

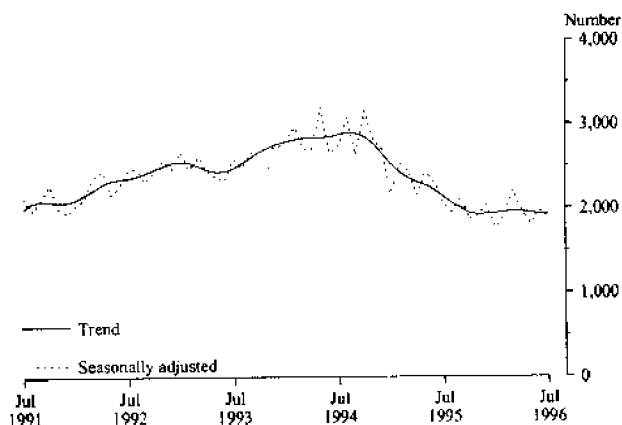
**BUILDING APPROVALS, VICTORIA, JULY 1996**

**MAIN FEATURES**

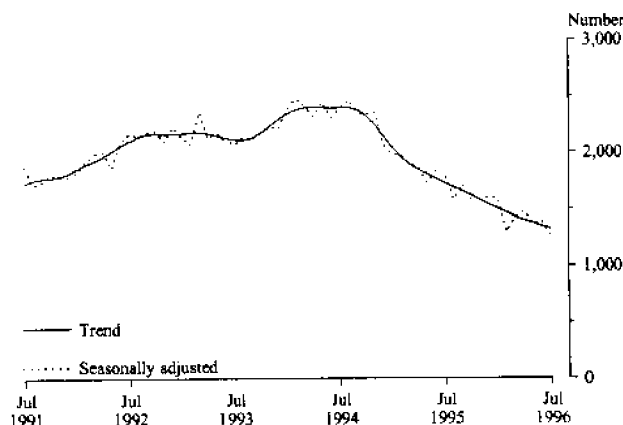
**NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED**

	July 1995	June 1996	July 1996	July 1995 to July 1996 change	June 1996 to July 1996 change
Original series	2,050	1,877	2,095	2.2%	11.6%
Seasonally adjusted	2,054	1,983	1,897	-7.6%	-4.3%
Trend estimate	2,139	1,938	1,930	-9.8%	-0.4%

**TOTAL DWELLING UNITS APPROVED**



**PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED**



**Residential building**

- The July trend estimate of total dwelling units approved in Victoria was down by 0.4% from the previous month. This is the fourth consecutive monthly decline.
- For private sector house approvals, the trend estimate recorded in July was 1.5% lower than in June and has been falling since August 1994.
- In original terms there were 2,095 dwelling units approved in July. Of this total 1,450 were new houses and 623 were new other residential dwellings.
- The trend estimate of the value of new residential building approved has increased steadily since February 1996, rising by 6.2% in that time.

**Non-residential building**

- The value of non-residential projects approved in July was \$133.9 million. This is the lowest value recorded since July 1995. Of the total, \$27.2 million was from factory approvals, \$25.9 million from shops and \$18.5 million from offices. There was only one project in the \$5 million and over category.

**Constant price data**

- In average 1989-90 prices the value of building approved in the June quarter was \$1,385.3 million, an increase of 6.6% from the previous quarter, but down 5.3% from the June quarter 1995.

**NOTE:** This publication introduces the new geographic structure for Statistical Local Areas, Statistical Subdivisions and Statistical Divisions effective from 1 July 1996.

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## RELIABILITY OF CONTEMPORARY TREND ESTIMATES

The tables below present trend estimates of selected building approvals series for the six months February 1996 to July 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 which would result if the movements in the seasonally adjusted estimates for next month (August 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 sector houses approved (the first table) were to increase by 5% in August 1996, the trend estimate for that month would be 1,318, a movement of -0.8%. The monthly movements in the trend estimates for May, June and July 1996 which are currently estimated to be -1.9%, -1.9% and -1.5% respectively, would be revised to -1.8%, -1.6% and -1.6%. On the other hand, a 5% seasonally adjusted decline in the number of private sector houses approved in August 1996 would produce a trend estimate for that month of 1,264, a movement of -2.2%, with the movements in the trend estimates for May, June and July 1996, being revised to -2.3%, -2.6% and -2.9% respectively.

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

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if August 1996 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 5% on July 1996		is down 5% on July 1996	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1996—						
February	1,462	-2.5	1,461	-2.6	1,464	-2.4
March	1,428	-2.3	1,426	-2.4	1,431	-2.3
April	1,398	-2.1	1,398	-2.0	1,400	-2.1
May	1,372	-1.9	1,373	-1.8	1,367	-2.3
June	1,345	-1.9	1,351	-1.6	1,332	-2.6
July	1,325	-1.5	1,329	-1.6	1,293	-2.9
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,318	-0.8	1,264	-2.2

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

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if August 1996 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 7% on July 1996		is down 7% on July 1996	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1996—						
February	1,963	0.7	1,961	0.6	1,966	0.9
March	1,973	0.5	1,969	0.4	1,978	0.6
April	1,969	-0.2	1,968	-0.1	1,972	-0.3
May	1,956	-0.7	1,960	-0.4	1,948	-1.3
June	1,938	-0.9	1,953	-0.4	1,913	-1.8
July	1,930	-0.4	1,953	0.0	1,877	-1.9
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,945	-0.4	1,831	-2.5

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>										
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
1995-96	12,551	345	12,896	2,984	723	3,707	616	16,133	1,086	17,219
1995—										
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
May	1,007	33	1,040	398	11	409	4	1,409	44	1,453
June	874	8	882	439	11	450	12	1,325	19	1,344
July	938	22	960	488	106	594	19	1,444	129	1,573
<b>VICTORIA</b>										
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
1995-96	18,286	464	18,750	3,216	937	4,153	662	22,135	1,430	23,565
1995—										
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
May	1,491	53	1,544	446	42	488	11	1,948	95	2,043
June	1,345	22	1,367	477	19	496	14	1,836	41	1,877
July	1,416	34	1,450	514	109	623	22	1,951	144	2,095

(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)														
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
1995-96	1,303.0	32.6	1,335.6	308.4	53.9	362.4	1,611.5	86.5	1,698.0	466.3	1,351.9	1,933.6	3,408.3	4,097.9
1995—														
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
May	115.2	2.6	117.8	31.3	0.7	32.1	146.5	3.3	149.9	39.1	153.8	221.0	337.1	410.0
June	98.3	0.6	98.9	34.8	0.5	35.3	133.2	1.1	134.2	34.8	76.0	102.9	242.4	271.9
July	101.9	1.6	103.5	61.5	6.8	68.3	163.4	8.4	171.8	41.1	86.1	103.8	288.5	316.6
VICTORIA														
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
1995-96	1,832.4	42.2	1,874.6	325.8	66.4	392.3	2,158.2	108.7	2,266.9	589.2	1,721.0	2,451.5	4,434.2	5,307.7
1995—														
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
May	160.5	4.2	164.8	35.3	2.3	37.7	195.9	6.6	202.4	53.1	184.3	259.1	427.7	514.5
June	141.4	1.3	142.8	37.6	0.9	38.4	179.0	2.2	181.2	44.0	118.0	171.5	339.1	396.7
July	146.8	2.7	149.6	63.1	7.0	70.0	209.9	9.7	219.6	51.3	108.1	133.9	366.5	404.9

(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)(b)

