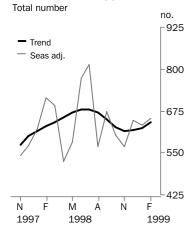


# **BUILDING APPROVALS**

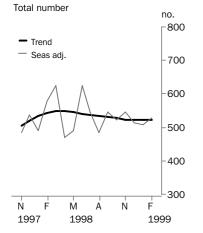
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### **Dwelling units approved**



### **Private sector houses approved**



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# FEBRUARY KEY FIGURES

TREND ESTIMATES	Feb 1999	% change Jan 1999 to Feb 1999	% change Feb 1998 to Feb 1999
Dwelling units approved			
Private sector houses	521	0.0	-4.0
Total dwelling units	641	2.8	1.9

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	Feb 1999	% change Jan 1999 to Feb 1999	% change Feb 1998 to Feb 1999
Dwelling units approved			
Private sector houses	527	3.9	-9.0
Total dwelling units	654	3.3	-8.4

# FEBRUARY KEY POINTS

#### TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend for total dwelling units increased by 4.2% over the last three months.
- The trend for private sector houses is flat with no change over the last three months

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- In seasonally adjusted terms total dwelling units increased by 3.3% in February following a fall of 2.0% in January.
- Private sector houses increased by 3.9% in February.

### ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- There were 607 dwellings (510 houses, 97 other dwellings) approved in February following 444 dwellings approved in January.
- Total building increased by \$65.9 million (53.5%) in February to \$189.0 million. A single shop job worth \$64.0 million accounted for most the increase.

# N O T E S

FORTHCOMING ISSUES	ISSUE	RELEASE DATE					
	March 1999	4 May 1999					
	April 1999	2 June 1999					
	May 1999	1 July 1999					
	June 1999	30 July 1999					
	July 1999	31 August 1999					
	August 1999	30 September 1999					
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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE	There are no changes in this issue.						
DATA NOTES	The impact of the large shop project was completely removed from the non-residential						
	and total building value trend series.						
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REVISIONS THIS MONTH	There are no revisions this month.						
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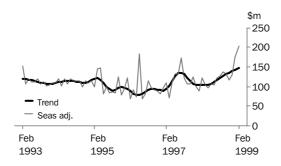
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## VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

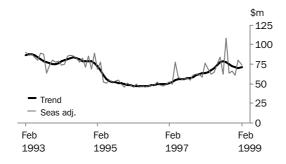
VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING

The trend has increased by 41.9% over the last 11 months. The impact of the large shop project has been completely removed from the trend.



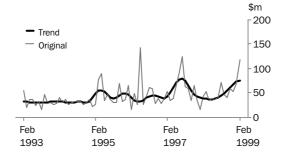
VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend has just recorded a small increase (0.8%) after fivemonths of decline (-10.3%).



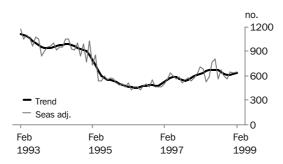
VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

Even excluding the impact of the large shop project the trend has doubled over the last ten months.



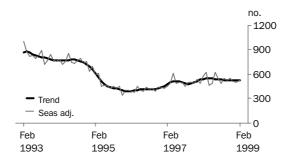
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

The trend has grown by 4.2% over the last 3 months but is only 1.9% above the level of a year ago .



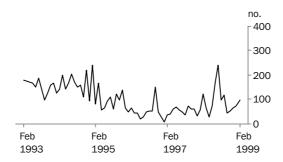
PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

Overall there has been a slight downward trend over the last year and the February trend estimate is 4% down on February 1998 .



OTHER DWELLING (ORIGINAL)

There series has grown relatively steadily over the last four months from 43 dwelling units in October 1998 to 97 dwelling units in February 1999. However this is a volatile series and substantial month to month movements occur.



#### EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

Readers should exercise care when interpreting trend estimates. The last six trend estimates, in particular, are likely to be revised when new seasonally adjusted estimates become available.

#### TREND REVISIONS

Generally, the greater the volatility of the original series, the larger the size of the revisions to trend estimates. Analysis of the building approval original series has shown that they can be revised substantially. As a result, some months can elapse before turning points in the trend series are reliably identified.

The graphs and tables which follow present the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates: that the March seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the February estimate by 9% for the number of private sector houses approved and 10% for total dwelling units approved; and that the March seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the February estimate by 9% for the number of private sector houses approved and 10% for total dwelling units approved. These percentages were chosen because they represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

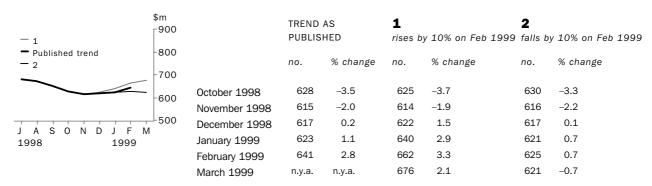
### PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

# WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:



### TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

# WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:



# DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

	HOUSES		OTHER DWE	LLINGS	TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	
Month	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	
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1997							
December	475	482	31	31	506	513	
1998	205	070		50	400	404	
January	365	373	55	58	420	431	
February March	542 623	545	121	121	663 686	666	
April		671	63	67		738	
	461	472	30	30	491	502	
May	515	527	73	75 160	588	602	
June	610	641	161	169	771	810	
July	654	660	239	241	893	901	
August	528	536	94	98	622	634	
September	600	625	117	117	717	742	
October	518	542	43	43	561	585	
November	540	553	47	53	587	606	
December	489	496	67	67	556	563	
1999							
January	361	371	73	73	434	444	
February	494	510	97	97	591	607	
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1997		<del></del>					
December	538	551	n.a.	n.a.	559	570	
1998							
January	490	508	n.a.	n.a.	594	621	
February	578	582	n.a.	n.a.	710	714	
March	624	649	n.a.	n.a.	662	691	
April	469	484	n.a.	n.a.	510	525	
May	491	503	n.a.	n.a.	573	583	
June	624	643	n.a.	n.a.	747	772	
July	546	554	n.a.	n.a.	802	813	
August	485	499	n.a.	n.a.	561	568	
September	546	562			656	673	
October	523	553	n.a.	n.a.	554	603	
November			n.a.	n.a.			
	545	571	n.a.	n.a.	541	568	
December	512	517	n.a.	n.a.	633	646	
1999							
January	507	534	n.a.	n.a.	609	633	
February	527	543	n.a.	n.a.	632	654	
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1997							
December	520	537	n.a.	n.a.	581	599	
1998							
January	533	549	n.a.	n.a.	598	615	
February	543	558	n.a.	n.a.	612	629	
March	548	562	n.a.	n.a.	624	641	
April	548	563	n.a.	n.a.	639	656	
May	545	559	n.a.	n.a.	654	670	
June	540	555	n.a.	n.a.	664	678	
July	537	552	n.a.	n.a.	663	679	
August	534	551	n.a.	n.a.	651	670	
September	532	551 551	n.a.	n.a.	628	651	
October	528	547			603	628	
November	528 523	547 543	n.a.	n.a.	590	615	
December	523 521	543 541	n.a.	n.a.		615	
	271	541	n.a.	n.a.	591	017	
<b>1999</b>	E04	E 44			500	000	
January February	521 521	541 540	n.a.	n.a.	599 617	623 641	
		► AO	n.a.	n.a.	<b>617</b>	6/11	

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# DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage Change

	HOUSES		OTHER DWEL	LINGS	TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
Month	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	
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1997		ORIGINAL (%	change from preced	ing month)			
December	-1.5	-1.6	-50.0	-50.0	-7.0	-7.1	
1998	1.0	1.0	00.0	00.0	1.0		
January	-23.2	-22.6	77.4	87.1	-17.0	-16.0	
February	48.5	46.1	120.0	108.6	57.9	54.5	
March	14.9	23.1	-47.9	-44.6	3.5	10.8	
April	-26.0	-29.7	-52.4	-55.2	-28.4	-32.0	
May	11.7	11.7	143.3	150.0	19.8	19.9	
June	18.4	21.6	120.5	125.3	31.1	34.6	
July	7.2	3.0	48.4	42.6	15.8	11.2	
August	-19.3	-18.8	-60.7	-59.3	-30.3	-29.6	
September	13.6	16.6	24.5	19.4	15.3	17.0	
October	-13.7	-13.3	-63.2	-63.2	-21.8	-21.2	
November	4.2	2.0	9.3	23.3	4.6	3.6	
December	-9.4	-10.3	42.6	26.4	-5.3	-7.1	
1999							
January	-26.2	-25.2	9.0	9.0	-21.9	-21.1	
February	36.8	37.5	32.9	32.9	36.2	36.7	
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		SEASONALLY ADJUS	TED (% change from	preceding month)			
1997							
December 1998	11.2	9.0	n.a.	n.a.	5.7	5.5	
January	-8.9	-7.8	n.a.	n.a.	6.4	8.9	
February	18.0	14.5	n.a.	n.a.	19.4	15.0	
March	7.9	11.5	n.a.	n.a.	-6.7	-3.2	
April	-24.8	-25.3	n.a.	n.a.	-22.9	-24.0	
May	4.6	3.9	n.a.	n.a.	12.4	11.1	
June	27.2	27.8	n.a.	n.a.	30.3	32.3	
July	-12.5	-13.9	n.a.	n.a.	7.3	5.4	
August	-11.1	-9.9	n.a.	n.a.	-30.1	-30.1	
September	12.5	12.6	n.a.	n.a.	16.9	18.4	
October	-4.2	-1.7	n.a.	n.a.	-15.6	-10.4	
November	4.3	3.2	n.a.	n.a.	-2.3	-5.8	
December	-6.0	-9.4	n.a.	n.a.	17.0	13.8	
1999							
January	-1.1	3.4	n.a.	n.a.	-3.8	-2.0	
February	3.9	1.7	n.a.	n.a.	3.8	3.3	
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1997		TREND ESTIMATE	S (% change from pr	eceding month)			
December	3.2	2.9	n.a.	n.a.	4.4	4.2	
1998	0.2	2.5	11.4.	n.a.	7.7	7.2	
January	2.5	2.3	n.a.	n.a.	2.9	2.7	
February	1.8	1.6	n.a.	n.a.	2.3	2.3	
March	0.9	0.8	n.a.	n.a.	2.1	2.0	
April	0.1	0.1	n.a.	n.a.	2.4	2.2	
May	-0.6	-0.7	n.a.	n.a.	2.4	2.2	
June	-0.9	-0.7 -0.8	n.a.	n.a.	1.4	1.3	
July	-0.6	-0.5	n.a.	n.a.	-0.1	0.1	
August	-0.5	-0.2	n.a.	n.a.	-0.1 -1.9	-1.4	
September	-0.4	-0.2 -0.1	n.a.	n.a.	-3.4	-1.4 -2.8	
October	-0.4 -0.9	-0.1 -0.6	n.a.	n.a.	-4.0	-2.6 -3.5	
November	-0.9 -0.9	-0.6 -0.7	n.a.	n.a.	-4.0 -2.2	-3.5 -2.0	
December	-0.3	-0.7 -0.3	n.a.	n.a.	0.3	0.2	
<b>1999</b>	0.0	0.5	π.α.	II.a.	0.5	0.2	
					4.0	4.4	
January	-0.1	-0.2	n.a.	n.a.	1.3	1.1	

