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TREND ESTIMATE Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by removing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson weighted moving average to the respective seasonally adjusted series. Readers are reminded that trend estimates are subject to revision as subsequent months' data become available.

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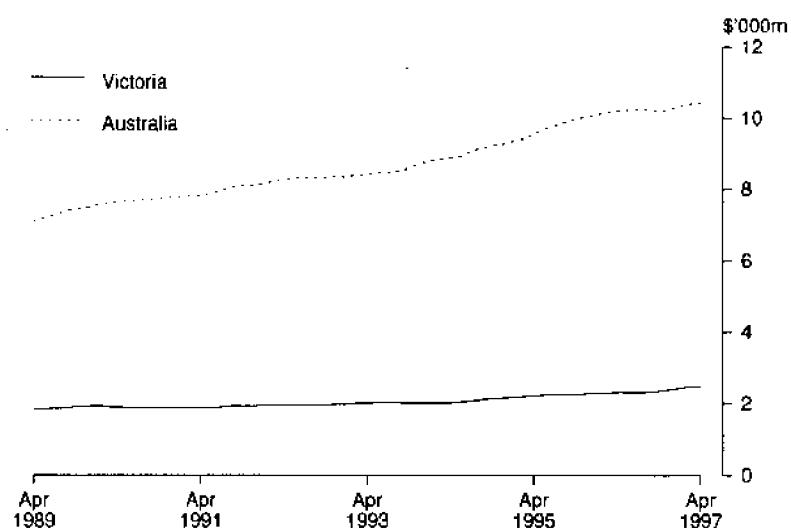
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SELECTED FEATURES

RETAIL TURNOVER

The trend estimate of retail turnover for Victoria in April 1997, at \$2,485.4 million, continued to increase. For Australia, the trend estimate of retail turnover in April 1997, at \$10,435.0 million, continued to increase since November 1996.

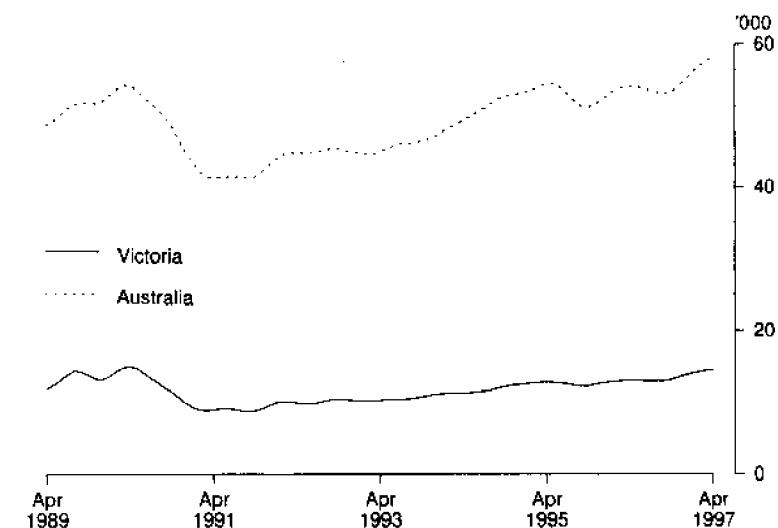
Victorian retail turnover accounted for 23.8% of the Australian total.



NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

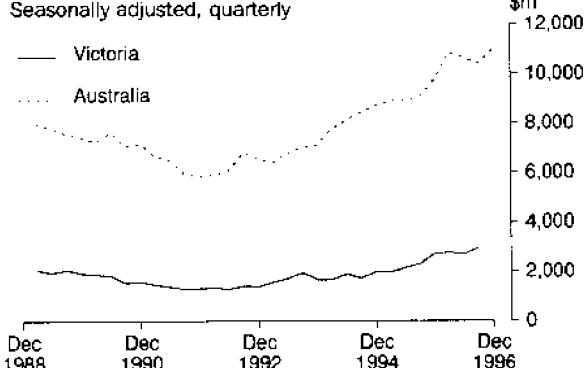
The trend estimate of new motor vehicle registrations for Victoria in April 1997, at 14,530, continued to increase since August 1996. For Australia, the trend estimate of new motor vehicle registrations in April 1997, at 58,130, continued to increase since October 1996.

Victorian new motor vehicle registrations accounted for 25.0% of the Australian total.

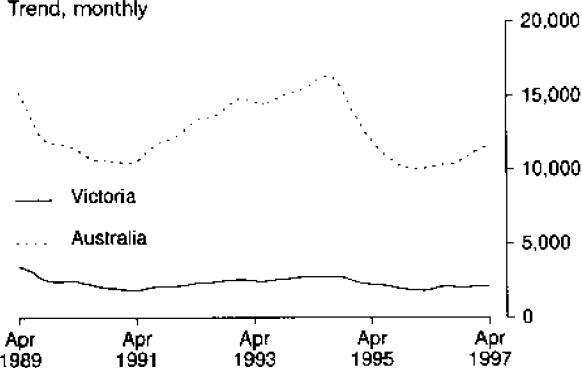


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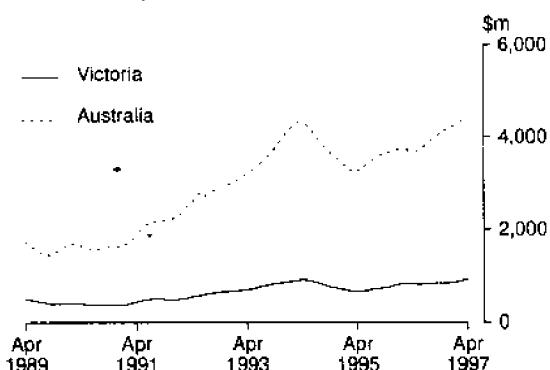
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Seasonally adjusted, quarterly



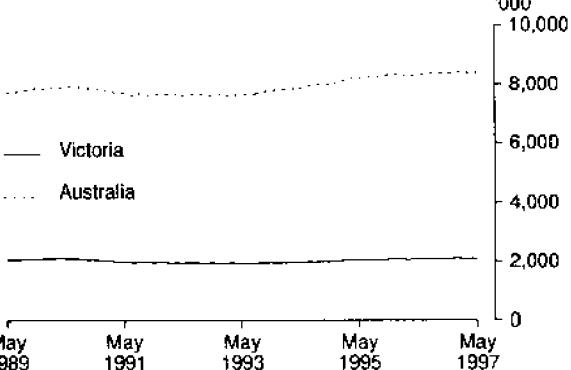
NEW DWELLING UNITS APPROVED
Trend, monthly



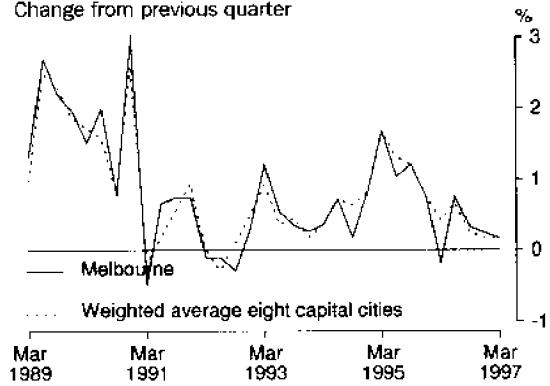
TOTAL VALUE OF SECURED HOUSING FINANCE
COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS
Trend, monthly