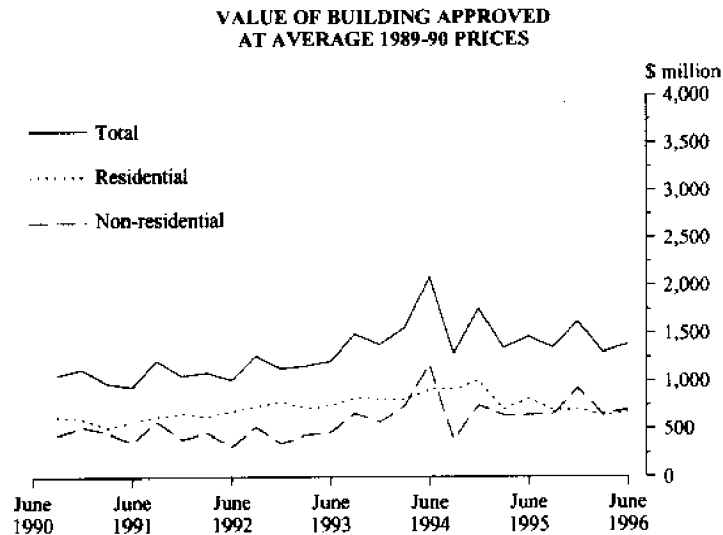
Period	Number of dwelling units (c)				Value (\$m)	
	Houses		Total		New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total		
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED						
1995—						
May	1,728	1,792	2,294	2,429	259.7	55.1
June	1,840	1,923	2,103	2,301	209.6	51.0
July	1,792	1,858	1,854	2,054	190.9	45.8
August	1,578	1,726	1,727	1,962	185.6	45.3
September	1,712	1,702	2,141	2,130	218.4	47.7
October	1,567	1,593	1,739	1,881	185.8	45.7
November	1,574	1,655	1,710	1,924	189.0	47.6
December	1,606	1,623	1,880	2,040	202.3	47.3
1996—						
January	1,580	1,573	1,722	1,768	157.3	49.1
February	1,293	1,304	1,870	1,924	194.5	50.0
March	1,423	1,408	2,153	2,212	190.2	61.8
April	1,478	1,509	1,819	1,970	186.2	55.7
May	1,354	1,433	1,719	1,813	181.5	46.9
June	1,392	1,413	1,917	1,983	194.5	48.8
July	1,256	1,313	1,752	1,897	198.4	51.3
TREND ESTIMATES						
1995—						
May	1,805	1,871	2,137	2,275	213.0	53.9
June	1,768	1,845	2,062	2,213	211.7	51.0
July	1,726	1,804	1,979	2,139	208.5	48.1
August	1,688	1,760	1,904	2,066	202.1	46.4
September	1,655	1,715	1,844	2,002	196.2	45.9
October	1,618	1,665	1,808	1,951	191.7	46.0
November	1,579	1,609	1,804	1,930	189.2	46.9
December	1,538	1,556	1,822	1,935	187.4	48.9
1996—						
January	1,500	1,511	1,848	1,949	184.9	50.9
February	1,462	1,473	1,872	1,963	183.9	52.5
March	1,428	1,444	1,888	1,973	185.0	53.2
April	1,398	1,423	1,882	1,969	187.0	53.1
May	1,372	1,407	1,859	1,956	189.3	52.3
June	1,345	1,391	1,832	1,938	191.6	51.3
July	1,325	1,379	1,811	1,930	195.3	50.3

(a) See paragraphs 17-24 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Series have been revised due to annual re-analysis of seasonal adjustment factors. (c) 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							
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
1995-96	1,681.6	1,720.2	464.3	2,184.5	540.6	2,064.1	2,939.9	4,720.1	5,665.0
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	463.6	652.4	1,147.5	1,353.6
Dec. qtr.	429.8	442.7	124.7	567.5	135.1	674.4	923.6	1,348.4	1,626.2
1996—									
Mar. qtr.	364.6	368.5	133.4	501.9	141.0	439.3	656.9	1,072.4	1,299.8
June qtr.	407.0	415.6	123.2	538.8	139.6	486.8	707.0	1,151.8	1,385.3

(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	1995-96	1996			
				April	May	June	July
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>							
New houses	2,465.2	2,383.4	1,832.4	142.5	160.5	141.4	146.8
New other residential buildings	252.8	388.8	325.8	19.2	35.3	37.6	63.1
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>2,718.0</i>	<i>2,772.2</i>	<i>2,158.2</i>	<i>161.7</i>	<i>195.9</i>	<i>179.0</i>	<i>209.9</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	614.4	670.6	555.0	52.4	47.6	42.1	48.5
Hotels, etc.	187.1	47.0	135.2	5.7	5.9	1.1	5.0
Shops	483.6	351.0	365.0	20.7	68.4	21.9	25.1
Factories	161.2	206.8	227.6	13.0	17.1	32.2	27.2
Offices	178.1	238.1	301.0	26.2	23.4	21.0	16.5
Other business premises	225.1	165.0	264.8	16.1	25.6	14.7	15.7
Educational	88.1	77.4	80.6	6.3	8.3	9.4	7.1
Religious	13.9	15.4	7.5	—	1.8	0.1	0.6
Health	119.8	49.2	68.6	7.7	12.8	8.6	2.6
Entertainment and recreational	308.7	81.9	136.2	5.0	14.5	4.9	5.5
Miscellaneous	87.9	42.9	134.5	6.9	6.4	4.1	2.8
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>1,853.6</i>	<i>1,274.7</i>	<i>1,721.0</i>	<i>107.6</i>	<i>184.3</i>	<i>118.0</i>	<i>108.1</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,186.0</b>	<b>4,717.5</b>	<b>4,434.2</b>	<b>321.7</b>	<b>427.7</b>	<b>339.1</b>	<b>366.5</b>
<b>PUBLIC SECTOR</b>							
New houses	58.8	41.9	42.2	3.7	4.2	1.3	2.7
New other residential buildings	40.9	59.9	66.4	9.9	2.3	0.9	7.0
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>99.7</i>	<i>101.8</i>	<i>108.7</i>	<i>13.6</i>	<i>6.6</i>	<i>2.2</i>	<i>9.7</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	9.1	14.4	34.3	3.0	5.5	1.8	2.9
Hotels, etc.	1.3	1.1	1.2	—	0.1	—	0.2
Shops	3.4	7.7	25.5	0.4	0.1	—	0.8
Factories	45.0	12.4	3.0	0.2	0.1	—	—
Offices	56.2	123.1	118.0	8.1	9.0	17.1	2.0
Other business premises	141.7	53.3	75.7	—	7.4	0.7	0.5
Educational	119.6	226.3	284.2	34.5	44.0	13.2	6.1
Religious	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health	182.9	71.8	68.0	9.4	2.4	13.6	10.9
Entertainment and recreational	69.5	148.6	115.1	1.7	4.6	4.2	0.9
Miscellaneous	29.5	56.2	39.9	2.8	7.1	4.8	4.4
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>649.1</i>	<i>700.5</i>	<i>730.5</i>	<i>57.2</i>	<i>74.7</i>	<i>53.6</i>	<i>25.8</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>757.9</b>	<b>816.7</b>	<b>873.4</b>	<b>73.7</b>	<b>86.8</b>	<b>57.6</b>	<b>38.4</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>							
New houses	2,524.0	2,425.3	1,874.6	146.3	164.8	142.8	149.6
New other residential buildings	293.7	448.7	392.3	29.0	37.7	38.4	70.0
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>2,817.7</i>	<i>2,874.0</i>	<i>2,266.9</i>	<i>175.3</i>	<i>202.4</i>	<i>181.2</i>	<i>219.6</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	623.5	685.1	589.2	55.3	53.1	44.0	51.3
Hotels, etc.	188.4	48.1	136.4	5.7	6.0	1.1	5.2
Shops	487.1	358.8	390.4	21.1	68.5	21.9	25.9
Factories	206.2	219.2	230.6	13.2	17.2	32.2	27.2
Offices	234.3	361.2	419.0	34.3	32.4	38.1	18.5
Other business premises	366.8	218.3	340.5	16.1	33.0	15.4	16.2
Educational	207.7	303.7	364.8	40.8	52.4	22.6	13.3
Religious	13.9	15.4	7.5	—	1.8	0.1	0.6
Health	302.7	121.0	136.6	17.1	15.1	22.2	13.5
Entertainment and recreational	378.2	230.4	251.3	6.7	19.2	9.0	6.4
Miscellaneous	117.4	99.0	174.4	9.8	13.5	8.9	7.2
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>2,502.7</i>	<i>1,975.2</i>	<i>2,451.5</i>	<i>164.7</i>	<i>259.1</i>	<i>171.5</i>	<i>133.9</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,943.9</b>	<b>5,534.3</b>	<b>5,307.7</b>	<b>395.4</b>	<b>514.5</b>	<b>396.7</b>	<b>404.9</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 May	2	0.2	1	0.2	2	1.5	2	4.2	—	—	7	6.0
June	4	0.3	3	0.8	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	1.1
July	6	0.7	2	0.5	—	—	1	4.1	—	—	9	5.2
<b>SHOPS</b>												
1996 May	81	7.0	12	3.6	7	4.5	5	12.0	3	41.3	108	68.5
June	43	4.1	16	4.8	5	3.5	5	9.5	—	—	69	21.9
July	54	4.8	13	3.2	10	6.8	7	11.2	—	—	84	25.9
<b>FACTORIES</b>												
1996 May	42	4.3	16	4.6	6	3.7	2	4.6	—	—	66	17.2
June	28	3.2	16	4.4	3	1.8	2	2.8	1	20.0	50	32.2
July	27	2.7	24	7.3	5	3.3	4	8.4	1	5.5	61	27.2
<b>OFFICES</b>												
1996 May	49	4.9	18	5.5	6	3.7	3	5.5	2	12.9	78	32.4
June	37	3.9	20	6.1	10	6.4	3	5.5	2	16.1	72	38.1
July	42	4.0	12	3.8	4	3.3	5	7.5	—	—	63	18.5
<b>OTHER BUSINESS PREMISES</b>												
1996 May	29	2.4	8	2.8	7	5.5	3	8.1	2	14.3	49	33.0
June	32	3.3	9	2.8	2	1.1	4	8.2	—	—	47	15.4
July	24	2.9	11	3.3	4	2.4	4	7.6	—	—	43	16.2
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>												
1996 May	15	1.5	16	4.2	3	1.9	6	16.7	2	28.0	42	52.4
June	20	2.1	6	2.0	3	2.1	8	16.4	—	—	37	22.6
July	6	0.6	8	2.4	4	2.6	5	7.6	—	—	23	13.3
<b>RELIGIOUS</b>												
1996 May	5	0.4	—	—	—	—	1	1.4	—	—	6	1.8
June	1	0.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0.1
July	3	0.4	1	0.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	0.6
<b>HEALTH</b>												
1996 May	5	0.5	4	1.7	2	1.1	3	6.7	1	5.1	15	15.1
June	2	0.3	4	1.2	3	2.3	4	11.6	1	6.9	14	22.2
July	13	1.3	3	0.9	2	1.9	5	9.4	—	—	23	13.5
<b>ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL</b>												
1996 May	14	1.2	10	3.2	1	1.0	4	8.6	1	5.1	30	19.2
June	10	1.1	7	2.0	4	2.2	2	3.8	—	—	23	9.0
July	10	0.9	6	1.9	—	—	2	3.6	—	—	18	6.4
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>												
1996 May	13	1.3	9	2.4	4	2.8	3	7.1	—	—	29	13.5
June	14	1.2	13	4.2	3	2.5	1	1.0	—	—	31	8.9
July	20	1.8	8	2.3	2	1.5	1	1.5	—	—	31	7.2
<b>TOTAL NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING</b>												
1996 May	255	23.7	94	28.2	38	25.6	32	74.9	11	106.7	430	259.1
June	191	19.6	94	28.2	33	21.9	29	58.8	4	43.0	351	171.5
July	205	19.9	88	25.8	31	21.9	34	60.8	1	5.5	359	133.9



