                         | (1)             |
| Chain volume measures trend (\$m)                                   | Dec qtr 02  | 2 419           | 2.9                | 22.5                               | 37 174    | 3.8                | 16.9                               | 6.5                         | (1)             |
| Compensation of employees   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Current prices trend (\$m)  | Dec qtr 02  | 5 784           | 1.9                | 6.4                                | 88 822    | 1.4                | 5.7                                | 6.5                         | (1)             |
| <b>International accounts</b>                                       |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Exports (\$m)   | Jan 03      | 558.9           | -32.9              | -0.5                               | 8 937.4   | -13.9              | -0.3                               | 6.3                         | (2)             |
| Imports (\$m)   | Jan 03      | 447.4           | -18.9              | 10.1                               | 10 887.3  | -10.1              | 16.5                               | 4.1                         | (2)             |
| <b>Consumption and investment</b>                                   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Retail turnover   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Current prices original (\$m)                                       | Jan 03      | 1 085.2         | -21.7              | 8.2                                | 14 493.9  | -21.7              | 6.4                                | 7.5                         | (3)             |
| Current prices trend (\$m)  | Jan 03      | 1 086.7         | 0.2                | 7.4                                | 14 521.8  | 0.2                | 6.1                                | 7.5                         | (3)             |
| Chain volume measures original (\$m)                                | Dec qtr 02  | 3 485.1         | 15.5               | 6.1                                | 46 632.6  | 15.9               | 5.4                                | 7.5                         | (3)             |
| New motor vehicle sales   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Original (no.)  | Feb 03      | 4 754           | 19.2               | 14.1                               | 66 735    | 9.1                | 3.0                                | 7.1                         | (4)             |
| Trend (no.)   | Feb 03      | 4 921           | 2.8                | 14.8                               | 71 296    | 0.8                | 3.5                                | 6.9                         | (4)             |
| Private new capital expenditure                                     |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Current prices original (\$m)                                       | Dec qtr 02  | 1 162           | 41.5               | 30.4                               | 14 222    | 22.3               | 21.0                               | 8.2                         | (5)             |
| Current prices trend (\$m)  | Dec qtr 02  | 919             | 2.0                | 25.4                               | 12 415    | 3.7                | 13.6                               | 7.4                         | (5)             |
| Private new capital expenditure (\$m)                               | 2001-02     | 3 113           | 8.8                | ..                                 | 44 380    | 4.1                | ..                                 | 7.0                         | (5)             |
| Tourist accommodation takings (\$m)                                 | Dec qtr 02  | 64.9            | 18.3               | 16.3                               | 1 314.1   | 6.2                | 8.6                                | 4.9                         | (6)             |
| <b>Production</b>   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Dwelling unit approvals   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Original (no.)  | Jan 03      | 784             | -11.1              | 2.6                                | 11 718    | -9.4               | -5.4                               | 6.7                         | (7)             |
| Trend (no.)   | Jan 03      | 986             | -0.6               | 1.9                                | 13 544    | -3.8               | -2.8                               | 7.3                         | (7)             |
| Dwelling units commenced (no.)                                      | Sept qtr 02 | 2 749           | 4.0                | 14.5                               | 48 648    | 11.4               | 20.1                               | 5.7                         | (8)             |
| Value of non-residential building approvals—trend (\$m)             |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
|   | Jan 03      | 83              | -3.3               | 13.4                               | 1 432     | -2.6               | 17.2                               | 5.8                         | (7)             |
| Value of total building activity                                    |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Commenced (\$m)   | Sept qtr 02 | 649.1           | 13.2               | 16.3                               | 12 556.8  | 10.2               | 25.2                               | 5.2                         | (8)             |
| Work done (\$m)   | Sept qtr 02 | 613.3           | 9.8                | 36.1                               | 12 026.7  | 10.3               | 29.3                               | 5.1                         | (8)             |
| Work yet to be done (\$m)   | Sept qtr 02 | 842.7           | 7.4                | 20.0                               | 18 253.0  | 6.9                | 35.7                               | 4.6                         | (8)             |
| Value of engineering construction work done (\$m)                   |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
|   | Sept qtr 02 | 319.9           | -17.0              | 4.4                                | 5 505.1   | -2.9               | 23.4                               | 5.8                         | (9)             |
| Manufacturing production  |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
| Red meat trend (tonnes)   | Dec qtr 02  | 62 863          | 0.8                | 13.1                               | 809 541   | 1.4                | 6.9                                | 7.8                         | (11)            |
| Mineral exploration expenditure (other than for petroleum)(a) (\$m) |             |                 |                    |                                    |           |                    |                                    |                             |                 |
|   | Dec qtr     | 10.0            | 3.1                | 25.0                               | 192.8     | 5.4                | 12.9                               | 5.2                         | (12)            |

(a) From July 2000 value data no longer contains Wholesale Sales Tax.

| Indicator   | Period     | South Australia |                 |                           | Australia |                 |                           | SA as a % of Aust. | Source index |
|---|------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
|   |            | Number          | % change from   |                           | Number    | % change from   |                           |                    |              |
|   |            |                 | Previous period | Same period previous year |           | Previous period | Same period previous year |                    |              |
| <b>Prices(a)</b>  |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| CPI—All groups (index no.)  | Dec qtr 02 | 141.5           | 0.9             | 3.6                       | 139.5     | 0.7             | 3.0                       | ..                 | (13)         |
| Price index of materials used in house building (index no.)             | Dec qtr 02 | 135.2           | 0.5             | 3.9                       | 130.1     | 1.0             | 3.9                       | ..                 | (14)         |
| Price index of materials used in building other than houses (index no.) | Dec qtr 02 | 123.3           | 1.2             | 4.2                       | 122.8     | 1.0             | 4.0                       | ..                 | (14)         |
| Price index of established houses (index no.)                           | Dec qtr 02 | 177.4           | 5.2             | 21.1                      | 206.1     | 4.8             | 18.4                      | ..                 | (15)         |
| Price index of project homes (index no.)                                | Dec qtr 02 | 155.5           | 1.2             | 5.4                       | 142.5     | 0.8             | 3.6                       | ..                 | (15)         |
| <b>Labour force and demography</b>                                      |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Population (resident at end qtr) ('000)                                 | Sep qtr 02 | 1 522.5         | 0.1             | 0.6                       | 19 727.5  | 0.3             | 1.3                       | 7.7                | (16)         |
| Natural increase of the population ('000)                               | Sep qtr 02 | 0.9             | -42.3           | -23.8                     | 24.8      | -16.9           | -6.9                      | 3.8                | (16)         |
| Labour force  |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Original ('000)   | Feb 03     | 758.9           | 1.4             | 2.1                       | 10 195.7  | 1.0             | 2.4                       | 7.4                | (17)         |
| Trend ('000)  | Feb 03     | 752.3           | 0.3             | 1.8                       | 10 174.0  | 0.3             | 2.6                       | 7.4                | (17)         |
| Employed persons  |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Original ('000)   | Feb 03     | 707.6           | 1.2             | 3.1                       | 9 516.0   | 0.8             | 3.1                       | 7.4                | (17)         |
| Trend ('000)  | Feb 03     | 707.1           | 0.3             | 2.8                       | 9 559.6   | 0.4             | 3.2                       | 7.4                | (17)         |
| Participation rate  |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Original(b) (%)   | Feb 03     | 61.8            | 0.8             | 1.4                       | 64.6      | 0.6             | 0.6                       | ..                 | (17)         |
| Trend(b) (%)  | Feb 03     | 61.3            | 0.2             | 0.5                       | 64.5      | 0.2             | 0.7                       | ..                 | (17)         |
| Unemployment rate   |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Original(b) (%)   | Feb 03     | 6.8             | 0.2             | -0.9                      | 6.7       | 0.2             | -0.6                      | ..                 | (17)         |
| Trend(b) (%)  | Feb 03     | 6.0             | 0.0             | -0.9                      | 6.0       | -0.1            | -0.6                      | ..                 | (17)         |
| Job vacancies ('000)  | Nov qtr 02 | 5.2             | -33.3           | -21.2                     | 96.1      | -12.3           | 10.0                      | 5.4                | (18)         |
| Industrial disputes ('000 working days lost)                            | Dec 02     | 0.5             | -16.7           | 150.0                     | 19.1      | -26.3           | 81.9                      | 2.6                | (19)         |
| <b>Income</b>   |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time)               |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Original (\$)   | Nov qtr 02 | 818.9           | 1.7             | 2.9                       | 889.6     | 1.2             | 4.8                       | ..                 | (20)         |
| Trend (\$)  | Nov qtr 02 | 813.9           | 0.8             | 2.2                       | 888.5     | 1.1             | 4.7                       | ..                 | (20)         |
| Wage cost index (total hourly rate excluding bonuses)(c) (index no.)    | Dec qtr 02 | 118.5           | 1.4             | 4.0                       | 118.3     | 0.8             | 3.4                       | ..                 | (21)         |
| <b>Financial markets</b>  |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Secured housing finance(d)  |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Original (\$m)  | Jan 03     | 464.6           | -13.7           | 4.7                       | 7584.9    | -10.6           | 2.7                       | 6.1                | (22)         |
| Trend (\$m)   | Jan 03     | 505.7           | 0.3             | 5.7                       | 8620.9    | 0.5             | 6.8                       | 5.9                | (22)         |
| Finance commitments   |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Personal (\$m)  | Jan 03     | 357.8           | -13.8           | 25.9                      | 5158.7    | -9.7            | 21.1                      | 6.9                | (23)         |
| Commercial (\$m)  | Jan 03     | 888.9           | -17.7           | 56.7                      | 16104.7   | -33.0           | 11.6                      | 5.5                | (23)         |
| Lease (\$m)   | Jan 03     | 15.3            | 7.4             | 39.7                      | 424.2     | -23.3           | -14.2                     | 3.6                | (23)         |
| Interest rates(b)   |            |                 |                 |                           |           |                 |                           |                    |              |
| Banks new housing loans (%)   | Jan 03     | ..              | ..              | ..                        | 6.6       | 0.0             | 0.5                       | ..                 | (24)         |
| Bank loans—small, medium business(e) (%)                                | Jan 03     | ..              | ..              | ..                        | 8.0       | 0.0             | 0.5                       | ..                 | (24)         |
| Bank loans—large business (%)   | Jan 03     | ..              | ..              | ..                        | 8.4       | 0.0             | 0.5                       | ..                 | (24)         |

(a) Base year of each index 1989-90 = 100.

(b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.

(c) Base year of index Sep 1997 = 100.

(d) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

(e) Rate for business loans over \$50,000.