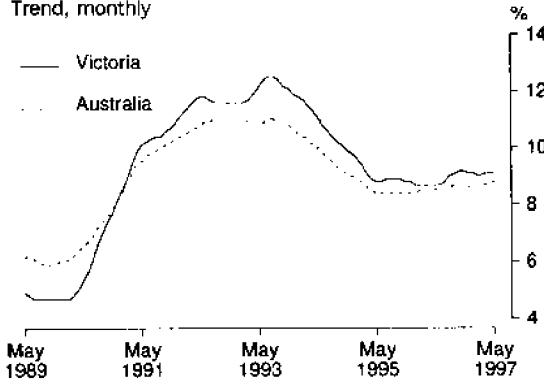
EMPLOYED PERSONS
Seasonally adjusted, monthly



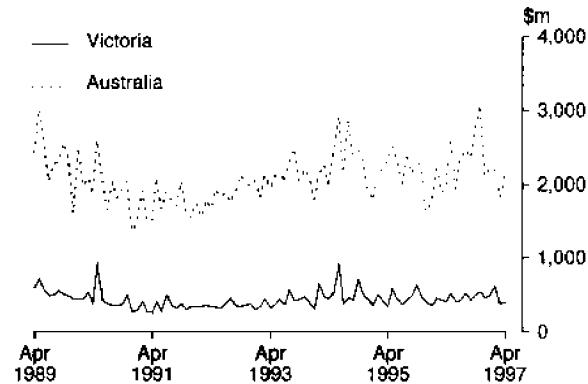
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
Change from previous quarter



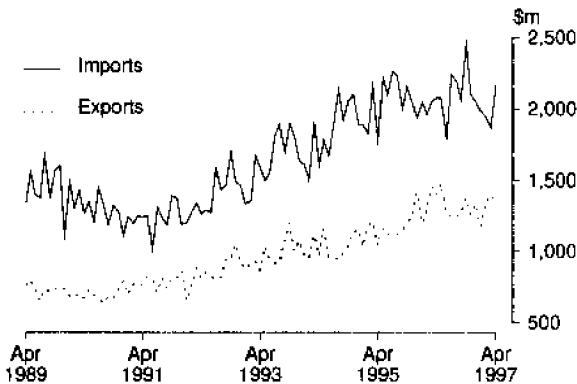
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Trend, monthly



VALUE OF ALL BUILDINGS APPROVED
Original, monthly



MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, VICTORIA
Original, monthly



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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

	At end of period			Increase during period		Mean estimated resident population for year ended		Melbourne Statistical Division
	Males '000	Females '000	Persons '000	Natural '000	Total '000	30 June '000	31 Dec '000	at 30 June '000
Period								
1993-94	2 219.5	2 267.2	4 486.7	32.5	11.3	4 479.1	4 488.6	3 196.7
1994-95	2 232.7	2 283.5	4 516.1	31.3	25.6	4 501.2	4 517.6	3 217.4
1995-96	2 252.9	2 307.9	4 560.8	28.1	39.9	4 539.1	4 561.5	3 248.8
1992								
December qtr	2 211.3	2 253.7	4 465.0	8.5	3.6	..	..	..
1993								
March qtr	2 213.8	2 257.2	4 471.0	8.8	5.0	..	..	..
June qtr	2 213.7	2 258.0	4 471.7	8.1	-0.2	..	..	..
September qtr	2 214.8	2 260.2	4 475.0	7.7	2.3	..	..	..
December qtr	2 215.8	2 262.4	4 478.2	8.3	2.3	..	..	..
1994								
March qtr	2 218.3	2 265.2	4 483.6	8.5	4.4	..	..	..
June qtr	2 219.5	2 267.2	4 486.7	7.6	2.2	..	..	..
September qtr	2 223.0	2 271.4	4 494.4	6.8	5.6	..	..	..
December qtr	2 225.1	2 274.4	4 499.5	7.8	3.7	..	..	..
1995								
March qtr	2 229.3	2 279.3	4 508.6	8.9	8.6	..	..	..
June qtr	2 232.7	2 283.5	4 516.1	7.6	6.7	..	..	..
September qtr	2 237.4	2 289.1	4 526.5	6.6	9.1	..	..	..
December qtr	2 242.5	2 296.0	4 538.5	6.9	10.6	..	..	..
1996								
March qtr	2 249.0	2 303.2	4 552.2	7.4	12.4	..	..	..
June qtr	2 252.9	2 307.9	4 560.8	7.1	7.7	..	..	..
September qtr	2 258.4	2 313.6	4 571.9	6.3	11.0
December qtr	2 262.9	2 328.7	4 581.6	7.1	9.7

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

Period	Number of registrations				Annual rate per 1,000 of mean estimated resident population				Infant deaths per 1,000 live births	
	Births	Deaths (including infant deaths)			Births	Deaths	Marriages	Divorces		
		Deaths	Marriages	Divorces						
1993-94	64 540	31 778	27 316	10 914	14.44	7.11	6.11	2.44	5.35	
1994-95	63 960	32 291	26 831	11 602	14.26	7.20	5.98	2.59	5.19	
1995-96	60 954	32 494	26 117	12 002	13.48	7.19	5.78	2.65	5.28	
1993										
December qtr	15 555	7 617	8 080	3 091	..	..	..	..	..
Year - 1993	64 264	31 078	27 418	11 050	14.38	6.96	6.14	2.48	5.57	
1994										
March qtr	16 684	7 564	8 862	2 379	..	..	..	..	..
June qtr	16 061	8 052	6 282	2 738	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr	16 039	9 140	4 149	3 050	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	15 498	7 557	7 681	3 153	..	..	..	..	..
Year - 1994	64 282	32 313	26 974	11 320	14.36	7.22	6.03	2.53	5.26	
1995										
March qtr	16 656	7 608	8 891	2 625	..	..	..	..	..
June qtr	15 767	7 986	6 110	2 774	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr	15 735	8 745	3 881	3 132	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	14 808	8 059	7 725	3 307	..	..	..	..	..
Year - 1995	62 966	32 398	26 607	11 838	13.99	7.20	5.91	2.63	5.08	
1996										
March qtr	15 244	7 725	8 372	2 672	
June qtr	15 167	7 965	6 139	2 891	
September qtr p	15 615	9 189	3 841	3 530	

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LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