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

Particulars	Private sector		Public sector		Total	
	Number	Value (\$'000)	Number	Value (\$'000)	Number	Value (\$'000)
<b>MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION (b)</b>						
Houses —						
Brick, stone or concrete	59	7,417	2	140	61	7,557
Brick-veneer	548	58,927	2	120	550	59,047
Timber	23	2,256	—	—	23	2,256
Fibre cement	15	1,292	—	—	15	1,292
Steel, aluminium or other materials	1	15	—	—	1	15
Not stated	292	31,980	18	1,315	310	33,294
<b>Total houses</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>101,888</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>103,463</b>
<i>Other residential buildings</i>	<i>488</i>	<i>61,491</i>	<i>106</i>	<i>6,811</i>	<i>594</i>	<i>68,302</i>
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>1,426</b>	<b>163,379</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>8,385</b>	<b>1,554</b>	<b>171,765</b>
<b>REST OF VICTORIA (b)</b>						
Houses —						
Brick, stone or concrete	59	6,522	—	—	59	6,522
Brick-veneer	174	17,052	6	504	180	17,556
Timber	31	2,036	—	—	31	2,036
Fibre cement	15	795	—	—	15	795
Steel, aluminium or other materials	4	564	—	—	4	564
Not stated	195	17,967	6	656	201	18,624
<b>Total houses</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>44,936</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1,161</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>46,096</b>
<i>Other residential buildings</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>1,562</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>181</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>1,742</i>
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>46,498</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1,341</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>47,839</b>
<b>TOTAL VICTORIA</b>						
Houses —						
Brick, stone or concrete	118	13,939	2	140	120	14,079
Brick-veneer	722	75,979	8	624	730	76,603
Timber	54	4,293	—	—	54	4,293
Fibre cement	30	2,087	—	—	30	2,087
Steel, aluminium or other materials	5	579	—	—	5	579
Not stated	487	49,947	24	1,971	511	51,918
<b>Total houses</b>	<b>1,416</b>	<b>146,824</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2,735</b>	<b>1,450</b>	<b>149,559</b>
<i>Other residential buildings</i>	<i>514</i>	<i>63,053</i>	<i>109</i>	<i>6,991</i>	<i>623</i>	<i>70,044</i>
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>1,930</b>	<b>209,877</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>9,727</b>	<b>2,073</b>	<b>219,603</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), JULY 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)				
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION										
Banyule (C)										
Heidelberg	5	10	1,308	2	7	533	1,136	—	—	2,976
North	4	—	435	14	—	900	368	—	65	1,768
Total	9	10	1,743	16	7	1,433	1,504	—	65	4,745
Bayside (C)										
Brighton	12	—	2,305	18	—	8,000	1,448	195	195	11,948
South	28	—	3,502	19	—	1,730	1,586	—	—	6,819
Total	40	—	5,808	37	—	9,730	3,034	195	195	18,767
Boroondara (C)										
Camberwell North	12	—	1,986	3	—	300	1,216	1,500	1,940	5,442
Camberwell South	17	—	2,369	—	—	—	1,930	—	—	4,300
Hawthorn	3	—	484	—	—	—	887	50	150	1,521
Kew	2	—	203	—	—	—	656	—	4,536	5,395
Total	34	—	5,042	3	—	300	4,690	1,550	6,626	16,657
Brimbank (C)										
Keilor	70	—	7,273	10	—	600	238	1,030	1,030	9,141
Sunshine	6	4	830	—	18	1,030	220	515	515	2,595
Total	76	4	8,103	10	18	1,630	458	1,545	1,545	11,736
Cardinia (S)										
North	2	—	141	—	—	—	246	218	218	606
Pakenham	9	—	812	—	—	—	74	435	435	1,321
South	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	—	—	32
Total	11	—	954	—	—	—	353	653	653	1,959
Casey (C)										
Berwick	21	—	1,984	—	—	—	277	980	980	3,241
Cranbourne	7	—	497	—	—	—	125	—	—	622
Hallam	4	—	489	—	—	—	87	1,900	1,900	2,476
South	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	—	—	17
Total	32	—	2,969	—	—	—	506	2,880	2,880	6,355
Darebin (C)										
Northcote	8	—	935	3	—	210	759	130	130	2,034
Preston	19	—	1,489	4	10	805	909	3,885	4,097	7,300
Total	27	—	2,424	7	10	1,015	1,667	4,015	4,227	9,333
Frankston (C)										
East	12	—	1,030	6	—	300	138	—	—	1,468
West	13	—	1,119	4	—	280	496	1,697	1,822	3,717
Total	25	—	2,149	10	—	580	634	1,697	1,822	5,185
Glen Eira (C)										
Caulfield	7	—	1,285	5	—	390	1,669	—	470	3,815
South	14	—	1,428	4	—	280	461	300	300	2,469
Total	21	—	2,714	9	—	670	2,130	300	770	6,284
Greater Dandenong (C)										
Dandenong	8	—	603	3	5	379	232	3,441	3,441	4,656
Balance	23	—	1,902	2	—	75	366	12,191	12,191	14,534
Total	31	—	2,504	5	5	454	599	15,633	15,633	19,190
Hobsons Bay (C)										
Altona	30	—	2,489	5	—	730	120	507	1,647	4,985
Williamstown	16	—	1,749	4	—	600	616	460	620	3,585
Total	46	—	4,238	9	—	1,330	736	967	2,267	8,570
Hume (C)										
Broadmeadows	2	—	205	—	9	349	51	1,020	1,140	1,745
Craigieburn	16	—	1,630	3	—	216	50	200	550	2,445
Sunbury	10	—	1,066	—	—	—	91	—	—	1,157
Total	28	—	2,901	3	9	565	192	1,220	1,690	5,348
Kingston (C)										
North	7	—	727	13	—	1,300	829	7,358	7,418	10,275
South	28	—	3,146	5	—	295	146	218	298	3,885
Total	35	—	3,874	18	—	1,595	975	7,576	7,716	14,160