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## STATE SUMMARY

| <i>Indicator</i>   | <i>Period</i> | <i>NSW</i> | <i>Vic.</i> | <i>Qld</i> | <b>SA</b>     | <i>WA</i> | <i>Tas.</i> | <i>NT</i> | <i>ACT</i> | <i>Source index</i> |
|--|---------------|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------------------|
| SELECTED INDICATORS  |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| CPI—All groups(a) (index no.)  | Dec qtr 02    | 140.4      | 139.0       | 139.9      | <b>141.5</b>  | 136.4     | 138.0       | 136.2     | 139.2      | (13)                |
| Participation rate trend (%)   | Feb 03        | 63.6       | 64.3        | 65.5       | <b>61.3</b>   | 67.0      | 58.8        | 73.9      | 72.7       | (17)                |
| Unemployment rate trend (%)  | Feb 03        | 6.0        | 5.4         | 6.9        | <b>6.0</b>    | 5.9       | 9.2         | 5.5       | 4.1        | (17)                |
| Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time) trend (\$) | Nov 02        | 933.60     | 894.50      | 821.50     | <b>813.90</b> | 887.30    | 820.90      | 862.40    | 1 017.00   | (20)                |
| SELECTED INDICATORS PER HEAD OF POPULATION(b)                        |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| State final demand   |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Chain volume measures trend (\$'000)                                 | Dec 02        | 9.5        | 9.4         | 8.8        | <b>8.6</b>    | 9.3       | 7.7         | 13.0      | 16.1       | (1)                 |
| Retail turnover  |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Current prices original (\$)   | Jan 03        | 756.6      | 907.3       | 929.9      | <b>910.3</b>  | 942.4     | 819.5       | 822.9     | 1 189.0    | (3)                 |
| Current prices, trend  | Jan 03        | 760.3      | 697.1       | 746.4      | <b>713.8</b>  | 738.7     | 632.7       | 747.5     | 945.9      | (3)                 |
| New motor vehicle Sales trend (no. per '000 population)              | Feb 03        | 3.6        | 4.0         | 3.6        | <b>3.2</b>    | 3.3       | 2.7         | 3.3       | 3.7        | (4)                 |
| Private new capital expenditure                                      |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Current prices trend (\$)  | Dec qtr 02    | 522.9      | 646.9       | 612.0      | <b>603.6</b>  | 855.0     | 437.3       | 2 523.7   | 453.1      | (5)                 |
| Dwelling unit approvals  |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Original (no. per '000 population)                                   | Jan 03        | 0.531      | 0.627       | 0.634      | <b>0.515</b>  | 0.858     | 0.298       | 0.152     | 0.431      | (7)                 |
| Trend (no. per '000 population)                                      | Jan 03        | 0.613      | 0.699       | 0.787      | <b>0.648</b>  | 0.867     | 0.302       | 0.324     | 0.757      | (7)                 |
| Secured housing finance(c) (\$)                                      | Jan 03        | 423.6      | 373.1       | 373.2      | <b>305.2</b>  | 429.6     | 192.9       | 170.9     | 399.1      | (22)                |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS PERIOD                               |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| State final demand   |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Chain volume measures trend (%)                                      | Dec 02        | 1.4        | 1.1         | 1.2        | <b>1.1</b>    | 2.5       | 0.3         | -0.7      | 0.8        | (1)                 |
| Retail turnover  |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Current prices original (%)  | Jan 03        | -22.1      | -23.2       | -18.4      | <b>-21.7</b>  | -22.5     | -22.8       | -16.9     | -24.8      | (3)                 |
| Current prices, trend  | Jan 03        | 0.1        | 0.1         | 0.2        | <b>0.2</b>    | 0.8       | 0.4         | -0.1      | 0.3        | (3)                 |
| New motor vehicle sales trend (%)                                    | Feb 03        | 0.7        | 0.6         | 0.6        | <b>2.8</b>    | 1.0       | 0.6         | 2.0       | 0.5        | (4)                 |
| Private new capital expenditure                                      |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Current prices trend (%)   | Dec qtr 02    | 2.4        | 2.1         | 6.8        | <b>2.0</b>    | 3.8       | -9.2        | 10.4      | -3.3       | (5)                 |
| Dwelling unit approvals  |               |            |             |            |               |           |             |           |            |                     |
| Original (%)   | Jan 03        | 0.1        | -12.9       | -17.6      | <b>-11.1</b>  | 8.4       | -29.5       | -62.5     | -56.0      | (7)                 |
| Trend (%)  | Jan 03        | -3.3       | -4.6        | -4.5       | <b>-0.6</b>   | -0.9      | -1.7        | -14.4     | -18.2      | (7)                 |
| CPI—All groups (%)   | Dec qtr 02    | 0.6        | 0.9         | 0.5        | <b>0.9</b>    | 0.4       | 0.4         | 0.6       | 0.8        | (13)                |
| Participation rate trend(d) (%)                                      | Feb 03        | 0.2        | 0.1         | 0.1        | <b>0.2</b>    | 0.1       | 0.2         | 0.3       | -0.2       | (17)                |
| Unemployment rate trend(d) (%)                                       | Feb 03        | 0.1        | -0.1        | 0.0        | <b>0.0</b>    | -0.1      | 0.2         | 0.1       | 0.0        | (17)                |
| Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time) trend (%)  | Nov 02        | 1.4        | 0.9         | 1.0        | <b>0.8</b>    | 1.0       | 1.4         | 0.9       | 2.9        | (20)                |
| Secured housing finance (%)  | Jan 03        | -4.3       | 3.4         | -5.1       | <b>1.4</b>    | -2.6      | 5.1         | 15.8      | -14.6      | (22)                |

(a) Base year of index 1989-90 = 100.

(b) The latest quarterly estimate of Australian resident population has been used to calculate ratios for subsequent periods.

(c) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

(d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.



### 3

#### STATE ACCOUNTS AT CURRENT PRICES

| Period                 | <i>Final consumption expenditure</i> |                    | <i>Gross fixed capital formation</i> |           |        | State final demand | Gross State product | Compensation of employees |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
|                        | Households                           | General government | Private                              | Public    |        |                    |                     |                           |
| ANNUAL (\$m)           |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |                           |
| <b>1999-00</b>         | 26 618                               | 8 789              | (a)10 163                            | (a)-1 445 | 44 125 | 41 192             | 19 965              |                           |
| <b>2000-01</b>         | 28 880                               | 9 143              | 8 522                                | 112       | 46 658 | 44 119             | 20 938              |                           |
| <b>2001-02</b>         | 31 067                               | 9 542              | 8 281                                | 1 476     | 50 366 | 47 002             | 21 901              |                           |
| QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m) |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |                           |
| <b>2001-02</b>         |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |                           |
| September              | 7 508                                | 2 392              | 1 906                                | 380       | 12 187 | n.a.               | 5 369               |                           |
| December               | 7 646                                | 2 414              | 1 996                                | 400       | 12 456 | n.a.               | 5 435               |                           |
| March                  | 7 815                                | 2 445              | 2 136                                | 389       | 12 785 | n.a.               | 5 500               |                           |
| June                   | 7 991                                | 2 499              | 2 281                                | 367       | 13 133 | n.a.               | 5 582               |                           |
| <b>2002-03</b>         |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |                           |
| September              | 8 141                                | 2 545              | 2 401                                | 358       | 13 444 | n.a.               | 5 678               |                           |
| December               | 8 267                                | 2 575              | 2 476                                | 359       | 13 714 | n.a.               | 5 784               |                           |

(a) The negative figure for Public gross fixed capital formation and the larger than usual positive figure for Private gross fixed capital formation are the result of the sale of the South Australian electrical transmission network in December quarter 1999. For more information see *National Income, Expenditure and Product, Australian National Accounts, June 2000* (cat. no. 5206.0).

Source: *Australian National Accounts: National Income, Expenditure and Product* (cat. no. 5206.0), and *Australian National Accounts: State Accounts* (cat. no. 5220.0).

### 4

#### STATE ACCOUNTS AT CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES(a)

| Period                 | <i>Final consumption expenditure</i> |                    | <i>Gross fixed capital formation</i> |           |        | State final demand | Gross State product |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|
|                        | Households                           | General government | Private                              | Public    |        |                    |                     |
| ANNUAL (\$m)           |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |
| <b>1999-00</b>         | 27 835                               | 9 000              | (b)10 516                            | (b)-2 384 | 45 859 | 42 727             |                     |
| <b>2000-01</b>         | 28 880                               | 9 143              | 8 522                                | -732      | 46 658 | 44 119             |                     |
| <b>2001-02</b>         | 30 470                               | 9 352              | 8 180                                | 521       | 49 463 | 45 765             |                     |
| QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m) |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |
| <b>2001-02</b>         |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |
| September              | 7 407                                | 2 320              | 1 887                                | 377       | 11 994 | n.a.               |                     |
| December               | 7 512                                | 2 336              | 1 975                                | 396       | 12 218 | n.a.               |                     |
| March                  | 7 641                                | 2 361              | 2 107                                | 385       | 12 493 | n.a.               |                     |
| June                   | 7 756                                | 2 399              | 2 240                                | 364       | 12 757 | n.a.               |                     |
| <b>2002-03</b>         |                                      |                    |                                      |           |        |                    |                     |
| September              | 7 832                                | 2 435              | 2 350                                | 355       | 12 971 | n.a.               |                     |
| December               | 7 869                                | 2 455              | 2 419                                | 356       | 13 112 | n.a.               |                     |

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2000-2001.

(b) The negative figure for Public gross fixed capital formation and the larger than usual positive figure for Private gross fixed capital formation are the result of the sale of the South Australian electrical transmission network in December quarter 1999. For more information see *National Income, Expenditure and Product, Australian National Accounts, June 2000* (cat. no. 5206.0).

Source: *Australian National Accounts: National Income, Expenditure and Product* (cat. no. 5206.0), and *Australian National Accounts: State Accounts* (cat. no. 5220.0).