	Employed		Unemployed looking for work				Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years and over	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
	Full- time	Total	Full- time	Part- time	Total	Labour force				
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
MALES										
1996										
January	1 043.8	1 170.6	108.8	12.4	121.2	1 291.7	456.3	1 748.0	9.4	73.9
February	1 050.9	1 176.2	113.5	16.8	130.3	1 306.5	443.4	1 749.9	10.0	74.7
March	1 042.2	1 169.7	101.1	14.5	115.4	1 285.1	466.7	1 751.8	9.0	73.4
April	1 043.5	1 174.3	101.7	15.5	117.2	1 291.6	462.3	1 753.8	9.1	73.6
May	1 057.5	1 187.9	96.9	12.3	109.2	1 297.2	458.6	1 755.8	8.4	73.9
June	1 057.0	1 187.1	88.5	12.7	101.2	1 288.3	469.5	1 757.8	7.9	73.3
July	1 055.2	1 185.0	90.7	13.9	104.5	1 289.5	470.3	1 759.8	8.1	73.3
August	1 045.0	1 182.2	98.5	13.5	112.0	1 294.2	467.7	1 761.9	8.7	73.5
September	1 040.3	1 185.8	107.8	15.6	123.3	1 309.1	454.8	1 763.9	9.4	74.2
October	1 047.5	1 185.9	101.5	15.7	117.2	1 303.1	462.5	1 765.5	9.0	73.8
November	1 049.0	1 192.4	104.1	12.3	116.4	1 308.8	458.4	1 767.2	8.9	74.1
December	1 059.4	1 201.7	103.4	16.4	119.8	1 321.5	447.4	1 768.8	9.1	74.7
1997										
January	1 050.9	1 184.8	108.4	16.6	125.0	1 309.8	460.3	1 770.2	9.5	74.0
February	1 049.8	1 180.9	113.2	19.2	132.4	1 313.3	458.2	1 771.5	10.1	74.1
March	1 037.5	1 184.1	104.8	20.0	124.8	1 308.9	463.9	1 772.9	9.5	73.8
April	1 044.3	1 186.3	97.1	19.3	116.5	1 302.8	472.0	1 774.8	8.9	73.4
FEMALES										
1996										
January	501.3	876.0	59.6	27.8	87.4	963.4	860.1	1 823.6	9.1	52.8
February	497.5	882.1	68.9	31.2	100.1	982.2	843.2	1 825.4	10.2	53.8
March	501.5	892.0	56.3	30.7	87.0	979.0	848.2	1 827.2	8.9	53.6
April	507.4	894.3	57.8	32.2	90.1	984.4	845.0	1 829.4	9.1	53.8
May	516.1	904.3	56.3	26.0	82.3	986.6	845.0	1 831.6	8.3	53.9
June	505.0	895.6	48.4	28.2	76.7	972.3	861.5	1 833.8	7.9	53.0
July	527.3	897.7	53.7	28.7	82.4	980.2	856.0	1 836.2	8.4	53.4
August	507.7	893.2	60.8	25.3	86.1	979.3	859.3	1 838.6	8.8	53.3
September	517.9	914.3	62.5	29.0	91.5	1 005.7	835.2	1 841.0	9.1	54.6
October	514.1	906.1	59.8	27.7	87.5	993.6	849.4	1 842.9	8.8	53.9
November	515.4	913.3	62.9	24.9	87.8	1 001.1	843.8	1 844.9	8.8	54.3
December	520.2	918.1	63.6	32.0	95.6	1 013.7	833.1	1 846.8	9.4	54.9
1997										
January	511.9	888.2	64.1	24.1	88.2	976.4	871.9	1 848.3	9.0	52.8
February	511.1	903.0	72.0	29.6	101.7	1 004.7	845.0	1 849.7	10.1	54.3
March	501.2	904.3	63.3	32.5	95.8	1 000.1	851.0	1 851.1	9.6	54.0
April	503.8	914.2	63.0	30.4	93.4	1 007.7	845.4	1 853.1	9.3	54.4
PERSONS										
1996										
January	1 545.1	2 046.6	168.4	40.2	208.6	2 255.2	1 316.4	3 571.6	9.2	63.1
February	1 548.4	2 058.3	182.5	47.9	230.4	2 288.7	1 286.6	3 575.3	10.1	64.0
March	1 543.7	2 061.7	157.3	45.1	202.4	2 264.1	1 314.9	3 579.0	8.9	63.3
April	1 550.9	2 068.7	159.5	47.8	207.3	2 276.0	1 307.2	3 583.2	9.1	63.5
May	1 573.6	2 092.3	153.2	38.3	191.5	2 283.8	1 303.6	3 587.4	8.4	63.7
June	1 562.0	2 082.8	136.9	41.0	177.8	2 260.6	1 331.0	3 591.6	7.9	62.9
July	1 582.5	2 082.7	144.4	42.6	187.0	2 269.7	1 326.3	3 596.0	8.2	63.1
August	1 552.7	2 075.4	159.3	38.8	198.2	2 273.5	1 326.9	3 600.4	8.7	63.1
September	1 558.1	2 100.0	170.3	44.5	214.8	2 314.8	1 290.0	3 604.9	9.3	64.2
October	1 561.6	2 091.9	161.3	43.4	204.7	2 296.6	1 311.8	3 608.5	8.9	63.6
November	1 564.4	2 105.7	167.0	37.2	204.2	2 309.9	1 302.2	3 612.0	8.8	63.9
December	1 579.5	2 119.8	167.0	48.4	215.4	2 335.2	1 280.5	3 615.7	9.2	64.6
1997										
January	1 562.8	2 073.0	172.5	40.7	213.2	2 286.2	1 332.2	3 618.4	9.3	63.2
February	1 560.9	2 084.0	185.2	48.9	234.1	2 318.0	1 303.2	3 621.2	10.1	64.0
March	1 538.7	2 088.4	168.1	52.5	220.6	2 309.0	1 315.0	3 624.0	9.6	63.7
April	1 548.1	2 100.6	160.2	49.7	209.9	2 310.5	1 317.4	3 627.9	9.1	63.7

	Nov 1995	Feb 1996	May 1996	Aug 1996	Nov 1996	Feb 1997
Industry division	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
MALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	64.3	71.0	69.0	65.8	71.1	79.0
Mining	*3.3	*3.0	*3.2	*3.2	4.6	*3.3
Manufacturing	249.6	242.4	249.7	261.5	262.6	255.3
Electricity, gas and water supply	15.9	13.6	13.3	11.4	11.2	10.4
Construction	110.3	118.2	123.1	119.3	118.0	106.7
Wholesale trade	92.2	87.4	94.1	93.6	86.9	84.9
Retail trade	148.8	152.8	151.7	152.1	159.7	158.2
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	34.6	35.5	43.2	34.9	30.7	32.0
Transport and storage	77.4	81.6	76.6	64.5	66.2	73.9
Communication services	27.9	30.8	33.0	35.0	32.0	25.8
Finance and insurance	34.9	37.4	34.9	53.1	36.8	36.2
Property and business services	121.2	118.2	119.4	116.4	115.4	117.8
Government administration and defence	40.6	37.7	31.7	40.5	42.1	39.0
Education	45.3	46.2	46.6	47.3	52.4	47.8
Health and community services	40.4	39.8	42.0	44.1	45.8	38.5
Cultural and recreational services	25.3	23.8	21.7	24.2	20.3	26.5
Personal and other services	39.0	36.7	34.6	35.1	36.8	45.6
Total	1 171.1	1 176.2	1 187.9	1 182.2	1 192.4	1 180.9
FEMALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	26.3	31.3	29.0	29.0	33.7	34.1
Mining	*1.3	*0.6	*1.0	*0.5	*0.5	*0.5
Manufacturing	108.1	104.7	110.6	103.0	99.8	97.5
Electricity, gas and water supply	*3.7	*2.6	*2.5	*2.3	*2.1	*2.9
Construction	16.6	12.1	15.2	15.5	16.3	14.6
Wholesale trade	43.2	41.1	39.0	37.5	39.6	38.5
Retail trade	153.5	150.5	155.5	150.1	166.9	156.3
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	44.7	39.3	48.3	45.7	46.4	45.6
Transport and storage	17.9	18.7	21.3	18.1	20.8	25.1
Communication services	15.3	18.4	18.9	18.2	18.2	17.4
Finance and insurance	43.3	45.2	45.5	45.0	40.5	44.6
Property and business services	91.6	90.3	88.7	96.0	101.3	91.4
Government administration and defence	41.2	45.4	39.7	38.9	40.7	44.3
Education	93.6	85.6	88.2	90.6	89.4	84.7
Health and community services	133.9	133.7	141.6	143.4	141.9	147.0
Cultural and recreational services	22.2	22.2	21.0	24.8	20.3	23.2
Personal and other services	38.1	40.4	38.4	34.5	35.0	35.4
Total	894.4	882.1	904.3	893.2	913.3	903.0
PERSONS						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	90.5	102.3	98.0	94.9	104.7	113.1
Mining	4.6	*3.6	*4.3	*3.7	5.1	*3.8
Manufacturing	357.7	347.1	360.2	364.5	362.4	352.7
Electricity, gas and water supply	19.6	16.1	15.8	13.7	13.3	13.3
Construction	126.9	130.3	138.2	134.9	134.2	121.4
Wholesale trade	135.4	128.5	133.1	131.1	126.5	123.4
Retail trade	302.3	303.3	307.2	302.2	326.5	314.5
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	79.4	74.7	91.5	80.6	77.1	77.6
Transport and storage	95.3	100.3	97.9	82.6	86.9	99.0
Communication services	43.2	49.2	52.0	53.2	50.3	43.2
Finance and insurance	78.2	82.7	80.4	78.1	77.2	80.8
Property and business services	212.8	208.5	208.1	212.4	216.7	209.1
Government administration and defence	81.8	83.0	71.4	79.5	82.8	83.3
Education	138.9	131.8	134.8	137.9	141.8	132.5
Health and community services	174.2	173.5	183.6	187.5	187.6	185.5
Cultural and recreational services	47.5	46.0	42.7	49.0	40.6	49.7
Personal and other services	77.1	77.1	73.0	69.5	71.8	81.0
Total	2 065.5	2 058.3	2 092.3	2 075.4	2 105.7	2 084.0