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), JULY 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)				
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION — continued										
Knox (C)										
North	23	—	2,505	4	—	289	724	229	229	3,747
South	21	—	2,606	—	—	—	117	—	1,792	4,515
Total	44	—	5,111	4	—	289	841	229	2,021	8,263
Manningham (C)										
East	5	—	744	—	—	—	143	—	—	887
West	15	—	2,370	—	—	—	404	—	—	2,773
Total	20	—	3,114	—	—	—	547	—	—	3,660
Maribyrnong (C)	5	2	575	—	4	190	83	500	500	1,348
Maroondah (C)										
Croydon	32	—	2,918	2	—	183	452	3,079	3,079	6,632
Ringwood	12	1	1,537	—	3	137	176	2,070	2,730	4,581
Total	44	1	4,455	2	3	320	628	5,149	5,809	11,213
Melbourne (C)										
Inner	—	—	—	—	—	—	430	8,826	8,826	9,256
Remainder	10	—	930	194	—	22,791	764	5,804	9,624	34,110
Total	10	—	930	194	—	22,791	1,194	14,630	18,450	43,366
Melton (S)										
East	9	—	1,013	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,013
Balance	8	—	718	—	—	—	62	2,500	2,500	3,280
Total	17	—	1,731	—	—	—	62	2,500	2,500	4,293
Monash (C)										
South-West	11	2	957	5	—	240	363	1,535	1,535	3,095
Waverley East	11	—	1,619	7	—	423	160	505	505	2,706
Waverley West	21	—	2,492	—	—	—	562	1,460	1,460	4,514
Total	43	2	5,068	12	—	663	1,084	3,500	3,500	10,315
Moonee Valley (C)										
Essendon	9	—	832	2	24	1,470	1,015	880	1,180	4,496
West	8	—	1,528	—	—	—	257	500	500	2,285
Total	17	—	2,360	2	24	1,470	1,271	1,380	1,680	6,781
Moreland (C)										
Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—	196	195	195	391
Coburg	1	—	148	—	—	—	242	60	60	450
North	3	—	284	—	—	—	66	—	—	350
Total	4	—	432	—	—	—	504	255	255	1,191
Mornington Peninsula (S)										
East	23	—	2,864	—	—	—	243	580	740	3,847
South	29	—	2,598	—	—	—	1,016	253	253	3,867
West	35	—	3,351	6	—	350	538	266	266	4,505
Total	87	—	8,814	6	—	350	1,797	1,098	1,258	12,219
Nillumbik (S)										
South	1	—	330	—	—	—	170	—	57	557
South-West	6	1	871	—	—	—	32	—	—	903
Balance	1	—	50	—	—	—	—	—	50	100
Total	8	1	1,251	—	—	—	202	—	107	1,560
Port Phillip (C)										
St Kilda	3	—	315	13	—	1,700	1,039	420	420	3,473
West	2	—	620	—	—	—	875	1,313	1,313	2,807
Total	5	—	935	13	—	1,700	1,913	1,733	1,733	6,280
Stonnington (C)										
Prahan	6	—	979	98	24	19,071	3,021	420	420	23,491
Malvern	6	—	1,034	7	—	556	2,158	2,430	2,430	6,178
Total	12	—	2,013	105	24	19,627	5,179	2,850	2,850	29,669
Whitehorse (C)										
Box Hill	8	—	657	—	—	—	499	110	110	1,266
Nunawading East	5	2	684	2	—	230	411	—	—	1,325
Nunawading West	11	—	1,594	—	2	150	566	—	—	2,310
Total	24	2	2,935	2	2	380	1,476	110	110	4,901

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), JULY 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>										
Whittlesea (C)										
North	7	—	728	—	—	—	617	1,080	1,080	2,425
South	52	—	5,835	—	—	—	378	1,320	2,651	8,863
Total	59	—	6,563	—	—	—	995	2,400	3,731	11,289
Wyndham (C)										
North-East	7	—	706	—	—	—	27	—	—	733
Werribee	67	—	5,876	2	—	80	1,221	3,310	4,380	11,558
Balance	2	—	217	—	—	—	51	3,660	4,310	4,578
Total	76	—	6,800	2	—	80	1,299	6,970	8,690	16,868
Yarra (C)										
North	1	—	70	19	—	1,141	1,764	552	552	3,527
Richmond	1	—	80	—	—	—	2,094	3,283	3,283	5,457
Total	2	—	150	19	—	1,141	3,858	3,835	3,835	8,983
Yarra Ranges (S) — Pt A (d)										
Central	2	—	90	—	—	—	49	—	—	139
North	3	—	205	—	—	—	43	—	—	248
South-West	41	—	4,509	—	—	—	551	700	700	5,759
Total	46	—	4,804	—	—	—	642	700	700	6,146
<b>Melbourne (SD)</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>103,463</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>68,302</b>	<b>41,053</b>	<b>86,070</b>	<b>103,817</b>	<b>316,635</b>
<b>BARWON STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Colac-Otway (S)										
Colac	1	—	120	—	—	—	178	—	—	298
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	192	—	—	192
South	1	—	68	—	—	—	55	60	60	183
Total	2	—	188	—	—	—	425	60	60	673
Golden Plains (S)										
North-West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South-East	4	—	383	—	—	—	16	—	—	399
Total	4	—	383	—	—	—	16	—	—	399
Greater Geelong (C)										
Part A										
Bellarine — Inner	15	—	1,462	—	—	—	43	3,744	4,074	5,578
Corio — Inner	20	—	1,839	—	—	—	266	—	—	2,106
Geelong	—	—	—	11	—	510	115	630	630	1,255
Geelong West	1	—	66	—	—	—	38	450	520	624
Newtown	—	—	—	—	—	—	252	100	100	352
South Barwon — Inner	31	—	3,010	—	—	—	273	—	—	3,282
Part B	18	—	1,614	—	—	—	130	1,380	1,380	3,124
Part C	1	—	60	—	—	—	87	—	—	147
Total	85	—	7,990	11	—	510	1,116	6,304	6,704	16,320
Queenscliffe (B)										
Surf Coast (S)										
East	11	—	956	—	—	—	140	1,076	1,126	2,222
West	12	—	1,261	—	—	—	472	419	419	2,152
Total	23	—	2,218	—	—	—	612	1,495	1,545	4,374
<b>Barwon (SD)</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>10,839</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>2,256</b>	<b>7,859</b>	<b>8,309</b>	<b>21,913</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), JULY 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>WESTERN DISTRICT STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Corangamite (S)										
North	2	—	231	—	—	—	156	73	73	460
South	1	—	114	—	—	—	—	—	—	114
Total	3	—	345	—	—	—	156	73	73	574
Glenelg (S)										
Heywood	1	—	52	—	—	—	62	95	95	209
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	10
Portland	—	1	80	—	—	—	66	544	544	689
Total	1	1	132	—	—	—	138	639	639	908
Moyne (S)										
North-East	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North-West	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	—	—	22
South	1	—	108	—	—	—	157	—	—	265
Total	1	—	108	—	—	—	179	—	—	287
Southern Grampians (S)										
Hamilton	1	—	60	—	—	—	106	—	—	166
Wannon	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	50	80
Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1	—	60	—	—	—	136	—	50	246
Warmambool (C)	9	2	1,251	—	—	—	116	781	781	2,147
Lady Julia Percy Island	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Western District (SD)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1,896</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>1,542</b>	<b>4,161</b>
<b>CENTRAL HIGHLANDS STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Ararat (RC)	1	—	110	—	—	—	144	—	—	254
Ballarat (C)										
Central	7	—	648	5	—	272	294	350	530	1,743
Inner North	8	—	780	—	—	—	—	246	1,216	1,995
North	3	—	261	—	—	—	12	—	—	273
South	9	—	965	—	—	—	45	50	50	1,060
Total	27	—	2,653	5	—	272	351	646	1,796	5,072
Hepburn (S)										
East	10	—	713	—	—	—	135	—	400	1,248
West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	10	—	713	—	—	—	135	—	400	1,248
Moorabool (S)										
Bacchus Marsh	10	—	1,137	—	—	—	182	—	—	1,319
Ballan	2	—	180	—	—	—	10	—	—	190
West	—	—	—	—	—	—	95	—	—	95
Total	12	—	1,317	—	—	—	287	—	—	1,604
Pyrenees (S)										
North	1	—	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	32
South	1	—	38	—	—	—	20	—	—	58
Total	2	—	70	—	—	—	20	—	—	90
<b>Central Highlands (SD)</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4,864</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>2,196</b>	<b>8,268</b>

TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), JULY 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>WIMMERA STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Hindmarsh (S)	2	—	79	—	—	—	45	—	—	124
Horsham (RC)										
Central	1	—	96	2	—	151	88	107	107	442
Balance	5	—	526	—	—	—	—	—	—	526
Total	6	—	623	2	—	151	88	107	107	969
Northern Grampians (S)										
St Arnaud	1	—	53	—	—	—	22	280	280	354
Stawell	1	—	148	2	—	90	60	60	556	853
Total	2	—	200	2	—	90	82	340	836	1,207
West Wimmera (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yarriambiack (S)										
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	—	30
South	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	—	30
<b>Wimmera (SD)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>2,330</b>
<b>MALLEE STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Buloke (S)										
North	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	—	—	35
South	1	—	152	—	—	—	—	404	404	556
Total	1	—	152	—	—	—	35	404	404	591
Gannawarra (S)	1	—	82	—	—	—	50	—	—	132
Mildura (RC)										
Pt A	11	—	1,208	—	—	—	166	92	92	1,466
Pt B	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	—	—	17
Total	11	—	1,208	—	—	—	183	92	92	1,483
Swan Hill (RC)										
Central	1	—	72	—	—	—	129	200	200	401
Robinvale	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	80	80	100
Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	—	—	14
Total	1	—	72	—	—	—	163	280	280	515
<b>Mallee (SD)</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,514</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>2,720</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), JULY 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>LODDON STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Central Goldfields (S)										
Maryborough	—	—	—	—	—	—	109	—	—	109
Balance	1	—	25	—	—	—	115	—	—	140
Total	1	—	25	—	—	—	224	—	—	249
Greater Bendigo (C)										
Part A										
Central	13	—	1,091	—	—	—	147	50	850	2,088
Eaglehawk	8	—	472	—	—	—	38	84	84	594
Inner East	2	3	456	—	—	—	118	156	156	731
Inner North	5	—	356	—	—	—	23	—	—	379
Inner West	10	—	841	—	—	—	123	—	—	964
Strathfieldsaye	3	—	214	—	—	—	30	—	—	244
Part B	9	—	812	—	—	—	30	—	—	842
Total	50	3	4,242	—	—	—	510	290	1,090	5,842
Loddon (S)										
North	1	—	80	—	—	—	—	—	—	80
South	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	—	—	14
Total	1	—	80	—	—	—	14	—	—	94
Macedon Ranges (S)										
Kyneton	5	—	468	—	—	—	65	—	—	533
Romsey	1	—	126	—	—	—	57	—	—	183
Balance	14	—	1,742	—	—	—	142	250	250	2,134
Total	20	—	2,336	—	—	—	265	250	250	2,850
Mount Alexander (S)										
Castlemaine	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Balance	1	—	90	—	—	—	33	—	—	123
Total	1	—	90	—	—	—	33	—	—	123
Loddon-Campaspe (SD)	73	3	6,773	—	—	—	1,046	540	1,340	9,159

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), JULY 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>GOULBURN STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Campaspe (S)										
Echuca	3	—	426	—	—	—	139	—	—	565
Kyabram	3	—	293	—	—	—	25	—	—	319
Rochester	4	—	440	—	—	—	140	200	200	780
South	1	—	50	—	—	—	—	60	60	110
<i>Total</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1,209</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>304</i>	<i>260</i>	<i>260</i>	<i>1,774</i>
Delatite (S)										
Benalla	1	—	400	—	—	—	20	—	—	420
North	1	—	90	—	—	—	—	—	—	90
South	4	—	328	—	—	—	35	255	255	618
<i>Total</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>818</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>255</i>	<i>255</i>	<i>1,128</i>
Greater Shepparton (C)										
Part A	18	5	2,462	—	—	—	189	1,679	1,679	4,329
Part B										
East	4	—	380	—	—	—	20	—	—	400
West	3	—	304	—	—	—	77	50	50	431
<i>Total</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>3,146</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>286</i>	<i>1,729</i>	<i>1,729</i>	<i>5,160</i>
Mitchell (S)										
North	2	—	178	—	—	—	20	340	340	538
South	5	—	610	—	—	—	19	—	—	629
<i>Total</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>788</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>340</i>	<i>340</i>	<i>1,167</i>
Moira (S)										
East	1	—	70	—	—	—	128	—	—	198
West	8	—	796	—	—	—	13	—	—	808
<i>Total</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>865</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>141</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1,006</i>
Murrindindi (S)										
East	5	—	509	—	—	—	75	400	400	984
West	2	—	149	—	—	—	98	—	—	246
<i>Total</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>658</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>173</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>1,231</i>
Strathbogie (S)	6	—	382	—	—	—	—	478	478	860
<b>Goulburn (SD)</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7,866</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>3,462</b>	<b>3,462</b>	<b>12,325</b>
<b>OVENS-MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Alpine (S)										
East	7	—	741	—	—	—	144	—	168	1,053
West	1	—	175	—	—	—	19	1,314	1,314	1,508
<i>Total</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>916</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>163</i>	<i>1,314</i>	<i>1,482</i>	<i>2,561</i>
Indigo (S)										
Part A	4	—	372	—	—	—	19	—	—	391
Part B	1	—	99	—	—	—	50	—	—	148
<i>Total</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>471</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>68</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>539</i>
Wangaratta (RC)										
Central	2	—	179	2	3	440	565	310	310	1,494
North	1	—	117	—	—	—	24	—	—	141
South	2	—	183	—	—	—	12	—	—	195
<i>Total</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>479</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>440</i>	<i>601</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>1,829</i>
Towong (S)										
Part A	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	12
Part B	—	—	—	—	—	—	99	—	2,600	2,699
<i>Total</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>111</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>2,600</i>	<i>2,711</i>
Wodonga (RC)	22	—	2,489	—	—	—	301	220	515	3,305
<b>Ovens-Murray (SD)</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4,355</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>1,244</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>4,907</b>	<b>10,945</b>

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TABLE 8. BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (a), JULY 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>EAST GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
East Gippsland (S)										
Bairnsdale	14	—	1,043	2	—	160	189	495	1,159	2,551
Orbost	3	—	168	—	—	—	38	212	212	418
South-West	6	—	452	—	—	—	—	—	—	452
Balance	1	—	23	—	—	—	15	—	—	38
Total	24	—	1,685	2	—	160	242	707	1,371	3,458
Wellington (S)										
Alberton	—	—	—	—	—	—	240	200	200	440
Avon	3	—	135	—	—	—	101	—	—	236
Maffra	1	—	130	—	—	—	—	60	135	265
Rosedale	5	—	207	—	—	—	187	—	—	393
Sale	9	1	952	—	—	—	11	1,839	1,839	2,802
Total	18	1	1,423	—	—	—	539	2,099	2,174	4,136
<b>East Gippsland (SD)</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3,109</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>2,806</b>	<b>3,545</b>	<b>7,594</b>
<b>GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Bass Coast (S)										
Phillip Island	16	—	1,210	—	—	—	242	140	140	1,591
Balance	4	—	215	—	—	—	56	—	—	271
Total	20	—	1,424	—	—	—	298	140	140	1,862
Baw Baw (S)										
Part A	—	—	—	—	—	—	60	—	—	60
Part B										
East	1	—	82	—	—	—	11	—	—	93
West	7	—	706	—	—	—	513	1,188	1,188	2,407
Total	8	—	788	—	—	—	584	1,188	1,188	2,560
La Trobe (S)										
Moe	—	—	—	—	—	—	100	250	745	845
Morwell	2	—	305	—	—	—	100	89	89	495
Traralgon	3	—	403	2	—	120	151	250	640	1,314
Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	179	—	—	179
Total	5	—	708	2	—	120	530	589	1,474	2,832
South Gippsland (S)										
Central	6	—	590	—	—	—	110	—	—	699
East	3	—	167	—	—	—	41	200	200	408
West	3	—	263	—	—	—	65	90	90	418
Total	12	—	1,020	—	—	—	216	290	290	1,525
Yarra Ranges (S) — Pt B (d)	1	—	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	40
Bass Strait Islands	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
French Island	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yallourn Works Area	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Gippsland (SD)</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,980</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>1,627</b>	<b>2,207</b>	<b>3,092</b>	<b>8,819</b>
<b>VICTORIA</b>										
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>1,416</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>149,559</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>70,044</b>	<b>51,340</b>	<b>108,147</b>	<b>133,928</b>	<b>404,871</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), JULY 1996

