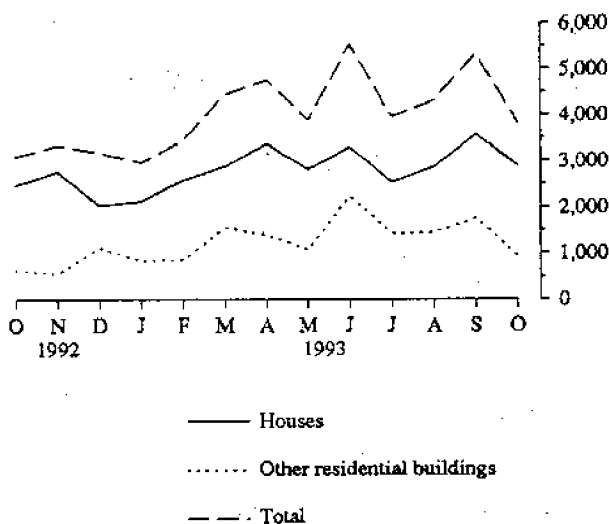


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**DWELLING UNIT COMMENCEMENTS REPORTED BY APPROVING AUTHORITIES,  
QUEENSLAND, OCTOBER 1993**

**MAIN FEATURES**

**NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE  
OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, QUEENSLAND (a)**



(a) September 1993 figures include units commenced in previous months.

**Total dwellings**

- During October 1993 a total of 3,828 dwelling unit commencements were reported.

**Houses**

- For the 3 months ended October 1993, 9,341 houses were commenced, up 8 per cent over the 3 months ended July 1993, and an increase of 24 per cent compared with the 3 months ended October 1992.

**New other residential buildings**

- For the 3 months ended October 1993, 4,132 dwelling units in new other residential buildings were commenced, down 13 per cent from the 3 months ended July 1993, but up 108 per cent over the 3 months ended October 1992.

**DWELLING UNIT COMMENCEMENTS BY TYPE OF NEW  
RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, QUEENSLAND**

| Period                     | Houses | Other residential buildings | Total  |
|----------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|--------|
| October 1992               | 2,471  | 629                         | 3,100  |
| October 1993               | 2,897  | 931                         | 3,828  |
| <i>Three months ended—</i> |        |                             |        |
| October 1992               | 7,532  | 1,984                       | 9,516  |
| July 1993                  | 8,648  | 4,744                       | 13,392 |
| October 1993               | 9,341  | 4,132                       | 13,473 |

**NOTES**

Care should be taken in comparing dwelling commencement figures for September 1993 with other months as these figures include dwelling commencements under-reported for previous months.

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TABLE 1 — NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY OWNERSHIP AND TYPE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, QUEENSLAND

