

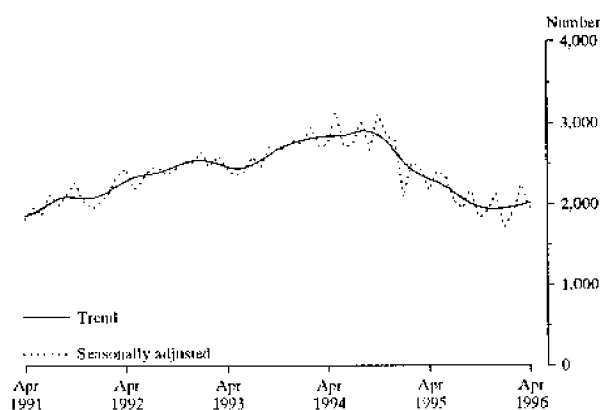
**BUILDING APPROVALS, VICTORIA, APRIL 1996**

**MAIN FEATURES**

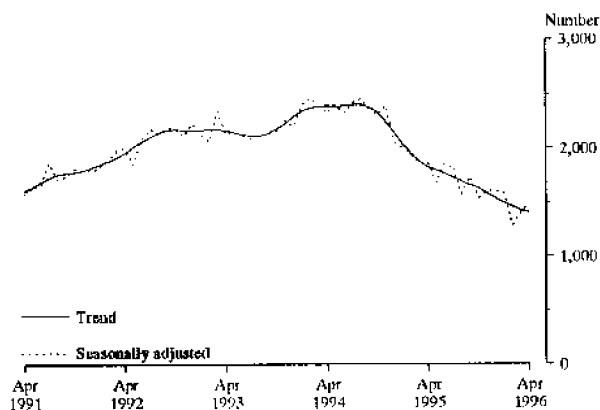
**NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED**

	<i>April 1995</i>	<i>March 1996</i>	<i>April 1996</i>	<i>April 1995 to April 1996 change</i>	<i>March 1996 to April 1996 change</i>
Original series	1,883	2,119	1,870	0.7	-11.8
Seasonally adjusted	2,169	2,233	1,949	-10.1	-12.7
Trend estimate	2,307	1,985	2,023	12.3	1.9

**TOTAL DWELLING UNITS APPROVED**



**PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED**



**Residential building**

- The trend for total dwelling units approved in April increased 1.9% on last month. If there is any increase in the seasonally adjusted value for May the trend will continue its upward movement.
- However, the trend estimate of private sector houses continued to decline, falling 1.1% in April. This follows falls of 2.4% in March and 2.7% in February.
- In original (unadjusted) terms the total number of dwelling units approved was 1,870. Of the total, 1,348 were new private sector dwellings. The decrease in total dwelling units was solely due to the large number of dwellings created by conversions in March, with the number of new dwellings approved actually rising marginally in April.
- The trend estimate of the value of new residential building approved rose to \$185.1 million in April, an increase of 0.8% from the previous month.

**Non-residential building**

- The value of non-residential projects approved in April was \$164.7 million. The largest category was educational with \$40.8 million, followed by offices with \$34.3 million and shops with \$21.1 million. There were 5 projects valued at more than \$5 million each, 3 of these projects were in the educational category, the major one being a new laboratory.

**Total building**

- The value of building work approved in the March quarter, expressed in average 1989-90 prices, was \$1,302.3 million, compared with \$1,628.4 million recorded in the previous quarter and \$1,346.6 million recorded in the March quarter 1995.

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## RELIABILITY OF CONTEMPORARY TREND ESTIMATES

The tables below present trend estimates of selected building approvals series for the six months November 1995 to April 1996.

Analysis of building approvals series has shown that the original series can be volatile and that the initial estimates of a month's trend value can be revised substantially. In particular, some months can elapse before a turning point in the trend series is identified reliably. Generally, the size of revisions to the trend estimates will tend to be larger with greater volatility of the original series. Revisions to trend estimates will also occur with revisions to original data and re-estimation of seasonal adjustment factors. See paragraphs 19 and 20 of the Explanatory Notes for a more detailed explanation.

To illustrate the possible impact of future months' observations on the trend estimates for the latest months, the tables show the revisions to the trend estimates that would result if the movements in the seasonally adjusted estimates for next month (May 1996) were to equal the average monthly percentage change (regardless of sign) in the series over the last ten years.

For example, if the seasonally adjusted estimate for the number of private houses approved (the first table) were to increase by 5% in May 1996, the trend estimate for that month would be 1,462, a movement of 0.4%. The monthly movements in the trend estimates for February, March and April 1996, which are currently estimated to be -2.7%, -2.4% and -1.1% respectively, would be revised to -2.0%, -1.0% and 0.1%. On the other hand, a 5% seasonally adjusted decline in the number of private houses approved in May 1996 would produce a trend estimate for that month of 1,396, a movement of -1.2%, with the movements in the trend estimates for February, March and April 1996, being revised to -2.6%, -2.1% and -1.3% respectively.

### NUMBER OF PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, RELIABILITY OF TREND ESTIMATES

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if May 1996 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 5% on April 1996		is down 5% on April 1996	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1995—						
November	1,584	-2.5	1,581	-2.8	1,584	2.6
December	1,543	-2.6	1,535	-2.9	1,541	2.7
1996—						
January	1,502	-2.6	1,499	-2.4	1,501	-2.6
February	1,462	-2.7	1,469	2.0	1,462	2.6
March	1,427	-2.4	1,455	-1.0	1,432	-2.1
April	1,411	-1.1	1,456	0.1	1,413	-1.3
May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,462	0.4	1,396	1.2

### TOTAL NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, RELIABILITY OF TREND ESTIMATES

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if May 1996 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 7% on April 1996		is down 7% on April 1996	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1995—						
November	1,938	1.2	1,934	1.5	1,940	1.2
December	1,939	0.0	1,933	0.1	1,943	0.2
1996—						
January	1,947	0.5	1,945	0.7	1,950	0.4
February	1,965	0.9	1,970	1.3	1,957	0.3
March	1,985	1.0	2,003	1.7	1,960	0.2
April	2,023	1.9	2,039	1.8	1,959	0.1
May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	2,061	1.1	1,940	-1.0

TABLE 1. DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Period	New houses			New other residential buildings			Conversions, etc.	Total (a)		
	Private sector	Public sector	Total	Private sector	Public sector	Total		Private sector	Public sector	Total
<b>MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION (b)</b>										
1992-93	17,104	723	17,827	1,845	163	2,008	6	18,955	886	19,841
1993-94	17,878	585	18,463	2,920	414	3,334	1,152	21,844	1,105	22,949
1994-95	17,816	307	18,123	3,100	581	3,681	1,330	22,240	894	23,134
1994-95										
July-April	15,174	242	15,416	2,292	416	2,708	1,187	18,647	664	19,311
1995-96										
July-April	10,670	304	10,974	2,147	701	2,848	600	13,399	1,023	14,422
1995—										
February	1,352	35	1,387	208	98	306	152	1,712	133	1,845
March	1,321	32	1,353	152	45	197	309	1,776	83	1,859
April	1,158	6	1,164	228	4	232	8	1,394	10	1,404
May	1,325	25	1,350	610	96	706	111	2,046	121	2,167
June	1,317	40	1,357	198	69	267	32	1,547	109	1,656
July	1,353	21	1,374	48	71	119	11	1,412	92	1,504
August	1,296	82	1,378	125	69	194	3	1,424	151	1,575
September	1,292	19	1,311	377	--	377	4	1,673	19	1,692
October	1,149	21	1,170	179	67	246		1,328	88	1,416
November	1,201	72	1,273	59	165	224	1	1,261	237	1,498
December	968	34	1,002	266	62	328	68	1,302	96	1,398
1996										
January	859	5	864	64	83	147	23	946	88	1,034
February	833	7	840	437	34	471	88	1,357	42	1,399
March	809	10	819	325	50	375	336	1,461	69	1,530
April	910	33	943	267	100	367	66	1,235	141	1,376
<b>VICTORIA</b>										
1992-93	25,969	1,189	27,158	2,186	227	2,413	12	28,167	1,416	29,583
1993-94	27,227	830	28,057	3,109	584	3,693	1,167	31,396	1,521	32,917
1994-95	25,284	601	25,885	3,225	808	4,033	1,347	29,849	1,416	31,265
1994-95										
July-April	21,476	464	21,940	2,409	605	3,014	1,203	25,081	1,076	26,157
1995-96										
July-April	15,450	389	15,839	2,293	876	3,169	637	18,351	1,294	19,645
1995—										
February	1,861	37	1,898	216	146	362	153	2,230	183	2,413
March	1,954	43	1,997	158	71	229	312	2,417	121	2,538
April	1,585	37	1,622	240	13	253	8	1,833	50	1,883
May	1,902	58	1,960	614	96	710	112	2,628	154	2,782
June	1,906	79	1,985	202	107	309	32	2,140	186	2,326
July	1,827	32	1,859	50	130	180	11	1,888	162	2,050
August	1,802	94	1,896	133	69	202	7	1,942	163	2,105
September	1,723	23	1,746	377	8	385	8	2,108	31	2,139
October	1,694	23	1,717	183	101	284	1	1,878	124	2,002
November	1,731	80	1,811	84	188	272	3	1,818	268	2,086
December	1,380	46	1,426	267	62	329	69	1,716	108	1,824
1996--										
January	1,316	14	1,330	64	102	166	23	1,403	116	1,519
February	1,298	12	1,310	489	38	527	94	1,880	51	1,931
March	1,331	25	1,356	360	65	425	338	2,020	99	2,119
April	1,348	40	1,388	286	113	399	83	1,698	172	1,870

(a) Includes Conversions, etc. See paragraphs 11-13 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) As a result of minor changes to the Melbourne Statistical Division boundary, data for the periods prior to July 1995 are not strictly comparable to data for periods from July 1995 onwards.

