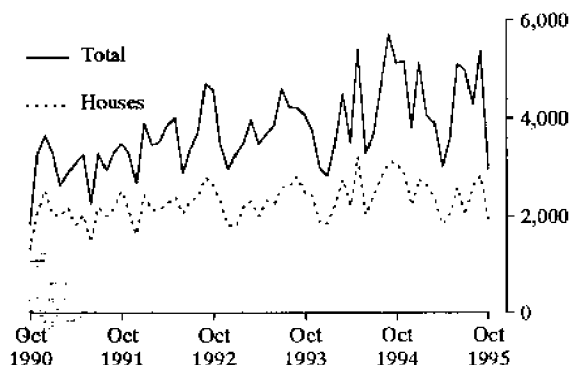


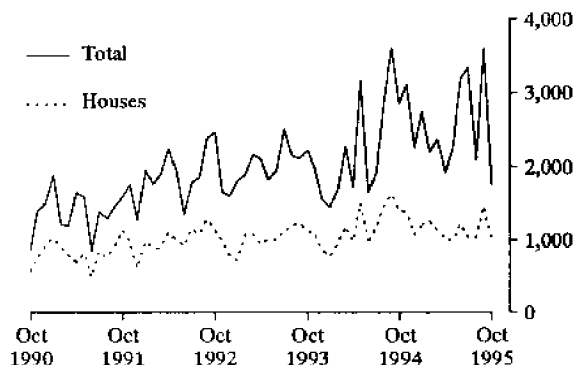
DWELLING UNIT COMMENCEMENTS REPORTED BY APPROVING AUTHORITIES NEW SOUTH WALES, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 1995

MAIN FEATURES

DWELLINGS COMMENCED IN NSW



DWELLINGS COMMENCED IN SYDNEY (SD)



- The total number of dwelling units reported as commenced in September 1995 was 5,373 while in October the number reported was 2,973. The number of dwelling units reported as commenced for the Sydney Statistical Division for the two months ended October 1995 were 5,362.
- There were 2,808 private sector houses reported as commenced during September 1995 and 1,897 during October 1995.
- The number of other residential buildings that were reported as commenced in the two months ended October 1995 was 3,564.

NOTE: This publication has been released with both the September 1995 and October 1995 data. A separate publication **WILL NOT** be released for September 1995.

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TABLE 1. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED, NSW
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
1993-94	28,427	15,861	44,288	763	1,832	2,595	29,190	17,693	46,883
1994-95	30,409	21,074	51,483	409	1,128	1,537	30,818	22,202	53,020
<i>July-October—</i>									
1994-95	11,308	7,354	18,662	176	410	586	11,484	7,764	19,248
1995-96	9,260	6,778	16,038	173	1,385	1,558	9,433	8,163	17,596
<i>1994</i>									
October	3,084	1,968	5,052	32	38	70	3,116	2,006	5,122
November	2,860	2,145	5,005	52	120	172	2,912	2,265	5,177
December	2,188	1,494	3,682	27	87	114	2,215	1,581	3,796
<i>1995—</i>									
January	2,736	2,206	4,942	21	171	192	2,757	2,377	5,134
February	2,614	1,345	3,959	19	65	84	2,633	1,410	4,043
March	2,305	1,453	3,758	44	119	163	2,349	1,572	3,921
April	1,790	1,150	2,940	39	36	75	1,829	1,186	3,015
May	2,034	1,523	3,557	12	4	16	2,046	1,527	3,573
June	2,574	2,404	4,978	19	116	135	2,593	2,520	5,113
July	1,937	2,195	4,132	78	770	848	2,015	2,965	4,980
August	2,618	1,426	4,044	18	208	226	2,636	1,634	4,270
September	2,808	2,222	5,030	31	312	343	2,839	2,534	5,373
October	1,897	935	2,832	46	95	141	1,943	1,030	2,973

TABLE 2. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN SELECTED STATISTICAL DIVISIONS
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1993-94	12,622	10,295	22,917	355	1,198	1,553	12,977	11,493	24,470
1994-95	14,710	15,678	30,388	274	648	922	14,984	16,326	31,310
<i>1994—</i>									
October	1,384	1,415	2,799	21	30	51	1,405	1,445	2,850
November	1,347	1,680	3,027	26	59	85	1,373	1,739	3,112
December	1,048	1,141	2,189	24	50	74	1,072	1,191	2,263
<i>1995—</i>									
January	1,200	1,445	2,645	11	84	95	1,211	1,529	2,740
February	1,241	936	2,177	14	10	24	1,255	946	2,201
March	1,110	1,113	2,223	30	113	143	1,140	1,226	2,366
April	990	882	1,872	22	34	56	1,012	916	1,928
May	985	1,258	2,243	9	—	9	994	1,258	2,252
June	1,211	1,920	3,131	12	46	58	1,223	1,966	3,189
July	988	1,818	2,806	40	484	524	1,028	2,302	3,330
August	1,027	934	1,961	9	126	135	1,036	1,060	2,096
September	1,447	1,931	3,378	20	203	223	1,467	2,134	3,601
October	956	721	1,677	37	47	84	993	768	1,761