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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JOB VACANCIES

	Vacancies all persons	Industry		Sector		Job vacancy rate
		Manufacturing	Other	Public	Private	
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%
1995						
18 August	10.6	*2.6	8.0	1.8	8.8	0.64
17 November	12.0	1.4	10.6	2.6	9.4	0.73
1996						
16 February	16.7	*2.3	14.5	3.4	13.3	0.96
17 May	11.6	*2.8	8.8	2.5	9.1	0.68
16 August	13.6	*2.0	11.6	1.7	11.9	0.83
15 November	12.8	2.0	10.8	1.9	10.9	0.75
1997						
21 February	12.8	*3.3	9.5	1.7	*11.1	0.75

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK

Period	Number of disputes		Employees involved ('000)		Working days lost ('000)				Total
	Beginning in period	Total	Beginning in period	Total	Manufacturing	Construction	Education, health, community services	Other industries	
1996									
February	7	8	9.4	9.4	2.8	1.0	0.1	3.5	7.4
March	11	14	4.5	6.9	0.2	2.3	0.2	8.9	11.6
April	4	7	1.8	3.1	1.1	0.3	0.0	1.7	3.1
May	6	7	33.0	33.1	0.4	25.0	4.4	0.9	30.7
June	n.p.	n.p.	—	25.0	—	25.0	—	—	25.0
July	5	6	33.8	46.8	5.5	23.0	8.9	6.7	44.1
August	6	8	7.8	8.9	41.7	—	2.4	0.6	44.7
September	10	11	6.1	6.5	6.3	5.8	0.1	—	12.2
October	11	13	3.0	3.4	4.3	1.2	0.5	0.1	6.0
November	9	12	15.3	15.4	1.9	—	10.2	1.6	13.7
December	9	11	1.6	5.5	1.0	0.4	1.9	0.6	3.9
1997									
January	3	5	0.9	1.4	—	1.1	—	0.1	1.1
February	6	7	9.9	10.3	—	3.0	7.7	—	10.7

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES

Reference period	Males		Females			Persons			\$	
	Full-time adult		All males		Full-time adult		All females			
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings		
1995		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
November	692.00	750.20	672.50	579.10	595.00	432.60	653.60	697.40	563.60	
1996										
February	695.70	756.10	675.50	588.10	600.00	440.70	659.40	703.50	570.30	
May	702.90	764.30	673.20	594.20	607.30	441.90	666.50	711.70	570.00	
August	697.60	756.00	662.30	588.00	601.70	432.30	659.70	702.60	557.80	
November	720.30	791.80	686.50	607.10	625.80	443.80	681.20	734.50	577.50	
1997										
February	726.60	782.50	687.70	611.90	625.90	462.40	687.70	729.40	590.00	

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MELBOURNE

Period	Melbourne				Household equipment and operation	Trans- portation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recre- ation and education	Weighted average of eight capital cities —	
	Food	Clothing	Housing	All groups						All groups	All groups
1993–94	107.9	107.3	92.7	110.0	115.8	132.1	135.4	113.6	111.1	110.4	
1994–95	110.1	107.4	97.5	111.1	118.8	137.3	142.4	116.7	114.1	113.9	
1995–96	114.1	108.0	101.4	113.0	122.6	154.2	148.7	120.3	118.4	118.7	
1993											
December qtr	108.1	107.5	92.4	109.3	115.8	131.7	132.9	113.3	110.8	110.0	
1994											
March qtr	107.8	106.7	92.2	110.8	114.9	133.0	137.4	114.1	111.2	110.4	
June qtr	107.9	106.9	92.4	110.8	117.5	134.0	139.2	114.8	112.0	111.2	
September qtr	108.6	107.0	92.7	110.3	118.4	134.0	139.8	114.9	112.2	111.9	
December qtr	108.8	107.4	95.0	110.9	118.5	134.7	140.8	116.4	113.1	112.8	
1995											
March qtr	111.2	107.0	100.4	111.5	118.5	137.1	143.4	117.9	115.0	114.7	
June qtr	111.7	108.2	102.0	111.8	119.9	143.5	145.5	117.5	116.2	116.2	
September qtr	113.5	107.7	102.4	112.5	122.4	149.5	146.0	118.0	117.6	117.6	
December qtr	114.0	108.1	102.8	113.1	122.5	153.3	148.4	120.1	118.5	118.5	
1996											
March qtr	113.6	107.9	99.8	112.6	121.9	156.0	150.2	122.4	118.3	119.0	
June qtr	115.4	108.3	100.4	113.8	123.5	158.1	150.2	120.6	119.2	119.8	
September qtr	117.5	108.5	99.6	114.2	123.1	158.3	152.0	121.1	119.6	120.1	
December qtr	118.4	108.4	96.7	114.9	124.1	158.0	155.3	122.0	119.9	120.3	
1997											
March qtr	118.8	108.1	93.5	114.6	125.1	158.4	158.4	125.2	120.1	120.5	

(Base of each group: year 1989–90=100.0)

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PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, MELBOURNE

Group	1993–94	1994–95	1995–96	1997				Weighted average of six State capital cities —	
				Jan	Feb	Mar	March 1997		
House building									
All groups	112.1	115.9	115.4	114.7	115.2	115.5	116.4		
Other than house building									
Structural timber	119.5	123.0	116.1	110.1	111.6	111.7	117.0		
Clay bricks	109.3	112.3	112.1	113.7	113.7	113.7	108.9		
Ready mixed concrete	123.4	124.2	118.6	111.5	112.2	111.0	107.0		
Precast concrete products	99.2	104.8	108.1	110.3	110.3	111.9	118.4		
Steel decking and cladding	104.7	106.5	109.9	107.4	113.2	113.2	115.8		
Structural steel	93.3	95.3	100.9	104.4	104.5	104.5	112.9		
Reinforcing steel bar, mesh, etc.	102.0	101.8	102.7	100.8	100.8	100.8	111.4		
Aluminium windows	96.5	98.8	100.8	100.6	100.6	100.6	108.5		
Fabricated steel products	109.4	110.7	113.1	116.2	118.2	119.2	115.1		
Builders' hardware	116.2	113.7	114.5	116.0	117.5	117.4	118.0		
Sand and aggregate	119.5	118.5	114.6	116.8	118.4	117.5	120.7		
Carpet	98.3	98.5	101.6	101.0	101.0	102.8	104.0		
Paint and other coatings	125.0	131.2	141.2	146.8	146.8	147.1	135.2		
Non-ferrous pipes and fittings	86.5	100.8	112.2	109.6	112.4	112.4	130.5		
All groups excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	106.6	108.5	109.7	109.7	110.3	110.7	113.3		
All electrical materials	107.3	113.5	119.4	112.3	112.5	112.7	116.3		
All mechanical services	106.8	108.9	114.1	114.6	114.9	114.3	114.6		
All plumbing materials	105.3	112.6	118.9	118.9	120.1	120.1	125.9		
All groups	106.7	108.9	111.1	110.7	111.2	111.4	113.6		