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>GREATER GEELONG CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Greater Geelong (C) —										
— Bellarine — Inner	15	—	1,462	—	—	—	43	3,744	4,074	5,578
— Corio — Inner	20	—	1,839	—	—	—	266	—	—	2,106
— Geelong	—	—	—	11	—	510	115	630	630	1,255
— Geelong West	1	—	66	—	—	—	38	450	520	624
— Newtown	—	—	—	—	—	—	252	100	100	352
— South Barwon — Inner	31	—	3,010	—	—	—	273	—	—	3,282
<b>Greater Geelong City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>6,376</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>4,924</b>	<b>5,324</b>	<b>13,196</b>
<b>BALLARAT CITY STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Ballarat (C) —										
— Central	7	—	648	5	—	272	294	350	530	1,743
— Inner North	8	—	780	—	—	—	—	246	1,216	1,995
— North	3	—	261	—	—	—	12	—	—	273
— South	9	—	965	—	—	—	45	50	50	1,060
<b>Ballarat City (SSD)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,653</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>1,796</b>	<b>5,072</b>
<b>MILDURA RURAL CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Mildura (RC) — Pt A	11	—	1,208	—	—	—	166	92	92	1,466
<b>Mildura Rural City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,208</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>1,466</b>
<b>GREATER BENDIGO CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Greater Bendigo (C) —										
— Central	13	—	1,091	—	—	—	147	50	850	2,088
— Eaglehawk	8	—	472	—	—	—	38	84	84	594
— Inner East	2	3	456	—	—	—	118	156	156	731
— Inner North	5	—	356	—	—	—	23	—	—	379
— Inner West	10	—	841	—	—	—	123	—	—	964
— Strathfieldsaye	3	—	214	—	—	—	30	—	—	244
<b>Greater Bendigo City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3,430</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>5,000</b>
<b>GREATER SHEPPARTON CITY PART A STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Greater Shepparton (C) Pt A	18	5	2,462	—	—	—	189	1,679	1,679	4,329
<b>Shepparton City Part A (SSD)</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2,462</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>1,679</b>	<b>1,679</b>	<b>4,329</b>
<b>WODONGA STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Indigo (S) — Pt A	4	—	372	—	—	—	19	—	—	391
Towong (S) — Pt A	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	12
Wodonga (RC)	22	—	2,489	—	—	—	301	220	515	3,305
<b>Wodonga (SSD)</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,861</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>3,708</b>
<b>LA TROBE VALLEY STATISTICAL SUBDIVISION</b>										
Baw Baw (S) — Pt A	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
La Trobe (S) —										
— Moe	—	—	—	—	—	—	100	250	745	845
— Morwell	2	—	305	—	—	—	100	89	89	495
— Traralgon	3	—	403	2	—	120	151	250	640	1,314
— Balance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yallourn Works Area	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>La Trobe Valley (SSD)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>2,892</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)

Period	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total
<b>MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
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
1995-96	119,585	286,401	150,986	379,055	282,658	308,363	6,152	77,392	222,515	100,525	1,933,633
1995 May	3,329	27,212	12,405	53,645	12,874	29,544	70	14,245	8,710	26,762	188,796
June	430	16,118	9,128	37,317	18,963	25,996	877	10,307	15,032	21,933	156,102
July	2,958	20,513	10,855	18,076	18,455	13,991	237	5,305	2,634	1,654	94,679
1996 May	5,094	62,836	10,520	29,256	29,178	47,387	1,687	8,735	16,998	9,356	221,049
June	380	14,219	10,511	33,825	11,322	13,468	70	7,878	6,154	5,052	102,878
July	4,737	14,449	24,112	16,148	14,267	9,408	180	8,960	5,407	6,150	103,817
<b>BARWON STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
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
1995-96	1,550	20,026	23,299	6,910	12,502	13,382	179	9,806	5,190	2,627	95,471
1995 May	9,600	1,620	1,695	1,833	1,344	114	—	—	2,285	—	18,491
June	—	1,906	1,940	570	1,012	1,663	—	120	90	—	7,301
July	50	430	145	1,404	436	—	—	72	110	—	2,647
1996 May	—	1,963	130	—	565	50	—	3,192	470	1,000	7,370
June	150	3,050	500	1,179	500	110	—	—	335	160	5,984
July	190	6,189	—	280	800	330	329	—	110	80	8,308
<b>WESTERN DISTRICT STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
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	1,558	2,609	1,000	2,350	2,632	105	18,651
1995-96	3,842	3,389	7,189	2,440	913	5,471	159	10,786	984	2,802	37,975
1995 May	—	235	123	—	435	—	—	—	50	—	843
June	—	147	—	590	350	66	—	—	90	—	1,243
July	—	2,437	130	—	72	800	—	1,110	110	—	4,659
1996 May	—	60	4,942	310	317	3,338	—	70	50	1,171	10,258
June	—	200	—	315	66	188	—	—	221	—	990
July	—	781	120	95	125	—	73	—	298	50	1,542
<b>CENTRAL HIGHLANDS STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>											
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
1995-96	2,013	11,551	2,796	5,284	4,524	3,441	—	8,433	3,802	2,885	44,730
1995 May	210	65	564	100	—	—	—	897	—	50	1,887
June	60	454	500	—	2,024	—	—	—	265	364	3,667
July	—	145	—	527	265	—	—	147	185	—	1,269
1996 May	—	320	232	—	160	601	—	2,140	469	350	4,272
June	88	205	—	66	560	327	—	5,145	—	100	6,491
July	—	—	580	66	—	—	—	1,480	70	—	2,196

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

Period	Hotels etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educa- tional	Religious	Health	Enterta- inment and recreati- onal	Miscel- laneous	Total
WIMMERA STATISTICAL DIVISION											
1993-94	883	1,605	7,618	210	816	2,035	—	1,006	580	120	14,874
1994-95	65	490	1,804	216	610	3,437	283	17,786	305	860	25,057
1995-96	172	442	1,275	2,831	648	2,899	—	1,220	2,220	1,605	13,312
1995 May	—	120	426	—	150	—	—	—	—	500	1,196
June	—	—	—	—	100	—	—	2,084	—	90	2,274
July	—	50	65	105	—	—	—	—	85	82	387
1996 May	—	—	110	745	—	330	—	—	295	839	2,319
June	50	180	360	441	54	2,389	—	1,220	—	254	4,947
July	—	—	260	603	—	—	—	—	—	79	942
MALLEE STATISTICAL DIVISION											
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
1995-96	420	6,511	3,685	3,312	2,544	5,527	112	1,838	1,368	1,318	26,635
1995 May	—	513	—	367	—	300	—	300	—	86	1,566
June	—	120	—	70	163	597	—	—	—	—	950
July	—	80	—	368	962	—	—	230	230	—	1,870
1996 May	—	—	159	379	—	350	—	—	508	120	1,516
June	—	2,758	175	60	140	—	—	—	320	—	3,453
July	—	200	484	92	—	—	—	—	—	—	776
LODDON STATISTICAL DIVISION											
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.
1995-96	3,313	40,832	3,079	5,121	7,670	8,079	260	150	1,310	2,011	71,825
1995 May	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
July	—	17,000	65	185	260	—	—	—	—	—	17,510
1996 May	—	1,460	100	655	190	60	—	—	—	147	2,612
June	—	160	345	415	320	2,291	—	—	500	705	4,735
July	—	300	—	945	95	—	—	—	—	—	1,340
GOULBURN STATISTICAL DIVISION											
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.
1995-96	2,657	5,254	11,075	4,736	6,245	3,110	371	19,271	7,210	6,284	66,214
1995 May	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
July	—	90	908	398	238	55	—	—	507	900	3,095
1996 May	700	610	504	139	2,626	—	—	980	—	353	5,912
June	—	150	214	1,432	220	1,296	—	7,863	1,300	2,493	14,968
July	—	1,480	750	240	470	—	—	249	69	204	3,462