TABLE 2. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN SELECTED STATISTICAL DIVISIONS --continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1993-94	3,812	1,889	5,701	116	109	225	3,928	1,998	5,926
1994-95	3,700	1,550	5,250	40	246	286	3,740	1,796	5,536
1994--									
October	518	133	651	2	8	10	520	141	661
November	378	146	524	11	39	50	389	185	574
December	290	107	397	—	—	—	290	107	397
1995—									
January	400	372	772	—	—	—	400	372	772
February	356	121	477	2	47	49	358	168	526
March	267	124	391	3	—	3	270	124	394
April	150	49	199	13	2	15	163	51	214
May	200	35	235	1	—	1	201	35	236
June	316	86	402	3	44	47	319	130	449
July	275	88	363	12	83	95	287	171	458
August	379	145	524	1	10	11	380	155	535
September	230	83	313	7	46	53	237	129	366
October	214	70	284	—	—	—	214	70	284
ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1993-94	2,319	801	3,120	65	135	200	2,384	936	3,320
1994-95	2,874	1,055	3,929	5	65	70	2,879	1,095	3,974
1994--									
October	324	199	523	—	—	—	324	199	523
November	366	102	468	—	—	—	366	102	468
December	254	93	347	—	35	35	254	128	382
1995—									
January	260	143	403	—	3	3	260	146	406
February	233	36	269	—	—	—	233	36	269
March	286	76	362	3	2	5	289	78	367
April	138	44	182	—	—	—	138	44	182
May	135	42	177	—	—	—	135	42	177
June	135	44	179	—	25	25	135	44	179
July	149	154	303	2	86	88	151	240	391
August	198	57	255	—	16	16	198	57	255
September	438	105	543	—	34	34	438	139	577
October	187	68	255	—	38	38	187	106	293
BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES									
1993-94	9,674	2,876	12,550	227	390	617	9,901	3,266	13,167
1994-95	9,125	2,791	11,916	90	194	284	9,215	2,985	12,200
1994--									
October	858	221	1,079	9	—	9	867	221	1,088
November	769	217	986	15	22	37	784	239	1,023
December	596	153	749	3	2	5	599	155	754
1995—									
January	876	246	1,122	10	84	94	886	330	1,216
February	784	252	1,036	3	8	11	787	260	1,047
March	642	140	782	8	4	12	650	144	794
April	512	175	687	4	—	4	516	175	691
May	714	188	902	2	4	6	716	192	908
June	912	354	1,266	4	26	30	916	380	1,296
July	525	135	660	24	117	141	549	252	801
August	1,014	290	1,304	8	72	80	1,022	362	1,384
September	693	103	796	4	29	33	697	132	829
October	540	76	616	9	10	19	549	86	635

TABLE 3. HOUSES COMMENCED, BY MATERIAL OF OUTER WALLS, NSW

<i>Period</i>	<i>Double brick (a)</i>	<i>Brick veneer</i>	<i>Fibre cement</i>	<i>Timber</i>	<i>Other and not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
PRIVATE SECTOR						
1993-94	3,797	21,003	1,067	1,857	703	28,427
1994-95	4,067	22,700	1,054	1,829	759	30,409
<i>1994—</i>						
October	366	2,304	118	185	111	3,084
November	357	2,146	93	190	74	2,860
December	322	1,571	89	149	57	2,188
<i>1995—</i>						
January	323	2,090	107	138	78	2,736
February	367	1,983	79	126	59	2,614
March	327	1,729	72	131	46	2,305
April	279	1,283	72	113	43	1,790
May	337	1,447	71	135	44	2,034
June	431	1,811	90	179	63	2,574
July	274	1,469	45	108	41	1,937
August	434	1,910	73	134	67	2,618
September	354	2,065	108	149	132	2,808
October	272	1,355	77	112	81	1,897
PUBLIC SECTOR						
1993-94	87	648	1	5	22	763
1994-95	39	356	3	2	9	409
<i>1994—</i>						
October	1	23	1	—	7	32
November	4	48	—	—	—	52
December	3	24	—	—	—	27
<i>1995—</i>						
January	4	15	—	—	2	21
February	2	17	—	—	—	19
March	2	42	—	—	—	44
April	—	39	—	—	—	39
May	1	11	—	—	—	12
June	9	9	1	—	—	19
July	10	64	—	2	2	78
August	3	14	1	—	—	18
September	5	25	—	1	—	31
October	4	38	1	1	2	46
TOTAL						
1993-94	3,884	21,651	1,068	1,862	725	29,190
1994-95	4,106	23,056	1,057	1,831	768	30,818
<i>1994—</i>						
October	367	2,327	119	185	118	3,116
November	361	2,194	93	190	74	2,912
December	325	1,595	89	149	57	2,215
<i>1995—</i>						
January	327	2,105	107	138	80	2,757
February	369	2,000	79	126	59	2,633
March	329	1,771	72	131	46	2,349
April	279	1,322	72	113	43	1,829
May	338	1,458	71	135	44	2,046
June	440	1,820	91	179	63	2,593
July	284	1,533	45	110	43	2,015
August	437	1,924	74	134	67	2,636
September	359	2,090	108	150	132	2,839
October	276	1,393	78	113	83	1,943