| Period                           | Houses         |               |        | Other residential buildings |               |        | Total          |               |        |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------|----------------|---------------|--------|
|                                  | Private sector | Public sector | Total  | Private sector              | Public sector | Total  | Private sector | Public sector | Total  |
| BRISBANE STATISTICAL DIVISION(a) |                |               |        |                             |               |        |                |               |        |
| 1990-91                          | 7,883          | 446           | 8,329  | 2,384                       | 734           | 3,118  | 10,267         | 1,180         | 11,447 |
| 1991-92                          | 11,304         | 401           | 11,705 | 3,464                       | 715           | 4,179  | 14,768         | 1,116         | 15,884 |
| 1992-93                          | 12,600         | 274           | 12,874 | 5,327                       | 513           | 5,840  | 17,927         | 787           | 18,714 |
| 1992 —                           |                |               |        |                             |               |        |                |               |        |
| August                           | 974            | 9             | 983    | 286                         | 13            | 299    | 1,260          | 22            | 1,282  |
| September                        | 883            | 14            | 897    | 169                         | 18            | 187    | 1,052          | 32            | 1,084  |
| October                          | 847            | 1             | 848    | 226                         | 14            | 240    | 1,073          | 15            | 1,088  |
| November                         | 1,072          | 16            | 1,088  | 137                         | 5             | 142    | 1,209          | 21            | 1,230  |
| December                         | 746            | 30            | 776    | 676                         | 68            | 744    | 1,422          | 98            | 1,520  |
| 1993 —                           |                |               |        |                             |               |        |                |               |        |
| January                          | 928            | 6             | 934    | 490                         | 16            | 506    | 1,418          | 22            | 1,440  |
| February                         | 953            | 59            | 1,012  | 329                         | 46            | 375    | 1,282          | 105           | 1,387  |
| March                            | 761            | 19            | 780    | 736                         | 17            | 753    | 1,497          | 36            | 1,533  |
| April                            | 1,823          | 17            | 1,840  | 611                         | 24            | 635    | 2,434          | 41            | 2,475  |
| May                              | 1,106          | 33            | 1,139  | 324                         | 69            | 393    | 1,430          | 102           | 1,532  |
| June                             | 1,486          | 44            | 1,530  | 1,135                       | 115           | 1,250  | 2,621          | 159           | 2,780  |
| July                             | 922            | 8             | 930    | 396                         | 180           | 576    | 1,318          | 188           | 1,506  |
| August                           | 983            | 35            | 1,018  | 372                         | 131           | 503    | 1,355          | 166           | 1,521  |
| September                        | 1,584          | 6             | 1,590  | 988                         | 37            | 1,025  | 2,572          | 43            | 2,615  |
| October                          | 1,017          | 94            | 1,111  | 170                         | 51            | 221    | 1,187          | 145           | 1,332  |
| QUEENSLAND                       |                |               |        |                             |               |        |                |               |        |
| 1990-91                          | 22,052         | 965           | 23,017 | 6,244                       | 1,735         | 7,979  | 28,296         | 2,700         | 30,996 |
| 1991-92                          | 27,739         | 943           | 28,682 | 8,613                       | 1,253         | 9,866  | 36,352         | 2,196         | 38,548 |
| 1992-93                          | 31,653         | 703           | 32,338 | 11,499                      | 1,062         | 12,561 | 43,134         | 1,765         | 44,999 |
| 1992 —                           |                |               |        |                             |               |        |                |               |        |
| August                           | 2,387          | 26            | 2,413  | 637                         | 47            | 684    | 3,024          | 73            | 3,097  |
| September                        | 2,617          | 31            | 2,648  | 635                         | 36            | 671    | 3,252          | 67            | 3,319  |
| October                          | 2,453          | 18            | 2,471  | 558                         | 71            | 629    | 3,011          | 89            | 3,100  |
| November                         | 2,710          | 52            | 2,762  | 540                         | 23            | 563    | 3,250          | 75            | 3,325  |
| December                         | 2,004          | 52            | 2,056  | 1,020                       | 101           | 1,121  | 3,024          | 153           | 3,177  |
| 1993 —                           |                |               |        |                             |               |        |                |               |        |
| January                          | 2,114          | 14            | 2,128  | 822                         | 16            | 838    | 2,936          | 30            | 2,966  |
| February                         | 2,476          | 115           | 2,591  | 804                         | 56            | 860    | 3,280          | 171           | 3,451  |
| March                            | 2,790          | 94            | 2,884  | 1,527                       | 33            | 1,560  | 4,317          | 127           | 4,444  |
| April                            | 3,331          | 43            | 3,374  | 1,353                       | 40            | 1,393  | 4,684          | 83            | 4,767  |
| May                              | 2,699          | 108           | 2,807  | 898                         | 177           | 1,075  | 3,597          | 285           | 3,882  |
| June                             | 3,216          | 82            | 3,298  | 2,034                       | 211           | 2,245  | 5,250          | 293           | 5,543  |
| July                             | 2,524          | 19            | 2,543  | 1,173                       | 251           | 1,424  | 3,697          | 270           | 3,967  |
| August                           | 2,758          | 109           | 2,867  | 1,146                       | 306           | 1,452  | 3,904          | 415           | 4,319  |
| September                        | 3,561          | 16            | 3,577  | 1,664                       | 85            | 1,749  | 5,225          | 101           | 5,326  |
| October                          | 2,787          | 110           | 2,897  | 836                         | 95            | 931    | 3,623          | 205           | 3,828  |