		Alterations			
	New residential	and additions to residential	Total residential	Non- residential	Total
	building	buildings(a)	building	building	building
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
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1997		Ollidin	AL		
December	48.1	10.6	58.6	35.1	93.7
1998					
January	37.4	7.3	44.7	16.1	60.8
February	57.0	15.6	72.6	41.9	114.5
March	63.6	10.7	74.3	53.8	128.1
April	44.0	9.6	53.6	34.6	88.3
May	55.3	9.2	64.4	38.2	102.6
June	70.0	10.2	80.3	36.5	116.8
July	78.6	11.8	90.4	40.2	130.6
August	58.5	10.6	69.1	72.1	141.2
September	103.4	13.1	116.5	46.9	163.5
October	55.5	10.8	66.3	40.5	106.9
November	58.0	12.4	70.4	58.3	128.7
December	50.3	10.0	60.3	53.5	113.7
1999					
January	45.6	9.5	55.1	68.0	123.1
February	58.2	12.4	70.6	118.4	189.0
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1997					
December	51.9	10.7	62.7	n.a.	99.3
1998					
January	50.4	8.9	59.3	n.a.	88.5
February	58.2	18.9	77.1	n.a.	123.1
March	58.9	9.8	68.7	n.a.	105.6
April	52.4	9.8	62.2	n.a.	97.4
May	55.2	10.0	65.3	n.a.	106.6
June	65.3	9.8	75.0		103.6
				n.a.	
July	73.3	11.5	84.8	n.a.	121.9
August	51.6	10.8	62.4	n.a.	128.1
September	97.9	10.7	108.6	n.a.	137.1
October	54.5	9.7	64.2	n.a.	132.2
November	53.7	12.7	66.4	n.a.	116.7
December	52.5	9.2	61.7	n.a.	129.4
1999					
January	67.2	12.8	80.0	n.a.	176.2
February	59.2	15.0	74.1	n.a.	203.2
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1997					
December	52.0	10.4	62.4	42.5	104.8
1998					
January	53.1	10.2	63.3	40.9	104.2
February	54.5	10.0	64.4	39.7	104.1
March	55.4	9.8	65.3	38.1	103.4
April	57.2	9.9	67.1	37.1	104.2
May	60.2	10.1	70.3	37.3	107.5
June	63.9	10.3	74.2	38.6	112.8
July	66.8	10.5	77.4	40.3	117.7
	68.1	10.6	78.7	44.1	122.8
	67.2	10.7	77.9	49.8	127.7
August	01.2		77.9 75.4	49.8 56.0	131.4
August September	64.6		( · ) 4		
August September October	64.6	10.8			
August September October November	61.7	11.2	72.9	62.2	135.1
August September October November December					
August September October November December 1999	61.7 59.6	11.2 11.7	72.9 71.3	62.2 67.9	135.1 139.2
August September October November	61.7	11.2	72.9	62.2	135.1

<sup>(</sup>a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.



		Alterations			
		and			
	New	additions to	Total	Non-	
	residential	residential	residential	residential	Total
Month	building	buildings(a)	building	building	building
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1997	OF	RIGINAL (% change fror	m preceding month)		
December	-6.1	-4.7	-5.9	-45.6	-26.1
1998	-0.1	-4.7	-5.9	-43.0	-20.1
	22.4	24.2	22.0	E4.0	25.1
January	-22.1	-31.3	-23.8	-54.0	-35.1
February	52.3	115.3	62.5	159.6	88.3
March	11.5	-31.3	2.3	28.5	11.9
April	-30.7	-10.8	-27.8	-35.7	-31.1
May	25.5	-4.3	20.2	10.2	16.3
June	26.7	11.8	24.6	-4.4	13.8
July	12.3	15.2	12.6	10.1	11.9
August	-25.6	-10.5	-23.6	79.5	8.1
September	76.6	24.6	68.7	-34.9	15.8
October	-46.3	-17.8	-43.1	-13.7	-34.6
November	4.5	14.4	6.1	43.9	20.5
December	-13.4	-19.0	-14.4	-8.3	-11.6
1999	10.4	13.0	17.7	0.0	11.0
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January	-9.3 -7.0	-5.2	-8.6	27.3	8.2
February	27.6	30.4	28.1	74.1	53.5
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1997	SEASUNA	LLY ADJUSTED (% char	nge from preceding m	ontn)	
December	2.2	-4.9	0.9	n.a.	-20.3
	2.2	-4.9	0.9	n.a.	-20.3
1998	2.2	40.7	<b>5</b> 4		40.0
January	-3.0	-16.7	-5.4	n.a.	-10.9
February	15.5	111.5	30.0	n.a.	39.1
March	1.2	-48.1	-10.9	n.a.	-14.2
April	-10.9	-0.6	-9.4	n.a.	-7.8
May	5.3	2.5	4.9	n.a.	9.4
June	18.1	-2.5	15.0	n.a.	-2.8
July	12.3	17.3	13.0	n.a.	17.6
August	-29.6	-5.4	-26.4	n.a.	5.0
September	89.7	-0.9	74.0	n.a.	7.1
October	-44.4	-9.3	-40.9	n.a.	-3.5
November	-1.4	30.6	3.5	n.a.	-11.8
December	-2.3				
	-2.3	-27.3	-7.0	n.a.	10.9
1999	00.0		00.0		
January	28.0	38.9	29.6	n.a.	36.2
February	-12.0	16.7	-7.4	n.a.	15.3
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1997	IREND	ESTIMATES (% change	e from preceding mon	in)	
December	3.2	0.2	2.6	0.4	0.6
	3.2	-0.3	2.6	-9.4	-2.6
1998				0 -	
January	2.2	-1.7	1.5	-3.7	-0.6
February	2.5	-2.1	1.8	-2.9	-0.1
March	1.8	-1.3	1.3	-3.9	-0.7
April	3.1	0.6	2.7	-2.7	0.7
May	5.3	1.9	4.8	0.5	3.2
June	6.2	2.5	5.7	3.5	4.9
July	4.6	1.8	4.2	4.5	4.3
August	1.8	0.6	1.7	9.4	4.3
September	-1.3	0.6	-1.0	12.9	4.0
October	-1.5 -3.8	1.5	-1.0 -3.1	12.5	3.0
November	-4.5	3.3	-3.4	11.1	2.8
December	-3.5	4.9	-2.2	9.0	3.0
1999					
January	-2.2	5.6	-0.9	6.9	2.9
February	-0.2	5.9	0.8	4.0	2.4