(a) Includes house constructed with outer walls of stone or concrete.

TABLE 4. HOUSES COMMENCED IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Statistical division	September 1995					Total	October 1995					Total
	Double brick (a)	Brick veneer	Fibre cement	Timber	Other and not stated		Double brick (a)	Brick veneer	Fibre cement	Timber	Other and not stated	
PRIVATE SECTOR												
Sydney	196	1,124	11	50	66	1,447	153	728	4	31	40	956
Hunter	28	160	12	15	15	230	12	175	9	15	3	214
Illawarra	25	351	35	18	9	438	6	152	11	14	4	187
Richmond — Tweed	7	70	1	11	3	92	5	65	2	10	2	84
Mid-North Coast	9	102	10	6	6	133	19	78	18	10	7	132
Northern	6	50	9	9	4	78	13	10	4	2	7	36
North Western	3	22	8	6	2	41	5	29	2	2	1	39
Central West	19	37	4	5	2	67	20	38	11	5	2	76
South Eastern	42	90	12	26	14	184	18	26	8	12	6	70
Murrumbidgee	11	25	6	2	9	53	12	17	7	—	4	40
Murray	8	33	—	1	2	44	9	37	1	11	4	62
Far West	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
New South Wales	354	2,065	108	149	132	2,808	272	1,355	77	112	81	1,897
PUBLIC SECTOR												
Sydney	1	18	—	1	—	20	1	34	—	—	2	37
Hunter	1	6	—	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Illawarra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Richmond — Tweed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mid-North Coast	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northern	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North Western	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	2
Central West	1	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	1	—	—	4
South Eastern	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Murrumbidgee	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Murray	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	3
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	5	25	—	1	—	31	4	38	1	1	2	46
TOTAL												
Sydney	197	1,142	11	51	66	1,467	154	762	4	31	42	993
Hunter	29	166	12	15	15	237	12	175	9	15	3	214
Illawarra	25	351	35	18	9	438	6	152	11	14	4	187
Richmond — Tweed	7	70	1	11	3	92	5	65	2	10	2	84
Mid-North Coast	9	103	10	6	6	134	19	78	18	10	7	132
Northern	6	50	9	9	4	78	13	10	4	2	7	36
North Western	5	22	8	6	2	43	5	30	2	3	1	41
Central West	20	37	4	5	2	68	23	38	12	5	2	80
South Eastern	42	90	12	26	14	184	18	26	8	12	6	70
Murrumbidgee	11	25	6	2	9	53	12	17	7	—	4	40
Murray	8	33	—	1	2	44	9	40	1	11	4	65
Far West	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
New South Wales	359	2,090	108	150	132	2,839	276	1,393	78	113	83	1,943

(a) Includes houses constructed with outer walls of stone or concrete.

**TABLE 5. NEW DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, BY TYPE IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS
September 1995**