TABLE 2. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED  
(\$ million)

Period	New residential building									Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total building	
	Houses			Other residential buildings			Total				Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
	Private sector	Public sector	Total	Private sector	Public sector	Total	Private sector	Public sector	Total					
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION (a)														
1992-93	1,538.4	42.4	1,580.8	125.3	10.5	135.9	1,663.7	52.9	1,716.7	429.7	858.2	1,138.2	2,951.4	3,284.6
1993-94	1,683.9	40.5	1,724.4	241.8	31.1	272.9	1,925.7	71.6	1,997.3	509.2	1,619.8	2,138.6	4,046.0	4,645.1
1994-95	1,732.4	23.5	1,755.9	380.7	46.4	427.0	2,113.1	69.8	2,182.9	571.9	1,072.3	1,655.8	3,749.0	4,410.6
1994-95														
July-April	1,464.7	18.9	1,483.6	274.1	31.7	305.7	1,738.8	50.6	1,789.4	479.3	869.9	1,310.9	3,085.1	3,579.6
1995-96														
July-April	1,089.5	29.4	1,118.9	242.3	52.7	295.0	1,331.8	82.1	1,413.9	392.4	1,122.0	1,609.7	2,828.8	3,416.0
1995—														
February	129.8	3.7	133.5	19.7	5.4	25.1	149.5	9.1	158.6	45.9	149.8	218.2	345.1	422.7
March	123.8	3.3	127.1	11.6	4.4	16.1	135.4	7.7	143.1	70.1	85.0	106.0	289.2	319.2
April	114.1	0.6	114.7	20.9	0.2	21.1	135.0	0.8	135.8	30.2	59.7	91.2	223.9	257.2
May	135.0	1.6	136.6	91.4	10.8	102.2	226.4	12.3	238.8	51.5	118.1	188.8	392.0	479.1
June	132.6	3.0	135.6	15.2	3.9	19.1	147.8	6.9	154.7	41.1	84.4	156.1	271.9	351.9
July	130.4	1.3	131.7	5.7	4.8	10.5	136.1	6.1	142.2	32.8	80.9	94.7	248.9	269.6
August	130.3	8.3	138.6	9.9	4.8	14.7	140.2	13.1	153.3	37.5	87.9	144.7	265.2	335.4
September	131.2	3.0	134.1	40.5	—	40.5	171.7	3.0	174.7	38.2	125.4	188.5	332.8	401.4
October	116.0	2.1	118.1	29.4	3.9	33.3	145.4	6.0	151.4	41.7	286.9	343.8	472.9	536.9
November	123.8	7.5	131.3	5.5	12.3	17.8	129.3	19.8	149.1	41.9	110.0	159.1	279.0	350.0
December	95.7	2.2	97.9	42.7	4.0	46.6	138.4	6.2	144.5	32.0	95.7	137.5	264.0	314.0
1996 .														
January	86.6	0.3	86.9	4.8	5.4	10.2	91.4	5.7	97.1	33.0	64.1	125.5	185.3	255.5
February	87.8	0.8	88.6	58.8	4.6	63.3	146.6	5.4	151.9	40.9	114.8	126.5	301.2	319.3
March	88.6	0.8	89.4	27.1	3.8	31.0	115.8	4.6	120.4	49.8	66.6	152.9	230.2	323.0
April	99.1	3.1	102.2	17.9	9.2	27.1	117.0	12.3	129.3	44.8	89.5	136.6	249.4	310.7
VICTORIA														
1992-93	2,262.5	71.4	2,333.8	145.7	14.6	160.3	2,408.2	86.0	2,494.1	533.0	1,066.2	1,406.3	4,006.9	4,433.4
1993-94	2,465.2	58.8	2,524.0	252.8	40.9	293.7	2,718.0	99.7	2,817.7	623.5	1,853.6	2,502.7	5,186.0	5,943.9
1994-95	2,383.4	41.9	2,425.3	388.8	59.9	448.7	2,772.2	101.8	2,874.0	685.1	1,274.7	1,975.2	4,717.5	5,534.3
1994-95														
July-April	2,010.5	32.4	2,042.9	281.8	42.5	324.3	2,292.3	74.9	2,367.2	571.5	1,016.8	1,562.8	3,874.0	4,501.5
1995-96														
July-April	1,530.5	36.6	1,567.1	252.9	63.2	316.2	1,783.4	99.9	1,883.3	492.2	1,418.7	2,020.9	3,667.4	4,396.4
1995—														
February	175.5	3.9	179.3	20.3	8.3	28.6	195.8	12.2	208.0	54.5	160.0	237.6	410.3	500.1
March	179.0	4.1	183.1	11.9	6.0	17.9	191.0	10.0	201.0	80.8	105.4	132.1	375.9	413.9
April	151.1	2.4	153.6	22.5	0.8	23.3	173.6	3.2	176.8	40.4	76.6	118.6	286.6	335.9
May	188.4	3.5	191.9	91.6	10.8	102.3	280.0	14.3	294.2	62.7	153.9	231.0	491.1	587.9
June	184.6	6.0	190.5	15.4	6.7	22.1	200.0	12.6	212.6	50.8	104.0	181.4	352.4	444.8
July	173.7	2.3	176.0	5.7	7.4	13.2	179.5	9.7	189.2	41.0	111.7	131.4	330.7	361.7
August	175.4	9.0	184.4	10.4	4.8	15.2	185.9	13.8	199.7	46.9	117.1	180.5	348.8	427.1
September	171.2	3.3	174.5	40.5	0.4	41.0	211.7	3.7	215.4	47.5	154.6	227.5	410.6	490.4
October	165.7	2.1	167.8	29.6	6.0	35.7	195.3	8.2	203.5	53.8	307.9	382.1	554.4	639.4
November	172.5	8.3	180.8	7.7	14.5	22.2	180.2	22.8	203.1	52.7	137.6	212.9	367.0	468.7
December	131.6	3.7	135.3	43.0	4.0	47.0	174.6	7.6	182.3	41.1	114.9	172.4	327.2	395.8
1996—														
January	129.2	1.0	130.2	4.8	6.6	11.4	134.0	7.6	141.6	40.9	95.4	163.5	266.8	346.1
February	130.5	1.1	131.6	62.6	4.8	67.4	193.1	5.9	199.0	49.8	182.7	200.1	424.4	448.9
March	138.1	2.1	140.2	29.2	4.9	34.1	167.4	6.9	174.3	63.1	89.2	185.6	315.8	423.0
April	142.5	3.7	146.3	19.2	9.9	29.0	161.7	13.6	175.3	55.3	107.6	164.7	321.7	395.4

(a) As a result of minor changes to the Melbourne Statistical Division boundary, data for the periods prior to July 1995 are not strictly comparable to data for periods from July 1995 onwards.

**TABLE 3. NUMBER AND VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED  
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES (a)**

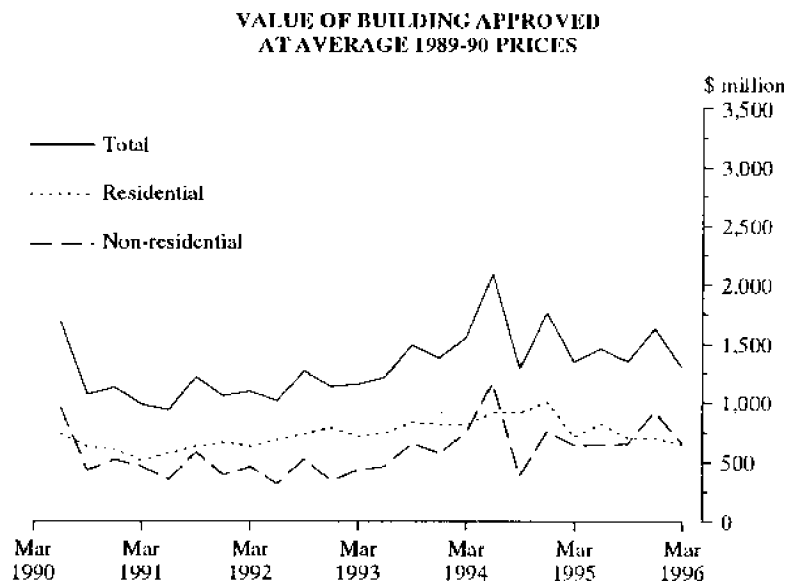
Period	Number of dwelling units (b)				Value (\$m)	
	Houses		Total		New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total		
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED</b>						
1995—						
February	1,955	1,954	2,374	2,516	219.4	57.5
March	1,863	1,888	2,364	2,442	191.0	76.3
April	1,871	1,929	2,117	2,169	210.9	46.9
May	1,683	1,780	2,274	2,401	258.3	55.3
June	1,860	1,940	2,179	2,336	216.2	51.1
July	1,812	1,876	1,817	2,031	186.0	44.8
August	1,574	1,736	1,735	1,942	182.3	44.2
September	1,732	1,707	2,150	2,215	221.3	47.4
October	1,539	1,558	1,723	1,827	183.6	45.2
November	1,608	1,688	1,684	1,932	188.6	47.7
December	1,600	1,625	1,917	2,122	211.5	46.5
1996—						
January	1,597	1,572	1,665	1,712	154.8	49.2
February	1,289	1,300	1,891	1,899	199.1	50.0
March	1,394	1,365	2,158	2,233	181.4	64.3
April	1,493	1,525	1,815	1,949	188.0	58.0
<b>TREND ESTIMATES</b>						
1995—						
February	1,948	1,961	2,324	2,421	226.5	54.0
March	1,878	1,907	2,258	2,352	218.4	56.1
April	1,831	1,882	2,202	2,307	214.0	56.4
May	1,798	1,871	2,148	2,272	212.6	54.5
June	1,767	1,851	2,072	2,215	211.1	51.1
July	1,729	1,813	1,987	2,144	207.9	47.7
August	1,695	1,768	1,906	2,072	201.5	45.7
September	1,663	1,722	1,842	2,012	196.1	45.1
October	1,626	1,668	1,802	1,963	192.3	45.4
November	1,584	1,612	1,794	1,938	190.8	46.3
December	1,543	1,559	1,813	1,939	189.3	48.3
1996—						
January	1,502	1,510	1,840	1,947	186.7	50.8
February	1,462	1,465	1,874	1,965	184.9	53.5
March	1,427	1,429	1,906	1,985	183.7	56.3
April	1,411	1,408	1,954	2,023	185.1	58.8

(a) See paragraphs 17-24 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Includes Conversions, etc. See paragraphs 11-13 of the Explanatory Notes.

**TABLE 4. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES (a)**  
(\$ million)

Period	New residential building				Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total building	
	Houses		Other residential buildings	Total		Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
	Private sector	Total							
1992-93	2,208.9	2,278.6	200.2	2,478.7	520.4	1,344.8	1,775.1	4,307.5	4,774.3
1993-94	2,354.9	2,411.2	367.3	2,778.5	595.4	2,330.2	3,148.6	5,672.0	6,522.5
1994-95	2,220.1	2,259.0	543.9	2,802.9	637.9	1,564.3	2,423.5	4,960.2	5,864.3
1994—									
Dec. qtr.	602.9	614.4	219.6	834.0	177.1	393.2	751.5	1,399.9	1,762.6
1995—									
Mar. qtr.	465.4	474.2	76.5	550.7	156.5	454.2	639.4	1,146.2	1,346.6
June qtr.	485.7	496.8	177.3	674.1	142.7	406.9	646.0	1,198.5	1,462.8
Sept. qtr.	480.1	493.4	82.9	576.4	124.9	464.2	653.1	1,148.7	1,354.4
Dec. qtr.	429.8	442.7	124.7	567.5	135.1	676.0	925.8	1,351.3	1,628.4
1996									
Mar. qtr.	364.6	368.5	133.6	502.1	141.0	440.9	659.3	1,074.7	1,302.3

(a) Constant price estimates are subject to revision each quarter as more up to date information on prices and commodity compositions becomes available.