(Base of each index: year 1989–90=100.0)

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs	Chickens
Period	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1993-94	1 393.9	583.4	3 975.9	5 600.8	1 188.5	85 797.9
1994-95	1 445.6	641.3	3 202.6	6 263.8	1 196.6	79 799.4
1995-96	1 523.6	589.8	2 488.0	5 897.7	1 142.1	85 410.9
1995						
July	114.0	81.0	150.2	446.3	88.0	7 083.5
August	114.5	136.5	160.7	494.6	100.6	6 574.4
September	106.6	118.8	197.6	521.2	93.3	7 128.2
October	132.0	53.2	279.6	611.7	97.2	7 051.5
November	142.7	19.3	279.5	574.1	96.4	6 644.9
December	126.2	9.1	209.0	481.9	101.2	7 812.9
1996						
January	148.5	7.1	247.3	494.9	90.4	7 681.1
February	146.3	4.8	261.1	460.9	92.5	6 856.1
March	132.0	9.3	219.5	450.5	93.8	7 303.2
April	115.9	27.6	196.2	455.8	94.5	7 047.4
May	135.3	47.2	158.5	505.0	107.2	7 538.7
June	109.5	75.8	128.8	400.8	87.0	6 689.1
July	121.6	82.3	123.7	425.2	103.0	7 397.0
August	121.7	182.1	182.2	439.4	91.7	7 155.9
September	118.0	131.0	182.9	468.0	91.3	7 308.5
October	146.6	70.9	251.8	551.1	102.8	8 282.4
November	131.7	19.4	251.0	546.8	94.3	6 957.6
December	138.4	8.7	274.8	528.3	103.0	7 780.8
1997						
January r	159.3	7.9	324.5	533.6	92.9	7 661.6
February	148.8	6.6	304.8	460.0	96.8	6 863.8
March r	131.2	15.4	236.1	468.2	90.2	6 520.7
April	153.7	28.1	293.5	522.3	111.1	7 244.5

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MEAT PRODUCTION

Period	Meat (carcass weight)					Dressed weight of chickens
	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
1993-94	315 279	13 466	85 010	101 386	78 488	123 529
1994-95	320 510	14 320	63 608	110 138	84 411	110 971
1995-96	348 649	12 009	50 910	110 172	83 052	127 736
1995						
July	25 346	1 571	2 978	7 942	6 569	10 443
August	23 844	2 739	3 237	8 952	7 406	10 515
September	23 868	2 373	4 092	9 685	6 935	10 764
October	30 550	1 099	5 850	11 419	7 086	10 730
November	33 585	425	5 902	10 690	7 006	10 066
December	28 815	220	4 363	9 056	7 135	11 753
1996						
January	34 758	180	5 080	9 456	6 530	10 862
February	33 875	139	5 324	8 815	6 747	10 279
March	30 649	220	4 398	8 481	6 642	10 894
April	26 908	583	3 952	8 449	6 624	10 543
May	31 242	961	3 159	9 685	8 048	10 675
June	25 209	1 496	2 675	7 543	6 325	10 212
July	27 672	1 720	2 432	7 664	7 446	10 739
August	27 220	3 589	3 693	7 990	6 594	11 366
September	26 388	2 643	3 730	8 468	6 624	11 122
October	33 045	1 433	5 217	10 159	7 416	12 457
November	29 544	431	5 067	10 085	6 671	10 453
December	31 543	226	5 610	9 866	7 365	11 780
1997						
January r	35 911	218	6 485	10 024	6 607	11 173
February	33 270	174	5 915	8 720	6 835	11 030
March r	29 046	350	4 506	8 838	6 312	9 188
April	33 854	596	5 688	9 959	7 972	10 256

Period	New dwelling units ¹						Conver- sions, etc. ⁴	Alter- ations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building ²			
	Private sector		Public sector		Total ³				Private sector	Total	Total all building	
	No.	\$m	No.	\$m	No.	\$m	No.		No.	\$m	\$m	
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION												
1993-94	20 798	1 925.7	999	71.6	21 797	1 997.3	1 152	509.2	1 619.8	2 138.6	4 645.1	
1994-95	20 916	2 113.1	888	69.8	21 804	2 182.9	1 330	571.9	1 072.3	1 655.8	4 410.6	
1995-96	15 676	1 624.3	1 068	86.5	16 744	1 710.8	617	467.2	1 352.5	1 934.5	4 112.5	
1995												
August	1 421	140.2	151	13.1	1 572	153.3	3	37.5	87.9	144.7	335.4	
September	1 669	171.7	19	3.0	1 688	174.7	4	38.2	125.4	188.5	401.4	
October	1 328	145.4	88	6.0	1 416	151.4	—	41.7	286.9	343.8	536.9	
November	1 260	129.3	237	19.8	1 497	149.1	1	41.9	110.0	159.1	350.0	
December	1 234	138.4	96	6.2	1 330	144.5	68	32.0	95.7	137.5	314.0	
1996												
January	923	91.4	88	5.7	1 011	97.1	23	33.0	64.1	125.5	255.5	
February	1 270	146.6	41	5.4	1 311	151.9	88	40.9	114.8	126.5	319.3	
March	1 134	115.8	60	4.6	1 194	120.4	336	49.8	66.6	152.9	323.0	
April	1 179	117.0	133	12.3	1 310	129.3	66	44.8	89.5	136.6	310.7	
May	1 456	151.0	44	3.3	1 500	154.4	5	39.4	154.2	221.6	415.3	
June	1 403	141.5	19	1.1	1 422	142.5	12	35.4	76.2	103.2	281.1	
July	1 540	173.5	128	8.4	1 668	181.9	19	41.8	87.2	105.1	328.9	
August *	1 908	215.4	52	3.6	1 960	219.0	47	46.1	118.4	163.2	428.2	
September	1 275	135.1	57	3.0	1 332	138.1	30	42.0	117.8	151.5	331.6	
October	1 683	172.3	31	2.9	1 714	175.2	116	53.3	132.0	175.1	403.6	
November	1 297	145.8	21	1.1	1 318	146.9	40	40.2	130.1	242.8	430.0	
December	1 270	139.4	17	1.8	1 287	141.3	208	39.0	142.8	162.1	342.4	
1997												
January	1 581	164.7	37	6.0	1 618	170.7	24	39.7	169.8	203.7	414.1	
February	1 524	165.3	8	0.4	1 532	165.7	174	58.6	128.3	260.1	484.4	
March	1 354	142.7	12	1.2	1 366	143.9	35	40.1	74.2	106.7	290.8	
TOTAL VICTORIA												
1993-94	30 336	2 718.0	1 414	99.7	31 750	2 817.7	1 167	623.5	1 853.6	2 502.7	5 943.9	
1994-95	28 509	2 772.2	1 409	101.8	29 918	2 874.0	1 347	685.1	1 274.7	1 975.2	5 534.3	
1995-96	21 643	2 171.1	1 401	108.7	23 044	2 279.7	663	590.1	1 721.6	2 452.4	5 322.3	
1995												
August	1 935	185.9	163	13.8	2 098	199.7	7	46.9	117.1	180.5	427.1	
September	2 100	211.7	31	3.7	2 131	215.4	8	47.5	154.6	227.5	490.4	
October	1 877	195.3	124	8.2	2 001	203.5	1	53.8	307.9	382.1	639.4	
November	1 815	180.2	268	22.8	2 083	203.1	3	52.7	137.6	212.9	468.7	
December	1 647	174.6	108	7.6	1 755	182.3	69	41.1	114.9	172.4	395.8	
1996												
January	1 380	134.0	116	7.6	1 496	141.6	23	40.9	95.4	163.5	346.1	
February	1 787	193.1	50	5.9	1 837	199.0	94	49.8	182.7	200.1	448.9	
March	1 691	167.4	90	6.9	1 781	174.3	338	63.1	89.2	185.6	423.0	
April	1 634	161.7	153	13.6	1 787	175.3	83	55.3	107.6	164.7	395.4	
May	1 988	200.4	95	6.6	2 083	206.9	12	53.4	184.7	259.6	519.9	
June	1 912	187.3	41	2.2	1 953	189.5	14	44.5	118.1	171.9	405.9	
July	2 044	220.0	143	9.7	2 187	229.8	22	52.1	109.3	135.3	417.1	
August	2 403	262.1	66	4.6	2 469	266.7	53	54.7	140.5	200.1	521.4	
September	1 780	183.8	71	4.0	1 851	187.9	43	53.3	140.3	182.2	423.3	
October	2 272	226.6	41	3.5	2 313	230.2	120	66.3	153.5	205.5	502.0	
November	1 832	196.9	46	2.8	1 878	199.7	43	52.1	157.7	286.5	538.3	
December	1 763	186.9	26	2.8	1 789	189.7	216	49.4	177.7	221.6	460.8	
1997												
January	2 069	213.3	50	6.9	2 119	220.2	25	50.9	189.9	228.1	499.3	
February	2 002	211.2	16	1.0	2 018	212.2	176	68.9	149.6	334.9	615.9	
March	1 817	188.3	12	1.2	1 829	189.5	35	49.4	91.8	137.0	375.9	