(a) See paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 2 — NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, QUEENSLAND

| Period    | Houses              |                  |        |              |       |        | Other residential buildings | Total  |
|-----------|---------------------|------------------|--------|--------------|-------|--------|-----------------------------|--------|
|           | Double-brick (a)(b) | Brick veneer (a) | Timber | Fibre cement | Other | Total  |                             |        |
| 1990-91   | 1,378               | 17,503           | 2,110  | 1,653        | 373   | 23,017 | 7,979                       | 30,996 |
| 1991-92   | 1,531               | 22,448           | 2,412  | 1,798        | 493   | 28,682 | 9,866                       | 38,548 |
| 1992-93   | 1,846               | 25,492           | 3,085  | 1,452        | 463   | 32,338 | 12,561                      | 44,899 |
| 1992 —    |                     |                  |        |              |       |        |                             |        |
| August    | 92                  | 1,864            | 250    | 167          | 40    | 2,413  | 684                         | 3,097  |
| September | 149                 | 2,034            | 267    | 142          | 56    | 2,648  | 671                         | 3,319  |
| October   | 88                  | 1,965            | 247    | 124          | 47    | 2,471  | 629                         | 3,100  |
| November  | 86                  | 2,239            | 276    | 121          | 40    | 2,762  | 563                         | 3,325  |
| December  | 96                  | 1,617            | 211    | 99           | 33    | 2,056  | 1,121                       | 3,177  |
| 1993 —    |                     |                  |        |              |       |        |                             |        |
| January   | 100                 | 1,714            | 217    | 77           | 20    | 2,128  | 838                         | 2,966  |
| February  | 138                 | 2,102            | 230    | 100          | 21    | 2,591  | 860                         | 3,451  |
| March     | 338                 | 2,061            | 330    | 118          | 37    | 2,884  | 1,560                       | 4,444  |
| April     | 227                 | 2,737            | 253    | 116          | 41    | 3,374  | 1,393                       | 4,767  |
| May       | 196                 | 2,185            | 270    | 124          | 32    | 2,807  | 1,075                       | 3,882  |
| June      | 168                 | 2,689            | 283    | 103          | 55    | 3,298  | 2,245                       | 5,543  |
| July      | 120                 | 2,044            | 232    | 105          | 42    | 2,543  | 1,424                       | 3,967  |
| August    | 115                 | 2,334            | 246    | 116          | 56    | 2,867  | 1,452                       | 4,319  |
| September | 93                  | 2,927            | 336    | 140          | 81    | 3,577  | 1,749                       | 5,326  |
| October   | 100                 | 2,336            | 301    | 102          | 58    | 2,897  | 931                         | 3,828  |

(a) Including bricks or blocks of clay, concrete or calcium silicate. (b) Including concrete poured on site, prefabricated steel—reinforced concrete and stone.