**TABLE 5. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND OWNERSHIP**  
(\$ million)

Class of building	1993-94	1994-95	July-April		1996		
			1994-95	1995-96	February	March	April
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>							
New houses	2,465.2	2,383.4	2,010.5	1,530.5	130.5	138.1	142.5
New other residential buildings	252.8	388.8	281.8	252.9	62.6	29.2	19.2
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>2,718.0</i>	<i>2,772.2</i>	<i>2,292.3</i>	<i>1,783.4</i>	<i>193.1</i>	<i>167.4</i>	<i>161.7</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	614.4	670.6	565.0	465.3	48.6	59.3	52.4
Hotels, etc.	187.1	47.0	32.2	128.1	1.5	5.4	5.7
Shops	483.6	351.0	298.5	274.7	31.1	11.6	20.7
Factories	161.2	206.8	173.5	178.3	17.7	12.0	13.0
Offices	178.1	238.1	176.4	256.6	24.7	17.7	26.2
Other business premises	225.1	165.0	128.0	224.4	15.9	21.2	16.1
Educational	88.1	77.4	54.5	62.9	12.8	4.4	6.3
Religious	13.9	15.4	14.2	5.6	1.1	0.2	—
Health	119.8	49.2	41.1	47.2	6.0	4.4	7.7
Entertainment and recreational	308.7	81.9	64.0	116.8	3.8	3.5	5.0
Miscellaneous	87.9	42.9	34.4	123.9	68.0	8.8	6.9
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>1,853.6</i>	<i>1,274.7</i>	<i>1,016.8</i>	<i>1,418.7</i>	<i>182.7</i>	<i>89.2</i>	<i>107.6</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,186.0</b>	<b>4,717.5</b>	<b>3,874.0</b>	<b>3,667.4</b>	<b>424.4</b>	<b>315.8</b>	<b>321.7</b>
<b>PUBLIC SECTOR</b>							
New houses	58.8	41.9	32.4	36.6	1.1	2.1	3.7
New other residential buildings	40.9	59.9	42.5	63.2	4.8	4.9	9.9
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>99.7</i>	<i>101.8</i>	<i>74.9</i>	<i>99.9</i>	<i>5.9</i>	<i>6.9</i>	<i>13.6</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	9.1	14.4	6.6	27.0	1.2	3.8	3.0
Hotels, etc.	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.2	—	—	—
Shops	3.4	7.7	6.6	25.4	0.4	—	0.4
Factories	45.0	12.4	12.2	2.9	0.1	0.1	0.2
Offices	56.2	123.1	87.5	91.8	6.5	15.9	8.1
Other business premises	141.7	53.3	50.9	67.7	—	48.1	—
Educational	119.6	226.3	186.6	227.0	7.2	17.0	34.5
Religious	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health	182.9	71.8	49.6	52.0	0.2	1.5	9.4
Entertainment and recreational	69.5	148.6	137.6	106.3	2.5	6.3	1.7
Miscellaneous	29.5	56.2	14.0	28.0	0.5	7.5	2.8
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>649.1</i>	<i>700.5</i>	<i>546.1</i>	<i>602.2</i>	<i>17.4</i>	<i>96.4</i>	<i>57.2</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>757.9</b>	<b>816.7</b>	<b>627.5</b>	<b>729.0</b>	<b>24.5</b>	<b>107.1</b>	<b>73.7</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>							
New houses	2,524.0	2,425.3	2,042.9	1,567.1	131.6	140.2	146.3
New other residential buildings	293.7	448.7	324.3	316.2	67.4	34.1	29.0
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>2,817.7</i>	<i>2,874.0</i>	<i>2,367.2</i>	<i>1,883.3</i>	<i>199.0</i>	<i>174.3</i>	<i>175.3</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	623.5	685.1	571.5	492.2	49.8	63.1	55.3
Hotels, etc.	188.4	48.1	33.3	129.3	1.5	5.4	5.7
Shops	487.1	358.8	305.0	300.1	31.5	11.6	21.1
Factories	206.2	219.2	185.7	181.2	17.8	12.1	13.2
Offices	234.3	361.2	263.9	348.5	31.2	33.7	34.3
Other business premises	366.8	218.3	178.9	292.1	15.9	69.3	16.1
Educational	207.7	303.7	241.1	289.9	20.1	21.3	40.8
Religious	13.9	15.4	14.2	5.6	1.1	0.2	—
Health	302.7	121.0	90.7	99.2	6.2	5.9	17.1
Entertainment and recreational	378.2	230.4	201.6	223.1	6.3	9.8	6.7
Miscellaneous	117.4	99.0	48.4	151.9	68.5	16.3	9.8
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>2,502.7</i>	<i>1,975.2</i>	<i>1,562.8</i>	<i>2,020.9</i>	<i>200.1</i>	<i>185.6</i>	<i>164.7</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,943.9</b>	<b>5,534.3</b>	<b>4,501.5</b>	<b>4,396.4</b>	<b>448.9</b>	<b>423.0</b>	<b>395.4</b>

**TABLE 6. NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING JOBS APPROVED, BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND VALUE SIZE GROUPS**

Period	\$50,000 to less than \$200,000		\$200,000 to less than \$500,000		\$500,000 to less than \$1m		\$1m to less than \$5m		\$5m and over		Total	
	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)
<b>HOTELS, ETC.</b>												
1996 February	6	0.6	3	0.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	1.5
March	4	0.3	—	—	1	0.7	2	4.3	—	—	7	5.4
April	10	1.1	—	—	2	1.5	1	3.0	—	—	13	5.7
<b>SHOPS</b>												
1996 February	46	4.2	3	0.8	5	3.0	5	9.6	2	14.0	61	31.5
March	66	5.5	10	3.1	5	3.0	—	—	—	—	81	11.6
April	57	4.6	14	3.9	4	2.2	5	10.3	—	—	80	21.1
<b>FACTORIES</b>												
1996 February	31	3.0	7	1.9	6	3.7	1	1.2	1	8.0	46	17.8
March	34	2.9	16	4.5	5	3.4	1	1.2	—	—	56	12.1
April	28	2.7	17	5.1	2	1.3	3	4.1	—	—	50	13.2
<b>OFFICES</b>												
1996 February	34	3.5	25	7.4	6	3.9	7	16.4	—	—	72	31.2
March	49	4.5	23	7.4	6	3.8	9	18.0	—	—	87	33.7
April	30	2.8	24	7.4	12	7.7	6	11.3	1	5.1	73	34.3
<b>OTHER BUSINESS PREMISES</b>												
1996 February	19	1.8	10	3.7	3	2.2	5	8.2	—	—	37	15.9
March	17	1.7	12	3.7	8	5.7	5	10.7	1	47.5	43	69.3
April	23	2.2	7	2.0	2	1.2	3	5.6	1	5.0	36	16.1
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>												
1996 February	12	1.2	4	1.0	4	2.5	5	15.3	—	—	25	20.1
March	9	1.0	2	0.5	2	1.4	6	9.4	1	9.0	20	21.3
April	17	1.7	7	2.6	5	4.0	2	5.9	3	26.7	34	40.8
<b>RELIGIOUS</b>												
1996 February	1	0.1	2	0.5	1	0.5	—	—	—	—	4	1.1
March	1	0.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0.2
April	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>HEALTH</b>												
1996 February	8	0.8	2	0.4	1	0.5	2	4.4	—	—	13	6.2
March	2	0.3	5	1.6	1	0.8	2	3.3	—	—	10	5.9
April	4	0.5	2	0.5	—	—	8	16.2	—	—	14	17.1
<b>ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL</b>												
1996 February	9	0.9	4	1.0	1	0.5	3	3.9	—	—	17	6.3
March	7	0.6	1	0.2	4	2.3	3	6.6	—	—	15	9.8
April	6	0.6	3	1.1	1	0.7	3	4.4	—	—	13	6.7
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>												
1996 February	10	0.9	5	1.5	1	0.5	—	—	2	65.6	18	68.5
March	12	1.2	3	0.7	4	3.1	4	11.3	—	—	23	16.3
April	20	1.8	12	3.7	—	—	2	4.3	—	—	34	9.8
<b>TOTAL NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING</b>												
1996 February	176	17.0	65	19.0	28	17.3	28	59.1	5	87.7	302	200.1
March	201	18.3	72	21.9	36	24.2	32	64.7	2	56.5	343	185.6
April	195	18.0	86	26.2	28	18.7	33	65.0	5	36.8	347	164.7



**TABLE 7. NUMBER AND VALUE OF NEW DWELLING UNITS (a) APPROVED  
BY MATERIAL OF OUTER WALLS, APRIL 1996**

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Private sector</i>		<i>Public sector</i>		<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Value (\$'000)</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Value (\$'000)</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Value (\$'000)</i>
<b>MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION (b)</b>						
Houses						
Brick, stone or concrete	39	4,857	—	—	39	4,857
Brick-veneer	614	68,163	3	367	617	68,530
Timber	20	1,629	—	—	20	1,629
Fibre cement	6	306	—	—	6	306
Steel, aluminium or other materials	4	501	—	—	4	501
Not stated	227	23,617	30	2,781	257	26,399
<b>Total houses</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>99,074</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3,149</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>102,223</b>
<i>Other residential buildings</i>	<i>267</i>	<i>17,882</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>9,187</i>	<i>367</i>	<i>27,069</i>
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>116,956</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>12,336</b>	<b>1,310</b>	<b>129,291</b>
<b>REST OF VICTORIA (b)</b>						
Houses —						
Brick, stone or concrete	71	7,249	—	—	71	7,249
Brick-veneer	171	17,482	6	440	177	17,922
Timber	40	2,980	—	—	40	2,980
Fibre cement	14	872	—	—	14	872
Steel, aluminium or other materials	1	121	—	—	1	121
Not stated	141	14,747	1	150	142	14,897
<b>Total houses</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>43,451</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>44,041</b>
<i>Other residential buildings</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>1,297</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>669</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>1,967</i>
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>44,748</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,259</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>46,007</b>
<b>TOTAL VICTORIA</b>						
Houses —						
Brick, stone or concrete	110	12,106	—	—	110	12,106
Brick-veneer	785	85,645	9	808	794	86,452
Timber	60	4,609	—	—	60	4,609
Fibre cement	20	1,178	—	—	20	1,178
Steel, aluminium or other materials	5	623	—	—	5	623
Not stated	368	38,364	31	2,931	399	41,295
<b>Total houses</b>	<b>1,348</b>	<b>142,525</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>3,739</b>	<b>1,388</b>	<b>146,263</b>
<i>Other residential buildings</i>	<i>286</i>	<i>19,179</i>	<i>113</i>	<i>9,856</i>	<i>399</i>	<i>29,035</i>
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>1,634</b>	<b>161,704</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>13,595</b>	<b>1,787</b>	<b>175,299</b>