## 5

## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP(a)

| <i>Period</i>  | <i>Meat and meat preparations</i> | <i>Wheat</i> | <i>Wine</i> | <i>Wool and sheepskins (excl. wool tops)</i> | <i>Machinery</i> | <i>Metals and metal manufactures</i> | <i>Fish and crustaceans</i> | <i>Road vehicles, parts and accessories</i> | <i>Petroleum and petroleum products</i> | <i>Total(b)</i> |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--|------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|-----------------|
|                | \$'000                            | \$'000       | \$'000      | \$'000                                       | \$'000           | \$'000                               | \$'000                      | \$'000                                      | \$'000                                  | \$'000          |
| <b>1999-00</b> | 160 483                           | 473 086      | 899 348     | 179 716                                      | 353 205          | 805 744                              | 394 375                     | 883 792                                     | 218 466                                 | 6 188 231       |
| <b>2000-01</b> | 262 565                           | 767 524      | 1 081 599   | 236 034                                      | 381 785          | 1 019 926                            | 451 841                     | 1 399 489                                   | 355 781                                 | 8 286 782       |
| <b>2001-02</b> | 316 263                           | 1 154 933    | 1 358 316   | 256 722                                      | 321 445          | 913 417                              | 474 854                     | 1 613 919                                   | 250 728                                 | 9 103 263       |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                                   |              |             |  |                  |                                      |                             |   |   |                 |
| August         | 16 578                            | 104 764      | 111 866     | 12 339                                       | 23 309           | 65 167                               | 109 720                     | 87 611                                      | 28 997                                  | 757 774         |
| September      | 26 569                            | 50 769       | 145 952     | 14 797                                       | 23 338           | 83 420                               | 18 330                      | 157 731                                     | 26 830                                  | 747 539         |
| October        | 29 804                            | 74 206       | 134 368     | 23 871                                       | 24 161           | 80 651                               | 16 992                      | 217 406                                     | 17 879                                  | 839 374         |
| November       | 30 056                            | 95 995       | 81 272      | 24 908                                       | 21 862           | 89 069                               | 23 757                      | 135 759                                     | 30 543                                  | 716 786         |
| December       | 32 136                            | 93 070       | 105 237     | 17 789                                       | 23 070           | 62 905                               | 31 363                      | 207 778                                     | 20 094                                  | 820 447         |
| January        | 22 604                            | 136 558      | 61 255      | 15 357                                       | 19 868           | 63 089                               | 35 902                      | 25 652                                      | 16 755                                  | 561 836         |
| February       | 31 183                            | 86 109       | 83 914      | 23 524                                       | 25 522           | 82 009                               | 26 187                      | 122 727                                     | 2 328                                   | 745 077         |
| March          | 34 065                            | 119 775      | 127 140     | 32 960                                       | 35 610           | 88 158                               | 22 365                      | 170 972                                     | 44 358                                  | 876 068         |
| April          | 24 011                            | 102 777      | 122 653     | 22 942                                       | 32 351           | 74 900                               | 25 363                      | 134 415                                     | 8 900                                   | 756 976         |
| May            | 26 189                            | 114 535      | 146 020     | 34 208                                       | 33 412           | 85 067                               | 22 517                      | 84 964                                      | 32 896                                  | 790 765         |
| June           | 24 324                            | 91 704       | 148 574     | 18 967                                       | 27 472           | 58 902                               | 36 472                      | 183 302                                     | 16 920                                  | 795 950         |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                                   |              |             |  |                  |                                      |                             |   |   |                 |
| July           | 17 509                            | 25 309       | 115 141     | 20 534                                       | 27 470           | 67 414                               | 90 175                      | 110 752                                     | 27 041                                  | 704 054         |
| August         | 16 462                            | 87 890       | 121 771     | 14 495                                       | 24 896           | 64 984                               | 138 036                     | 134 638                                     | 25 870                                  | 831 183         |
| September      | 27 759                            | 60 374       | 168 465     | 20 770                                       | 31 641           | 71 819                               | 38 038                      | 82 804                                      | 23 846                                  | 759 826         |
| October        | 29 930                            | 50 488       | 141 669     | 29 127                                       | 24 139           | 81 376                               | 19 854                      | 115 691                                     | 25 432                                  | 687 160         |
| November       | 35 026                            | 65 111       | 96 798      | 31 088                                       | 26 285           | 74 640                               | 24 713                      | 276 999                                     | 19 613                                  | 818 300         |
| December       | 32 765                            | 54 121       | 128 919     | 30 356                                       | 28 324           | 90 751                               | 26 181                      | 207 509                                     | 30 323                                  | 832 925         |
| January        | 24 195                            | 58 429       | 79 864      | 17 721                                       | 17 026           | 69 550                               | 29 303                      | 31 453                                      | 43 958                                  | 558 940         |

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(b) Includes other commodity groups not listed.

Source: ABS data available on request.

## 6

## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, BY SELECTED COUNTRIES AND COUNTRY GROUPS(a)

| Period         | European Union           |             |                |                      |             | South-East and North-East Asia |         |           |          |         |
|----------------|--------------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|---------|
|                | United States of America | Middle East | United Kingdom | Total European Union | New Zealand | Japan                          | China   | Hong Kong | ASEAN(b) | Total   |
|                | \$'000                   | \$'000      | \$'000         | \$'000               | \$'000      | \$'000                         | \$'000  | \$'000    | \$'000   | \$'000  |
| <b>1999-00</b> | 954 681                  | 724 871     | 625 154        | 1073 928             | 446 026     | 787 295                        | 315 199 | 255 679   | 495 407  | 2297913 |
| <b>2000-01</b> | 1354 759                 | 1335 811    | 713 525        | 1232 563             | 480 887     | 963 481                        | 437 939 | 298 939   | 683 694  | 2882839 |
| <b>2001-02</b> | 1597 719                 | 1825 194    | 784 284        | 1337 855             | 568 712     | 937 578                        | 406 163 | 240 066   | 597 414  | 2594269 |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                          |             |                |                      |             |                                |         |           |          |         |
| August         | 131 917                  | 134 855     | 67 349         | 98 428               | 52 532      | 146 655                        | 19 060  | 16 613    | 44 737   | 258525  |
| September      | 149 121                  | 114 225     | 93 941         | 150 232              | 53 822      | 74 345                         | 49 322  | 9 474     | 51 369   | 211033  |
| October        | 137 817                  | 183 472     | 92 365         | 159 319              | 52 409      | 45 629                         | 39 129  | 21 422    | 47 863   | 213989  |
| November       | 142 528                  | 120 739     | 46 215         | 92 135               | 50 254      | 85 470                         | 44 104  | 25 897    | 48 064   | 242844  |
| December       | 187 722                  | 172 462     | 54 885         | 108 541              | 52 684      | 71 934                         | 35 887  | 24 400    | 41 258   | 200880  |
| January        | 44 318                   | 156 335     | 34 647         | 75 972               | 21 104      | 39 434                         | 17 643  | 31 673    | 54 174   | 169495  |
| February       | 96 390                   | 159 853     | 48 505         | 93 817               | 39 929      | 61 201                         | 20 759  | 25 147    | 54 562   | 191254  |
| March          | 151 253                  | 187 747     | 70 929         | 134 750              | 54 261      | 59 059                         | 63 357  | 27 514    | 53 655   | 245651  |
| April          | 131 376                  | 191 395     | 64 676         | 96 837               | 61 889      | 74 655                         | 33 973  | 12 231    | 41 571   | 196230  |
| May            | 129 531                  | 133 050     | 79 270         | 116 645              | 36 358      | 53 042                         | 37 268  | 19 133    | 51 573   | 205755  |
| June           | 179 897                  | 149 770     | 78 219         | 124 464              | 44 543      | 84 535                         | 27 599  | 14 205    | 53 962   | 208237  |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                          |             |                |                      |             |                                |         |           |          |         |
| July           | 74 918                   | 102 167     | 69 831         | 116 422              | 55 005      | 129 520                        | 24 783  | 7 936     | 52 596   | 270954  |
| August         | 149 657                  | 99 934      | 69 969         | 115 135              | 64 596      | 189 807                        | 29 888  | 15 393    | 47 653   | 311563  |
| September      | 95 913                   | 126 778     | 107 251        | 170 629              | 46 330      | 91 725                         | 35 019  | 7 956     | 53 856   | 233286  |
| October        | 124 393                  | 107 491     | 77 662         | 115 311              | 51 528      | 64 473                         | 34 478  | 13 004    | 63 230   | 216810  |
| November       | 240 539                  | 175 612     | 37 858         | 74 740               | 54 858      | 35 195                         | 53 271  | 30 319    | 52 336   | 210915  |
| December       | 165 038                  | 104 428     | 71 636         | 121 829              | 81 391      | 54 391                         | 39 883  | 22 493    | 87 550   | 261526  |
| January        | 61 485                   | 83 349      | 46 384         | 82 596               | 23 247      | 83 562                         | 39 118  | 50 026    | 46 011   | 249427  |

(a) See International Merchandise Trade, Australia (cat. no. 5422.0) for country group definitions.

(b) Figures from September 2001 have been updated to include Cambodia in the ASEAN country grouping.

Source: ABS data available on request.

## 7

## MERCHANDISE IMPORTS, BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP(a)

| <i>Period</i>  | <i>Food, beverages and tobacco</i> | <i>Petroleum and petroleum products</i> | <i>Chemicals</i> | <i>Textiles</i> | <i>Metals and metal manufactures</i> | <i>Machinery</i> | <i>Road vehicle parts and accessories</i> | <i>Other manufactured goods</i> | <i>Total(b)</i> |
|----------------|------------------------------------|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|---|---------------------------------|-----------------|
|                | \$'000                             | \$'000                                  | \$'000           | \$'000          | \$'000                               | \$'000           | \$'000                                    | \$'000                          | \$'000          |
| <b>1999-00</b> | 163 509                            | 515 641                                 | 263 959          | 97 100          | 262 737                              | 1 164 672        | 834 842                                   | 845 913                         | 4 319 348       |
| <b>2000-01</b> | 183 196                            | 968 428                                 | 284 227          | 97 281          | 315 327                              | 1 205 016        | 854 759                                   | 926 817                         | 5 044 553       |
| <b>2001-02</b> | 205 295                            | 869 161                                 | 266 527          | 106 543         | 332 538                              | 1 399 576        | 887 698                                   | 1 058 212                       | 5 346 782       |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                                    |   |                  |                 |                                      |                  |   |                                 |                 |
| August         | 19 403                             | 139 722                                 | 19 498           | 10 687          | 29 850                               | 139 726          | 98 097                                    | 111 202                         | 584 391         |
| September      | 17 922                             | 172 850                                 | 19 594           | 7 687           | 25 943                               | 104 533          | 68 422                                    | 92 551                          | 523 420         |
| October        | 23 648                             | 63 528                                  | 19 978           | 9 154           | 33 610                               | 159 511          | 82 343                                    | 91 382                          | 496 998         |
| November       | 25 109                             | 13 766                                  | 21 446           | 10 959          | 25 354                               | 130 063          | 66 386                                    | 95 258                          | 406 947         |
| December       | 17 232                             | 78 949                                  | 18 247           | 6 218           | 23 108                               | 99 669           | 52 322                                    | 70 152                          | 379 968         |
| January        | 16 611                             | 1 347                                   | 26 023           | 9 135           | 33 252                               | 136 134          | 63 910                                    | 94 197                          | 406 187         |
| February       | 16 447                             | 127 019                                 | 19 898           | 8 556           | 24 823                               | 109 118          | 73 577                                    | 91 103                          | 490 816         |
| March          | 12 504                             | 39 514                                  | 35 457           | 8 338           | 26 536                               | 94 835           | 72 474                                    | 79 012                          | 389 943         |
| April          | 11 993                             | 78 266                                  | 24 836           | 9 947           | 27 980                               | 113 247          | 81 305                                    | 79 415                          | 450 747         |
| May            | 14 585                             | 62 102                                  | 27 331           | 9 842           | 27 092                               | 117 219          | 80 639                                    | 86 692                          | 445 885         |
| June           | 15 103                             | 64 704                                  | 14 566           | 8 448           | 26 002                               | 96 307           | 73 499                                    | 77 657                          | 393 051         |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                                    |   |                  |                 |                                      |                  |   |                                 |                 |
| July           | 17 666                             | 66 712                                  | 18 971           | 7 211           | 33 106                               | 111 832          | 88 041                                    | 91 501                          | 454 751         |
| August         | 20 355                             | 63 951                                  | 19 172           | 11 171          | 35 439                               | 121 990          | 83 005                                    | 97 867                          | 476 144         |
| September      | 19 907                             | 79 309                                  | 20 444           | 8 920           | 32 522                               | 123 896          | 77 186                                    | 92 519                          | 474 629         |
| October        | 27 427                             | 75 644                                  | 20 841           | 11 574          | 36 988                               | 138 634          | 102 871                                   | 111 149                         | 549 856         |
| November       | 25 409                             | 99 478                                  | 17 968           | 8 485           | 32 307                               | 130 026          | 86 247                                    | 99 157                          | 525 560         |
| December       | 23 239                             | 138 539                                 | 18 714           | 7 312           | 29 503                               | 161 897          | 58 838                                    | 92 031                          | 551 329         |
| January        | 20 923                             | 11 253                                  | 27 344           | 7 314           | 38 037                               | 135 188          | 83 187                                    | 100 514                         | 447 374         |

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(b) Includes other commodity groups not listed.