TABLE 3 — NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS AND STATISTICAL DISTRICTS (a), QUEENSLAND

| Statistical division and statistical district | Aug., 1993   |                             |              | Sept., 1993  |                             |              | Oct., 1993   |                             |              |
|---|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
|   | Houses       | Other residential buildings | Total        | Houses       | Other residential buildings | Total        | Houses       | Other residential buildings | Total        |
| <i>Statistical division</i>                   |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |
| Brisbane                                      | 1,018        | 503                         | 1,521        | 1,590        | 1,025                       | 2,615        | 1,111        | 221                         | 1,332        |
| Morretton                                     | 729          | 557                         | 1,286        | 824          | 324                         | 1,148        | 748          | 418                         | 1,166        |
| Wide Bay-Burnett                              | 305          | 63                          | 368          | 360          | 55                          | 415          | 325          | 24                          | 349          |
| Darling Downs                                 | 183          | 37                          | 220          | 147          | 24                          | 171          | 123          | 8                           | 131          |
| South-West                                    | 8            | 2                           | 10           | 6            | —                           | 6            | 9            | 2                           | 11           |
| Fitzroy                                       | 159          | 59                          | 218          | 194          | 28                          | 222          | 151          | 16                          | 167          |
| Central-West                                  | 4            | —                           | 4            | 5            | 2                           | 7            | 4            | 2                           | 6            |
| Mackay  | 97           | 30                          | 127          | 102          | 40                          | 142          | 106          | 37                          | 143          |
| Northern                                      | 178          | 65                          | 243          | 150          | 83                          | 233          | 128          | 37                          | 165          |
| Far North                                     | 178          | 128                         | 306          | 198          | 168                         | 366          | 185          | 154                         | 339          |
| North-West                                    | 8            | 8                           | 16           | 1            | —                           | 1            | 7            | 12                          | 19           |
| <b>Queensland</b>                             | <b>2,867</b> | <b>1,452</b>                | <b>4,319</b> | <b>3,577</b> | <b>1,749</b>                | <b>5,326</b> | <b>2,897</b> | <b>931</b>                  | <b>3,828</b> |
| <i>Statistical district</i>                   |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |
| Gold Coast-Tweed (b)                          | 302          | 295                         | 597          | 307          | 169                         | 476          | 299          | 247                         | 546          |
| Sunshine Coast                                | 230          | 248                         | 478          | 252          | 151                         | 403          | 242          | 171                         | 413          |
| Bundaberg                                     | 62           | 20                          | 82           | 54           | 19                          | 73           | 61           | 8                           | 69           |
| Gladstone                                     | 35           | 22                          | 57           | 50           | —                           | 50           | 33           | 4                           | 37           |
| Rockhampton                                   | 58           | 35                          | 93           | 65           | 26                          | 91           | 51           | 12                          | 63           |
| Mackay  | 55           | 25                          | 80           | 64           | 40                          | 104          | 52           | 33                          | 85           |
| Townsville                                    | 130          | 63                          | 193          | 100          | 57                          | 157          | 98           | 30                          | 128          |
| Cairns  | 111          | 113                         | 224          | 117          | 148                         | 265          | 107          | 148                         | 255          |

(a) See paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes. (b) Excluding that part of the Gold Coast-Tweed Statistical District in New South Wales.