(a) Excludes Conversions, etc. (b) For details of changes to Statistical Divisions, please refer to paragraphs 28-30 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), APRIL 1996

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building (c)		
	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Banyule (C)										
Heidelberg	13	—	1,326	—	14	817	851	—	—	2,994
North	15	—	1,297	—	—	—	702	342	342	2,340
Total	28	—	2,623	—	14	817	1,552	342	342	5,334
Bayside (C)										
Brighton	7	—	1,073	2	—	150	868	100	100	2,191
South	14	1	1,931	2	—	170	1,791	78	210	4,103
Total	21	1	3,004	4	—	320	2,659	178	310	6,294
Boroondara (C)										
Camberwell North	16	—	2,758	8	—	640	1,390	486	486	5,275
Camberwell South	13	—	2,044	2	—	195	2,150	60	334	4,723
Hawthorn	6	—	1,118	—	—	—	887	700	1,018	3,023
Kew	6	—	1,120	2	—	220	317	1,800	2,400	4,057
Total	41	—	7,041	12	—	1,055	4,744	3,046	4,238	17,077
Brimbank (C)										
Keilor	20	—	1,871	—	—	—	201	170	170	2,241
Sunshine	2	4	466	2	—	100	44	530	530	1,140
Total	22	4	2,336	2	—	100	245	700	700	3,381
Cardinia (S)										
Pakenham	10	—	1,018	2	—	124	292	100	100	1,534
South	2	—	153	—	—	—	—	—	—	153
Total	12	—	1,171	2	—	124	292	100	100	1,687
Casey (C)										
Berwick	100	—	9,378	—	—	—	591	2,550	2,550	12,519
South	33	—	2,796	—	—	—	573	804	804	4,173
Total	133	—	12,173	—	—	—	1,164	3,354	3,354	16,692
Darebin (C)										
Northcote	7	—	755	36	—	2,130	1,077	—	—	3,962
Preston	18	2	1,947	14	—	770	608	3,390	15,001	18,326
Total	25	2	2,702	50	—	2,900	1,685	3,390	15,001	22,288
Frankston (C)										
East	27	—	2,289	—	—	—	274	175	175	2,738
West	13	—	1,060	2	—	80	421	1,650	2,220	3,780
Total	40	—	3,349	2	—	80	694	1,825	2,395	6,518
Glen Eira (C)										
Caulfield	6	2	865	12	—	980	1,473	380	641	3,959
South	10	—	889	2	3	279	815	320	320	2,302
Total	16	2	1,754	14	3	1,259	2,288	700	961	6,261
Greater Dandenong (C)										
Dandenong	—	—	—	—	7	312	88	—	500	900
Balance	2	—	85	5	—	340	50	—	641	1,117
Total	2	—	85	5	7	652	138	—	1,141	2,017
Hobsons Bay (C)										
Altona	24	11	3,124	—	9	520	483	250	316	4,442
Williamstown	10	—	1,274	9	—	580	362	311	1,086	3,302
Total	34	11	4,398	9	9	1,099	845	561	1,402	7,745
Hume (C)										
Broadmeadows	8	—	971	2	2	374	106	1,755	1,931	3,381
Craigieburn	45	—	4,804	—	—	—	146	97	97	5,047
Sunbury	14	—	1,601	—	—	—	103	—	—	1,704
Total	67	—	7,376	2	2	374	355	1,852	2,028	10,133
Kingston (C)										
North	21	—	2,121	9	—	550	824	3,805	3,871	7,366
South	17	—	1,776	17	5	1,014	244	2,000	2,000	5,034
Total	38	—	3,897	26	5	1,564	1,068	5,805	5,871	12,400
Knox (C)	7	—	1,008	5	—	285	392	260	260	1,945
Manningham (C)	25	—	3,785	8	—	560	1,018	6,142	6,142	11,505
Maribyrnong (C)	3	3	657	—	—	—	338	1,350	1,350	2,345

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), APRIL 1996 *continued*

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building (c)		
	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION — continued</b>										
Maroondah (C)										
Croydon	1	8	868	—	—	—	143	—	350	1,361
Ringwood	2	—	180	2	—	80	16	—	—	276
Total	3	8	1,048	2	—	80	159	—	350	1,637
Melbourne (C)										
Inner	—	—	—	—	—	—	150	6,240	8,040	8,190
Remainder	3	—	425	4	—	310	377	10,924	15,461	16,574
Total	3	—	425	4	—	310	527	17,164	23,502	24,765
Melton (S)										
East	12	—	1,214	—	—	—	10	—	—	1,224
Balance	13	—	1,340	—	—	—	354	1,040	1,040	2,735
Total	25	—	2,554	—	—	—	364	1,040	1,040	3,959
Monash (C)										
South-West	12	—	985	2	—	100	581	476	12,936	14,602
Waverley East	1	—	420	2	—	180	439	300	300	1,339
Waverley West	17	—	1,817	—	2	160	1,104	1,271	1,586	4,667
Total	30	—	3,222	4	2	440	2,124	2,047	14,822	20,608
Moonee Valley (C)										
Essendon	9	—	1,534	10	58	7,617	2,557	4,450	4,450	16,158
West	9	—	1,174	7	—	420	379	380	380	2,354
Total	18	—	2,709	17	58	8,037	2,936	4,830	4,830	18,511
Moreland (C)										
Brunswick	6	—	385	—	—	—	549	600	823	1,757
Coburg	5	—	370	—	—	—	175	50	394	939
North	5	—	374	6	—	420	94	—	—	888
Total	16	—	1,129	6	—	420	818	650	1,217	3,584
Mornington Peninsula (S)										
East	15	1	1,791	—	—	—	233	170	170	2,194
South	22	—	1,906	—	—	—	731	1,425	1,425	4,062
West	21	—	2,250	—	—	—	333	340	340	2,923
Total	58	1	5,947	—	—	—	1,297	1,935	1,935	9,178
Nillumbik (S)										
South-West	2	—	325	—	—	—	155	—	—	480
Balance	3	—	465	—	—	—	181	315	315	961
Total	5	—	789	—	—	—	336	315	315	1,440
Port Phillip (C)										
St Kilda	4	—	604	24	—	1,365	1,614	743	743	4,325
West	6	—	750	10	—	1,200	2,068	80	80	4,098
Total	10	—	1,354	34	—	2,565	3,682	823	823	8,423
Stonnington (C)										
Prahan	6	—	1,500	2	—	170	2,564	872	872	5,106
Malvern	12	—	2,805	—	—	—	1,332	465	579	4,715
Total	18	—	4,305	2	—	170	3,895	1,337	1,451	9,821
Whitehorse (C)										
Box Hill	25	—	2,864	2	—	140	1,485	600	600	5,089
Nunawading East	15	—	1,303	20	—	1,550	1,294	910	910	5,056
Nunawading West	31	—	3,247	21	—	1,428	667	10,970	10,970	16,312
Total	71	—	7,413	43	—	3,118	3,446	12,480	12,480	26,457
Whittlesea (C)	44	—	4,632	—	—	—	577	3,002	10,271	15,480
Wyndham (C)	53	1	5,085	—	—	—	364	3,970	7,690	13,139
Yarra (C)										
North	2	—	190	10	—	500	2,351	4,910	4,910	7,952
Richmond	—	—	—	4	—	240	661	5,300	5,300	6,201
Total	2	—	190	14	—	740	3,012	10,210	10,210	14,153
Yarra Ranges (S) — Pt A (d)										
Central	1	—	45	—	—	—	361	—	—	406
North	2	—	176	—	—	—	67	60	60	303
South-West	37	—	3,839	—	—	—	1,369	—	—	5,208
Total	40	—	4,060	—	—	—	1,797	60	60	5,917
<b>Melbourne (SD)</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>102,223</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>27,069</b>	<b>44,812</b>	<b>89,466</b>	<b>136,592</b>	<b>310,695</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), APRIL 1996—continued

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building (c)		
	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>BARWON STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Colac-Orway (S)										
Colac	2	—	254	—	—	—	83	487	487	824
North	4	—	424	—	—	—	—	—	—	424
South	3	—	267	—	—	—	—	—	93	360
Total	9	—	945	—	—	—	83	487	580	1,608
Golden Plains (S)										
North-West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South-East	3	—	339	—	—	—	180	55	55	574
Total	3	—	339	—	—	—	180	55	55	574
Greater Geelong (C)										
Part A										
Bellarine — Inner	9	—	814	—	—	—	—	500	558	1,372
Corio — Inner	12	5	1,358	—	—	—	287	285	1,382	3,027
Geelong	4	—	539	—	—	—	145	400	495	1,179
Geelong West	—	—	—	—	—	—	147	—	150	297
Newtown	—	—	—	—	—	—	239	1,780	1,780	2,019
South Barwon Inner	19	—	1,881	—	—	—	424	—	—	2,305
Part B	17	—	1,696	—	—	—	421	140	140	2,257
Part C	—	—	—	—	—	—	44	—	—	44
Total	61	5	6,287	—	—	—	1,662	3,105	4,506	12,455
Queenscliffe (B)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Surf Coast (S)										
East	10	1	1,297	—	—	—	343	—	—	1,640
West	3	—	513	—	—	—	105	—	—	618
Total	13	1	1,810	—	—	—	448	—	—	2,258
<b>Barwon (SD)</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9,381</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,417</b>	<b>3,647</b>	<b>5,140</b>	<b>16,938</b>
<b>WESTERN DISTRICT STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Corangamite (S)										
North	3	—	432	—	—	—	88	—	—	520
South	1	—	50	—	—	—	132	50	50	232
Total	4	—	482	—	—	—	220	50	50	752
Glenelg (S)										
Heywood	1	—	110	—	—	—	—	—	—	110
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Portland	6	—	604	—	—	—	41	—	54	699
Total	7	—	714	—	—	—	41	—	54	809
Moyne (S)										
North-East	—	—	—	—	—	—	42	—	—	42
South-West	1	—	170	—	—	—	79	—	—	249
Balance	1	—	73	—	—	—	57	—	—	130
Total	2	—	243	—	—	—	178	—	—	421
Southern Grampians (S)										
Hamilton	1	—	96	—	—	—	53	50	50	199
Wannon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1	—	96	—	—	—	53	50	50	199
Warrnambool (C)	7	—	866	—	—	—	379	78	133	1,378
Lady Julia Percy Island	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Western District (SD)</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,402</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>870</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>3,559</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), APRIL 1996—continued