¹ Valued at \$10,000 and over.² Valued at \$50,000 and over.³ Excludes dwelling units created as a result of conversions of buildings or construction of non-residential buildings.⁴ Dwelling units created as a result of conversions of buildings or construction of non-residential buildings.

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NEW HOUSES AND OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS: NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS

	New houses				New other residential buildings			
	Approved	Commenced	Under	Completed	Approved	Commenced	Under	Completed
			construction				construction	
1993-94	28 057	27 904	12 362	27 118	3 693	3 562	2 355	3 209
1994-95	25 885	25 846	10 668	27 380	4 033	3 612	2 765	2 892
1995-96	18 889	19 399	8 066	21 883	4 155	4 276	3 906	3 086
1995								
December qtr	4 954	5 088	8 620	6 640	885	943	2 669	1 060
1996								
March qtr	3 996	4 373	8 392	4 582	1 118	1 193	3 111	751
June qtr	4 438	4 102	8 066	4 394	1 385	1 427	3 906	629
September qtr	4 631	4 453	8 623	3 848	1 876	1 722	4 111	1 480
December qtr p	4 456	4 093	7 823	4 869	1 524	1 228	4 115	1 224

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VALUE OF BUILDING

Period	Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings						
	Alterations and additions		Shops	Factories	Offices	Education	Health	Other	Total
	New	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
COMMENCED									
1993-94	2 876.5	700.0	456.6	227.1	273.6	211.2	240.0	1 120.8	6 105.7
1994-95	2 907.7	678.6	323.4	211.4	384.2	293.3	140.8	583.8	5 523.2
1995-96	2 486.2	679.7	444.3	249.2	393.5	330.0	108.4	953.5	5 644.8
1995									
December qtr	650.3	169.1	93.2	65.2	128.4	109.4	33.8	238.3	1 487.6
1996									
March qtr	597.9	138.4	78.4	64.3	80.1	68.0	20.1	361.0	1 408.2
June qtr	598.8	206.8	110.0	67.3	84.1	96.2	35.2	144.8	1 343.1
September qtr	648.1	152.8	90.4	95.9	179.1	70.7	101.9	129.9	1 468.8
December qtr p	582.3	182.1	70.6	76.0	104.2	62.8	48.6	221.1	1 347.7
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1993-94	1 474.8	360.6	415.7	165.1	140.7	144.4	539.9	950.9	4 192.0
1994-95	1 450.8	354.3	480.6	142.9	241.9	217.3	251.0	1 092.6	4 231.4
1995-96	1 472.5	339.4	235.5	141.4	139.2	248.1	123.9	1 390.9	4 091.0
1995									
December qtr	1 333.4	291.0	319.6	110.1	180.9	243.7	127.8	1 314.7	3 921.1
1996									
March qtr	1 395.7	298.2	345.2	136.0	149.8	222.0	123.4	1 600.5	4 270.9
June qtr	1 472.5	339.4	235.5	141.4	139.2	248.1	123.9	1 390.9	4 091.0
September qtr	1 513.8	297.3	275.5	199.4	199.4	262.2	146.2	1 426.4	4 320.3
December qtr p	1 433.3	285.9	249.1	183.6	202.7	221.7	162.1	1 544.1	4 282.4
COMPLETED									
1993-94	2 725.1	601.3	182.5	424.0	1 056.7	201.0	113.3	517.7	5 821.7
1994-95	2 882.5	709.8	313.6	253.1	290.7	228.8	387.3	521.5	5 587.3
1995-96	2 489.6	689.0	715.1	249.9	514.1	302.2	234.7	844.4	6 038.9
1995									
December qtr	774.5	215.0	119.0	101.2	199.8	114.3	56.0	195.9	1 775.6
1996									
March qtr	537.1	141.7	55.9	39.3	120.3	86.8	22.7	137.1	1 140.8
June qtr	521.4	147.7	217.6	60.0	98.1	72.9	33.9	392.8	1 544.6
September qtr	606.0	204.1	85.6	41.5	119.6	55.7	79.2	175.6	1 367.4
December qtr p	679.7	198.0	105.0	105.7	71.4	102.3	33.7	216.4	1 512.1