TABLE 4 — NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS, QUEENSLAND

| Local government area               | Aug., 1993 |                             |       | Sept., 1993 |                             |       | Oct., 1993 |                             |       |
|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------|------------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                     | Houses     | Other residential buildings | Total | Houses      | Other residential buildings | Total | Houses     | Other residential buildings | Total |
| <b>Brisbane and Moreton</b>         |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| <i>Statistical Divisions (a)</i>    |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Albert (S)                          | 238        | 146                         | 384   | 278         | 38                          | 316   | 247        | 82                          | 329   |
| Beaudesert (S)                      | 87         | 2                           | 89    | 125         | 4                           | 129   | 90         | —                           | 90    |
| Boonah (S)                          | 4          | —                           | 4     | 10          | —                           | 10    | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Brisbane (C)                        | 202        | 303                         | 505   | 667         | 720                         | 1,387 | 315        | 122                         | 437   |
| Caboolture (S)                      | 259        | 30                          | 289   | 298         | 62                          | 360   | 178        | 24                          | 202   |
| Caloundra (C)                       | 83         | 19                          | 102   | 110         | 15                          | 125   | 112        | 15                          | 127   |
| Eak (S)                             | 17         | —                           | 17    | 12          | —                           | 12    | 15         | —                           | 15    |
| Gatton (S)                          | 15         | 7                           | 22    | 13          | —                           | 13    | 12         | —                           | 12    |
| Gold Coast (C)                      | 102        | 305                         | 388   | 102         | 159                         | 261   | 111        | 165                         | 276   |
| Ipswich (C)                         | 27         | 25                          | 52    | 20          | 23                          | 43    | 35         | 18                          | 53    |
| Kilcoy (S)                          | 4          | —                           | 4     | 8           | —                           | 8     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Laidley (S)                         | 31         | —                           | 31    | 26          | —                           | 26    | 29         | —                           | 29    |
| Logan (C)                           | 125        | 68                          | 193   | 135         | 14                          | 149   | 113        | —                           | 113   |
| Maroochy (S)                        | 147        | 210                         | 357   | 153         | 115                         | 268   | 154        | 137                         | 291   |
| Moreton (S)                         | 87         | —                           | 87    | 92          | 18                          | 110   | 114        | 2                           | 116   |
| Noosa (S)                           | 70         | 24                          | 94    | 100         | 21                          | 121   | 63         | 19                          | 82    |
| Pine Rivers (S)                     | 132        | 4                           | 136   | 126         | —                           | 126   | 137        | —                           | 137   |
| Redcliffe (C)                       | 19         | 21                          | 40    | 16          | 18                          | 34    | 23         | 4                           | 27    |
| Redland (S)                         | 98         | 42                          | 140   | 129         | 170                         | 299   | 108        | 51                          | 159   |
| <b>Wide Bay-Burnett Statistical</b> |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| <i>Division</i>                     |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Biggenden (S)                       | —          | —                           | —     | 5           | —                           | 5     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Bundaberg (C)                       | 8          | 12                          | 20    | 18          | 17                          | 35    | 14         | 8                           | 22    |
| Eidsvold (S)                        | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Gayndah (S)                         | 3          | —                           | 3     | 3           | 2                           | 5     | 3          | —                           | 3     |
| Gooburrum (S)                       | 15         | —                           | 15    | 15          | —                           | 15    | 7          | —                           | 7     |
| Gympie (C)                          | 2          | —                           | 2     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Hervey Bay (C)                      | 88         | 19                          | 107   | 116         | 14                          | 130   | 104        | 16                          | 120   |
| Isis (S)                            | 7          | —                           | 7     | 14          | 8                           | 22    | 17         | —                           | 17    |
| Kilkivan (S)                        | 7          | —                           | 7     | 6           | —                           | 6     | 5          | —                           | 5     |
| Kingaroy (S)                        | 14         | 4                           | 18    | 8           | —                           | 8     | 15         | —                           | 15    |
| Kolan (S)                           | 5          | 4                           | 9     | 6           | —                           | 6     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Maryborough (C)                     | 19         | 10                          | 29    | 28          | 8                           | 36    | 16         | —                           | 16    |
| Miriam Vale (S)                     | 5          | —                           | 5     | 3           | —                           | 3     | 4          | —                           | 4     |
| Monto (S)                           | 1          | —                           | 1     | —           | —                           | —     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Mundubbera (S)                      | 1          | —                           | 1     | 2           | —                           | 2     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Murgon (S)                          | 4          | —                           | 4     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 3          | —                           | 3     |
| Nanango (S)                         | 18         | —                           | 18    | 21          | —                           | 21    | 13         | —                           | 13    |
| Perry (S)                           | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Tiaro (S)                           | 4          | —                           | 4     | 17          | —                           | 17    | 14         | —                           | 14    |
| Widgee (S)                          | 37         | 6                           | 43    | 44          | 4                           | 48    | 44         | —                           | 44    |
| Wondai (S)                          | 6          | —                           | 6     | 2           | —                           | 2     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Woooco (S)                          | 8          | —                           | 8     | 4           | —                           | 4     | 7          | —                           | 7     |
| Woongarra (S)                       | 53         | 8                           | 61    | 46          | 2                           | 48    | 48         | —                           | 48    |
| <b>Darling Downs Statistical</b>    |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| <i>Division</i>                     |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Allora (S)                          | 2          | —                           | 2     | 2           | 2                           | 4     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Cambooya (S)                        | 15         | —                           | 15    | 8           | —                           | 8     | 4          | —                           | 4     |
| Chinchilla (S)                      | 1          | —                           | 1     | 2           | —                           | 2     | 3          | —                           | 3     |
| Clifton (S)                         | —          | —                           | —     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Crow's Nest (S)                     | 15         | —                           | 15    | 5           | —                           | 5     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Dalby (T)                           | 7          | —                           | 7     | 10          | —                           | 10    | 6          | —                           | 6     |
| Glengallan (S)                      | 3          | —                           | 3     | —           | —                           | —     | 4          | —                           | 4     |
| Goondiwindi (T)                     | 1          | 3                           | 4     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Inglewood (S)                       | 2          | —                           | 2     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Jondaryan (S)                       | 10         | —                           | 10    | 22          | —                           | 22    | 10         | —                           | 10    |
| Millmerran (S)                      | 1          | —                           | 1     | —           | —                           | —     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Murilla (S)                         | 1          | —                           | 1     | 2           | —                           | 2     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Pittsworth (S)                      | 7          | —                           | 7     | 4           | —                           | 4     | 2          | —                           | 2     |
| Rosalie (S)                         | 19         | —                           | 19    | 19          | —                           | 19    | 9          | —                           | 9     |
| Rosenthal (S)                       | —          | —                           | —     | 9           | —                           | 9     | 9          | —                           | 9     |
| Stanthorpe (S)                      | 13         | 7                           | 20    | 6           | —                           | 6     | 7          | 2                           | 9     |
| Tara (S)                            | 2          | —                           | 2     | 4           | —                           | 4     | —          | —                           | —     |