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building (c)		
	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>CENTRAL HIGHLANDS STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Ararat (RC)	1	—	63	5	—	305	—	857	857	1,225
Ballarat (C)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central	5	—	475	—	—	—	224	1,046	1,046	1,745
Inner North	7	—	741	—	—	—	370	—	—	1,111
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South	4	—	426	—	—	—	187	—	—	613
Total	16	—	1,642	—	—	—	781	1,046	1,046	3,469
Hepburn (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
East	4	—	315	—	—	—	83	75	462	860
West	2	—	163	—	—	—	53	—	—	215
Total	6	—	478	—	—	—	136	75	462	1,075
Moorabool (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bacchus Marsh	4	—	495	—	—	—	339	—	—	835
Ballan	1	—	90	—	—	—	—	—	—	90
West	3	—	301	—	—	—	—	244	244	545
Total	8	—	886	—	—	—	339	244	244	1,470
Pyrenees (S)	1	—	30	—	—	—	20	—	—	50
<b>Central Highlands (SD)</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,099</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>1,275</b>	<b>2,222</b>	<b>2,609</b>	<b>7,288</b>
<b>WIMMERA STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Hindmarsh (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	34	—	—	34
Horsham (RC)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central	1	—	95	—	—	—	167	—	575	836
Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1	—	95	—	—	—	167	—	575	836
Northern Grampians (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
St Arnaud	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stawell	5	—	367	—	—	—	12	234	234	613
Total	5	—	367	—	—	—	12	234	234	613
West Wimmera (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	28	100	100	128
Yarriambiack (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	44	—	—	44
South	1	—	81	—	—	—	82	—	—	163
Total	1	—	81	—	—	—	126	—	—	207
<b>Wimmera (SD)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>909</b>	<b>1,819</b>
<b>MALLEE STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Buloke (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South	1	—	105	—	—	—	23	—	930	1,058
Total	1	—	105	—	—	—	23	—	930	1,058
Gannawarra (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	—	1,256	1,288
Mildura (RC)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pt A	13	—	1,126	—	—	—	60	362	362	1,548
Pt B	1	—	172	—	—	—	—	260	325	497
Total	14	—	1,298	—	—	—	60	622	687	2,045
Swan Hill (RC)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central	1	—	120	2	—	120	120	70	70	430
Balance	1	—	122	—	—	—	19	—	—	141
Total	2	—	242	2	—	120	139	70	70	571
<b>Mallee (SD)</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,645</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>2,943</b>	<b>4,962</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), APRIL 1996—continued

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Non-residential building (c)			
	Houses			Other residential buildings			Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building (c)		
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)		Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
<b>LODDON STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Central Goldfields (S)										
Maryborough	2	—	156	2	—	175	195	—	—	526
Balance	6	—	414	—	—	—	199	—	—	613
Total	8	—	570	2	—	175	394	—	—	1,139
Greater Bendigo (C)										
Part A										
Eaglehawk	1	—	85	2	—	117	401	—	—	603
Central	9	—	847	2	—	110	264	1,184	1,660	2,881
Huntly — Inner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Marong — Inner	8	—	768	—	—	—	73	1,777	1,777	2,619
Strathfieldsaye — Inner	9	—	642	—	—	—	43	446	446	1,131
Part B	9	—	1,054	—	—	—	56	200	295	1,405
Total	36	—	3,395	4	—	227	837	3,607	4,179	8,638
Loddon (S)										
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	129	—	—	129
South	2	—	200	—	—	—	20	100	100	320
Total	2	—	200	—	—	—	149	100	100	449
Macedon Ranges (S)										
Kyneton	5	—	339	—	—	—	138	60	140	616
Romsey	4	—	526	—	—	—	106	—	—	632
Balance	16	—	1,770	—	—	—	211	254	254	2,235
Total	25	—	2,635	—	—	—	454	314	394	3,483
Mount Alexander (S)										
Castlemaine	—	—	—	—	—	—	88	—	—	88
Balance	3	—	306	—	—	—	58	—	—	364
Total	3	—	306	—	—	—	146	—	—	452
<b>Loddon-Campaspe (SD)</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7,107</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>1,980</b>	<b>4,021</b>	<b>4,672</b>	<b>14,162</b>
<b>GOULBURN STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Campaspe (S)										
Echuca	2	—	120	—	—	—	30	1,200	1,200	1,350
Kyabram	2	—	254	—	—	—	72	60	60	386
Rochester	2	—	110	—	—	—	30	—	—	140
South	2	—	90	—	—	—	—	—	—	90
Total	8	—	574	—	—	—	132	1,260	1,260	1,966
Delatite (S)										
Benalla	4	—	405	—	—	—	72	—	—	476
North	1	—	75	—	—	—	—	—	—	75
South	9	—	766	—	—	—	150	—	1,132	2,048
Total	14	—	1,246	—	—	—	222	—	1,132	2,600
Greater Shepparton (C)										
Part A	18	—	1,852	—	—	—	196	499	999	3,047
Part B										
East	2	—	197	—	—	—	30	—	—	227
West	3	—	519	—	—	—	54	80	80	653
Total	23	—	2,568	—	—	—	280	579	1,079	3,927
Mitchell (S)										
North	1	—	120	—	—	—	56	—	163	339
South	4	—	325	—	—	—	11	—	300	636
Total	5	—	445	—	—	—	67	—	463	975
Moira (S)	14	—	1,488	4	—	240	73	115	115	1,916
Murrindindi (S)										
East	1	—	73	—	—	—	40	—	—	113
West	4	—	439	—	—	—	65	—	—	504
Total	5	—	512	—	—	—	105	—	—	617
Strathbogie (S)	2	—	163	—	—	—	47	—	—	209
<b>Goulburn (SD)</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>6,996</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>1,954</b>	<b>4,049</b>	<b>12,210</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), APRIL 1996—continued

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building (c)		
	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>OVENS-MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Alpine (S)										
East	4	—	309	—	—	—	—	53	53	362
West	4	—	314	—	—	—	40	—	—	354
Total	8	—	623	—	—	—	40	53	53	715
Indigo (S)										
Part A	5	—	466	—	—	—	59	—	—	525
Part B	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	1,500	1,500	1,530
Total	5	—	466	—	—	—	89	1,500	1,500	2,055
Milawa (S)										
North	4	—	492	—	—	—	—	1,141	1,141	1,633
South	2	—	150	—	—	—	15	—	—	165
Wangaratta	2	—	205	—	—	—	233	246	246	685
Total	8	—	847	—	—	—	248	1,388	1,388	2,483
Towong (S)										
Part A	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	—	—	18
Part B	1	—	120	—	—	—	—	—	—	120
Total	1	—	120	—	—	—	18	—	—	138
Wedonga (RC)	12	—	1,439	—	—	—	146	471	471	2,056
<b>Ovens-Murray (SD)</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,494</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>3,411</b>	<b>3,411</b>	<b>7,447</b>
<b>EAST GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
East Gippsland (S)										
Bairnsdale	9	—	1,480	—	—	—	157	130	2,358	3,994
Orbost	3	—	224	—	—	—	—	—	—	224
South-West	1	—	97	—	—	—	10	78	78	185
Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	62	62	86
Total	13	—	1,801	—	—	—	191	269	2,497	4,489
Wellington (S)										
Alberton	—	—	—	—	—	—	53	—	—	53
Avon	2	—	158	—	—	—	205	—	—	363
Maffra	2	—	210	—	—	—	80	—	—	290
Rosedale	7	—	442	—	—	—	87	—	—	529
Sale	11	—	1,179	—	—	—	25	—	—	1,204
Total	22	—	1,989	—	—	—	450	—	—	2,439
<b>East Gippsland (SD)</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,790</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>2,497</b>	<b>6,928</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), APRIL 1996 *continued*

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building (c)		
	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Bass Coast (S)										
Phillip Island	11	—	1,025	2	—	230	115	260	260	1,629
Balance	10	—	772	—	—	—	171	400	400	1,343
Total	21	—	1,796	2	—	230	286	660	660	2,972
Baw Baw (S)										
Part A	1	—	86	—	—	—	88	—	—	174
Part B										
East	1	—	120	—	—	—	12	—	—	132
West	10	—	962	—	—	—	178	500	552	1,691
Total	12	—	1,168	—	—	—	278	500	552	1,997
La Trobe (S)										
Moe	—	—	—	—	13	669	90	—	150	909
Morwell	2	1	207	—	—	—	47	116	116	370
Traralgon	15	—	1,445	—	—	—	60	—	53	1,558
Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	—	30
Total	17	1	1,652	—	13	669	226	116	319	2,867
South Gippsland (S)										
Central	8	—	641	—	—	—	247	100	100	988
East	1	—	127	—	—	—	145	—	—	271
West	2	—	200	—	—	—	34	—	—	234
Total	11	—	967	—	—	—	425	100	100	1,493
Yarra Ranges (S) — Pt B (d)	—	—	—	—	—	—	39	—	—	39
Bass Strait Islands	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
French Island	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yallourn Works Area	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Gippsland (SD)</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5,584</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>1,631</b>	<b>9,368</b>
<b>VICTORIA</b>										
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>1,348</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>146,263</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>29,035</b>	<b>55,336</b>	<b>107,571</b>	<b>164,740</b>	<b>395,375</b>

(a) For details of changes to Statistical Local Areas, please refer to paragraphs 28-30 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excludes Conversions, etc. (c) Details relating to individual classes of building are available on request. (d) The Shire of Yarra Ranges comprises four Statistical Local Areas (SLA). Three of these are included in the Melbourne Statistical Division and one is included in the Gippsland Statistical Division. Approvals data for these SLAs are shown in Table 8 under the relevant Statistical Divisions.