<sup>(</sup>a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

5	New	New other residential	Alterations and additions to residential		Non- residential	Total dwelling
Period	houses	building	buildings	Conversion(a)	building(a)	units
• • • • • • • • • • • • •		F	PRIVATE SECTOR (Nu	mber)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •
1995-1996	4 930	773	(b) 56	(b) O	1	5 760
1996-1997	5 508	613	11	8	8	6 148
1997-1998	6 177	726	9	75	10	6 997
<b>1998</b> February	541	53	0	67	2	663
March	621	53 61	0	2	2	686
April	459	29	1	2	0	491
May	514	73	0	1	0	588
June	609	160	0	1	1	771
July	652	239	0	2	0	893
August	527	93	1	1	0	622
September	600	117	0	0	0	717
October	518	43	0	0	0	561
November	539	44	3	1	0	587
December <b>1999</b>	486	62	4	3	1	556
January	361	73	0	0	0	434
February	493	95	0	3	0	591
• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	PUBLIC SECTOR (Nur	nber)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •
1995-1996	179	29	(b) 0	(b) O	0	208
1996-1997 1997-1998	96 193	17 23	0 2	3 0	0	116 218
1998						
February	3	0	0	0	0	3
March	48	4	0	0	0	52
April	11	0	0	0	0	11
May	12	2	0	0	0	14
June	31	6	2	0	0	39
July	6	2	0	0	0	8
August September	8 25	4 0	0	0 0	0 0	12 25
October	24	0	0	0	0	24
November	13	6	0	0	0	19
December	7	0	0	0	0	7
1999						
January	10	0	0	0	0	10
February	16	0	0	0	0	16
• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	TOTAL (Number)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •
1995-1996	5 109	802	(b) 56	(b) O	1	5 968
1995-1996 1996-1997	5 109 5 604	630	(D) 56 11	(b) 0 11	8	6 264
1997-1998	6 370	749	11	75	10	7 215
1998						
February	544	53	0	67	2	666
March	669	65	0	2	2	738
April	470	29	1	2	0	502
May	526	75	0	1	0	602
June	640	166	2	1	1	810
July	658	241	0	2	0	901
August	535	97	1	1	0	634
September	625	117	0	0	0	742
October	542	43	0	0	0	585
November December	552 402	50 62	3 4	1 3	0 1	606
1999	493	02	4	3	1	563
January	371	73	0	0	0	444
February	509	95	0	3	0	607
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<sup>(</sup>a) See Glossary for definition.

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<sup>(</sup>b) Conversions are included in alterations and additions to residential buildings.



Period	New houses	New other residential building	Alterations and additions creating dwellings	Alterations and additions not creating dwellings	Conversion(a)	Total residential building	Non- residential building (a)	Total building
• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	PRIVATE	SECTOR (\$ mill	ion)	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
1995-1996	399.4	54.6	(b) 2.5	114.7	(b) 0.0	571.3	393.0	964.3
1996-1997	462.9	44.0	0.6	113.8	0.6	621.8	422.4	1 044.2
1997-1998	553.2	61.1	0.6	118.3	7.6	740.7	471.9	1 212.7
1998								
February	48.7	8.0	0.0	8.4	7.1	72.2	31.0	103.2
March	55.5	4.8	0.0	10.7	0.1	71.0	47.8	118.8
April	40.4	2.6	0.0	9.5	0.1	52.6	23.8	76.3
May June	46.0	8.1	0.0	9.1	0.1	63.2	35.6	98.8
July	57.5 57.9	9.9 20.4	0.0 0.0	10.1 10.9	0.0 0.1	77.4 89.3	17.0 31.6	94.4 120.9
August	48.7	9.0	0.1	10.4	0.0	68.3	52.5	120.9
September	58.7	43.0	0.0	12.9	0.0	114.7	30.5	145.2
October	49.2	4.7	0.0	10.8	0.0	64.7	34.3	99.0
November	52.3	4.1	0.2	12.2	0.0	68.8	43.3	112.1
December	45.3	4.5	0.1	9.8	0.0	59.8	24.7	84.5
1999								
January February	36.2 45.5	8.7 11.3	0.0 0.0	9.5 12.1	0.0 0.1	54.4 69.1	12.3 92.6	66.7 161.6
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			PUBLIC	SECTOR (\$ milli	on)			
1995-1996	13.3	1.9	(b) O	1.6	(b) 0.0	17.1	173.2	190.4
1996-1997	7.4	1.3	0.0	1.3	0.3	10.3	158.4	168.7
1997-1998	14.5	1.4	0.1	1.2	0.0	17.2	130.3	147.5
1998								
February	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	10.9	11.3
March	3.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	6.0	9.3
April	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	10.9	11.9
May	1.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	2.5	3.8
June	2.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	2.9	19.5	22.4
July August	0.3 0.6	0.1 0.2	0.0 0.0	0.8 0.0	0.0 0.0	1.1 0.8	8.5 19.6	9.7 20.4
September	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	1.9	16.4	18.3
October	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	6.2	7.9
November	1.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	15.1	16.7
December	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.5	28.7	29.2
1999								
January	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	55.7	56.4
February	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.5	25.9	27.4
• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	ТО	TAL (\$ million)	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
1995-1996	412.7	56.6	(b) 2.5	116.3	(b) 0.0	588.4	566.2	1 154.6
1996-1997	470.2	45.3	0.6	115.1	0.9	632.1	580.7	1 212.8
1997-1998	567.7	62.5	0.7	119.5	7.6	758.0	602.2	1 360.1
1998								
February	49.0	8.0	0.0	8.5	7.1	72.6	41.9	114.5
March	58.4	5.1	0.0	10.7	0.1	74.3	53.8	128.1
April	41.4	2.6	0.0	9.5	0.1	53.6	34.6	88.3
May	47.1	8.2	0.0	9.1	0.1	64.4	38.2	102.6
June	59.8	10.2	0.1	10.2	0.0	80.3	36.5	116.8
July	58.1	20.5	0.0	11.7	0.1	90.4	40.2	130.6
August	49.3	9.2	0.1	10.5	0.0	69.1	72.1	141.2
September	60.3	43.0	0.0	13.1	0.0	116.5	46.9	163.5
October November	50.8	4.7	0.0	10.8	0.0	66.3	40.5	106.9
December	53.3 45.8	4.8 4.5	0.2 0.1	12.2 9.9	0.0 0.0	70.4 60.3	58.3 53.5	128.7 113.7
<b>1999</b>	40.8	4.5	0.1	9.9	0.0	00.3	55.5	113.7
January	36.9	8.7	0.0	9.5	0.0	55.1	68.0	123.1
February	46.9	11.3	0.0	12.2	0.1	70.6	118.4	189.0
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<sup>(</sup>b) Conversions are included in alterations and additions creating dwellings.