	Budget Estimate 1996-97	Actual 5 months to 30.11.1996	Actual 5 months to 30.11.1995
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Departmental outlays			
Education	3 738.2	1 606.9	1 465.6
Human services	5 221.3	1 969.7	1 761.2
Infrastructure	1 655.4	664.7	726.7
Justice	1 477.7	632.0	502.3
Natural resources and environment	459.6	203.5	151.8
Parliament	71.5	21.8	19.0
Premier and cabinet	290.1	102.3	106.8
State development	317.9	76.4	111.2
Treasurer and finance	1 271.7	-664.8	1 091.3
Commonwealth grants on-passed	852.1	428.0	409.2
Total	15 355.5	5 040.5	6 345.1
<i>less</i>			
Superannuation contributions	—	—	94.6
Capital charge received	262.1	24.2	—
Payroll tax paid by departments	254.9	103.9	99.5
Total departmental outlays	14 838.5	4 912.4	6 151.0
Current outlays	14 459.1	5 945.9	5 684.6
Capital outlays	379.5	-1 033.6	466.4
Revenue and grants received			
Revenue			
Taxes, fees and fines			
Payroll tax	2 123.9	882.6	822.6
Stamp duty on financial and capital transactions	1 015.2	540.6	366.8
State deficit levy on rateable properties	0.5	1.0	5.0
Financial institutions transaction taxes	582.5	249.7	239.4
Franchise fees	1 471.7	561.2	454.9
Motor vehicle taxes	821.3	363.0	351.7
Land taxes	407.0	24.0	23.7
Gambling taxes	1 151.7	471.3	416.6
Public authority contribution	317.5	170.4	181.3
Taxes on insurance	334.5	146.8	143.1
Other taxes, fees and fines	205.2	104.9	84.0
Total taxes, fees and fines	8 431.0	3 515.6	3 089.1
Other revenue			
Interest received	106.4	24.7	11.5
Rent and royalties	57.3	11.1	17.7
Income from public trading and financial enterprises	1 273.0	780.1	512.0
Other state revenue	48.5	39.0	33.9
Total other revenue	1 485.2	854.8	575.1
Grants			
Grants received from Commonwealth	6 239.6	2 550.3	2 399.3
Commonwealth grants for on-passing	852.1	430.8	410.0
Total grants	7 091.7	2 981.1	2 809.3
Total revenue and grants received	17 007.9	7 351.5	6 473.5
Financing transactions			
Net advances from Commonwealth	-34.8	-2.8	-214.7
Other net borrowing	-2 023.3	-2 843.2	-1 627.6
Other, including changes in cash balances and investments	-111.2	406.8	1 519.6
Total financing transactions	-2 169.3	-2 439.2	-322.7

¹ This monthly statement of budget sector transactions (Niemeyer Statement) is presented in Government Finance Statistics format.
Source: Treasurer of Victoria

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PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY SELECTED INDUSTRIES AND TYPE OF ASSET

	Selected industries			Type of asset		
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant, and machinery
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ACTUAL						
1993-94	441	2 657	3 933	7 031	1 485	5 546
1994-95	603	3 034	3 896	7 533	1 535	5 998
1995-96	588	3 341	5 923	9 852	3 033	6 819
1994						
June qtr	86	711	924	1 721	311	1 410
September qtr	138	749	1 018	1 905	289	1 617
December qtr	152	762	946	1 860	365	1 495
1995						
March qtr	139	725	901	1 765	342	1 424
June qtr	173	799	1 031	2 002	539	1 463
September qtr	150	793	1 247	2 191	617	1 574
December qtr	172	873	1 436	2 480	820	1 661
1996						
March qtr	157	796	1 412	2 365	691	1 674
June qtr	109	879	1 828	2 815	905	1 911
September qtr	123	1 027	1 596	2 746	768	1 978
December qtr	298	1 082	1 780	3 160	1 011	2 149
EXPECTED						
1996-97	952	3 985	6 522	11 460	3 524	7 936
1997-98	844	2 698	5 103	8 644	2 876	5 769

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COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS

	Fixed loan facilities						Type of lender			
	Const- struction	Purchase of real property	Purchase of plant and equipment	Whole- sale	Other	Total	Revolving credit facilities	Total commit- ments	Banks	All other lenders
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1995										
September	76.2	213.3	162.0	65.9	505.4	1 022.9	1 746.4	2 769.3	2 318.4	450.9
October	142.7	207.8	155.7	78.6	396.2	980.9	1 445.2	2 426.1	1 990.0	436.1
November	83.2	270.2	177.8	73.3	733.6	1 338.0	1 447.5	2 785.5	2 462.5	322.9
December	99.9	201.0	170.6	158.2	591.2	1 220.9	3 384.6	4 605.5	3 035.6	1 570.0
1996										
January	101.1	271.6	137.7	55.8	577.7	1 143.9	4 484.4	5 628.3	4 562.2	1 066.2
February	111.7	260.0	153.1	67.8	598.6	1 191.1	2 012.6	3 203.7	2 491.2	712.5
March	352.6	311.6	152.6	65.4	579.7	1 461.8	2 114.1	3 575.9	3 111.3	464.5
April	93.0	223.3	147.4	66.8	336.1	866.7	2 757.0	3 623.8	2 479.4	1 144.3
May	82.7	226.1	159.1	97.8	474.3	1 040.0	2 711.9	3 751.9	2 317.8	1 434.2
June	101.0	260.1	240.1	81.3	814.3	1 496.9	2 440.5	3 937.5	3 195.8	741.6
July	97.9	264.5	183.4	107.7	648.4	1 301.9	2 175.6	3 477.6	2 868.7	608.9
August	80.5	287.6	258.4	64.9	640.8	1 332.4	1 386.5	2 718.9	2 375.6	343.2
September	75.1	248.3	190.0	69.0	896.0	1 478.5	1 300.6	2 779.1	2 384.9	394.1
October	146.3	290.8	185.7	97.8	353.3	1 074.0	1 593.6	2 667.6	2 046.4	621.2
November	76.4	290.8	176.0	78.0	525.7	1 147.1	1 913.0	3 060.1	2 105.2	954.9
December	82.8	293.8	172.5	69.1	705.7	1 324.0	1 546.0	2 870.0	2 078.9	791.1
1997										
January	54.6	284.3	131.8	69.3	450.8	990.7	2 538.2	3 528.9	1 688.3	1 840.6
February	77.4	310.8	151.5	74.6	316.7	931.0	1 728.9	2 659.8	2 159.6	500.2

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SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS

Period	Original Series		Seasonally Adjusted		Trend Estimates	
	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m
1995						
October	8 787	753	8 908	760	8 642	753
November	8 998	787	8 471	736	8 873	770
December	8 229	719	8 868	767	9 149	793
1996						
January	8 022	714	9 504	834	9 403	818
February	9 990	873	9 972	866	9 536	834
March	9 800	852	9 599	860	9 500	838
April	9 140	797	9 780	839	9 359	832
May	10 051	911	8 938	812	9 237	825
June	8 382	753	8 276	767	9 203	825
July	10 015	900	9 257	822	9 279	832
August	9 845	874	9 694	869	9 411	843
September	10 153	900	10 353	906	9 506	851
October	9 947	903	9 417	857	9 496	853
November	8 743	798	8 892	815	9 378	851
December	8 557	810	9 083	824	9 218	850
1997						
January	7 816	741	9 300	868	9 111	857
February r	8 759	818	9 003	854	9 050	867
March	8 698	845	9 174	930	9 008	880

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RETAIL TURNOVER BY INDUSTRY (EXCLUDING MOTOR VEHICLES, PARTS, PETROL, ETC.)