TABLE 9. BUILDING APPROVALS BY SELECTED STATISTICAL SUBDIVISIONS (a), APRIL 1996

Statistical Local Area	New residential buildings (b)						Non-residential building (c)			
	Houses			Other residential buildings			Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>GREATER GEELONG CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Greater Geelong (C) --										
-- Bellarine -- Inner	9	—	814	—	—	—	—	500	558	1,372
-- Corio --- Inner	12	5	1,358	—	—	—	287	285	1,382	3,027
-- Geelong	4	—	539	—	—	—	145	400	495	1,179
-- Geelong West	—	—	—	—	—	—	147	—	150	297
-- Newtown	—	—	—	—	—	—	239	1,780	1,780	2,019
-- South Barwon --- Inner	19	—	1,881	—	—	—	424	—	—	2,305
<b>Greater Geelong City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4,591</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>2,965</b>	<b>4,366</b>	<b>10,198</b>
<b>BALLARAT CITY STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Ballarat (C) --										
-- Central	5	—	475	—	—	—	224	1,046	1,046	1,745
-- Inner North	7	—	741	—	—	—	370	—	—	1,111
-- North	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
-- South	4	—	426	—	—	—	187	—	—	613
<b>Ballarat City (SSD)</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,642</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>3,469</b>
<b>MILDURA RURAL CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Mildura (RC) --- Pt A	13	—	1,126	—	—	—	60	362	362	1,548
<b>Mildura Rural City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>1,548</b>
<b>GREATER BENDIGO CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Greater Bendigo (C) --										
-- Eaglehawk	1	—	85	2	—	117	401	—	—	603
-- Central	9	—	847	2	—	110	264	1,184	1,660	2,881
-- Huntly --- Inner	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
-- Marong --- Inner	8	—	768	—	—	—	73	1,777	1,777	2,619
-- Strathfieldsaye --- Inner	9	—	642	—	—	—	43	446	446	1,131
<b>Greater Bendigo City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,342</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>3,407</b>	<b>3,884</b>	<b>7,233</b>
<b>GREATER SHEPPARTON CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Greater Shepparton (C) Pt A	18	—	1,852	—	—	—	196	499	999	3,047
<b>Shepparton City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,852</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>3,047</b>
<b>WODONGA STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Indigo (S) --- Pt A	5	—	466	—	—	—	59	—	—	525
Towong (S) --- Pt A	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	—	—	18
Wodonga (RC)	12	—	1,439	—	—	—	146	471	471	2,056
<b>Wodonga (SSD)</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,905</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>2,599</b>
<b>LA TROBE VALLEY STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Baw Baw (S) --- Pt A	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
La Trobe (S) ---										
-- Moe	—	—	—	—	13	669	90	—	150	909
-- Morwell	2	1	207	—	—	—	47	116	116	370
-- Traralgon	15	—	1,445	—	—	—	60	—	53	1,558
-- Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yallourn Works Area	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>La Trobe Valley (SSD)</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,738</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>3,041</b>

(a) For details of changes to Statistical Local Areas and Statistical Subdivisions, please refer to paragraphs 28-30 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excludes Conversions, etc. (c) Details relating to individual classes of building are available on request.

**TABLE 10. VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING JOBS APPROVED BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND STATISTICAL DIVISION (a)**  
(S'000)

<i>Period</i>	<i>Hotels etc.</i>	<i>Shops</i>	<i>Factories</i>	<i>Offices</i>	<i>Other business premises</i>	<i>Educational</i>	<i>Religious</i>	<i>Health</i>	<i>Entertainment and recreational</i>	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
1992-93	32,139	130,559	189,191	238,190	139,480	131,063	12,591	104,291	65,528	95,208	1,138,241
1993-94	167,762	441,505	120,873	197,917	332,785	171,926	10,818	257,790	359,444	77,796	2,138,618
1994-95	27,930	314,547	180,794	326,322	186,075	231,103	10,880	84,398	208,521	85,198	1,655,767
1995 February	300	73,151	18,736	49,320	42,002	15,414	285	580	16,548	1,868	218,203
March	1,245	33,097	9,859	23,566	10,650	10,936	937	5,965	5,221	4,534	106,011
April	1,770	14,416	10,385	28,231	7,538	16,359	--	4,632	885	6,969	91,186
1996 February	100	27,308	14,559	29,213	13,226	15,385	1,020	2,547	4,039	19,057	126,454
March	1,725	7,054	9,124	28,982	67,052	17,914	--	3,038	4,218	13,756	152,863
April	4,124	16,154	9,948	29,450	13,145	38,341	--	12,281	4,621	8,527	136,592
<b>BARWON STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
1992-93	5,524	3,455	24,387	3,263	6,765	5,690	330	2,598	6,907	3,603	62,523
1993-94	1,650	8,390	12,294	3,564	10,105	4,695	559	5,187	1,071	7,182	54,696
1994-95	11,770	10,598	10,028	9,922	6,010	28,427	685	1,334	8,698	797	88,270
1995 February	420	2,888	250	350	110	53	--	156	393	--	4,620
March	--	632	1,500	280	484	170	--	140	206	153	3,565
April	--	200	1,355	1,766	1,284	--	60	508	4,180	128	9,482
1996 February	--	319	1,896	130	--	3,843	--	3,192	1,500	--	10,880
March	--	350	464	240	660	--	--	400	600	55	2,769
April	350	80	640	1,030	506	644	--	--	1,575	315	5,140
<b>WESTERN DISTRICT STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
1992-93	460	324	9,448	563	4,784	1,577	110	65	3,955	2,363	23,648
1993-94	632	1,299	2,161	820	6,609	2,316	632	8,417	506	2,015	25,408
1994-95	100	2,313	3,908	2,075	1,588	2,609	1,000	2,350	2,632	105	18,651
1995 February	--	235	210	57	50	185	--	--	55	--	792
March	--	50	2,265	--	170	1,256	--	1,700	1,200	--	6,641
April	--	90	260	--	133	--	--	--	--	--	483
1996 February	400	80	307	--	--	--	--	220	--	65	1,072
March	2,846	68	804	790	50	--	--	2,134	225	8,50	7,767
April	--	54	78	--	--	50	--	--	55	50	287
<b>CENTRAL HIGHLANDS STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
1992-93	277	2,377	1,646	3,219	1,964	2,831	190	3,904	5,072	794	22,274
1993-94	865	3,254	2,977	1,078	1,620	6,418	387	1,270	6,138	2,785	26,793
1994-95	4,270	4,679	4,417	7,917	2,273	8,054	410	897	1,065	2,658	36,640
1995 February	166	290	70	6,073	--	2,155	--	--	160	--	8,914
March	3,184	610	--	329	75	139	--	--	205	430	4,972
April	--	--	160	242	--	1,750	--	--	120	--	2,272
1996 February	353	134	257	--	470	158	--	--	--	--	1,373
March	--	300	700	1,780	250	100	--	--	50	918	4,098
April	86	1,231	--	150	--	271	--	240	244	387	2,609

TABLE 10. VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING JOBS APPROVED BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND STATISTICAL DIVISION (a)—continued  
(S'000)

Period	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total
WIMMERA STATISTICAL DIVISION											
1992-93	1,077	332	115	2,085	390	60	—	64	100	673	4,896
1993-94	883	1,605	7,618	210	816	2,035	—	1,006	580	120	14,874
1994-95	65	490	1,004	216	610	3,437	283	17,786	305	860	25,057
1995 February	—	70	65	—	—	—	—	—	127	—	262
March	—	70	70	—	300	—	—	—	—	—	440
April	—	—	—	—	—	—	283	57	178	—	518
1996 February	—	—	—	—	150	—	—	—	120	100	370
March	—	60	50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	110
April	—	—	—	645	264	—	—	—	—	—	909
MALLEE STATISTICAL DIVISION											
1992-93	284	1,406	1,644	495	1,269	354	—	1,934	446	417	8,250
1993-94	83	1,432	280	450	2,343	800	416	1,185	301	1,510	8,801
1994-95	845	1,365	735	1,245	1,123	6,215	—	774	80	86	12,468
1995 February	—	—	—	210	55	—	—	—	—	—	265
March	—	70	—	193	—	—	—	—	80	—	343
April	55	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	55
1996 February	120	2,500	50	810	—	—	—	—	310	—	3,790
March	—	—	—	450	—	—	—	—	—	—	450
April	—	110	52	260	270	930	—	1,256	—	65	2,943
LODDON STATISTICAL DIVISION											
1992-93	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1993-94	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1994-95	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1995 February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1996 February	80	60	70	52	—	50	—	—	—	129	441
March	—	385	65	553	695	3,050	150	—	—	—	4,898
April	1,050	2,031	286	689	60	476	—	—	—	80	4,672
GOULBURN STATISTICAL DIVISION											
1992-93	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1993-94	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1994-95	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1995 February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1996 February	—	—	350	760	68	100	—	—	—	376	1,655
March	700	785	580	315	215	235	—	350	4,614	100	7,894
April	—	—	1,643	800	260	—	—	1,132	213	—	4,049

TABLE 10. VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING JOBS APPROVED BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND STATISTICAL DIVISION (a) - continued  
(S'000)

Period	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total
<b>OVENS MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
1992-93	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1993-94	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1994-95	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1995 February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1996 February	467	500	295	240	--	188	103	---	329	---	2,122
March	---	1,230	90	342	52	---	---	---	70	---	1,784
April	52	280	315	1,264	1,500	-	---	---	-	---	3,411
<b>EAST GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
1992-93	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1993-94	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1994-95	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1995 February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1996 February	---	120	---	---	80	99	---	---	---	48,564	48,863
March	85	370	100	90	---	---	---	---	---	70	715
April	---	---	---	---	78	61	---	2,228	---	130	2,497
<b>GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
1992-93	2,101	5,067	2,996	4,529	2,211	3,583	1,619	682	7,290	580	30,658
1993-94	2,299	4,164	3,248	14,498	3,584	8,213	154	1,713	1,852	912	40,639
1994-95	1,412	9,754	6,871	5,081	4,511	3,630	152	284	2,495	3,146	37,337
1995 February	---	210	---	---	538	---	---	---	230	---	978
March	287	1,305	357	798	1,438	94	---	104	275	101	4,759
April	---	143	700	1,107	60	749	---	---	---	1,880	4,639
1996 February	---	450	---	---	1,900	253	---	230	---	230	3,063
March	---	1,040	100	140	350	50	---	---	---	569	2,249
April	---	1,160	216	---	---	51	---	---	---	203	1,631
<b>TOTAL VICTORIA</b>											
1992-93	47,017	155,112	272,071	259,451	169,113	155,501	16,059	121,215	98,310	112,411	1,406,261
1993-94	188,389	487,069	206,188	234,292	366,837	207,686	13,934	302,668	378,184	117,425	2,502,670
1994-95	48,126	358,756	219,224	361,187	218,315	303,732	15,351	121,046	230,444	99,015	1,975,197
1995 February	886	77,969	19,461	56,638	42,998	17,806	385	1,309	18,285	1,868	237,605
March	5,101	35,961	15,548	25,286	13,925	13,655	1,137	7,909	8,036	5,535	132,093
April	1,825	17,491	13,820	33,323	9,015	19,149	408	8,967	5,363	9,286	118,648
1996 February	1,520	31,471	17,784	31,205	15,894	20,077	1,123	6,189	6,298	68,521	200,083
March	5,356	11,642	12,077	33,682	69,324	21,349	150	5,922	9,777	16,318	185,598
April	5,662	21,100	13,179	34,288	16,083	40,825	---	17,136	6,708	9,757	164,740

(a) As a result of changes to Statistical Division boundaries, data for the periods prior to July 1995 are not directly comparable to data for the periods from July 1995 onward. The Statistical Divisions of Loddon (formerly Loddon-Campaspe), Goulburn, Ovens-Murray, and East Gippsland were significantly affected by the changes, but for the remaining Statistical Divisions the changes were relatively minor.