Statistical division	Semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, etc. of			Flats, units or apartments in a building of			Unknown or not stated	Total	
	1 storey	2 or more storeys	Total	1-2 storeys	3 storeys	4 or more storeys			Total
NUMBER									
Sydney	381	409	790	260	157	925	1,342	2	2,134
Hunter	57	20	77	42	10	—	52	—	129
Illawarra	71	47	118	6	15	—	21	—	139
Richmond — Tweed	14	—	14	7	—	—	7	—	21
Mid North Coast	22	—	22	2	10	—	12	—	34
Northern	2	—	2	9	—	—	9	—	11
North Western	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central West	16	2	18	7	—	—	7	—	25
South Eastern	12	11	23	—	—	—	—	—	23
Murrumbidgee	4	—	4	10	—	—	10	—	14
Murray	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	2
Far West	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	2
New South Wales	579	489	1,068	347	192	925	1,464	2	2,534
VALUE (\$'000)									
Sydney	27,433	59,804	87,237	17,704	11,653	115,760	145,117	85	232,439
Hunter	4,410	1,990	6,400	2,906	1,000	—	3,906	—	10,306
Illawarra	4,947	4,077	9,024	430	1,300	—	1,730	—	10,754
Richmond — Tweed	1,067	—	1,067	420	—	—	420	—	1,487
Mid North Coast	1,356	—	1,356	140	950	—	1,090	—	2,446
Northern	180	—	180	660	—	—	660	—	840
North Western	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central West	1,048	80	1,128	398	—	—	398	—	1,526
South Eastern	784	911	1,695	—	—	—	—	—	1,695
Murrumbidgee	290	—	290	555	—	—	555	—	845
Murray	—	—	—	332	—	—	332	—	332
Far West	—	—	—	118	—	—	118	—	118
New South Wales	41,515	66,862	108,377	23,663	14,903	115,760	154,326	85	262,788

TABLE 5. NEW DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, BY TYPE IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS
October 1995

Statistical division	Semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, etc. of			Flats, units or apartments in a building of			Unknown or not stated	Total	
	1 storey	2 or more storeys	Total	1-2 storeys	3 storeys	4 or more storeys			Total
NUMBER									
Sydney	202	210	412	135	125	94	354	2	768
Hunter	29	10	39	2	11	18	31	—	70
Illawarra	19	31	50	40	—	16	56	—	106
Richmond — Tweed	4	10	14	18	—	—	18	—	32
Mid North Coast	9	2	11	7	—	—	7	—	18
Northern	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
North Western	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
Central West	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
South Eastern	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2
Murrumbidgee	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
Murray	6	—	6	12	—	—	12	—	18
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	287	263	550	214	136	128	478	2	1,030
VALUE (\$'000)									
Sydney	16,376	20,128	36,504	12,182	7,132	6,880	26,194	126	62,824
Hunter	1,889	770	2,659	120	1,200	2,700	4,020	—	6,679
Illawarra	1,382	1,920	3,302	2,570	—	2,500	5,070	—	8,371
Richmond — Tweed	305	677	982	1,325	—	—	1,325	—	2,307
Mid North Coast	660	198	858	700	—	—	700	—	1,558
Northern	182	—	182	—	—	—	—	—	182
North Western	330	—	330	—	—	—	—	—	330
Central West	299	—	299	—	—	—	—	—	299
South Eastern	37	—	37	—	—	—	—	—	37
Murrumbidgee	470	—	470	—	—	—	—	—	470
Murray	375	—	375	600	—	—	600	—	975
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	22,305	23,693	45,998	17,497	8,332	12,080	37,909	126	84,033