	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1994								
November	878.4	223.1	156.0	266.4	130.7	219.9	313.4	2 187.9
December	1 070.8	418.7	236.8	348.7	196.9	305.2	355.8	2 932.9
1995								
January	885.5	165.1	154.2	258.2	119.1	179.5	295.3	2 056.9
February	851.0	152.0	127.1	238.4	112.2	185.0	271.7	1 937.4
March	922.8	188.2	145.7	265.4	118.1	208.9	304.7	2 153.8
April	902.1	215.7	166.5	241.9	115.1	207.4	292.4	2 141.1
May	905.9	211.6	153.2	268.7	129.1	219.5	292.6	2 180.6
June	897.6	209.9	151.5	276.1	128.7	203.8	292.8	2 160.4
July	914.0	197.2	150.2	270.2	137.1	199.7	286.4	2 154.8
August	944.3	197.8	138.9	263.1	137.6	214.2	283.0	2 178.9
September	942.5	195.3	138.2	264.2	129.8	212.6	294.2	2 176.8
October	959.3	203.0	151.8	280.4	130.6	217.0	287.2	2 229.3
November	982.0	246.8	157.9	288.1	144.1	225.3	309.2	2 353.4
December	1 130.6	436.7	224.1	384.2	212.8	327.3	351.5	3 067.2
1996								
January	975.5	187.4	147.8	274.7	165.7	183.9	303.9	2 238.9
February	965.4	169.2	118.8	252.2	137.5	183.1	270.9	2 097.1
March	1 004.2	189.4	139.0	271.9	131.4	193.0	300.4	2 229.3
April	976.6	220.1	157.9	266.5	124.5	187.0	300.9	2 233.5
May	1 003.4	224.2	157.5	289.0	129.4	200.4	294.6	2 298.5
June	940.2	213.3	146.4	284.5	122.8	182.8	293.9	2 183.9
July	970.7	203.4	147.0	302.6	127.4	201.1	237.7	2 239.9
August	1 014.0	199.7	133.2	299.5	134.0	207.9	279.4	2 267.7
September	950.3	186.2	132.0	270.2	127.3	196.6	284.5	2 147.1
October	1 045.7	203.9	158.3	309.4	149.5	232.2	299.6	2 398.6
November	1 045.2	250.8	149.0	314.8	158.4	246.8	303.0	2 468.0
December	1 161.8	442.4	212.1	402.1	244.7	343.0	346.6	3 152.7
1997								
January	1 091.6	197.4	148.0	320.0	146.2	203.4	309.9	2 416.5
February	991.7	171.9	113.9	295.5	133.6	203.1	274.0	2 183.7
March	1 064.9	214.3	137.9	295.8	140.6	210.7	313.6	2 377.5
April	1 037.9	212.6	169.3	303.7	145.9	226.5	299.2	2 395.1

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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY SECTIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT CLASSIFICATIONS

Section	1995-96		10 months ending April 1997	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
0 Food and live animals chiefly for food	1 001	3 488	846	3 007
1 Beverages and tobacco	164	98	87	100
2 Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)	596	1 593	449	1 426
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	660	668	832	712
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	92	84	77	68
5 Chemicals and related products, n.e.c.	2 416	867	2 039	717
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3 834	12 352	3 097	1 901
7 Machinery and transport equipment	10 866	2 711	9 182	2 365
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4 167	952	3 686	823
9 Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, n.e.c.	867	2 598	778	1 908
Total	24 663	15 411	21 073	13 027

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OVERSEAS TRADE, MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS¹

Country	1994-95		1995-96		10 months ending April 1997	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
Belgium-Luxembourg	\$225	29	253	74	200	58
Brazil	167	61	174	77	106	63
Canada	430	113	453	101	338	94
China	1 575	561	1 675	641	1 509	565
Fiji	39	127	60	215	96	195
Finland	235	6	239	9	141	7
France	487	173	536	143	637	125
Germany	2 088	262	1 994	264	1 597	229
Hong Kong	205	565	241	821	216	680
India	224	115	234	139	197	189
Indonesia	335	270	378	367	444	341
Italy	717	263	807	249	697	264
Japan	3 986	1 849	3 429	1 952	2 585	1 229
Korea, Republic of	609	1 112	634	1 921	554	1 777
Malaysia	428	749	458	737	411	545
Mexico	55	62	55	43	53	44
Netherlands	229	44	233	60	202	31
New Zealand	1 191	1 247	1 207	1 598	1 034	1 385
Pakistan	86	30	72	77	66	39
Papua New Guinea	125	188	128	237	195	233
Philippines	105	285	117	339	88	304
Saudi Arabia	242	127	225	194	174	144
Singapore	493	1 312	571	1 162	434	709
South Africa	73	193	83	207	85	253
Sweden	495	40	591	69	426	58
Switzerland	302	59	288	45	196	77
Taiwan	811	631	773	663	675	569
Thailand	323	441	322	513	282	341
United Kingdom	1 364	369	1 502	373	1 378	338
United States of America	5 256	785	5 839	788	4 952	736
Other and unknown	1 062	940	1 092	1 333	1 105	1 405
Total	23 962	13 008	24 663	15 411	21 073	13 027

¹ The list of countries in this table reflects the volume of trade with Victoria. Information about Victoria's trade with other countries is available on request.

	Victoria			Australia		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of exports	Imports	Exports (incl. re-exports)	Excess of exports
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1993-94	20 770	12 349	-8 421	64 470	64 548	+78
1994-95	23 967	13 008	-10 959	74 619	67 052	-7 567
1995-96 r	24 663	15 410	-9 253	77 792	76 081	-1 711
1995						
November r	2 050	1 240	-810	6 734	6 009	-725
December	1 936	1 415	-521	6 154	6 827	+673
1996						
January	2 053	1 199	-854	6 539	5 969	-570
February	1 959	1 299	-660	6 202	6 045	-157
March	2 057	1 461	-596	6 273	6 925	+652
April	2 079	1 402	-677	6 443	6 254	-189
May	2 076	1 484	-592	6 682	6 786	+104
June	1 803	1 295	-508	5 827	6 331	+504
July	2 245	1 239	-1 006	6 841	6 489	-352
August	2 194	1 255	-939	6 756	6 400	-356
September	2 062	1 272	-790	6 276	6 245	-31
October	2 462	1 382	-1 080	7 304	6 728	-576
November	2 101	1 264	-837	6 574	6 376	-198
December	2 049	1 340	-709	6 692	6 735	+43
1997						
January r	1 985	1 175	-810	6 423	6 045	-378
February r	1 941	1 355	-586	6 077	6 409	+332
March r	1 866	1 400	-466	5 990	6 619	+629
April	2 169	1 344	-825	6 767	6 639	-128

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION, MELBOURNE AND VICTORIA

Period	Hotels, motels, etc. with facilities				Short-term caravan parks			
	Establishments	Capacity, guest rooms	Room occupancy rates	Takings from accommodation	Establishments	Capacity, sites and cabins	Site occupancy rates	Takings from accommodation
Period	No.	No.	%	\$'000	No.	No.	%	\$'000
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION								
1994								
December qtr	240	14 843	66	93 034	53	5 709	55	2 012
1995								
March qtr	240	14 905	68	94 245	53	5 694	59	2 055
June qtr	242	14 315	63	86 538	53	5 734	47	1 364
September qtr	241	14 359	66	97 625	53	5 728	45	1 854
December qtr	242	14 513	71	103 964	53	5 730	51	2 242
1996								
March qtr	243	14 520	71	110 002	53	5 730	59	2 209
June qtr	243	14 644	68	105 834	53	5 724	47	1 510
September qtr	239	14 440	66	100 835	53	5 728	44	1 771
December qtr	241	14 509	71	114 046	52	5 877	51	2 262
TOTAL VICTORIA								
1994								
December qtr	1 006	29 892	53	127 072	436	53 377	40	14 503
1995								
March qtr	1 003	29 973	56	131 900	435	53 307	47	17 781
June qtr	1 018	29 543	51	120 636	434	53 195	39	10 670
September qtr	1 009	29 504	52	135 286	438	53 825	40	10 730
December qtr	1 015	29 798	56	140 332	438	54 001	40	16 035
1996								
March qtr	1 019	29 891	58	150 879	438	53 918	47	19 178
June qtr	1 021	30 007	54	142 716	439	54 060	39	12 016
September qtr	1 013	29 877	52	141 778	441	54 226	36	12 239
December qtr	1 013	29 918	56	152 611	441	54 390	41	17 402

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