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## 8

## TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS, BY INDUSTRY—TREND

| Period         | Food retailing | Department stores | Clothing and soft good retailing | Household good retailing | Recreational good retailing | Other retailing | Hospitality and services | Total  |
|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------|
|                | \$m            | \$m               | \$m                              | \$m                      | \$m                         | \$m             | \$m                      | \$m    |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                |                   |                                  |                          |                             |                 |                          |        |
| November       | 423.1          | 97.1              | 49.3                             | 123.3                    | 27.3                        | 112.2           | 156.4                    | 988.7  |
| December       | 425.6          | 98.2              | 50.2                             | 126.2                    | 28.0                        | 111.7           | 159.5                    | 999.2  |
| January        | 427.9          | 98.9              | 51.3                             | 129.6                    | 28.7                        | 111.7           | 163.5                    | 1011.6 |
| February       | 430.3          | 99.3              | 52.3                             | 133.4                    | 28.9                        | 112.5           | 167.5                    | 1024.6 |
| March          | 433.1          | 99.4              | 53.1                             | 136.6                    | 28.7                        | 114.1           | 170.8                    | 1036.4 |
| April          | 436.4          | 99.4              | 53.6                             | 138.6                    | 28.3                        | 116.3           | 173.5                    | 1046.9 |
| May            | 440.3          | 99.4              | 53.8                             | 139.0                    | 28.3                        | 118.4           | 175.8                    | 1055.6 |
| June           | 444.0          | 99.6              | 54.0                             | 137.9                    | 28.7                        | 120.2           | 178.2                    | 1062.7 |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                |                   |                                  |                          |                             |                 |                          |        |
| July           | 447.4          | 99.9              | 54.5                             | 136.3                    | 29.5                        | 121.4           | 180.4                    | 1069.0 |
| August         | 449.9          | 100.5             | 55.4                             | 135.0                    | 30.6                        | 121.5           | 181.9                    | 1073.9 |
| September      | 451.4          | 101.5             | 56.6                             | 134.3                    | 31.6                        | 120.7           | 182.3                    | 1077.6 |
| October        | 452.2          | 102.6             | 58.0                             | 134.5                    | 32.4                        | 119.3           | 182.0                    | 1080.3 |
| November       | 452.6          | 103.8             | 59.5                             | 135.1                    | 32.9                        | 117.6           | 181.4                    | 1082.6 |
| December       | 452.9          | 104.8             | 60.9                             | 135.7                    | 33.3                        | 115.8           | 181.0                    | 1084.9 |
| January        | 452.4          | 105.6             | 62.2                             | 136.5                    | 33.5                        | 114.4           | 180.6                    | 1086.7 |

Source: Retail Trade, Australia (cat. no. 8501.0).

## 9

## NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES, BY TYPE OF VEHICLE

| Period         | Original           |                |       | Seasonally adjusted |                |       | Trend estimate     |                |       |
|----------------|--------------------|----------------|-------|---------------------|----------------|-------|--------------------|----------------|-------|
|                | Passenger vehicles | Other vehicles | Total | Passenger vehicles  | Other vehicles | Total | Passenger vehicles | Other vehicles | Total |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                    |                |       |                     |                |       |                    |                |       |
| December       | 2989               | 1390           | 4379  | 2852                | 1268           | 4120  | 2896               | 1310           | 4206  |
| January        | 2681               | 1046           | 3727  | 3492                | 1391           | 4883  | 2912               | 1335           | 4247  |
| February       | 2892               | 1276           | 4168  | 3057                | 1426           | 4483  | 2925               | 1360           | 4285  |
| March          | 2889               | 1335           | 4224  | 2866                | 1252           | 4118  | 2932               | 1384           | 4316  |
| April          | 2727               | 1258           | 3985  | 2954                | 1405           | 4359  | 2936               | 1406           | 4342  |
| May            | 2945               | 1703           | 4648  | 2859                | 1511           | 4370  | 2947               | 1419           | 4366  |
| June           | 3342               | 1801           | 5143  | 3028                | 1420           | 4448  | 2968               | 1433           | 4401  |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                    |                |       |                     |                |       |                    |                |       |
| July           | 3049               | 1408           | 4457  | 2941                | 1419           | 4360  | 2982               | 1437           | 4419  |
| August         | 3108               | 1429           | 4537  | 3010                | 1417           | 4427  | 2985               | 1433           | 4418  |
| September      | 2936               | 1251           | 4187  | 3121                | 1460           | 4581  | 2987               | 1431           | 4418  |
| October        | 3109               | 1390           | 4499  | 2989                | 1445           | 4434  | 3006               | 1443           | 4449  |
| November       | 3134               | 1507           | 4641  | 2925                | 1501           | 4426  | 3053               | 1475           | 4528  |
| December       | 3062               | 1469           | 4531  | 2862                | 1276           | 4138  | 3129               | 1516           | 4645  |
| January        | 2653               | 1335           | 3988  | 3467                | 1769           | 5236  | 3223               | 1562           | 4785  |
| February       | 3290               | 1464           | 4754  | 3476                | 1634           | 5110  | 3315               | 1606           | 4921  |

Source: Sales of New Motor Vehicles, Australia (cat. no. 9314.0.55.001).

## 10

## ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, BY SELECTED INDUSTRY AND TYPE OF ASSET

| Period                    | Industry |               |                           | Total | Type of asset                |                                |
|---------------------------|----------|---------------|---------------------------|-------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                           | Mining   | Manufacturing | Other selected industries |       | New buildings and structures | Equipment, plant and machinery |
| ANNUAL (\$m)              |          |               |                           |       |                              |                                |
| <b>1999-00</b>            | 251      | 899           | 1 431                     | 2 580 | 640                          | 1 939                          |
| <b>2000-01</b>            | 434      | 891           | 1 537                     | 2 862 | 692                          | 2 170                          |
| <b>2001-02</b>            | 355      | 927           | 1 831                     | 3 113 | 617                          | 2 496                          |
| QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$m) |          |               |                           |       |                              |                                |
| <b>2001-02</b>            |          |               |                           |       |                              |                                |
| September                 | 79       | 206           | 326                       | 611   | 136                          | 475                            |
| December                  | 97       | 267           | 527                       | 891   | 186                          | 705                            |
| March                     | 78       | 198           | 439                       | 714   | 136                          | 578                            |
| June                      | 101      | 256           | 539                       | 897   | 159                          | 738                            |
| <b>2002-03</b>            |          |               |                           |       |                              |                                |
| September                 | 117      | 237           | 466                       | 821   | 159                          | 662                            |
| December                  | 173      | 306           | 684                       | 1 162 | 215                          | 947                            |
| QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m)    |          |               |                           |       |                              |                                |
| <b>2001-02</b>            |          |               |                           |       |                              |                                |
| September                 | n.a.     | n.a.          | n.a.                      | 671   | 133                          | 538                            |
| December                  | n.a.     | n.a.          | n.a.                      | 733   | 151                          | 582                            |
| March                     | n.a.     | n.a.          | n.a.                      | 812   | 161                          | 651                            |
| June                      | n.a.     | n.a.          | n.a.                      | 868   | 165                          | 703                            |
| <b>2002-03</b>            |          |               |                           |       |                              |                                |
| September                 | n.a.     | n.a.          | n.a.                      | 901   | 168                          | 733                            |
| December                  | n.a.     | n.a.          | n.a.                      | 919   | 169                          | 750                            |

Source: Private New Capital Expenditure, Australia (cat. no. 5625.0) and ABS data available on request.

## 11

## TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

| Period         | Licensed hotels with facilities |             |                 |         | Motels and guesthouses |             |                 |         | Serviced apartments |             |                 |         |
|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------|------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------|
|                | Estab-lish-ments                | Guest rooms | Room occu-pancy | Takings | Estab-lish-ments       | Guest rooms | Room occu-pancy | Takings | Estab-lish-ments    | Guest rooms | Room occu-pancy | Takings |
|                | no.                             | no.         | %               | \$'000  | no.                    | no.         | %               | \$'000  | no.                 | no.         | %               | \$'000  |
| <b>2000-01</b> |                                 |             |                 |         |                        |             |                 |         |                     |             |                 |         |
| December       | 62                              | 4 128       | 58.2            | 26 070  | 146                    | 5 204       | 54.4            | 21 557  | 26                  | 1 220       | 62.4            | 7 232   |
| March          | 62                              | 3 905       | 59.9            | 25 686  | 146                    | 5 217       | 55.2            | 21 889  | 27                  | 1 280       | 67.1            | 7 955   |
| June           | 61                              | 4 066       | 55.9            | 23 849  | 146                    | 5 230       | 50.5            | 20 289  | 27                  | 1 300       | 63.2            | 7 959   |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                                 |             |                 |         |                        |             |                 |         |                     |             |                 |         |
| September      | 61                              | 4 078       | 56.3            | 23 498  | 146                    | 5 231       | 49.7            | 19 926  | 27                  | 1 293       | 60.1            | 7 019   |
| December       | 61                              | 4 083       | 61.0            | 26 556  | 144                    | 5 170       | 51.9            | 21 044  | 27                  | 1 283       | 67.0            | 8 218   |
| March          | 62                              | 4 091       | 61.6            | 27 321  | 145                    | 5 196       | 55.6            | 22 468  | 27                  | 1 293       | 70.5            | 8 454   |
| June           | 62                              | 4 364       | 55.4            | 24 362  | 145                    | 5 234       | 50.4            | 20 482  | 29                  | 1 357       | 65.6            | 8 078   |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                                 |             |                 |         |                        |             |                 |         |                     |             |                 |         |
| September      | 63                              | 4 381       | 57.9            | 26 109  | 144                    | 5 220       | 49.4            | 20 150  | 30                  | 1 430       | 65.8            | 8 595   |
| December       | 62                              | 4 362       | 64.8            | 31 051  | 145                    | 5 232       | 55.6            | 23 424  | 31                  | 1 435       | 70.3            | 10 424  |