(a) See Glossary for definition.



# NEW OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDING .....

	New houses		ed, row or terr	,	Flats, units	or apartments	in a building of	·	Total	Total new residential building
Period		One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total		
ronou		one storey	otoroyo	rotar	otoroyo	otoroyo	otoroyo	rotar		
• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •		• • • • • • •	NUMBER OF	- DWELLING	UNITS	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
1995-1996	5 109	518	179	697	14	66	25	105	802	5 911
1996-1997	5 604	492	86	578	20	30	2	52	630	6 234
1997-1998	6 370	467	154	621	49	18	61	128	749	7 119
1997										
December	482	21	9	30	0	0	0	0	30	512
1998										
January	372	54	4	58	0	0	0	0	58	430
February	544	22	2	24	0	0	29	29	53	597
March	669	41	14	55	0	10	0	10	65	734
April	470	16	8	24	0	5	0	5	29	499
May	526	27	13	40	0	3	32	35	75	601
June	640	126	40	166	0	0	0	0	166	806
July	658	47	65	112	49	53	27	129	241	899
August	535	36	57	93	4	0	0	4	97	632
September	625	29	8	37	0	0	80	80	117	742
October	542	19	24	43	0	0	0	0	43	585
November	552	34	16	50	0	0	0	0	50	602
December	493	48	14	62	0	0	0	0	62	555
<b>1999</b> January	371	16	13	29	0	44	0	44	73	444
2	0.1		10	20	· ·		ŭ		. 0	
• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •	VALU	E (\$ million	1)	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
February	509	24	10	34	0	0	61	61	95	604
<b>1995-1996</b>	412.8	30.8	18.3	49.2	1.0	3.8	2.5	7.3	56.7	469.3
1996-1997	470.1	30.9	9.5	40.3	1.9	3.1	0.0	5.1	45.1	515.5
1000 1001		30.0	0.0	.0.0	2.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	.5.2	020.0
1997-1998 1997	567.7	32.8	14.2	47.2	3.0	1.8	10.6	15.4	62.5	630.1
December	45.1	1.7	1.3	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	48.1
1998										
January	33.0	3.9	0.5	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	37.4
February	49.0	1.5	0.3	1.8	0.0	0.0	6.2	6.2	8.0	57.0
March	58.4	3.2	1.1	4.3	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.8	5.1	63.6
April	41.4	1.1	0.9	2.1	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	2.6	44.0
May	47.1	2.0	1.4	3.4	0.0	0.4	4.4	4.8	8.2	55.3
June	59.8	7.0	3.2	10.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.2	70.0
July	58.1	3.4	6.1	9.5	5.3	2.7	3.0	11.0	20.5	78.6
August	49.3	2.8	6.3	9.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	9.2	58.5
September	60.3	2.2	0.8	3.0	0.0	0.0	40.0	40.0	43.0	103.4
October	50.8	1.7	3.0	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.7	55.5
November	53.3	3.1	1.7	4.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.8	58.0
December	45.8	3.2	1.3	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.5	50.3
1999	22.5			2.5	2.2		2.5		o =	
January	36.9	1.1	1.9	3.0	0.0	5.7	0.0	5.7	8.7	45.6
February	46.9	2.2	0.8	3.0	0.0	0.0	8.3	8.3	11.3	58.2

<sup>(</sup>a) See Glossary for definition.



Period	New houses	New other residential building	New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b)	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •
			ORIGINAL	(\$ million)			
1995-1996	398.2	57.4	453.9	115.1	569.0	574.5	1 144.3
1996-1997	470.2	45.3	515.5	116.6	632.1	580.7	1 212.8
1997-1998	558.8	60.8	619.6	125.9	745.5	588.2	1 333.7
1997							
September	143.2	12.3	155.5	32.3	187.8	243.7	431.5
December	136.1	11.2	147.3	33.0	180.2	130.6	310.9
1998							
March	136.7	17.0	153.7	32.7	186.5	108.6	295.0
June	142.8	20.3	163.1	27.9	191.0	105.3	296.3
September	160.6	69.5	230.1	34.0	264.1	152.4	416.5
December	143.6	13.3	157.0	31.9	188.8	145.2	334.0
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1997		ORIGIN	NAL (% change t	rom preceding qu	arter)		
September	-0.7	-2.7	-0.9	5.7	0.2	25.4	13.2
December	-4.9	-9.7	-5.3	2.1	-4.0	-46.4	-28.0
1998	7.5	5.1	5.5	2.1	7.0	70.7	20.0
March	0.4	52.9	4.4	-0.8	3.4	-16.9	-5.1
June	4.5	18.8	6.1	-14.7	2.4	-3.0	0.4
September	12.4	243.2	41.1	21.8	38.3	44.8	40.6
December	-10.5	-80.8	-31.8	-6.3	-28.5	-4.8	-19.8

<sup>(</sup>a)Reference year for chain volume measures is 1996-97. Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 20-21.