TABLE 11. NEW DWELLING UNITS (a) APPROVED, BY TYPE AND STATISTICAL DIVISION (b)  
APRIL 1996

Statistical Division	New other residential building								Total new residential building	
	New houses	Semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, etc. of			Flats, units or apartments in a building of			Total		
		1 storey	2 or more storeys	Total	1-2 storeys	3 storeys	4 or more storeys			
NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS										
Melbourne	943	170	107	277	48	42	—	90	367	1,310
Barwon	92	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	92
Western District	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21
Central Highlands	32	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	5	37
Wimmera	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
Mallee	17	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	19
Loddon	74	6	—	6	—	—	—	—	6	80
Goulburn	71	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	4	75
Ovens-Murray	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34
East Gippsland	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15
Gippsland	62	15	—	15	—	—	—	—	15	77
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>1,388</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>1,787</b>
VALUE (\$'000)										
Melbourne	102,223	11,414	7,148	18,562	5,606	2,901	—	8,507	27,069	129,291
Barwon	9,381	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9,381
Western District	2,402	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,402
Central Highlands	3,099	305	—	305	—	—	—	—	305	3,404
Wimmera	543	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	543
Mallee	1,645	120	—	120	—	—	—	—	120	1,765
Loddon	7,107	402	—	402	—	—	—	—	402	7,509
Goulburn	6,996	240	—	240	—	—	—	—	240	7,236
Ovens-Murray	3,494	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,494
East Gippsland	1,959	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,959
Gippsland	5,584	899	—	899	—	—	—	—	899	6,483
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>146,263</b>	<b>13,381</b>	<b>7,148</b>	<b>20,528</b>	<b>5,606</b>	<b>2,901</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>8,507</b>	<b>29,035</b>	<b>175,299</b>

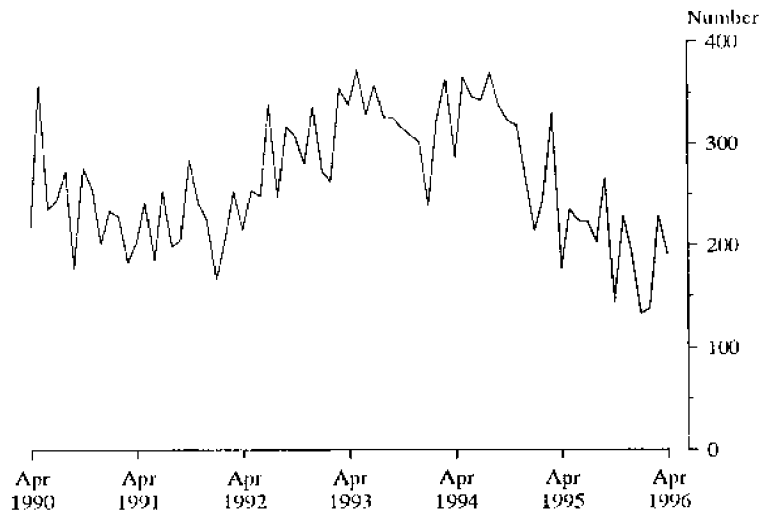
(a) Excludes Conversions, etc. (b) For details of changes to Statistical Divisions, please refer to paragraphs 28-30 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 12. NUMBER OF DUAL OCCUPANCY (a) DWELLING UNITS APPROVED BY STATISTICAL DIVISIONS (SD) AND SELECTED SUBDIVISIONS (SSD)

Statistical division / subdivision (b)	1993-94	1994-95	July - Apr. 1995-96	Apr. 1996
Melbourne (SD)	3,021	2,672	1,635	159
Greater Geelong City Part A (SSD)	193	108	53	1
Barwon (SD)	275	164	63	2
Western District (SD)	43	56	24	2
Ballarat City (SSD) (c)	n.a.	45	22	—
Central Highlands (SD)	43	58	31	3
Wimmera (SD)	17	20	4	—
Mildura Rural City Part A (SSD)	48	27	11	2
Mallee (SD)	75	49	17	4
Greater Bendigo City Part A (SSD)	100	54	40	5
Loddon (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	54	7
Greater Shepparton City Part A (SSD)	27	20	7	—
Goulburn (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	41	7
Wodonga (SSD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	12	—
Ovens-Murray (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	26	—
East Gippsland (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	10	2
Latrobe Valley (SSD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	27	3
Gippsland (SD)	86	76	45	4
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>3,858</b>	<b>3,382</b>	<b>1,950</b>	<b>190</b>

(a) Refer to paragraph 10 of the explanatory notes. (b) As a result of changes to Statistical Division and Statistical Subdivision boundaries, data for periods prior to July 1995 are not directly comparable to data for periods from July 1995 onward. (c) Data for periods marked "n.a." are not available because boundaries have been significantly altered.

**DUAL OCCUPANCY DWELLING UNITS APPROVED,  
VICTORIA**



**DUAL OCCUPANCY DWELLING UNITS APPROVED,  
EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DWELLING UNITS,  
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION**

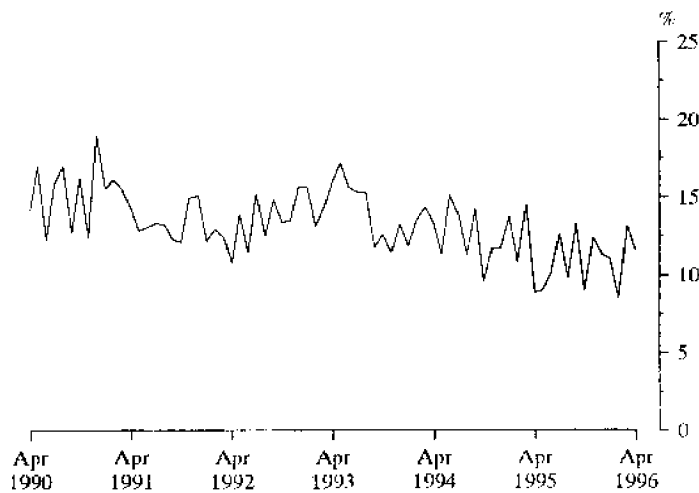


TABLE 13. NUMBER OF DUAL OCCUPANCY (a) DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

<i>Statistical local area (b) (c)</i>	<i>1993-94</i>	<i>1994-95</i>	<i>July - Apr. 1995-96</i>	<i>Apr. 1996</i>
<b>Banyule (C)</b>				
Heidelberg	n.a.	n.a.	25	4
North	n.a.	n.a.	20	4
Total	n.a.	n.a.	45	8
<b>Bayside (C)</b>				
Brighton	62	87	45	5
South	n.a.	n.a.	52	8
Total	n.a.	n.a.	97	13
<b>Boroondara (C)</b>				
Camberwell North	n.a.	n.a.	33	4
Camberwell South	n.a.	n.a.	33	4
Hawthorn	24	23	8	2
Kew	36	35	24	4
Total	211	174	98	14
<b>Brimbank (C)</b>				
Keilor	n.a.	n.a.	50	1
Sunshine	n.a.	n.a.	20	2
Total	n.a.	n.a.	70	3
<b>Cardinia (S)</b>				
Pakenham	n.a.	n.a.	13	—
South	n.a.	n.a.	1	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	14	—
<b>Casey (C)</b>				
Berwick	n.a.	n.a.	35	—
South	n.a.	n.a.	14	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	49	—
<b>Darebin (C)</b>				
Northcote	n.a.	n.a.	13	—
Preston	n.a.	n.a.	34	2
Total	n.a.	n.a.	47	2
<b>Frankston (C)</b>				
East	n.a.	n.a.	7	1
West	n.a.	n.a.	18	2
Total	n.a.	n.a.	25	3
<b>Glen Eira (C)</b>				
Caulfield	86	106	65	8
South	n.a.	n.a.	85	6
Total	n.a.	n.a.	150	14
<b>Greater Dandenong (C)</b>				
Dandenong	34	25	8	—
Balance	n.a.	n.a.	24	2
Total	n.a.	n.a.	32	2
<b>Hobsons Bay (C)</b>				
Altona	n.a.	n.a.	37	—
Williamstown	n.a.	n.a.	31	4
Total	n.a.	n.a.	68	4
<b>Hume (C)</b>				
Broadmeadows	n.a.	n.a.	20	4
Craigieburn	n.a.	n.a.	6	—
Sunbury	n.a.	n.a.	1	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	27	4
<b>Kingston (C)</b>				
North	n.a.	n.a.	52	5
South	n.a.	n.a.	31	8
Total	n.a.	n.a.	83	13
<b>Knox (C)</b>				
Manningham (C)	n.a.	n.a.	34	7
Maribyrnong (C)	n.a.	n.a.	58	3
Maroondah (C)	n.a.	n.a.	32	2
<b>Maroondah (C)</b>				
Croydon	n.a.	n.a.	35	—
Ringwood	n.a.	n.a.	18	3
Total	n.a.	n.a.	53	3
<b>Melbourne (C)</b>				
Inner	—	—	—	—
Remainder	n.a.	8	—	—
Total	n.a.	8	—	—
<b>Melton (S)</b>				
East	n.a.	n.a.	1	1
Balance	n.a.	n.a.	3	1
Total	n.a.	n.a.	4	2
<b>Monash (C)</b>				
South-West	n.a.	n.a.	46	5
Waverley East	n.a.	n.a.	39	3
Waverley West	n.a.	n.a.	105	7
Total	n.a.	n.a.	190	15