Source: Tourist Accommodation, Australia (cat. no. 8635.0).

| Period            | Houses         |       | Total dwelling units |        | New residential building<br>\$m | Alterations and additions to residential building<br>\$m | Total residential building<br>\$m | Non-residential building<br>\$m | Total building<br>\$m |
|-------------------|----------------|-------|----------------------|--------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
|                   | Private sector | Total | Private sector       | Total  |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
|                   | no.            | no.   | no.                  | no.    |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| ANNUAL            |                |       |                      |        |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| <b>1999-00</b>    | 8 290          | 8 392 | 9 915                | 10 024 | 1 022.9                         | 188.9  | 1211.8                            | 585.7                           | 1797.5                |
| <b>2000-01</b>    | 5 555          | 5 644 | 6 659                | 6 775  | 735.6                           | 157.3  | 892.9                             | 718.2                           | 1611.1                |
| <b>2001-02</b>    | 8 863          | 9 177 | 10 527               | 10 881 | 1201.0                          | 191.6  | 1392.6                            | 800.7                           | 2193.3                |
| MONTHLY, ORIGINAL |                |       |                      |        |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| <b>2001-02</b>    |                |       |                      |        |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| October           | 778            | 797   | 877                  | 904    | 98.0                            | 19.6   | 117.7                             | 81.9                            | 199.6                 |
| November          | 764            | 810   | 881                  | 931    | 100.4                           | 16.1   | 116.5                             | 57.3                            | 173.8                 |
| December          | 699            | 745   | 924                  | 970    | 107.9                           | 13.0   | 120.9                             | 42.9                            | 163.7                 |
| January           | 667            | 688   | 741                  | 764    | 86.7                            | 13.2   | 99.8                              | 94.0                            | 193.9                 |
| February          | 770            | 839   | 899                  | 971    | 104.8                           | 17.7   | 122.6                             | 59.6                            | 182.2                 |
| March             | 756            | 774   | 886                  | 904    | 97.0                            | 14.3   | 111.3                             | 74.9                            | 186.2                 |
| April             | 701            | 714   | 970                  | 987    | 111.3                           | 16.2   | 127.5                             | 55.8                            | 183.3                 |
| May               | 799            | 823   | 957                  | 981    | 119.3                           | 16.5   | 135.9                             | 55.5                            | 191.4                 |
| June              | 716            | 742   | 776                  | 804    | 94.9                            | 17.6   | 112.6                             | 66.2                            | 178.7                 |
| <b>2002-03</b>    |                |       |                      |        |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| July              | 796            | 843   | 878                  | 935    | 113.7                           | 20.1   | 133.8                             | 53.3                            | 187.2                 |
| August            | 808            | 838   | 1 038                | 1 072  | 110.2                           | 22.0   | 132.2                             | 121.0                           | 253.2                 |
| September         | 763            | 795   | 826                  | 860    | 99.7                            | 20.3   | 120.0                             | 75.1                            | 195.1                 |
| October           | 729            | 767   | 1 083                | 1 125  | 198.0                           | 20.5   | 218.5                             | 56.1                            | 274.6                 |
| November          | 723            | 760   | 884                  | 933    | 117.0                           | 20.1   | 137.1                             | 152.2                           | 289.3                 |
| December          | 571            | 614   | 837                  | 882    | 111.7                           | 19.5   | 131.2                             | 64.6                            | 195.8                 |
| January           | 494            | 515   | 757                  | 784    | 93.7                            | 16.7   | 110.4                             | 39.8                            | 150.2                 |
| MONTHLY, TREND    |                |       |                      |        |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| <b>2001-02</b>    |                |       |                      |        |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| October           | 758            | 785   | 895                  | 927    | 98.0                            | 15.7   | 113.7                             | 70.3                            | 184.0                 |
| November          | 763            | 798   | 907                  | 946    | 102.0                           | 15.7   | 117.8                             | 73.3                            | 191.1                 |
| December          | 764            | 803   | 917                  | 959    | 105.6                           | 15.7   | 121.3                             | 74.4                            | 195.7                 |
| January           | 763            | 802   | 927                  | 968    | 108.9                           | 15.8   | 124.7                             | 73.2                            | 197.9                 |
| February          | 756            | 792   | 926                  | 963    | 110.8                           | 15.9   | 126.7                             | 69.7                            | 196.4                 |
| March             | 745            | 776   | 916                  | 948    | 111.1                           | 16.0   | 127.1                             | 65.1                            | 192.3                 |
| April             | 738            | 765   | 896                  | 925    | 107.4                           | 16.4   | 123.9                             | 61.9                            | 185.8                 |
| May               | 739            | 765   | 876                  | 905    | 103.1                           | 17.1   | 120.2                             | 60.2                            | 180.4                 |
| June              | 748            | 776   | 869                  | 901    | 102.2                           | 17.9   | 120.1                             | 61.7                            | 181.8                 |
| <b>2002-03</b>    |                |       |                      |        |                                 |  |                                   |                                 |                       |
| July              | 759            | 790   | 877                  | 912    | 106.3                           | 18.7   | 125.0                             | 68.0                            | 193.1                 |
| August            | 761            | 796   | 893                  | 933    | 114.1                           | 19.4   | 133.5                             | 76.7                            | 210.1                 |
| September         | 747            | 784   | 916                  | 958    | 122.6                           | 19.9   | 142.5                             | 83.4                            | 226.0                 |
| October           | 720            | 756   | 939                  | 980    | 129.6                           | 20.1   | 149.7                             | 87.4                            | 237.1                 |
| November          | 686            | 721   | 949                  | 990    | 132.8                           | 20.2   | 153.1                             | 88.0                            | 241.1                 |
| December          | 654            | 688   | 952                  | 992    | 132.9                           | 20.3   | 153.2                             | 85.9                            | 239.1                 |
| January           | 623            | 655   | 948                  | 986    | 130.9                           | 20.3   | 151.2                             | 83.0                            | 234.2                 |

Source: Building Approvals, Australia (cat. no. 8731.0) and ABS data available on request.

## 13

## BUILDING COMMENCEMENTS

| Period         | New houses     |       | Total dwelling units(a) |       | New residential building<br>\$m | Alterations and additions to residential building<br>\$m | Non-residential building |       |                |
|----------------|----------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|-------|----------------|
|                | Private sector | Total | Private sector          | Total |                                 |  | Private sector           | Total | Total building |
|                | no.            | no.   | no.                     | no.   |                                 |  | \$m                      | \$m   | \$m            |
| <b>1999-00</b> | 7 729          | 7 856 | 9 266                   | 9 410 | 1 044.8                         | 198.8  | 351.2                    | 576.8 | 1 820.5        |
| <b>2000-01</b> | 5 303          | 5 390 | 6 442                   | 6 556 | 779.2                           | 161.3  | 390.5                    | 729.6 | 1 670.1        |
| <b>2001-02</b> | 8 030          | 8 281 | 9 702                   | 9 991 | 1 236.2                         | 197.4  | 575.0                    | 761.9 | 2 195.5        |
| <b>2000-01</b> |                |       |                         |       |                                 |  |                          |       |                |
| September      | 1 380          | 1 419 | 1 777                   | 1 819 | 228.9                           | 25.6   | 104.8                    | 166.3 | 420.8          |
| December       | 1 345          | 1 350 | 1 498                   | 1 512 | 167.8                           | 44.3   | 122.8                    | 151.4 | 363.5          |
| March          | 1 157          | 1 179 | 1 562                   | 1 597 | 186.5                           | 43.6   | 70.9                     | 111.2 | 341.2          |
| June           | 1 422          | 1 443 | 1 605                   | 1 628 | 196.0                           | 47.9   | 91.9                     | 300.7 | 544.6          |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                |       |                         |       |                                 |  |                          |       |                |
| September      | 1 835          | 1 857 | 2 365                   | 2 400 | 324.0                           | 45.1   | 145.3                    | 188.7 | 557.9          |
| December       | 2 217          | 2 273 | 2 543                   | 2 613 | 307.8                           | 52.7   | 167.2                    | 199.4 | 559.9          |
| March          | 1 853          | 1 949 | 2 232                   | 2 335 | 280.0                           | 50.5   | 122.6                    | 173.7 | 504.1          |
| June           | 2 125          | 2 202 | 2 563                   | 2 644 | 324.4                           | 49.0   | 139.9                    | 200.1 | 573.6          |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                |       |                         |       |                                 |  |                          |       |                |
| September      | 2 309          | 2 401 | 2 645                   | 2 749 | 354.7                           | 57.6   | 171.0                    | 236.8 | 649.1          |

(a) Includes conversions.

Source: Building Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8752.0).



## VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE AND COMPLETED DURING PERIOD

| Period                           | New houses     |       | New residential building |         |   | Non-residential building   |                | Total building |                |         |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------|--------------------------|---------|---|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------|
|                                  | Private sector | Total | Private sector           | Total   | Alterations and additions to residential building | Total residential building | Private sector | Total          | Private sector | Total   |
|                                  | \$m            | \$m   | \$m                      | \$m     | \$m   | \$m                        | \$m            | \$m            | \$m            | \$m     |
| VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE      |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| <b>1999-00</b>                   | 798.1          | 812.2 | 984.5                    | 999.9   | 195.5   | 1 195.4                    | 409.9          | 629.4          | 1 585.1        | 1 824.8 |
| <b>2000-01</b>                   | 679.7          | 686.9 | 835.5                    | 845.0   | 161.9   | 1 006.8                    | 395.0          | 624.0          | 1 385.4        | 1 630.9 |
| <b>2001-02</b>                   | 852.9          | 871.7 | 1 043.3                  | 1 065.3 | 193.9   | 1 259.2                    | 522.1          | 778.2          | 1 754.6        | 2 037.4 |
| <b>2000-01</b>                   |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| September                        | 175.9          | 178.2 | 228.3                    | 230.7   | 30.9  | 261.5                      | 84.0           | 138.2          | 341.8          | 399.7   |
| December                         | 179.6          | 180.9 | 216.0                    | 218.3   | 42.1  | 260.4                      | 116.6          | 176.1          | 372.9          | 436.5   |
| March                            | 162.6          | 164.0 | 193.8                    | 195.7   | 40.7  | 236.4                      | 97.2           | 145.7          | 330.1          | 382.1   |
| June                             | 161.6          | 163.8 | 197.3                    | 200.3   | 48.2  | 248.6                      | 97.2           | 163.9          | 340.6          | 412.5   |
| <b>2001-02</b>                   |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| September                        | 184.2          | 187.2 | 227.7                    | 231.2   | 48.7  | 279.9                      | 112.7          | 170.6          | 386.9          | 450.5   |
| December                         | 219.4          | 222.6 | 261.9                    | 265.5   | 48.4  | 314.0                      | 146.8          | 213.8          | 456.3          | 527.7   |
| March                            | 215.1          | 220.0 | 262.5                    | 268.6   | 46.9  | 315.4                      | 131.3          | 185.0          | 439.7          | 500.4   |
| June                             | 234.2          | 242.0 | 291.2                    | 300.0   | 49.8  | 349.8                      | 131.3          | 208.9          | 471.7          | 558.7   |
| <b>2002-03</b>                   |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| September                        | 261.1          | 270.4 | 320.3                    | 330.4   | 57.5  | 388.0                      | 163.1          | 225.3          | 540.3          | 613.3   |
| VALUE OF BUILDING WORK COMPLETED |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| <b>1999-00</b>                   | 713.5          | 730.1 | 867.6                    | 886.2   | 191.9   | 1 078.1                    | 362.9          | 538.4          | 1 419.4        | 1 616.4 |
| <b>2000-01</b>                   | 758.7          | 763.6 | 942.8                    | 949.0   | 154.4   | 1 103.4                    | 436.3          | 591.5          | 1 526.5        | 1 694.9 |
| <b>2001-02</b>                   | 750.8          | 766.9 | 884.9                    | 904.3   | 180.5   | 1 084.8                    | 430.7          | 718.7          | 1 489.7        | 1 803.6 |
| <b>2000-01</b>                   |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| September                        | 175.5          | 176.2 | 199.0                    | 199.9   | 31.4  | 231.4                      | 133.2          | 180.5          | 362.5          | 411.9   |
| December                         | 222.2          | 224.8 | 313.7                    | 317.3   | 35.8  | 353.1                      | 82.8           | 107.7          | 430.7          | 460.8   |
| March                            | 173.0          | 174.3 | 216.4                    | 217.9   | 34.9  | 252.8                      | 82.4           | 138.5          | 330.9          | 391.2   |
| June                             | 188.0          | 188.3 | 213.7                    | 213.9   | 52.2  | 266.1                      | 137.9          | 164.9          | 402.4          | 431.0   |
| <b>2001-02</b>                   |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| September                        | 149.9          | 153.2 | 173.1                    | 177.6   | 55.0  | 232.6                      | 75.5           | 121.0          | 300.5          | 353.7   |
| December                         | 194.3          | 197.6 | 220.5                    | 224.4   | 38.1  | 262.5                      | 129.3          | 259.9          | 386.3          | 522.4   |
| March                            | 174.8          | 177.2 | 231.9                    | 234.8   | 39.4  | 274.2                      | 83.8           | 127.4          | 353.7          | 401.6   |
| June                             | 231.7          | 238.9 | 259.4                    | 267.4   | 48.1  | 315.6                      | 142.0          | 210.3          | 449.2          | 525.9   |
| <b>2002-03</b>                   |                |       |                          |         |   |                            |                |                |                |         |
| September                        | 209.1          | 219.3 | 240.1                    | 252.2   | 45.5  | 297.7                      | 111.7          | 164.9          | 396.6          | 462.6   |

Source: Building Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8752.0).

| <i>Period</i>  | <i>Pigmeat</i><br><i>tonnes</i> | <i>Beef</i><br><i>tonnes</i> | <i>Mutton</i><br><i>tonnes</i> | <i>Lamb</i><br><i>tonnes</i> | <i>Sawn timber(a)</i><br><i>m<sup>3</sup></i> |
|----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| <b>1999-00</b> | 31 927                          | 78 001                       | 28 969                         | 56 667                       | 425 549                                       |
| <b>2000-01</b> | 36 679                          | 82 533                       | 36 103                         | 61 893                       | 389 417                                       |
| <b>2001-02</b> | 48 329                          | 85 882                       | 30 342                         | 64 285                       | 434 577                                       |
| <b>2000-01</b> |                                 |                              |                                |                              |   |
| December       | 8 143                           | 21 982                       | 9 826                          | 15 689                       | 89 486  |
| March          | 9 785                           | 23 367                       | 9 885                          | 14 968                       | 75 558  |
| June           | 10 524                          | 19 172                       | 8 321                          | 15 451                       | 97 933  |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                                 |                              |                                |                              |   |
| September      | 10 274                          | 18 271                       | 6 290                          | 11 694                       | 103 774                                       |
| December       | 9 754                           | 21 325                       | 8 221                          | 17 627                       | 111 797                                       |
| March          | 12 583                          | 23 748                       | 8 895                          | 17 232                       | 111 697                                       |
| June           | 15 718                          | 22 539                       | 6 936                          | 17 732                       | 107 309                                       |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                                 |                              |                                |                              |   |
| September      | 15 531                          | 19 663                       | 9 351                          | 11 493                       | 111 724                                       |
| December       | 14 865                          | 23 357                       | 10 073                         | 14 864                       | 110 734                                       |

(a) From Australian softwood logs only.

Source: *Livestock Products, Australia (cat. no. 7215.0)* and ABS data available on request.

| <i>Period</i>  | <i>Food</i> | <i>Alcohol and tobacco</i> | <i>Clothing and footwear</i> | <i>Housing</i> | <i>House furnishings, supplies and services</i> | <i>Health</i> | <i>Transportation</i> | <i>Communication</i> | <i>Recreation</i> | <i>Education</i> | <i>Miscellaneous</i> | <i>All groups</i> |
|--|-------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|---|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| ANNUAL AVERAGE (1989-90 = 100.0)                     |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| <b>1999-00</b>                                       | 130.8       | 179.1                      | 103.3                        | 97.0           | 112.9   | 165.7         | 129.4                 | 97.7                 | 119.1             | 215.8            | 148.8                | 126.3             |
| <b>2000-01</b>                                       | 136.7       | 198.3                      | 111.9                        | 104.3          | 117.1   | 169.5         | 138.0                 | 104.7                | 122.9             | 225.9            | 159.3                | 133.5             |
| <b>2001-02</b>                                       | 143.1       | 207.3                      | 111.1                        | 108.2          | 120.6   | 173.0         | 135.8                 | 105.8                | 126.9             | 235.8            | 165.1                | 137.2             |
| QUARTERLY (1989-90 = 100.0)                          |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| <b>2001-02</b>                                       |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| September  | 140.5       | 205.9                      | 108.4                        | 106.8          | 120.6   | 170.9         | 136.4                 | 103.6                | 123.1             | 231.0            | 163.5                | 135.3             |
| December   | 143.8       | 205.5                      | 112.2                        | 107.9          | 120.9   | 169.3         | 134.4                 | 106.0                | 125.6             | 231.1            | 163.8                | 136.6             |
| March  | 144.6       | 207.8                      | 110.6                        | 108.6          | 120.0   | 173.7         | 133.9                 | 106.2                | 129.0             | 240.6            | 166.0                | 137.7             |
| June   | 143.6       | 210.0                      | 113.0                        | 109.5          | 120.9   | 178.0         | 138.4                 | 107.3                | 129.9             | 240.6            | 167.0                | 139.1             |
| <b>2002-03</b>                                       |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| September  | 145.4       | 210.4                      | 111.5                        | 112.1          | 121.4   | 178.1         | 138.0                 | 109.2                | 131.5             | 240.7            | 171.2                | 140.3             |
| December   | 148.1       | 213.3                      | 112.2                        | 113.0          | 123.2   | 178.1         | 138.8                 | 109.6                | 131.5             | 240.7            | 170.9                | 141.5             |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM SAME QUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| <b>2001-02</b>                                       |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| September  | 5.0         | 6.5                        | -4.6                         | 2.8            | 4.0   | 1.4           | -0.3                  | -1.8                 | 0.3               | 4.6              | 3.6                  | 2.3               |
| December   | 7.2         | 4.8                        | 0.9                          | 3.8            | 4.4   | 1.0           | -2.3                  | 1.0                  | 1.8               | 4.6              | 3.5                  | 3.1               |
| March  | 3.7         | 3.6                        | 0.1                          | 4.0            | 2.2   | 1.8           | -2.3                  | 1.8                  | 4.9               | 4.2              | 3.8                  | 2.7               |
| June   | 3.0         | 3.3                        | 0.6                          | 4.4            | 1.3   | 3.9           | -1.4                  | 3.3                  | 6.0               | 4.2              | 3.6                  | 3.0               |
| <b>2002-03</b>                                       |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| September  | 3.5         | 2.2                        | 2.9                          | 5.0            | 0.7   | 4.2           | 1.2                   | 5.4                  | 6.8               | 4.2              | 4.7                  | 3.7               |
| December   | 3.0         | 3.8                        | 0.0                          | 4.7            | 1.9   | 5.2           | 3.3                   | 3.4                  | 4.7               | 4.2              | 4.3                  | 3.6               |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER              |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| <b>2001-02</b>                                       |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| September  | 0.8         | 1.3                        | -3.5                         | 1.8            | 1.1   | -0.2          | -2.8                  | -0.3                 | 0.5               | 0.0              | 1.4                  | 0.1               |
| December   | 2.3         | -0.2                       | 3.5                          | 1.0            | 0.2   | -0.9          | -1.5                  | 2.3                  | 2.0               | 0.0              | 0.2                  | 1.0               |
| March  | 0.6         | 1.1                        | -1.4                         | 0.6            | -0.7  | 2.6           | -0.4                  | 0.2                  | 2.7               | 4.1              | 1.3                  | 0.8               |
| June   | -0.7        | 1.1                        | 2.2                          | 0.8            | 0.8   | 2.5           | 3.4                   | 1.0                  | 0.7               | 0.0              | 0.6                  | 1.0               |
| <b>2002-03</b>                                       |             |                            |                              |                |   |               |                       |                      |                   |                  |                      |                   |
| September  | 1.3         | 0.2                        | -1.3                         | 2.4            | 0.4   | 0.1           | -0.3                  | 1.8                  | 1.2               | 0.0              | 2.5                  | 0.9               |
| December   | 1.9         | 1.4                        | 0.6                          | 0.8            | 1.5   | 0.0           | 0.6                   | 0.4                  | 0.0               | 0.0              | -0.2                 | 0.9               |

Source: Consumer Price Index (cat. no. 6401.0).

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## ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE(a)

| Period         | Net migration    |            |             | Total increase | Population at end of period |
|----------------|------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
|                | Natural increase | Interstate | Overseas(b) |                |                             |
| <b>1999-00</b> | 6 306            | -3 531     | 3 829       | 7 219          | 1 505 038                   |
| <b>2000-01</b> | 5 495            | -2 418     | 2 765       | 6 690          | 1 511 728                   |
| <b>2001-02</b> | 5 887            | -1 854     | 4 481       | 8 514          | 1 520 242                   |
| <b>2000-01</b> |                  |            |             |                |                             |
| September      | 1 147            | -618       | 877         | 1 616          | 1 506 654                   |
| December       | 1 385            | -789       | 566         | 1 374          | 1 508 028                   |
| March          | 1 691            | -821       | 1 276       | 2 358          | 1 510 386                   |
| June           | 1 272            | -190       | 46          | 1 342          | 1 511 728                   |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                  |            |             |                |                             |
| September      | 1 244            | -632       | 1 130       | 1 742          | 1 513 470                   |
| December       | 1 264            | -171       | 1 185       | 2 278          | 1 515 748                   |
| March          | 1 737            | -529       | 1 665       | 2 873          | 1 518 621                   |
| June           | 1 642            | -522       | 501         | 1 621          | 1 520 242                   |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                  |            |             |                |                             |
| September      | 948              | -17        | 1 283       | 2 214          | 1 522 456                   |

(a) Differences between the sum of the components and the total of population growth are attributed to intercensal discrepancy.