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	1995												Total										
	Houses						Other residential buildings																
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.											
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION																							
Botany (A)	—	2	4	3	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	3	5	—	1	
Leichhardt (A)	3	2	8	2	—	2	—	13	171	—	—	138	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	15	179	2	2
Marrickville (A)	—	—	4	1	2	—	—	73	24	2	—	48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	73	28	3	—
South Sydney (C)	2	3	1	2	—	—	—	90	218	34	—	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	93	219	36	—	12
Sydney (C)—Inner & Remainder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	408	445	—	—	371	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	408	445	—	—
Inner Sydney SSD	5	7	17	8	7	3	—	584	858	36	—	581	12	—	—	—	—	—	96	591	875	44	15
Randwick (A)	7	11	9	9	16	12	—	45	34	75	—	32	24	—	—	—	—	—	64	56	43	84	36
Waverley (A)	1	1	—	3	4	1	—	—	6	19	—	16	12	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	6	22	13
Woolahra (A)	3	8	3	3	4	2	—	6	15	—	—	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	8	18	3	2
Eastern Suburbs SSD	11	20	12	15	24	15	—	45	55	94	—	76	36	—	—	—	—	—	74	67	109	100	51
Hurstville (C)	13	11	9	14	5	6	—	3	50	56	—	56	42	—	—	—	—	—	16	108	59	70	48
Kogarah (A)	13	—	22	16	40	7	—	7	106	13	—	20	16	—	—	—	—	—	20	128	16	29	23
Rockdale (A)	4	7	11	8	9	5	—	10	17	21	—	12	76	—	—	—	—	—	14	17	28	29	81
Sutherland Shire (A)	42	49	42	24	155	50	—	46	67	9	—	106	61	—	—	—	—	—	88	174	109	33	111
St George—Sutherland SSD	72	67	84	62	209	68	—	66	240	99	—	194	195	—	—	—	—	—	138	299	324	161	263
Bankstown (C)	39	22	18	21	28	15	—	131	85	92	—	81	48	—	—	—	—	—	170	107	153	113	63
Canterbury (A)	6	26	9	4	1	3	—	—	134	30	—	19	9	—	—	—	—	—	6	160	39	24	12
Canterbury—Bankstown SSD	45	48	27	25	39	18	—	131	219	112	—	100	57	—	—	—	—	—	176	267	192	137	75
Fairfield (C)	40	27	80	33	18	15	—	34	12	21	—	33	52	—	—	—	—	—	74	39	297	54	67
Liverpool (C)	74	126	261	124	130	193	—	96	46	20	—	33	14	—	—	—	—	—	170	172	367	144	207
Fairfield—Liverpool SSD	114	153	341	157	148	208	—	130	58	41	—	66	66	—	—	—	—	—	244	211	664	198	274
Camden (A)	48	32	—	129	31	61	—	8	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	56	32	—	131	61
Campbelltown (C)	21	73	47	29	31	35	—	9	12	15	—	11	2	—	—	—	—	—	30	85	67	44	37
Wollondilly (A)	25	22	23	24	23	20	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	22	27	26	22
Outer South Western Sydney SSD	94	127	70	182	85	116	—	17	12	19	—	11	4	—	—	—	—	—	111	139	94	201	120
Ashfield (A)	1	1	—	2	1	7	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	9	—	2	9
Burwood (A)	2	—	2	8	1	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	56	2
Concord (A)	5	3	1	—	2	2	—	8	—	—	—	16	12	—	—	—	—	—	13	3	9	—	14
Drumoyne (A)	2	9	8	3	4	3	—	—	37	17	—	8	4	—	—	—	—	—	2	46	25	29	7
Strathfield (A)	3	15	3	5	—	1	—	—	4	2	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	3	19	5	—	9
Inner Western Sydney SSD	13	28	14	18	8	15	—	8	51	27	—	74	26	—	—	—	—	—	21	79	41	92	41

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses												Other residential buildings												Total
	1995												1995												
	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION —continued																									
Auburn (A)	2	—	—	—	32	5	18	—	4	—	—	73	14	20	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	105	19	
Holroyd (A)	10	3	7	5	8	6	2	45	36	17	4	4	2	12	48	43	22	4	—	—	—	—	12	8	
Parramatta (C)	31	47	24	8	12	4	98	169	66	17	29	6	6	129	216	90	25	41	—	—	—	—	41	10	
Central Western Sydney SSD	43	50	31	13	52	15	118	214	106	34	106	22	22	161	264	137	47	158	—	—	—	—	—	37	
Blue Mountains (C)	79	34	22	31	34	24	6	4	2	14	21	—	—	85	38	24	45	55	—	—	—	—	—	24	
Hawkesbury (C)	26	5	74	21	26	20	19	—	38	40	9	9	6	45	5	112	61	35	—	—	—	—	—	26	
Pennith (C)	50	41	13	86	88	68	4	5	12	65	121	47	47	54	46	25	151	209	—	—	—	—	—	115	
Outer Western Sydney SSD	155	80	109	138	148	112	29	9	52	119	151	53	53	184	89	161	257	399	—	—	—	—	—	165	
Baulkham Hills (A)	45	70	42	55	29	48	36	25	35	23	23	23	26	81	95	77	78	52	—	—	—	—	—	74	
Blacktown (C)	82	173	80	131	230	131	24	62	22	22	137	61	61	106	235	102	153	367	—	—	—	—	—	192	
Blacktown - Baulkham Hills SSD	127	243	122	186	359	179	60	87	57	45	160	87	87	187	330	179	231	419	—	—	—	—	—	266	
Hunter's Hill (A)	6	3	—	2	2	—	—	2	—	3	11	4	4	6	5	—	5	13	—	—	—	—	—	4	
Lane Cove (A)	2	8	5	10	5	2	—	48	20	6	—	—	2	2	56	25	16	5	—	—	—	—	—	4	
Mossman (A)	3	4	2	—	2	1	10	6	7	27	11	4	4	13	10	9	27	13	—	—	—	—	—	5	
North Sydney (A)	3	2	2	—	2	2	102	58	—	6	22	—	—	105	60	2	6	24	—	—	—	—	—	2	
Ryde (C)	6	24	11	25	16	7	228	34	61	46	38	19	19	234	58	72	71	54	—	—	—	—	—	26	
Willoughby (C)	14	5	8	11	20	3	20	11	25	6	330	20	20	34	16	33	17	350	—	—	—	—	—	23	
Lower Northern Sydney SSD	34	46	28	48	47	15	360	159	113	94	412	49	49	394	205	141	142	459	—	—	—	—	—	64	
Hornsby (A)	93	55	118	56	56	48	67	111	118	72	78	78	78	160	166	236	128	134	—	—	—	—	—	126	
Ku-ring-gai (A)	8	11	5	29	10	7	2	—	—	53	4	4	10	10	11	5	82	14	—	—	—	—	—	17	
Hornsby Ku-ring-gai SSD	101	66	123	85	66	55	69	111	118	125	82	88	88	170	177	241	210	148	—	—	—	—	—	143	
Mianly (A)	—	4	1	—	1	3	2	6	2	2	2	2	4	2	10	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	7	
Pittwater (A)	4	3	16	13	15	7	2	—	10	6	4	—	—	6	3	26	19	19	—	—	—	—	—	7	
Warringah (A)	15	19	28	21	27	30	30	10	61	20	8	52	52	45	29	89	41	35	—	—	—	—	—	82	
Northern Beaches SSD	19	26	45	34	43	40	34	16	73	28	14	14	17	53	42	118	62	57	—	—	—	—	—	96	
Gosford (C)	102	102	—	63	155	56	54	151	47	138	18	18	7	156	253	47	201	173	—	—	—	—	—	63	
Wyong (A)	59	160	5	2	187	78	28	18	44	2	93	10	10	87	178	49	4	280	—	—	—	—	—	88	
Gosford - Wyong SSD	161	262	5	65	342	134	82	169	91	140	111	17	17	243	431	96	205	453	—	—	—	—	—	151	
SYDNEY SD	994	1,223	1,028	1,036	1,467	993	1,258	1,966	2,302	1,060	2,134	768	768	2,252	3,189	3,330	2,096	3,601	—	—	—	—	—	1,761	