TABLE 4 — NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS, QUEENSLAND—*continued*

| Local government area                                 | Aug., 1993 |                             |       | Sept., 1993 |                             |       | Oct., 1993 |                             |       |
|---|------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------|------------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Houses     | Other residential buildings | Total | Houses      | Other residential buildings | Total | Houses     | Other residential buildings | Total |
| <i>Darling Downs Statistical Division — continued</i> |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Taroom (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Toowoomba (C)   | 74         | 25                          | 99    | 44          | 22                          | 66    | 47         | 6                           | 53    |
| Waggamba (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Wambo (S)   | 4          | —                           | 4     | —           | —                           | —     | 3          | —                           | 3     |
| Warwick (C)   | 6          | 2                           | 8     | 7           | —                           | 7     | 10         | —                           | 10    |
| <i>South-West Statistical Division</i>                |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Balonne (S)   | —          | —                           | —     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Bendemere (S)   | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Booringa (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | 3           | —                           | 3     | 5          | —                           | 5     |
| Bulloo (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Bungil (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | 1           | —                           | 1     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Murweh (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Paroo (S)   | 2          | —                           | 2     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Quilpie (S)   | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Roma (T)  | 5          | 2                           | 7     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 3          | 2                           | 5     |
| Warroo (S)  | 1          | —                           | 1     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| <i>Fitzroy Statistical Division</i>                   |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Banana (S)  | 3          | —                           | 3     | 5           | —                           | 5     | 6          | —                           | 6     |
| Bauhinia (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Calliope (S)  | 14         | 6                           | 20    | 23          | —                           | 23    | 8          | —                           | 8     |
| Duaringa (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Emerald (S)   | 22         | 2                           | 24    | 14          | —                           | 14    | 23         | —                           | 23    |
| Fitzroy (S)   | 23         | —                           | 23    | 32          | 2                           | 34    | 19         | —                           | 19    |
| Gladstone (C)   | 22         | 16                          | 38    | 29          | —                           | 29    | 25         | 4                           | 29    |
| Jericho (S)   | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Livingstone (S)                                       | 38         | —                           | 38    | 47          | 2                           | 49    | 35         | —                           | 35    |
| Mount Morgan (S)                                      | —          | —                           | —     | 1           | —                           | 1     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Peak Downs (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | 3           | —                           | 3     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Rockhampton (C)                                       | 37         | 35                          | 72    | 40          | 24                          | 64    | 34         | 12                          | 46    |
| <i>Central-West Statistical Division</i>              |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Aramac (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Barcaldine (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | 1           | —                           | 1     | —          | 2                           | 2     |
| Barcoo (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Blackall (S)  | 2          | —                           | 2     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Boulia (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Diamantina (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Ilfracombe (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Isisford (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Longreach (S)   | 2          | —                           | 2     | 4           | 2                           | 6     | 3          | —                           | 3     |
| Tambo (S)   | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Winton (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| <i>Mackay Statistical Division</i>                    |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Belyando (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Broadsound (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | 1          | —                           | 1     |
| Mackay (C)  | 7          | 23                          | 30    | 12          | 40                          | 52    | 5          | 30                          | 35    |
| Mirani (S)  | 5          | —                           | 5     | 4           | —                           | 4     | 1          | 2                           | 3     |
| Nebo (S)  | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Pioneer (S)   | 64         | 2                           | 66    | 66          | —                           | 66    | 63         | 5                           | 68    |
| Sarina (S)  | 10         | —                           | 10    | 8           | —                           | 8     | 15         | —                           | 15    |
| Whitsunday (S)  | 11         | 5                           | 16    | 12          | —                           | 12    | 20         | —                           | 20    |
| <i>Northern Statistical Division</i>                  |            |                             |       |             |                             |       |            |                             |       |
| Bowen (S)   | 8          | 2                           | 10    | 7           | 6                           | 13    | 5          | 2                           | 7     |
| Burdekin (S)  | 4          | —                           | 4     | 5           | 20                          | 25    | 5          | 3                           | 8     |
| Charters Towers (C)                                   | 8          | —                           | 8     | 9           | —                           | 9     | —          | —                           | —     |
| Dalrymple (S)   | —          | —                           | —     | —           | —                           | —     | 4          | —                           | 4     |
| Hinchinbrook (S)                                      | 6          | —                           | 6     | 6           | —                           | 6     | 3          | —                           | 3     |
| Thuringowa (C)  | 90         | —                           | 90    | 72          | —                           | 72    | 77         | 2                           | 79    |
| Townsville (C)  | 62         | 63                          | 125   | 51          | 57                          | 108   | 34         | 30                          | 64    |