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0).

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## BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

| Period         | Registrations |        |           |          |
|----------------|---------------|--------|-----------|----------|
|                | Births        | Deaths | Marriages | Divorces |
| <b>1999-00</b> | 17 896        | 11 590 | 8 428     | 4 197    |
| <b>2000-01</b> | 17 414        | 11 919 | 7 689     | 4 072    |
| <b>2001-02</b> | 17 481        | 11 594 | 7 474     | 4 448    |
| <b>1999-00</b> |               |        |           |          |
| June           | 4 449         | 3 001  | 1 996     | 984      |
| <b>2000-01</b> |               |        |           |          |
| September      | 4 441         | 3 294  | 1 092     | 1 056    |
| December       | 4 274         | 2 889  | 2 703     | 1 031    |
| March          | 4 402         | 2 711  | 2 175     | 824      |
| June           | 4 297         | 3 025  | 1 719     | 1 161    |
| <b>2001-02</b> |               |        |           |          |
| September      | 4 398         | 3 154  | 1 096     | 1 387    |
| December       | 4 109         | 2 845  | 2 444     | 1 173    |
| March          | 4 564         | 2 827  | 2 135     | 930      |
| June           | 4 410         | 2 768  | 1 799     | 958      |
| <b>2002-03</b> |               |        |           |          |
| September      | 4 355         | 3 407  | 1 019     | 1 062    |

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0).

## CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE STATUS(a)

| Period                   | Employed full-time |         | Employed part-time |         | Total employed |         | Unemployed |         | Labour force |         |
|--------------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|----------------|---------|------------|---------|--------------|---------|
|                          | Males              | Females | Males              | Females | Males          | Females | Males      | Females | Males        | Females |
| ANNUAL AVERAGE ('000)    |                    |         |                    |         |                |         |            |         |              |         |
| <b>1999-00</b>           | 322.1              | 152.5   | 56.1               | 142.4   | 378.2          | 294.9   | 34.6       | 23.9    | 412.8        | 318.7   |
| <b>2000-01</b>           | 322.6              | 156.7   | 54.8               | 143.5   | 377.4          | 300.2   | 32.6       | 20.2    | 410.0        | 320.4   |
| <b>2001-02</b>           | 319.2              | 153.2   | 59.2               | 153.1   | 378.4          | 306.3   | 31.8       | 20.0    | 410.2        | 326.2   |
| MONTHLY, ORIGINAL ('000) |                    |         |                    |         |                |         |            |         |              |         |
| <b>2001-02</b>           |                    |         |                    |         |                |         |            |         |              |         |
| December                 | 322.1              | 158.8   | 59.6               | 151.1   | 381.7          | 309.9   | 32.0       | 20.2    | 413.8        | 330.1   |
| January                  | 322.1              | 151.4   | 56.9               | 147.4   | 379.0          | 298.8   | 33.4       | 22.8    | 412.4        | 321.6   |
| February                 | 318.9              | 152.6   | 62.4               | 152.3   | 381.3          | 304.9   | 34.7       | 22.2    | 416.0        | 327.1   |
| March                    | 320.4              | 147.7   | 64.0               | 157.6   | 384.4          | 305.3   | 28.7       | 21.3    | 413.1        | 326.6   |
| April                    | 319.4              | 147.9   | 63.5               | 163.8   | 382.9          | 311.6   | 30.1       | 18.5    | 413.0        | 330.1   |
| May                      | 321.0              | 152.4   | 59.8               | 156.5   | 380.8          | 308.9   | 31.2       | 19.3    | 412.0        | 328.2   |
| June                     | 318.3              | 147.0   | 61.9               | 164.7   | 380.2          | 311.7   | 29.9       | 19.5    | 410.1        | 331.2   |
| <b>2002-03</b>           |                    |         |                    |         |                |         |            |         |              |         |
| July                     | 325.3              | 149.7   | 56.8               | 155.6   | 382.1          | 305.3   | 26.0       | 18.5    | 408.1        | 323.8   |
| August                   | 324.8              | 150.6   | 54.8               | 155.7   | 379.6          | 306.3   | 28.8       | 20.1    | 408.4        | 326.4   |
| September                | 327.8              | 154.8   | 63.3               | 158.7   | 391.1          | 313.5   | 26.9       | 21.2    | 418.0        | 334.7   |
| October                  | 322.4              | 155.4   | 62.2               | 157.5   | 384.6          | 312.9   | 26.2       | 18.9    | 410.8        | 331.8   |
| November                 | 327.1              | 154.1   | 57.2               | 160.1   | 384.3          | 314.2   | 26.7       | 17.0    | 410.9        | 331.2   |
| December                 | 337.6              | 162.7   | 56.3               | 154.4   | 393.9          | 317.1   | 24.3       | 17.6    | 418.2        | 334.6   |
| January                  | 336.0              | 163.1   | 51.0               | 149.4   | 387.0          | 312.5   | 30.5       | 18.8    | 417.5        | 331.4   |
| February                 | 338.4              | 168.6   | 50.6               | 150.0   | 389.0          | 318.6   | 31.5       | 19.9    | 420.5        | 338.5   |
| MONTHLY, TREND ('000)    |                    |         |                    |         |                |         |            |         |              |         |
| <b>2001-02</b>           |                    |         |                    |         |                |         |            |         |              |         |
| December                 | 319.2              | 154.1   | 59.1               | 151.1   | 378.3          | 305.2   | 31.6       | 20.1    | 410.0        | 325.3   |
| January                  | 319.6              | 153.0   | 60.3               | 153.0   | 379.9          | 306.0   | 31.3       | 20.2    | 411.2        | 326.2   |
| February                 | 319.9              | 151.9   | 61.3               | 155.1   | 381.2          | 307.0   | 31.0       | 20.1    | 412.2        | 327.1   |
| March                    | 320.4              | 151.1   | 61.6               | 157.0   | 382.0          | 308.1   | 30.8       | 19.9    | 412.8        | 327.9   |
| April                    | 321.0              | 150.6   | 61.2               | 158.5   | 382.2          | 309.1   | 30.6       | 19.6    | 412.8        | 328.7   |
| May                      | 321.8              | 150.5   | 60.5               | 159.2   | 382.3          | 309.7   | 30.3       | 19.5    | 412.6        | 329.2   |
| June                     | 322.6              | 150.7   | 59.8               | 159.2   | 382.4          | 309.9   | 30.0       | 19.6    | 412.3        | 329.5   |
| <b>2002-03</b>           |                    |         |                    |         |                |         |            |         |              |         |
| July                     | 323.3              | 150.8   | 59.5               | 158.8   | 382.8          | 309.6   | 29.3       | 19.9    | 412.1        | 329.5   |
| August                   | 324.1              | 151.1   | 59.6               | 158.1   | 383.7          | 309.2   | 28.4       | 20.1    | 412.1        | 329.3   |
| September                | 325.3              | 152.1   | 59.6               | 157.3   | 384.9          | 309.4   | 27.4       | 20.0    | 412.3        | 329.4   |
| October                  | 327.0              | 153.9   | 59.1               | 156.5   | 386.1          | 310.4   | 26.7       | 19.6    | 412.9        | 330.1   |
| November                 | 329.1              | 156.3   | 58.0               | 155.9   | 387.1          | 312.2   | 26.5       | 19.1    | 413.6        | 331.3   |
| December                 | 331.4              | 159.0   | 56.5               | 155.3   | 387.9          | 314.3   | 26.6       | 18.6    | 414.5        | 332.9   |
| January                  | 333.7              | 161.7   | 54.9               | 154.7   | 388.6          | 316.4   | 26.9       | 18.1    | 415.5        | 334.5   |
| February                 | 335.8              | 164.1   | 53.2               | 154.0   | 389.0          | 318.1   | 27.4       | 17.8    | 416.4        | 335.9   |

(a) Population aged 15 years and over.

Source: Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (cat. no. 6202.0).