TABLE 13. NUMBER OF DUAL OCCUPANCY (a) DWELLING UNITS APPROVED—continued

Statistical local area (b) (c)	1993-94	1994-95	July - Apr. 1995-96	Apr. 1996
<b>Moonee Valley (C)</b>				
Essendon	64	55	42	3
West	n.a.	n.a.	42	2
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	84	5
<b>Moreland (C)</b>				
Brunswick	27	6	8	1
Coburg	n.a.	n.a.	6	1
North	n.a.	n.a.	6	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	20	2
<b>Mornington Peninsula (S)</b>				
East	n.a.	n.a.	12	1
South	10	14	13	—
West	n.a.	n.a.	17	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	42	1
<b>Nillumbik (S)</b>				
South-West	n.a.	n.a.	1	—
Balance	n.a.	n.a.	7	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	8	—
<b>Port Phillip (C)</b>				
St Kilda	n.a.	n.a.	10	—
West	n.a.	10	9	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	19	—
<b>Stonnington (C)</b>				
Prahran	n.a.	n.a.	25	3
Malvern	28	59	30	4
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	55	7
<b>Whitehorse (C)</b>				
Box Hill	96	69	35	10
Nunawading East	n.a.	n.a.	20	8
Nunawading West	n.a.	n.a.	39	8
<i>Total</i>	213	190	94	26
<b>Whittlesea (C)</b>	n.a.	n.a.	61	3
<b>Wyndham (C)</b>	n.a.	n.a.	18	1
<b>Yarra (C)</b>				
North	n.a.	n.a.	5	1
Richmond	22	29	25	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	30	1
<b>Yarra Ranges (S) (d)</b>				
Central	1	2	3	—
North	n.a.	n.a.	2	—
South-West	n.a.	n.a.	23	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	28	1
<b>Melbourne Statistical Division</b>	<b>3,021</b>	<b>2,672</b>	<b>1,635</b>	<b>159</b>
<b>Rest of Victoria</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Total Victoria</b>	<b>3,858</b>	<b>3,382</b>	<b>1,950</b>	<b>190</b>

(a) Refer to paragraph 10 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) As a result of changes to Statistical Division and Statistical Subdivision boundaries, data for periods prior to July 1995 are not directly comparable to data for periods from July 1995 onward. (c) Data for periods marked "n.a." are not available because boundaries have been significantly altered. (d) The Shire of Yarra Ranges comprises four Statistical Local Areas (SLA). Approvals data for the three SLAs included in the Melbourne Statistical Division are shown in Table 13. The other SLA is included in the Gippsland Statistical Division.



## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

1. This publication contains monthly details of building work approved.
2. For purposes of comparison, it should be noted that statistics of building approvals are affected from month to month by large projects (e.g. blocks of flats, multi-storey office buildings) approved in particular months and also by the administrative arrangements of government authorities.

### SCOPE AND COVERAGE

3. Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:
  - (a) permits issued by local authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities; and
  - (b) contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities.
  - (c) major building activity which takes place in areas not subject to the normal administrative approval processes (e.g. buildings on remote mine sites).
  - (d) permits issued by licensed private building surveyors.

The last category reflects implementation of the 1993 Building Act by the Victorian Government from 1 July 1994.

4. The statistics relate to building activity which includes construction of new buildings, and alterations and additions to existing buildings. Construction activity not defined as building (e.g. construction of roads, bridges, railways, earthworks etc.) is excluded from this publication, but can be found in the ABS publication *Engineering Construction Survey* (8762.0).
5. In relation to work carried out on existing buildings, the statistics include details of non-structural renovation and refurbishment work and the installation of integral building fixtures for which building approval was obtained.
6. From July 1990, the statistics cover:
  - (a) all approved new residential building jobs valued at \$10,000 or more (previously \$5,000 or more)
  - (b) approved alterations and additions to residential buildings valued at \$10,000 or more
  - (c) all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more (previously \$30,000 or more).

These changes in coverage do not have a statistically significant effect on broad building approvals aggregate data. However, care should be taken in interpreting data for specific classes of non-residential building.

### DEFINITIONS

7. A *building* is defined as a rigid, fixed and permanent structure which has a roof. Its intended purpose is primarily to house people, plant, machinery, vehicles, goods or livestock. An integral feature of a building's design, to satisfy its intended use, is the provision for regular access by persons.
8. A *dwelling unit* is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long term residential use. Units (whether self-contained or not) within buildings offering institutional care such as hospitals or temporary accommodation, such as motels, hostels and holiday apartments are not defined as dwelling units. The value of units of this type is included in the appropriate category of non-residential buildings' approved.
9. A *residential building* is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either houses or other residential buildings.
  - (a) A *house* is defined as a detached building predominantly used for long term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit. Thus detached granny flats and detached dwelling units such as caretaker's residences associated with non-residential buildings are defined as houses for the purpose of these statistics.
  - (b) An *other residential building* is defined as a building which is predominantly used for long term residential purposes and which contains (or has attached to it) more than one dwelling unit (e.g. includes townhouses, duplexes, apartment buildings etc.).

10. Details of dual occupancy dwelling units approved are included in Tables 12 and 13 of this publication. The dual occupancy concept applies in each case where two dwelling units occupy a single residential allotment and new dwelling units are created as follows:

- (a) when two new dwelling units are to be erected on one allotment both units are counted.
- (b) when one new dwelling unit is to be erected on an allotment already occupied by an existing dwelling unit, the new unit is counted.
- (c) when an existing dwelling unit is to be altered or added to, to create two dwelling units, one new unit is counted.
- (d) when a non-residential building is to be altered and/or added to, to create two dwelling units, both units are counted.

11. From the January 1995 issue of this publication, the number of dwelling units approved as part of alterations and additions to or conversions of existing residential or non-residential buildings and as part of the construction of non-residential building is shown separately in Table 1 under the heading of 'Conversions, etc.', and is included in the total number of dwelling units shown in the table. Previously, such dwellings were only included as a footnote.

12. In addition, from the January 1995 issue, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for the number of dwelling units approved, shown in Table 3, include these conversions, etc.. Previously, only dwelling units approved as part of the construction of new residential buildings were included in these estimates.

13. The value of new residential building approved continues to exclude the value of dwelling units approved as part of alterations and additions to or conversions of existing residential or non-residential buildings and as part of the construction of non-residential building. Approved building work represented by these conversions, etc. jobs continues to be included in the value of alterations and additions to residential buildings or in the value of non-residential building as appropriate.

14. Value data are derived by aggregation of the estimated value (when completed) of building work (excluding value of land and landscaping but including site preparation) *as reported on approval documents*. For 'houses', these estimates are usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of the building. However, for 'other residential buildings' and 'non-residential buildings' these estimates can differ significantly from the completed value of the building.

#### BUILDING CLASSIFICATION

15. Ownership of a building is classified as either Public Sector or Private Sector according to the sector of the intended owner of the completed building as evident at the time of approval. Residential buildings being constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes whereby the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the buildings on or before completion, are classified as public sector.

16. Functional classification of buildings: a building is classified according to its intended major function. Hence a building which is ancillary to other buildings or forms a part of a group of related buildings is classified to the function of the building and not to the function of the group as a whole. An example of this can be seen in the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. In this case a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Shops, while factory buildings would be classified to Factories. An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings *e.g.* a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Educational.

#### SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

17. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series may be more clearly recognised.

18. Table 3 shows seasonally adjusted estimates for both private and total dwellings. For the four series shown, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the month) and the effect of movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months.

19. Seasonal adjustment procedures do not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month, such as the effect of the approval of large projects or as a consequence of the administrative arrangements of approving authorities. These irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

20. Most of the component series have been seasonally adjusted independently. Therefore, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals. Further, the difference between independently seasonally adjusted series does not necessarily produce series which are optimum or even adequate adjustments of the similarly derived original series. Thus the figures which can be derived by subtracting seasonally adjusted private sector dwelling units from the seasonally adjusted total should not be used to represent seasonally adjusted public sector dwelling units.

21. As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. For Building Approvals, the results of the latest review are shown in the July issue each year. Further information about seasonal adjustment can be obtained from the Assistant Director of Time Series Analysis, Canberra, on (06) 252 6345.

#### TREND ESTIMATES

22. Seasonally adjusted series can be smoothed to reduce the impact of the irregular component in the adjusted series. This smoothed seasonally adjusted series is called a trend estimate.

23. Table 3 shows trend estimates for both private and total dwellings. These are obtained by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all months of the respective seasonally adjusted series except the last six months. Trend series are created for the last six months by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted time series. For further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series - Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview* (1348.0).

24. While the smoothing technique described in paragraphs 22 and 23 enables trend estimates to be produced for the latest few months, it does result in revisions to the trend estimates as new data become available. Generally, revisions become smaller over time and, after three months, usually have a negligible impact on the series. Revisions to the original data and re-analysis of seasonal factors may also lead to revisions to the trend.

#### ESTIMATES AT CONSTANT PRICES

25. Estimates of the quarterly value of building approvals at average 1989-90 prices are presented in Table 4. (Note: monthly value data at constant prices are not available.)

26. Constant price estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated. The deflators used to revalue the current price estimates are derived from the same price data underlying the deflators compiled for the dwelling and non-dwelling construction components of the national accounts aggregate 'Gross fixed capital expenditure'.

27. Estimates at constant prices are subject to a number of approximations and assumptions. Further information on the nature and concepts of constant price estimates is contained in Chapter 4 of *Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5216.0).

#### AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)

28. Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification, Edition 2.5* (1216.0) and ASGC terminology has been adopted in the presentation of building statistics.

29. Edition 2.5 of the ASGC includes major changes to Victorian Statistical Local Areas (SLAs). Some changes to Statistical Division (SD) and Statistical Sub-division (SSD) boundaries have also been necessary. These changes are the last required to incorporate the recent local Government boundary re-structures. Complete details of the changes are available in the ABS Information Paper *Victorian Local Government Amalgamations 1994-95: Changes to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification* (1257.0).

30. Tables 8, 9 and 13 show approvals statistics according to the new SLA structure for July 1995. Tables 10, 11, 12 and 13 include data for previous periods relating to those geographic areas for which no boundary changes have been made and for SDs to which only minor boundary changes have been made. (Historical data for SDs subject to significant boundary changes can, in some instances, be provided as a special data service. Charges apply for these services.)

#### UNPUBLISHED DATA AND RELATED PUBLICATIONS

31. The ABS can also make available certain building approvals data which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required information by telephone, data can be provided in the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, computer printout and clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished information in these forms.

32. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

*Building Approvals, Australia* (8731.0) – issued monthly  
*Dwelling Unit Commencements Reported by Approving Authorities, Victoria* (8741.2) – issued monthly  
*Building Activity, Australia: Dwelling Unit Commencements, Preliminary* (8750.0) – issued quarterly  
*Building Activity, Victoria* (8752.2) – issued quarterly

33. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Release Advice are available from any ABS office.

ELECTRONIC SERVICES

34. A large range of data is available via on-line services, diskette, magnetic tape, tape cartridge and CD ROM. For more details about our electronic data services, contact any ABS Office. Selected ABS statistics are available on floppy disk. Further information is available on (06) 252 6684.

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