TABLE 4 — NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS, QUEENSLAND—*continued*

| Local government area                  | Aug., 1993   |                             |              | Sept., 1993  |                             |              | Oct., 1993   |                             |              |
|--|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
|  | Houses       | Other residential buildings | Total        | Houses       | Other residential buildings | Total        | Houses       | Other residential buildings | Total        |
| <i>Far North Statistical Division</i>  |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |
| Atherton (S)                           | —            | 2                           | 2            | 9            | 4                           | 13           | 12           | —                           | 12           |
| Aurukun (S)                            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| Cairns (C)                             | 29           | 78                          | 107          | 20           | 109                         | 129          | 18           | 116                         | 134          |
| Cardwell (S)                           | 12           | 9                           | 21           | 14           | 2                           | 16           | 4            | —                           | 4            |
| Cook (S)                               | 3            | —                           | 3            | 1            | —                           | 1            | 2            | 2                           | 4            |
| Croydon (S)                            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| Douglas (S)                            | 24           | 2                           | 26           | 10           | 4                           | 14           | 14           | —                           | 14           |
| Eacham (S)                             | 8            | 2                           | 10           | 4            | 2                           | 6            | 6            | —                           | 6            |
| Etheridge (S)                          | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| Herberton (S)                          | 4            | —                           | 4            | 5            | 2                           | 7            | 5            | —                           | 5            |
| Johnstone (S)                          | 4            | —                           | 4            | 29           | 4                           | 33           | 14           | —                           | 14           |
| Mareeba (S)                            | 10           | —                           | 10           | 8            | 2                           | 10           | 14           | 2                           | 16           |
| Mulgrave (S)                           | 84           | 35                          | 119          | 98           | 39                          | 137          | 95           | 32                          | 127          |
| Torres (S)                             | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | 1            | 2                           | 3            |
| <i>North-West Statistical Division</i> |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |              |                             |              |
| Burke (S)                              | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| Carpentaria (S)                        | 1            | —                           | 1            | 1            | —                           | 1            | 1            | —                           | 1            |
| Cloncurry (S)                          | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | 3            | —                           | 3            |
| Flinders (S)                           | 3            | —                           | 3            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| McKinlay (S)                           | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| Mornington (S)                         | —            | 2                           | 2            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| Mount Isa (C)                          | 4            | 6                           | 10           | —            | —                           | —            | 3            | 12                          | 15           |
| Richmond (S)                           | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| Unincorporated islands                 | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            | —            | —                           | —            |
| <b>Queensland</b>                      | <b>2,867</b> | <b>1,452</b>                | <b>4,319</b> | <b>3,577</b> | <b>1,749</b>                | <b>5,326</b> | <b>2,897</b> | <b>931</b>                  | <b>3,828</b> |

(a) See paragraph 11 of the Explanatory Notes. (C) City. (T) Town. (S) Shire.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Introduction

This publication contains monthly details of the number of new dwelling units reported by approving authorities as having commenced in each legal local government area.