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
OVENS MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION											
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.
1995-96	749	5,574	2,536	4,338	17,402	5,550	153	3,496	1,372	987	42,157
1995 May	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
July	50	70	—	214	200	261	—	—	—	—	795
1996 May	—	—	256	308	—	—	—	—	—	—	564
June	—	155	—	—	2,000	2,246	—	100	—	—	4,501
July	168	80	140	—	—	1,609	—	2,810	100	—	4,907
EAST GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION											
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.
1995-96	1,036	2,535	2,351	3,126	692	1,733	—	3,642	895	51,449	67,457
1995 May	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
July	—	250	1,231	—	—	—	—	504	540	—	2,525
1996 May	—	600	170	518	—	235	—	—	75	—	1,598
June	461	149	—	120	120	170	—	—	—	—	1,020
July	—	1,989	200	—	—	664	—	—	350	342	3,545
GIPPSLAND STATISTICAL DIVISION											
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
1995-96	1,050	7,931	22,345	1,883	4,728	7,258	90	530	4,389	1,900	52,104
1995 May	75	450	2,920	298	60	678	—	—	1,145	—	5,626
June	700	350	728	152	—	70	—	180	81	—	2,261
July	50	291	—	430	—	—	—	250	910	69	2,000
1996 May	200	611	90	125	—	—	90	—	291	180	1,587
June	—	676	20,087	275	100	70	—	—	200	173	21,581
July	140	430	585	—	400	1,248	—	—	—	289	3,092
TOTAL VICTORIA											
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
1995-96	136,388	390,446	230,616	419,038	340,526	364,812	7,476	136,564	251,255	174,393	2,451,514
1995 May	13,464	34,442	20,734	56,495	15,704	31,594	170	17,320	13,020	28,007	230,951
June	1,325	19,265	12,831	40,773	23,682	31,061	997	13,062	15,803	22,625	181,425
July	3,108	41,356	13,399	21,707	20,888	15,107	237	7,618	5,311	2,705	131,436
1996 May	5,994	68,460	17,213	32,435	33,036	52,351	1,777	15,117	19,156	13,516	259,057
June	1,129	21,902	32,192	38,127	15,401	22,555	70	22,206	9,030	8,937	171,549
July	5,235	25,898	27,231	18,469	16,157	13,258	582	13,499	6,404	7,195	133,928

(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)  
JULY 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	Total		
NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS										
Melbourne	960	165	122	287	18	51	238	307	594	1,554
Barwon	115	3	—	3	8	—	—	8	11	126
Western District	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18
Central Highlands	52	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	5	57
Wimmera	10	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	4	14
Mallee	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14
Loddon	76	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	76
Goulburn	76	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	76
Ovens-Murray	40	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	5	45
East Gippsland	43	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	45
Gippsland	46	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	48
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>1,450</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>2,073</b>
VALUE (\$'000)										
Melbourne	103,463	11,043	11,596	22,639	3,622	9,741	32,300	45,663	68,302	171,765
Barwon	10,839	150	—	150	360	—	—	360	510	11,349
Western District	1,896	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,896
Central Highlands	4,864	272	—	272	—	—	—	—	272	5,135
Wimmera	902	241	—	241	—	—	—	—	241	1,143
Mallee	1,514	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,514
Loddon	6,773	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,773
Goulburn	7,866	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7,866
Ovens-Murray	4,355	340	100	440	—	—	—	—	440	4,795
East Gippsland	3,109	160	—	160	—	—	—	—	160	3,269
Gippsland	3,980	120	—	120	—	—	—	—	120	4,100
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>149,559</b>	<b>12,325</b>	<b>11,696</b>	<b>24,022</b>	<b>3,982</b>	<b>9,741</b>	<b>32,300</b>	<b>46,023</b>	<b>70,044</b>	<b>219,603</b>

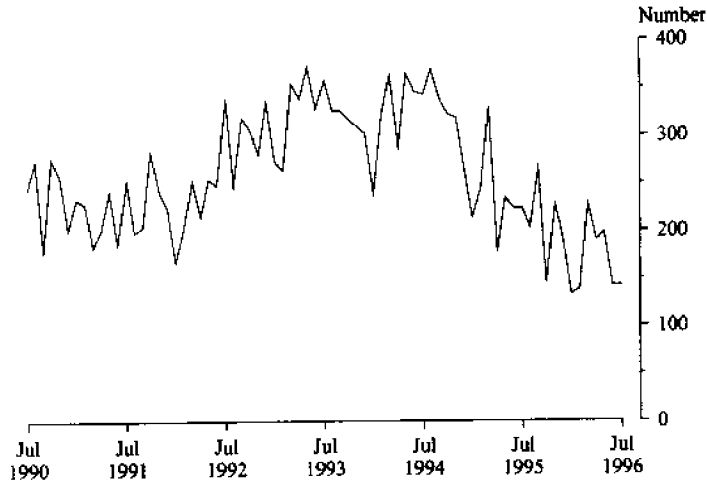
(a) Excludes Conversions, etc. (b) For details of changes to Statistical Divisions, please refer to paragraphs 28-30 of the Explanatory Notes.

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	1995-96	July 1996
Melbourne (SD)	3,021	2,672	1,919	110
Greater Geelong City Part A (SSD)	193	108	70	4
Barwon (SD)	275	164	82	5
Western District (SD)	43	56	26	6
Ballarat City (SSD) (c)	n.a.	45	30	1
Central Highlands (SD)	43	58	39	1
Wimmera (SD)	17	20	7	3
Mildura Rural City Part A (SSD)	48	27	13	—
Mallee (SD)	75	49	19	—
Greater Bendigo City Part A (SSD)	100	54	42	6
Loddon (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	57	7
Greater Shepparton City Part A (SSD)	27	20	7	2
Goulburn (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	47	4
Wodonga (SSD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	12	2
Ovens-Murray (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	29	4
East Gippsland (SD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	10	1
Latrobe Valley (SSD) (c)	n.a.	n.a.	35	—
Gippsland (SD)	86	76	57	2
<b>Victoria</b>	<b>3,858</b>	<b>3,382</b>	<b>2,292</b>	<b>143</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**

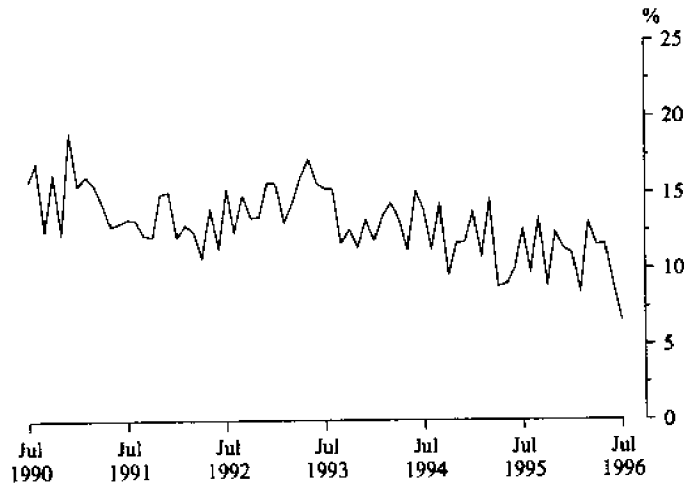


TABLE 13. NUMBER OF DUAL OCCUPANCY (a) DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