<sup>(</sup>b) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

# NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, Jobs By Value Range: Original

	other s	, motels and short term modation	Shops .		Factor	ies	Offices .		Other b	usiness es	Education	onal
Period	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m
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				Val	lue—\$5	50,000-\$19	9,999					
1998												
December	0	0.0	12	0.9	5	0.4	11	1.1	14	1.3	12	1.4
1999												
January	2	0.2	8	0.7	2	0.1	8	0.6	8	0.8	6	0.7
February	0	0.0	19	1.9	3	0.3	9	0.8	15	1.4	5	0.7
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1998				van	ue—əz	00,000-548	99,999					
December	0	0.0	1	0.4	2	0.6	3	0.9	6	1.7	3	1.0
1999												
January	0	0.0	2	0.5	1	0.2	3	0.7	4	1.2	5	1.6
February	1	0.2	1	0.5	2	0.4	2	0.8	4	0.9	4	1.3
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				Valu	ue—\$5	00,000-\$99	99,999					
1998												
December	0	0.0	1	0.9	0	0.0	1	0.6	1	0.8	2	1.6
<b>1999</b> January	1	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.8	1	0.5
February	0	0.0	1	0.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	1.1	2	1.8
rebradiy	O	0.0	-	0.5	O	0.0	O	0.0	_	1.1	_	1.0
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1998					, _, -	, , .,	,					
December	0	0.0	3	6.5	0	0.0	1	2.8	0	0.0	5	14.1
1999												
January	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	2.6	1	2.1	0	0.0
February	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	2.2	2	4.5	2	5.2
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				Valu	ue—\$5	,000,000 aı	nd over					
1998	^	0.0	^	0.0	^	0.0	^	0.0	^	0.0	4	F 4
December 1000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	5.1
1999 January	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	42.4
February	0	0.0	1	64.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	6.8
					Va	ılue—Total						
100E 1006	22	10.0	100	100.0	O.F.	20.0	227	06.0	222	OF F	111	E0.7
1995-1996 1996-1997	33 43	18.2 42.4	198 239	129.9 106.2	95 93	32.9 26.1	237 212	96.8 93.2	222 193	95.5 93.3	111 112	59.7 61.0
1996-199 <i>1</i> 1997-1998	43 46	9.1	340	85.6	93 98	129.3	194	93.2 79.5	204	93.3 88.7	113	82.1
1998	^	0.0	47	0.7	7	4.4	40	F 4	04	2.0	00	00.0
December 1999	0	0.0	17	8.7	7	1.1	16	5.4	21	3.9	23	23.2
January	3	1.0	10	1.2	3	0.4	12	3.9	14	4.9	14	45.3
February	1	0.2	22	66.9	5 5	0.4	12	3.8	23	8.0	14	45.3 15.8
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1		0	0.0	1	0.3	1	0.4	17	4.9
	0.3	1	0.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	16	4.7
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			value—\$50	0,000-\$8	199,999				
0	0.0	1	0.7	1	0.5	1	0.6	8	5.7
Ü	0.0	-	0.1	-	0.0	-	0.0	Ü	0.1
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	1.2	5	3.3
0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.6	0	0.0	6	4.0
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		V	alue—\$1,00	0,000-\$4	,,999,999				
0	0.0	1	1.6	1	1.3	1	4.8	12	31.1
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0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	8.8	4	13.5
0	0.0	1	1.4	1	2.8	0	0.0	7	16.0
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			value—\$5,0	J00,000 a	and over				
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	5.1
-	0.0	·	0.0	ŭ	3.5	ŭ	0.0	-	3.1
0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	42.4
0	0.0	1	5.0	1	12.0	0	0.0	4	87.8
• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • •
			Valu	ue—Total					
16	4.7	49	52.1	62	26.8	88	49.6	1 111	566.2
11	2.2	51	66.0	68	37.7	95	52.6	1 117	580.7
10	5.3	57	46.5	59	58.4	67	17.6	1 188	602.2
0	0.0	5	2.8	4	2.3	7	6.2	100	53.5
3	0.4	0	0.0	2	0.5	8	10.5	69	68.0
									118.4
•	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0	0 0.0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0.0 1 0.7 0 0.0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0  Value—\$1,00 0 0.0 1 1.6 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 1 1.4  Value—\$5,0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 1 5.0  Value 16 4.7 49 52.1 11 2.2 51 66.0 11 2.2 51 66.0 11 2.2 51 66.0 10 5.3 57 46.5	0 0.0 1 0.7 1 0 0.0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 0 0.0 1  Value—\$1,000,000-\$4 0 0.0 1 1.6 1 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 1 1.4 1  Value—\$5,000,000 a  Value—\$5,000,000 a  Value—Total 16 4.7 49 52.1 62 11 2.2 51 66.0 68 10 5.3 57 46.5 59  0 0.0 5 2.8 4 3 0.4 0 0.0 2	0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	0 0.0 1 0.7 1 0.5 1 0 0.0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 2 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 1 0.6 0   Value—\$1,000,000-\$4,999,999  0 0.0 1 1.6 1 1.3 1 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 0 0.0 2 0 0.0 1 1.4 1 2.8 0   Value—\$5,000,000 and over  0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 1 5.0 1 12.0 0   Value—Total  16 4.7 49 52.1 62 26.8 88 11 2.2 51 66.0 68 37.7 95 10 5.3 57 46.5 59 58.4 67  0 0.0 5 2.8 4 2.3 7 3 0.4 0 0.0 2 0.5 8	0 0.0 1 0.7 1 0.5 1 0.6 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 0 0.0 2 1.2 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 1 0.6 0 0.0   Value—\$1,000,000-\$4,999,999  0 0.0 1 1.6 1 1.3 1 4.8 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 0 0.0 2 8.8 0 0.0 1 1.4 1 2.8 0 0.0   Value—\$5,000,000 and over  0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 1 5.0 1 12.0 0 0.0   Value—Total  16 4.7 49 52.1 62 26.8 88 49.6 11 2.2 51 66.0 68 37.7 95 52.6 10 5.3 57 46.5 59 58.4 67 17.6  0 0.0 5 2.8 4 2.3 7 6.2 3 0.4 0 0.0 2 0.5 8 10.5	0 0.0 1 0.7 1 0.5 1 0.6 8 0 0.0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 2 1.2 5 0 0.0 0.0 0 0.0 1 0.6 0 0.0 6   Value—\$1,000,000-\$4,999,999  0 0.0 1 1.6 1 1.3 1 4.8 12 0 0.0 0 0 0.0 0 0.0 2 8.8 4 0 0.0 1 1.4 1 2.8 0 0.0 7   Value—\$5,000,000 and over  0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 1 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 0 0.0 2 0 0.0 1 5.0 1 12.0 0 0.0 4   Value—Total  16 4.7 49 52.1 62 26.8 88 49.6 1111 11 2.2 51 66.0 68 37.7 95 52.6 1117 11 2.2 51 66.0 68 37.7 95 52.6 1117 11 5.3 57 46.5 59 58.4 67 17.6 1188