### Scope and coverage

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

- (a) building permits were issued by local government authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities or
- (b) contracts were let or day labour work was authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local authorities.

3. Major residential building commencements which are not subject to the normal administrative approval processes (e.g. buildings on remote mine sites) are also included.

4. Dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings and through the construction of new non-residential buildings are not included.

### Comparability of statistics

5. 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

6. 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.

7. 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. town houses, duplexes, apartment buildings, etc.). The statistics shown for 'other residential buildings' represent the number of dwelling units in other residential buildings, not the number of buildings.

8. *Commencements.* For the purposes of this statistical series, a residential building is regarded as being commenced on the date when:

- (a) the building work is first inspected by a local authority or other government authority building inspector or surveyor, whether the work is passed or not or
- (b) the building work is determined as commenced by a building inspector or surveyor.

In general, the first inspection is undertaken at the foundations or footings stage of construction.

9. The *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

10. The data are presented according to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 2.1.

11. The legal local government area structure has been cross-classified with the statistical division level of the main structure. The use of this cross-classification requires the combination of the Brisbane and Moreton Statistical Divisions, as some legal local government areas cross the contiguous boundary of these two statistical divisions.

12. *Legal local government areas* (LGAs), as defined under the *Local Government Act 1936*, are spatial units which represent the geographical areas of incorporated local government councils, such as cities (C), towns (T) and shires (S).

13. *Statistical divisions*, which are groupings of the whole or part of LGAs, are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within the region. The Brisbane Statistical Division comprises the Cities of Brisbane, Ipswich, Logan and Redcliffe, the Shires of Pine Rivers and Redland and parts of the Shires of Albert, Beaudesert, Caboolture and Moreton.

14. *Statistical districts* have been defined around selected urban areas to provide comparable statistics over a period of time. These districts, which are intended to contain the anticipated urban spread for at least 20 years, are generally defined as having a population of 25,000 or more and experiencing urban growth beyond the LGA boundaries.

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15. From July 1991 dwelling unit commencement statistics reflect the changes made to the ASGC spatial units as a result of the *Review of ABS Statistical Geography* report.

- (a) The Brisbane Statistical Division has been redrawn to encompass the anticipated urban development for a period of at least 20 years. The readjustment has meant expansion into some of the area previously part of the adjacent Moreton Statistical Division, namely Albert (S), Beaudesert (S), Caboolture (S), Moreton (S) and Pine Rivers (S).
- (b) The boundaries of Cairns, Bundaberg and Gold Coast-Tweed Statistical Districts have been amended by the transfer of part of Mulgrave (S) – Pt B to Mulgrave (S) – Pt A, part of Woongarra (S) – Pt B to Woongarra (S) – Pt A and part of Albert (S) – Pt C to Albert (S) – Pt B Bal, respectively.
- (c) More statistical local areas have been created, consistent with local suburb boundaries, in Brisbane (C), Albert (S), Beaudesert (S), Moreton (S), Logan (C), Pine Rivers (S), Redland (S), Gold Coast (C) and Townsville (C). For further details inquiries should be made to the contact shown at the front of this publication.

## Related publications

16. Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

*Building Approvals* (8731.3) – Monthly (\$11.00)  
*Building Approvals and Dwelling Unit Commencements: Small Area Statistics* (8735.3) –  
 New issue: 1992–93 (\$15.00)  
*Building Activity* (8752.3) – Quarterly (\$11.00)

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

## Unpublished statistics

18. As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant unpublished data available. Inquires should be made to the contact shown at the front of this publication.

## Symbols and other usages

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