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses												Other residential buildings												Total
	1995												1995												
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.							
HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION																									
Cessnock (C)	5	12	36	16	43	13	—	2	4	—	4	—	5	14	40	16	47	13							
Lake Macquarie (C)	53	68	92	155	59	77	7	26	72	49	17	10	60	94	164	204	76	87							
Maitland (C)	27	67	31	42	22	15	2	4	2	11	—	—	29	71	33	53	22	15							
Newcastle (C)—Inner & Remainder	31	41	43	40	33	30	10	46	69	50	87	14	41	87	112	90	120	44							
Port Stephens (A)	41	37	6	80	34	37	6	32	4	39	13	15	47	69	10	119	47	52							
Newcastle SSD	157	225	208	333	191	172	25	110	151	149	121	39	182	335	359	482	312	211							
Dungog (A)	6	3	6	3	8	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	3	6	3	8	7							
Gloucester (A)	—	5	1	1	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	1	4	1							
Great Lakes (A)	15	30	43	20	17	24	10	12	20	—	6	29	25	42	63	20	23	53							
Merrima (A)	2	5	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	—	—	1	—							
Murrumbidgee (A)	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—							
Muswellbrook (A)	6	4	5	5	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	4	5	5	3	5							
Scone (A)	6	4	11	2	6	2	—	—	—	4	2	—	6	4	11	6	8	2							
Singleton (A)	9	43	13	13	7	3	—	8	—	2	—	2	9	51	13	15	7	5							
Hunter SD Balance SSD	44	94	79	47	46	42	10	20	20	6	8	31	54	114	99	53	54	73							
HUNTER SD	201	319	287	380	237	214	35	130	171	155	129	70	236	449	458	535	366	284							
ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION																									
Kiama (A)	8	16	—	25	4	9	2	4	—	8	5	—	10	20	—	33	9	9							
Shellharbour (A)	19	19	19	27	20	34	6	11	2	5	18	38	25	30	21	32	38	72							
Wollongong (C)	46	27	106	84	117	56	30	21	199	30	108	62	76	48	305	114	225	118							
Wollongong SSD	73	62	125	136	141	99	38	36	201	43	131	100	111	98	326	179	272	199							
Shellharbour (C)	32	48	2	42	264	65	—	8	25	14	8	6	32	56	27	56	272	71							
Wingecarribee (A)	30	25	24	20	33	23	4	—	14	—	—	—	34	25	38	20	33	23							
Illawarra SD Balance SSD	62	73	26	62	297	88	4	8	39	14	8	6	66	81	65	76	305	94							
ILLAWARRA SD	135	135	151	198	438	187	42	44	240	57	139	106	177	179	391	255	577	293							