Period	Hotels, motels and other short term accomm- odation	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertain- ment and recreational	Miscell- aneous	Total non- residential building
• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • •			• • • • • • •	• • • • • • •	• • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •	
				PRIVATE	SECTOR (	\$ million)					
1995-1996 1996-1997	18.2 38.9	122.0 102.6	26.2 23.9	53.3 56.8	77.8 84.8	17.2 16.6	3.7 2.2	41.9 50.0	23.2 13.0	9.6 33.7	393.0 422.4
1996-1997	8.6	82.7	128.9	59.9	85.9	19.0	5.3	20.0	50.6	10.9	471.9
1998											
February	0.5	8.0	4.4	1.1	5.9	2.5	0.0	0.2	7.9	0.5	31.0
March	0.8	9.7	2.3	2.6	28.8	0.9	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.6	47.8
April	0.0	5.9	2.4	2.0	10.8	0.4	0.0	0.1	1.9	0.3	23.8
May June	2.8 0.3	10.8 2.5	1.8 1.4	2.7 1.4	2.5 4.8	0.2 2.6	0.5	3.1 1.8	10.7 1.8	0.6 0.4	35.6 17.0
July	13.1	2.5	0.9	2.4	10.6	0.9	0.1 0.1	0.1	0.1	1.0	31.6
August	0.3	6.8	8.8	7.3	24.3	1.6	0.1	1.7	1.6	0.2	52.5
September	4.8	6.1	3.6	4.9	9.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	1.4	30.5
October	0.1	4.1	2.0	7.6	7.1	1.9	0.0	5.9	1.3	4.3	34.3
November	0.1	3.5	13.2	3.1	10.7	1.4	0.2	8.5	2.6	0.0	43.3
December 1999	0.0	8.3	0.7	1.3	3.8	6.5	0.0	2.8	0.1	1.2	24.7
January	1.0	1.1	0.4	1.1	4.9	2.2	0.4	0.0	0.5	0.7	12.3
February	0.2	66.8	0.5	1.1	7.6	1.3	0.3	2.0	12.8	0.1	92.6
PUBLIC SECTOR (\$ million)											
1995-1996	0.0	7.9	6.7	43.5	17.8	42.5	1.0	10.2	3.6	40.0	173.2
1996-1997	3.5	3.6	2.2	36.4	8.5	44.5	0.0	16.0	24.7	18.9	158.4
1997-1998	0.5	2.9	0.4	19.6	2.8	63.2	0.0	26.4	7.8	6.7	130.3
1998											
February	0.0	1.4	0.0	1.4	0.0	1.8	0.0	2.3	0.3	3.8	10.9
March	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	1.5	0.0	1.5	1.0	1.6	6.0
April	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	4.4	0.0	10.9
May	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.5	1.0	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	2.5
June July	0.0 0.3	0.0 0.0	0.1 0.0	1.6 0.8	0.1 5.4	16.7 0.4	0.0	0.9 0.0	0.1 0.7	0.0 0.9	19.5 8.5
August	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	2.3	8.5	0.0	0.0	5.7	0.9	19.6
September	0.3	1.2	0.0	1.2	0.1	3.4	0.0	10.3	0.0	0.1	16.4
October	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	4.2	0.0	1.3	0.1	0.2	6.2
November	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.3	5.0	5.9	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.0	15.1
December	0.0	0.4	0.3	4.1	0.1	16.7	0.0	0.0	2.2	4.9	28.7
1999											
January February	0.0 0.0	0.1 0.1	0.0 0.2	2.7 2.7	0.0 0.4	43.0 14.5	0.0 0.0	0.0 5.1	0.0 2.9	9.9 0.0	55.7 25.9
rebluary	0.0	0.1	0.2	2.1	0.4	14.5	0.0	5.1	2.9	0.0	25.9
TOTAL (\$ million)											
1995-1996	18.2	129.9	32.9	96.8	95.5	59.7	4.7	52.1	26.8	49.6	566.2
1996-1997	42.4	106.2	26.1	93.2	93.3	61.0	2.2	66.0	37.7	52.6	580.7
1997-1998	9.1	85.6	129.3	79.5	88.7	82.1	5.3	46.5	58.4	17.6	602.2
1998											
February	0.5	9.4	4.4	2.5	5.9	4.3	0.0	2.5	8.2	4.3	41.9
March	0.8	9.7	2.3	3.0	28.8	2.4	0.1	1.8	1.6	3.2	53.8
April	0.0	5.9	2.4	8.3	10.8	0.5	0.0	0.1	6.3	0.3	34.6
May June	2.8 0.3	10.9 2.5	1.8 1.5	3.2 3.0	3.5 4.8	0.8 19.3	0.5 0.1	3.2 2.7	10.7 1.9	0.7 0.4	38.2 36.5
July	0.3 13.4	2.5	0.9	3.0	4.8 16.0	19.3	0.1	0.1	0.8	1.9	36.5 40.2
August	0.3	6.8	8.8	9.5	26.6	10.1	0.1	1.7	7.4	1.9	72.1
September	5.0	7.3	3.6	6.1	9.4	3.4	0.0	10.6	0.2	1.4	46.9
October	0.2	4.1	2.0	8.0	7.1	6.1	0.0	7.2	1.4	4.5	40.5
November	0.3	3.5	13.2	4.4	15.7	7.3	0.2	9.8	3.9	0.0	58.3
December	0.0	8.7	1.1	5.4	3.9	23.2	0.0	2.8	2.3	6.2	53.5
<b>1999</b>	4.0	4.0		0.0	4.0	45.0	~ .	2.2	0.5	40 -	00.0
January February	1.0	1.2	0.4	3.9	4.9	45.3	0.4	0.0	0.5	10.5	68.0
February	0.2	66.9	0.7	3.8	8.0	15.8	0.3	7.0	15.7	0.1	118.4