<i>Statistical local area (b) (c)</i>	<i>1993-94</i>	<i>1994-95</i>	<i>1995-96</i>	<i>July 1996</i>
<b>Banyule (C)</b>				
Heidelberg	n.a.	n.a.	27	3
North	n.a.	n.a.	34	2
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>5</i>
<b>Bayside (C)</b>				
Brighton	62	87	49	5
South	n.a.	n.a.	63	9
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>112</i>	<i>14</i>
<b>Boroondara (C)</b>				
Camberwell North	n.a.	n.a.	37	2
Camberwell South	n.a.	n.a.	35	2
Hawthorn	24	23	8	—
Kew	36	35	24	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>211</i>	<i>174</i>	<i>104</i>	<i>5</i>
<b>Brimbank (C)</b>				
Keilor	n.a.	n.a.	59	4
Sunshine	n.a.	n.a.	28	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>87</i>	<i>5</i>
<b>Cardinia (S)</b>				
North	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	2
Pakenham	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>
<b>Casey (C)</b>				
Berwick	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
Cranbourne	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
Hallam	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
South	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>—</i>
<b>Darebin (C)</b>				
Northcote	n.a.	n.a.	17	2
Preston	n.a.	n.a.	37	4
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>6</i>
<b>Frankston (C)</b>				
East	n.a.	n.a.	7	—
West	n.a.	n.a.	18	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>—</i>
<b>Glen Eira (C)</b>				
Caulfield	n.a.	n.a.	87	3
South	n.a.	n.a.	101	6
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>188</i>	<i>9</i>
<b>Greater Dandenong (C)</b>				
Dandenong	n.a.	n.a.	9	—
Balance	n.a.	n.a.	33	2
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>2</i>
<b>Hobsons Bay (C)</b>				
Altona	n.a.	n.a.	42	2
Williamstown	n.a.	n.a.	33	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>75</i>	<i>3</i>
<b>Hume (C)</b>				
Broadmeadows	n.a.	n.a.	22	—
Craigieburn	n.a.	n.a.	6	—
Sunbury	n.a.	n.a.	1	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>—</i>
<b>Kingston (C)</b>				
North	n.a.	n.a.	63	2
South	n.a.	n.a.	33	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>96</i>	<i>5</i>
<b>Knox (C)</b>				
North	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	2
South	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>3</i>
<b>Manningham (C)</b>				
East	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
West	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>—</i>
<b>Maribyrnong (C)</b>				
	—		38	4
<b>Maroondah (C)</b>				
Croydon	n.a.	n.a.	38	6
Ringwood	n.a.	n.a.	23	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>6</i>
<b>Melbourne (C)</b>				
Inner	—	—	—	—
Remainder	n.a.	8	5	2
<i>Total</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>2</i>



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

Statistical local area (b) (c)	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	July 1996
Melton (S)				
East	n.a.	n.a.	1	—
Balance	n.a.	n.a.	3	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	4	—
Monash (C)				
South-West	n.a.	n.a.	58	8
Waverley East	n.a.	n.a.	47	4
Waverley West	n.a.	n.a.	123	6
Total	n.a.	n.a.	228	18
Moonee Valley (C)				
Essendon	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
West	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	104	—
Moreland (C)				
Brunswick	27	6	10	—
Coburg	n.a.	n.a.	9	—
North	n.a.	n.a.	6	1
Total	n.a.	n.a.	25	1
Mornington Peninsula (S)				
East	n.a.	n.a.	12	—
South	n.a.	n.a.	14	—
West	n.a.	n.a.	18	2
Total	n.a.	n.a.	44	2
Nillumbik (S)				
South	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
South-West	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
Balance	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	10	—
Port Phillip (C)				
St Kilda	n.a.	n.a.	10	—
West	n.a.	n.a.	9	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	19	—
Stonnington (C)				
Prahran	n.a.	n.a.	31	2
Malvern	28	59	33	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	64	2
Whitehorse (C)				
Box Hill	96	69	39	2
Nunawading East	n.a.	n.a.	29	5
Nunawading West	n.a.	n.a.	48	4
Total	n.a.	n.a.	116	11
Whittlesea (C)				
North	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	—
South	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	2
Total	n.a.	n.a.	67	2
Wyndham (C)	n.a.	n.a.	22	1
Yarra (C)				
North	n.a.	n.a.	6	—
Richmond	22	29	25	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	31	—
Yarra Ranges (S) (d)				
Central	1	2	3	2
North	n.a.	n.a.	4	—
South-West	n.a.	n.a.	23	—
Total	n.a.	n.a.	30	2
<b>Melbourne Statistical Division</b>	<b>3,021</b>	<b>2,672</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>Rest of Victoria</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Total Victoria</b>	<b>3,858</b>	<b>3,382</b>	<b>2,292</b>	<b>143</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, 1996 Edition* (1216.0), effective from 1 July 1996, and ASGC terminology has been adopted in the presentation of building statistics.

29. The 1996 edition of the ASGC includes some changes to Victorian Statistical Divisions (SDs), Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs) and Statistical Local Areas (SLAs). Further details are:

- (a) The Shire of Milawa was renamed to Wangaratta and constituted as a Rural City.
- (b) Western Fringe Melbourne SSD (in Melbourne SD) has been renamed Melton-Wyndham SSD.
- (c) (i) The boundary of the Bendigo Statistical District has been extended to include a part transferred from Greater Bendigo (C) - Part B SLA to Greater Bendigo (C) - Strathfieldsaye SLA. There are consequential changes to Greater Bendigo City Part A and North Loddon SSDs.
- (ii) All SLAs in Greater Bendigo (C) LGA have been redefined. The seven new SLAs are: Greater Bendigo (C) - Central, Greater Bendigo (C) - Eaglehawk, Greater Bendigo (C) - Inner East, Greater Bendigo (C) - Inner North, Greater Bendigo (C) - Inner West, Greater Bendigo (C) - Strathfieldsaye (in Greater Bendigo City Part A SSD) and Greater Bendigo (C) - Part B (in North Loddon SSD).

- (d) The following SLA splits (and boundary changes) have occurred:
- (i) Cardinia (S) – Pakenham has been split into two SLAs, Cardinia (S) – Pakenham (which also includes a part from Cardinia (S) – South) and Cardinia (S) – North
  - (ii) Casey (C) – Berwick lost part to Casey (C) – South; remainder has been split into two SLAs, Casey (C) – Berwick and Casey (C) – Hallam
  - (iii) Casey (C) – South has been split into two SLAs, Casey (C) – South (which also includes a part from Casey (C) – Berwick) and Casey (C) – Cranbourne
  - (iv) Knox (C) has been split into two SLAs, Knox (C) – North and Knox (C) – South
  - (v) Manningham (C) has been split into two SLAs, Manningham (C) – East and Manningham (C) – West
  - (vi) Moira (S) has been split into two SLAs, Moira (S) – East and Moira (S) – West
  - (vii) Nillumbik (S) Bal has been split into two SLAs, Nillumbik (S) – South (which also includes a part from Nillumbik (S) – South-West) and Nillumbik (S) Bal
  - (viii) Pyrenees (S) has been split into two SLAs, Pyrenees (S) – North and Pyrenees (S) – South
  - (ix) Swan Hill (RC) Bal has been split into two SLAs, Swan Hill (RC) – Robinvale and Swan Hill (RC) Bal
  - (x) Whittlesea (C) has been split into two SLAs, Whittlesea (C) – North and Whittlesea (C) – South
  - (xi) Wyndham (C) has been split into three SLAs, Wyndham (C) – North-West, Wyndham (C) – Werribee and Wyndham (C) Bal
- (e) There have been changes between the following boundaries:
- (i) Ballarat (C) – Central and Ballarat (C) – Inner North
  - (ii) Ballarat (C) – Inner North and Ballarat (C) – South
  - (iii) Banyule (C) – Heidelberg and Banyule (C) – North
  - (iv) Colac–Otway (S) – Colac, and Colac–Otway (S) – North
  - (v) East Gippsland (S) – Orbost and East Gippsland (S) Bal
  - (vi) Geelong and Geelong West
  - (vii) Glenelg (S) – Heywood and Glenelg (S) – North
  - (viii) Glenelg (S) – Heywood and Glenelg (S) – Portland
  - (ix) Loddon (S) – North and Loddon (S) – South
  - (x) Macedon Ranges (S) – Kyneton and Macedon Ranges (S) Bal
  - (xi) Maroondah (C) – Croydon and Maroondah (C) – Ringwood
  - (xii) Moonee Valley (C) – Essendon and Moonee Valley (C) – West
  - (xiii) Moyne (S) Bal abolished: split between Moyne (S) – South (renamed to Moyne (S) – South-West) and new SLA Moyne (S) – North-West
  - (xiv) Moyne (S) – South created from Moyne (S) – South-West and the southern part of Moyne (S) Bal
  - (xv) Nillumbik (S) – South-West, and Nillumbik (S) – South
  - (xvi) Surf Coast (S) – East and Surf Coast (S) – West
  - (xvii) Wangaratta (RC) – North (previously Milawa (S) – North) and Wangaratta (RC) – South (previously Milawa (S) – South)
  - (xviii) Wangaratta (RC) – Central renamed from Milawa (S) – Wangaratta
  - (xix) Wellington (S) – Avon and Wellington (S) – Maffra

30. Tables 8, 9 and 13 show approvals statistics according to the new SLA structure for July 1996. 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.)

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