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	1995												Total						
	Houses						Other residential buildings												
	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	
RICHMOND—TWEED STATISTICAL DIVISION																			
Tweed (A) Pt A	16	103	18	22	29	27	28	72	21	71	6	8	44	175	39	93	35	35	
Tweed Heads SSD	16	103	18	22	29	27	28	72	21	71	6	8	44	175	39	93	35	35	
Ballina (A)	29	30	20	24	22	20	9	23	—	25	11	15	38	53	20	49	33	35	
Byron (A)	13	38	15	36	12	10	5	21	8	24	—	—	18	59	23	60	12	10	
Casino (A)	6	7	—	1	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	6	7	—	1	5	4	
Kyogle (A)	2	8	6	9	4	3	—	2	—	5	—	—	2	10	6	14	4	3	
Lismore (C)	23	26	18	17	12	13	2	2	11	—	2	2	25	28	29	17	14	15	
Richmond River (A)	5	9	7	5	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	9	7	5	2	4	
Tweed (A) Pt B	20	51	11	12	6	5	18	22	11	—	2	5	38	73	22	12	8	10	
Richmond—Tweed SD Balance SSD	98	169	77	104	63	57	34	70	30	54	15	24	132	239	107	158	78	81	
RICHMOND—TWEED SD	114	272	95	126	92	84	62	142	51	125	21	32	176	414	146	251	113	116	
MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL DIVISION																			
Bellingen (A)	13	22	2	11	10	9	8	2	—	—	2	—	21	24	2	11	12	9	
Coffs Harbour (C)	26	51	43	39	38	28	26	22	52	11	20	—	52	73	95	50	58	28	
Copmanhurst (A)	3	3	1	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	1	4	—	1	
Grafton (C)	9	15	5	4	5	5	4	20	4	2	2	—	13	35	9	6	7	5	
Maclean (A)	29	11	6	13	13	14	8	4	—	6	4	—	37	15	6	19	17	14	
Nambucca (A)	9	6	6	10	4	6	2	2	—	10	—	—	11	8	6	20	4	6	
Nymboida (A)	7	3	7	2	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	3	7	2	3	4	
Ulmara (A)	6	5	1	6	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	5	1	6	4	6	
Clarence SSD	102	116	71	89	77	73	48	50	56	29	28	—	150	166	127	118	105	73	
Greater Taree (C)	15	47	25	11	12	11	4	4	6	—	4	—	19	51	31	11	16	11	
Hastings (A)	52	2	2	220	35	28	—	14	17	47	—	18	52	16	19	267	35	46	
Kempsey (A)	30	23	10	14	10	20	—	7	2	2	2	—	30	30	12	16	12	20	
Hastings SSD	97	72	37	245	57	59	4	25	25	49	6	18	101	97	62	294	63	77	
MID—NORTH COAST SD	199	188	108	334	134	132	52	75	81	78	34	18	251	263	189	412	168	150	

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses												Total			
	Other residential buildings															
	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct				
CENTRAL WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION																
Bathurst (C)	23	25	2	40	7	13	2	2	14	2	2	25	2	54	9	15
Blayney (A) Pt A	4	3	—	5	3	2	6	—	—	—	—	10	—	5	3	2
Cabonne (A) Pt A	2	1	—	7	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	7	3	3
Evans (A) Pt A	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—
Orange (C)	27	32	8	20	14	18	4	2	2	23	—	31	12	22	37	18
Bathurst—Orange SSD	59	62	11	72	27	36	12	16	16	35	2	71	15	88	52	38
Blayney (A) Pt B	—	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Cabonne (A) Pt B	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Evans (A) Pt B	4	6	—	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
Greater Lithgow (C)	5	7	9	9	13	14	—	—	—	—	—	5	9	6	2	—
Oberon (A)	1	8	6	16	7	5	—	2	9	—	—	1	8	9	13	16
Rylstone (A)	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	25	7	5
Central Tablelands (excl. Bathurst—Orange) SSD	11	26	15	31	34	21	—	2	9	—	2	11	17	40	14	23
Bland (A)	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1
Cabonne (A) Pt C	7	7	—	9	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	9	3	2
Cowra (A)	3	2	1	6	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	6	4	5
Forbes (A)	4	2	2	—	6	5	—	2	2	—	—	4	2	2	6	5
Lachlan (A)	2	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	1
Parkes (A)	—	17	13	32	4	8	—	4	3	—	—	—	17	35	4	8
Weddin (A)	1	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	1
Lachlan SSD	17	30	18	52	17	23	—	6	5	—	—	17	24	57	17	23
CENTRAL WEST SD	87	118	44	155	68	80	12	19	30	25	4	99	56	185	93	84