| Period            | Civilian population    |                          |                    | Unemployment rate |                  |                  | Participation rate |         |         |
|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|
|                   | Males aged 15 and over | Females aged 15 and over | Persons aged 15-19 | Males all ages    | Females all ages | Persons all ages | Males              | Females | Persons |
|                   | '000                   | '000                     | %                  | %                 | %                | %                | %                  | %       | %       |
| ANNUAL AVERAGE    |                        |                          |                    |                   |                  |                  |                    |         |         |
| <b>1999-00</b>    | 587.6                  | 613.8                    | 20.0               | 8.4               | 7.5              | 8.0              | 70.3               | 51.9    | 60.9    |
| <b>2000-01</b>    | 591.6                  | 616.9                    | 17.9               | 8.0               | 6.3              | 7.2              | 69.3               | 51.9    | 60.4    |
| <b>2001-02</b>    | 595.4                  | 620.5                    | 18.5               | 7.8               | 6.1              | 7.1              | 68.9               | 52.6    | 60.6    |
| MONTHLY, ORIGINAL |                        |                          |                    |                   |                  |                  |                    |         |         |
| <b>2001-02</b>    |                        |                          |                    |                   |                  |                  |                    |         |         |
| December          | 595.1                  | 620.1                    | 20.9               | 7.7               | 6.1              | 7.0              | 69.5               | 53.2    | 61.2    |
| January           | 595.5                  | 620.5                    | 24.4               | 8.1               | 7.1              | 7.7              | 69.3               | 51.8    | 60.4    |
| February          | 595.9                  | 620.9                    | 19.1               | 8.3               | 6.8              | 7.7              | 69.8               | 52.7    | 61.1    |
| March             | 596.2                  | 621.3                    | 18.3               | 6.9               | 6.5              | 6.8              | 69.3               | 52.6    | 60.8    |
| April             | 596.6                  | 621.7                    | 16.3               | 7.3               | 5.6              | 6.5              | 69.2               | 53.1    | 61.0    |
| May               | 597.0                  | 622.1                    | 17.9               | 7.6               | 5.9              | 6.8              | 69.0               | 52.8    | 60.7    |
| June              | 597.4                  | 622.5                    | 17.5               | 7.3               | 5.9              | 6.7              | 68.6               | 53.2    | 60.8    |
| <b>2002-03</b>    |                        |                          |                    |                   |                  |                  |                    |         |         |
| July              | 597.9                  | 623.0                    | 13.0               | 6.4               | 5.7              | 6.1              | 68.3               | 52.0    | 59.9    |
| August            | 598.4                  | 623.5                    | 16.3               | 7.0               | 6.2              | 6.7              | 68.2               | 52.4    | 60.1    |
| September         | 598.9                  | 624.0                    | 16.6               | 6.4               | 6.3              | 6.4              | 69.8               | 53.6    | 61.5    |
| October           | 599.3                  | 624.4                    | 16.3               | 6.4               | 5.7              | 6.1              | 68.5               | 53.1    | 60.7    |
| November          | 599.8                  | 624.8                    | 14.9               | 6.5               | 5.1              | 5.9              | 68.5               | 53.0    | 60.6    |
| December          | 600.2                  | 625.2                    | 15.5               | 5.8               | 5.3              | 5.6              | 69.7               | 53.5    | 61.4    |
| January           | 600.9                  | 625.8                    | 19.7               | 7.3               | 5.7              | 6.6              | 69.5               | 53.0    | 61.0    |
| February          | 601.6                  | 626.3                    | 18.3               | 7.5               | 5.9              | 6.8              | 69.9               | 54.0    | 61.8    |
| MONTHLY, TREND    |                        |                          |                    |                   |                  |                  |                    |         |         |
| <b>2001-02</b>    |                        |                          |                    |                   |                  |                  |                    |         |         |
| December          | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.7               | 6.2              | 7                | 68.9               | 52.5    | 60.5    |
| January           | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.6               | 6.2              | 7                | 69                 | 52.6    | 60.6    |
| February          | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.5               | 6.1              | 6.9              | 69.2               | 52.7    | 60.8    |
| March             | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.5               | 6.1              | 6.8              | 69.2               | 52.8    | 60.8    |
| April             | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.4               | 6                | 6.8              | 69.2               | 52.9    | 60.9    |
| May               | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.4               | 5.9              | 6.7              | 69.1               | 52.9    | 60.8    |
| June              | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.3               | 5.9              | 6.7              | 69                 | 52.9    | 60.8    |
| <b>2002-03</b>    |                        |                          |                    |                   |                  |                  |                    |         |         |
| July              | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 7.1               | 6                | 6.6              | 68.9               | 52.9    | 60.7    |
| August            | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 6.9               | 6.1              | 6.5              | 68.9               | 52.8    | 60.7    |
| September         | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 6.7               | 6.1              | 6.4              | 68.8               | 52.8    | 60.7    |
| October           | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 6.5               | 5.9              | 6.2              | 68.9               | 52.9    | 60.7    |
| November          | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 6.4               | 5.8              | 6.1              | 69                 | 53      | 60.8    |
| December          | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 6.4               | 5.6              | 6                | 69                 | 53.2    | 61      |
| January           | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 6.5               | 5.4              | 6                | 69.2               | 53.5    | 61.1    |
| February          | n.a.                   | n.a.                     | n.a.               | 6.6               | 5.3              | 6                | 69.3               | 53.6    | 61.3    |

(a) Population aged 15 years and over.

Source: Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (cat. no. 6202.0).

| Period                            | Males                                  |                                |                          | Females                                |                                |                            | Persons                                |                                |                              |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                   | Full-time adult ordinary time earnings | Full-time adult total earnings | All males total earnings | Full-time adult ordinary time earnings | Full-time adult total earnings | All females total earnings | Full-time adult ordinary time earnings | Full-time adult total earnings | All employees total earnings |
| ANNUAL AVERAGE (\$ per week)      |  |                                |                          |  |                                |                            |  |                                |                              |
| <b>1999-00</b>                    | 756.80                                 | 812.50                         | 695.00                   | 641.70                                 | 663.30                         | 457.20                     | 714.40                                 | 757.50                         | 575.90                       |
| <b>2000-01</b>                    | 811.30                                 | 864.40                         | 746.80                   | 685.20                                 | 703.90                         | 491.20                     | 765.70                                 | 806.40                         | 619.70                       |
| <b>2001-02</b>                    | 830.20                                 | 890.18                         | 775.00                   | 731.10                                 | 744.33                         | 505.18                     | 797.18                                 | 841.68                         | 643.75                       |
| QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$ per week) |  |                                |                          |  |                                |                            |  |                                |                              |
| <b>2001-02</b>                    |  |                                |                          |  |                                |                            |  |                                |                              |
| August                            | 832.60                                 | 875.90                         | 771.20                   | 714.50                                 | 727.10                         | 513.00                     | 791.70                                 | 824.30                         | 644.50                       |
| November                          | 827.80                                 | 884.90                         | 772.10                   | 733.00                                 | 745.80                         | 506.00                     | 796.10                                 | 838.40                         | 641.40                       |
| February                          | 831.00                                 | 900.50                         | 773.20                   | 741.80                                 | 754.60                         | 497.90                     | 801.50                                 | 852.20                         | 639.20                       |
| May                               | 829.40                                 | 899.40                         | 783.50                   | 735.10                                 | 749.80                         | 503.80                     | 799.40                                 | 851.80                         | 649.90                       |
| <b>2002-03</b>                    |  |                                |                          |  |                                |                            |  |                                |                              |
| August                            | 829.90                                 | 877.40                         | 765.50                   | 757.20                                 | 770.30                         | 543.20                     | 805.50                                 | 841.40                         | 661.80                       |
| September                         | 851.10                                 | 902.10                         | 781.00                   | 755.80                                 | 769.30                         | 527.20                     | 818.90                                 | 857.20                         | 662.40                       |
| QUARTERLY, TREND (\$ per week)    |  |                                |                          |  |                                |                            |  |                                |                              |
| <b>2001-02</b>                    |  |                                |                          |  |                                |                            |  |                                |                              |
| August                            | 828.70                                 | 879.10                         | 768.40                   | 716.90                                 | 730.30                         | 505.50                     | 790.10                                 | 827.80                         | 639.50                       |
| November                          | 830.30                                 | 887.10                         | 772.30                   | 728.00                                 | 740.90                         | 502.60                     | 796.10                                 | 838.30                         | 640.50                       |
| February                          | 828.90                                 | 894.00                         | 774.80                   | 737.50                                 | 751.00                         | 503.80                     | 799.10                                 | 847.30                         | 643.10                       |
| May                               | 830.80                                 | 895.20                         | 776.30                   | 745.00                                 | 758.70                         | 513.40                     | 802.70                                 | 850.40                         | 650.30                       |
| <b>2002-03</b>                    |  |                                |                          |  |                                |                            |  |                                |                              |
| August                            | 835.90                                 | 892.50                         | 776.50                   | 751.60                                 | 764.90                         | 526.50                     | 807.80                                 | 850.10                         | 659.00                       |
| September                         | 842.80                                 | 889.10                         | 775.30                   | 757.20                                 | 770.00                         | 537.80                     | 813.90                                 | 848.60                         | 665.90                       |

Source: Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (cat. no. 6302.0).

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## SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS(a)

| Period         | Original       |       | Seasonally adjusted |       | Trend          |       |
|----------------|----------------|-------|---------------------|-------|----------------|-------|
|                | Dwelling units | Value | Dwelling units      | Value | Dwelling units | Value |
|                | no.            | \$m   | no.                 | \$m   | no.            | \$m   |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                |       |                     |       |                |       |
| November       | 4695           | 525   | 4331                | 480   | 4319           | 479   |
| December       | 4423           | 508   | 4386                | 492   | 4297           | 480   |
| January        | 3892           | 444   | 4346                | 487   | 4269           | 479   |
| February       | 4008           | 455   | 4201                | 467   | 4264           | 477   |
| March          | 4246           | 478   | 4226                | 477   | 4299           | 477   |
| April          | 4112           | 458   | 4151                | 461   | 4368           | 480   |
| May            | 4880           | 525   | 4508                | 486   | 4448           | 486   |
| June           | 4681           | 498   | 4671                | 511   | 4504           | 494   |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                |       |                     |       |                |       |
| July           | 4988           | 524   | 4711                | 502   | 4500           | 501   |
| August         | 4166           | 476   | 4367                | 508   | 4430           | 504   |
| September      | 3825           | 454   | 4171                | 493   | 4322           | 504   |
| October        | 4329           | 517   | 4261                | 517   | 4222           | 503   |
| November       | 4336           | 529   | 4038                | 494   | 4155           | 503   |
| December       | 4322           | 539   | 4128                | 496   | 4116           | 504   |
| January        | 3765           | 465   | 4233                | 517   | 4099           | 506   |

(a) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

Source: Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia (cat. no. 5609.0).

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## FINANCE COMMITMENTS

| Period         | Commercial finance commitments |                             |                                      | Personal finance commitments |                             |                                    | Total lease finance commitments |
|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                | Fixed loan facilities          | Revolving credit facilities | Total commercial finance commitments | Fixed loan facilities        | Revolving credit facilities | Total personal finance commitments |                                 |
|                | \$m                            | \$m                         | \$m                                  | \$m                          | \$m                         | \$m                                |                                 |
| <b>2001-02</b> |                                |                             |                                      |                              |                             |                                    |                                 |
| November       | 551.8                          | 295.1                       | 846.9                                | 180.6                        | 178.5                       | 359.1                              | 25.6                            |
| December       | 611.8                          | 290.5                       | 902.3                                | 165.9                        | 147.2                       | 313.0                              | 16.2                            |
| January        | 338.8                          | 228.3                       | 567.1                                | 164.2                        | 119.9                       | 284.1                              | 10.9                            |
| February       | 422.8                          | 288.2                       | 711.0                                | 176.3                        | 134.7                       | 310.9                              | 13.9                            |
| March          | 545.5                          | 235.5                       | 781.0                                | 176.3                        | 145.9                       | 322.3                              | 14.6                            |
| April          | 476.6                          | 226.0                       | 702.6                                | 169.8                        | 151.7                       | 321.5                              | 13.3                            |
| May            | 457.3                          | 220.1                       | 677.4                                | 193.8                        | 158.7                       | 352.5                              | 16.3                            |
| June           | 595.1                          | 370.9                       | 966.0                                | 188.7                        | 187.9                       | 376.6                              | 17.3                            |
| <b>2002-03</b> |                                |                             |                                      |                              |                             |                                    |                                 |
| July           | 593.0                          | 413.3                       | 1 006.3                              | 198.3                        | 180.2                       | 378.5                              | 15.2                            |
| August         | 524.6                          | 484.1                       | 1 008.7                              | 195.7                        | 180.2                       | 375.9                              | 12.3                            |
| September      | 524.0                          | 433.9                       | 957.9                                | 180.2                        | 150.1                       | 330.4                              | 13.4                            |
| October        | 545.4                          | 372.3                       | 917.7                                | 190.4                        | 182.3                       | 372.8                              | 14.2                            |
| November       | 519.2                          | 341.6                       | 860.8                                | 199.1                        | 190.1                       | 389.2                              | 12.8                            |
| December       | 706.9                          | 373.0                       | 1 079.9                              | 210.0                        | 204.9                       | 414.9                              | 14.2                            |
| January        | 616.6                          | 272.2                       | 888.9                                | 210.5                        | 147.3                       | 357.8                              | 15.3                            |

Source: ABS data available on request.



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