TABLE 6. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	1995												Total						
	Houses											Other residential buildings							
	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	
SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION																			
Queanbeyan (C)	28	9	6	25	17	8	6	2	6	9	—	—	34	11	12	34	17	8	
Queanbeyan SSD	28	9	6	25	17	8	6	2	6	9	—	—	34	11	12	34	17	8	
Boorowa (A)	2	2	—	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	3	3	1	
Crookwell (A)	1	4	4	2	5	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	7	4	2	5	—	
Goulburn (C)	6	7	—	51	6	7	—	—	—	72	—	—	6	7	—	123	6	7	
Gunning (A)	—	2	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	2	
Harden (A)	4	3	—	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	—	—	4	3	
Mulwaree (A)	8	5	2	4	4	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	8	7	2	4	4	3	
Tallaganda (A)	1	8	2	6	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	2	6	—	2	
Yarrowlumla (A)	6	14	—	3	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	14	—	3	8	3	
Yass (A)	5	7	2	6	7	6	—	2	—	—	—	2	5	9	2	6	7	8	
Young (A)	4	8	1	4	9	5	—	—	—	2	—	—	4	8	1	6	9	5	
Southern Tablelands (excl. Queanbeyan) SSD	37	60	11	79	47	32	—	7	—	74	—	2	37	67	11	153	47	34	
Bega Valley (A)	16	7	35	28	21	8	—	9	2	10	—	—	24	16	37	38	23	8	
Eurobodalla (A)	23	23	80	19	86	18	—	46	17	2	19	—	29	69	97	21	105	18	
Lower South Coast SSD	39	30	115	47	107	26	—	55	19	12	21	—	53	85	134	59	128	36	
Bombala (A)	—	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	
Coonina—Monaro (A)	3	2	—	7	1	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	3	2	—	11	1	1	
Snowy River (A)	2	2	3	1	9	3	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	2	3	1	11	3	
Snowy SSD	5	5	3	8	13	4	—	—	—	4	2	—	5	5	3	12	15	4	
SOUTH EASTERN SD	109	104	135	159	184	70	20	64	25	99	23	2	129	168	160	258	207	72	

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains monthly details of the number of new dwelling units reported by approving authorities as having commenced. Data for statistical local areas are included.

Scope and coverage

2. The statistics were compiled from monthly reports, provided by local and other government authorities, of commencements of new houses and new other residential buildings for which:

- (a) building permits were issued by local government or other government authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities; and
- (b) contracts were let or day labour work was authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities.
- (c) are valued at \$10,000 or more.

Major dwelling unit commencements in areas not subject to the normal administrative approval processes (e.g. buildings on remote mine sites) are also included.

3. The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings and through the construction of new non-residential buildings is not included.

Comparability of statistics

4. Because of the difference in data sources, collection methodologies and timing of notification of commencements, care should be exercised in comparing quarterly data derived from monthly dwelling unit commencement statistics with the quarterly dwelling unit commencement statistics from the Building Activity Survey.

Definitions

5. 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 e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments, are not defined as dwelling units.

6. 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 as follows:

- (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 caretakers' 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 town-houses, duplexes, apartment buildings etc.).

7. *Commencements*. For the purposes of this statistical series, a dwelling unit is regarded as being commenced on the date when:

- (a) the residential building is first inspected by a local government or other government authority building inspector or surveyor, whether the work is passed or not. In general, the first inspection is undertaken at the foundations or footings stage of construction; or
- (b) the residential building is determined as commenced by a building inspector or surveyor.

8. *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.

Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)

9. 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. Changes brought about by the (State) *Local Government Act 1993* to the titles of legal Local Government Areas (LGAs) have been incorporated in this publication.

- (a) *Statistical Local Areas (SLAs)* are in most cases either identical with, or have been aggregated to, the previously published whole or part of legal Local Government Areas (LGAs) as defined under the (State) *Local Government Act 1919* and comprising cities (C), municipalities (M) and shires (S). In other cases, they are identical to each previously published unincorporated area. The (State) *Local Government Act 1993* eliminated the titles of Shire and Municipality and instituted the concept of *Area (A)*. With one exception – Sutherland (S) became Sutherland Shire (A) – names of the LGAs have remained unaltered. In aggregate, SLAs cover the whole of the State without gaps or overlaps. In some cases legal LGAs overlap Statistical Subdivision boundaries and therefore comprise two SLAs (Part A and Part B) or three SLAs in the case of Cabonne (A) (Part A, Part B and Part C).
- (b) *Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs)*. These consist of one or more SLAs and form the intermediate size spatial unit for the presentation of regional data.
- (c) *Statistical Divisions (SDs)*. These consist of one or more Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs). Where SSDs are not shown for statistical purposes, statistical local areas are shown ordered alphabetically within statistical divisions. The divisions are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within the region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.
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..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
A	Area
C	City
n.y.a.	not yet available
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
SD	Statistical Division
SLA	Statistical Local Area
SSD	Statistical Subdivision

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

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