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# BUILDING APPROVED IN THE ADELAIDE STATISTICAL DIVISION: Original

DWELL	.INGS (no	o.)	VALUE (\$'C	000)				
New houses			New houses	New other residential building	Alterations and additions to residential building(b)	Total residential building	Non- residential building	Total building
• • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	PRI	/ATE SECTOR	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
3 510 4 004	489 536	4 020 4 627	301 860 371 235	36 115 49 293	91 150 99 543	429 125 520 071	306 979 379 003	<b>736 104</b> 899 074
321	51	441	30 455				26 845	78 720
								68 287
								51 605
								76 115 64 576
								83 053
								76 351
								111 861
								77 946
343	31	378	34 834	2 883	9 617	47 334	36 566	83 900
321	54	377	31 050	3 915	7 765	42 730	19 914	62 643
229	65	294	23 123	7 474	7 150	37 747	7 559	45 306
329	95	426	31 153	11 327	9 421	51 900	89 279	141 179
• • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	P	UBLIC SECTOR	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •
84 161	17 17	101 180	6 433 12 101	1 305 995	171 306	7 910 13 401	129 838 89 596	<b>137 748</b> 102 998
1	0	1	86	0	0	86	8 124	8 210
36	0	36	2 395	0	0	2 395	3 983	6 377
10	0	10	1 016	0	0	1 016	10 728	11 743
3	0	3	234	0	10	244	2 142	2 385
		39		360	165	2 868	18 387	21 256
								2 485
								18 531
								14 232
								6 133 12 512
								20 292
,	O	•	473	O	00	333	19 139	20 232
9	0	9	657	0	0	657	54 107	54 764
10	0	10	647	0	125	772	19 913	20 686
• • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	TOTAL	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •
3 594	506	4 121	308 293	37 420	91 321	437 035	436.818	873 852
4 165	553	4 807	383 336	50 287	99 849	533 472	468 599	1 002 071
322	51	442	30 541	7 885	13 535	51 961	34 969	86 930
410	43	455	36 766	3 250	8 401	48 417	26 247	74 664
								63 348
								78 500 85 832
								85 832 85 539
								94 882
								126 092
383	37	420				49 788	34 291	84 079
353	37	394	35 632	3 525	9 617	48 774	47 638	96 412
	54	384	31 523	3 915	7 825	43 262	39 673	82 935
328	54	JU-						
328	54	304	01 020					
328 238	65	303	23 780	7 474	7 150	38 404	61 667	100 071
	New houses  3 510 4 004  321 374 300 342 400 442 331 401 361 343 321  229 329  84 161  1 36 10 3 3 31 2 1 9 9 22 10 7 7 9 10  3 594 4 165	New houses         New residential building           3 510         489           4 004         536           321         51           374         43           300         27           342         55           400         66           442         223           331         77           401         113           361         37           343         31           321         54           229         65           329         95           84         17           161         17           1         0           36         0           10         0           3         0           31         6           2         0           10         6           7         0           9         0           10         0           3594         506           4165         553           322         51           410         43           310         27           345         55	houses         building         dwellings(a)           3 510         489         4 020           4 004         536         4 627           321         51         441           374         43         419           300         27         329           342         55         398           400         66         467           442         223         667           331         77         408           401         113         514           361         37         398           343         31         378           321         54         377           229         65         294           329         95         426           84         17         101           161         17         180           1         0         1           36         0         36           10         0         10           3         3         3           1         0         1           36         0         36           10         0         10	New houses         New other residential Total building dwellings(a)         New houses           PRIN           3 510         489         4 020         301 860           4 004         536         4 627         371 235           321         51         441         30 455           374         43         419         34 371           300         27         329         27 181           342         55         398         30 931           400         66         467         39 241           442         223         667         39 639           331         77         408         31 534           401         113         514         40 010           361         37         398         35 633           343         31         378         34 834           321         54         377         31 050           229         65         294         23 123           329         95         426         31 153           10         1         1         6 433           161         17         180         12 101           1         0	New other residential Total houses   New other residential Total building   New other residential Total building   New other residential building	New other residential   Total building   New other residential   Total building   New other building   New other residential building   New other residential building   New other stress   New other stress   New other stress   New other residential building   New other stress   New other stress	New New other residential Total residential Total residential Total residential Total residential Total residential Total residential residential residential residential residential residential residential buildings)   New New PRIVATE SECTOR	New other residential Total roses   New other residential building   New other residential   New oth

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(b) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

(a) Refer to footnote (a) in Table 12.

# BUILDING APPROVED IN STATISTICAL AREAS

	New	New other residential	Total	New	New other residential	Alterations an additions to residential	Total residential	Non- residential	Total
Statistical area	houses	building	dwellings(a)	houses	buildings	buildings(b)	building	building	building • • •
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	509	95	607	46 856	11 327	12 384	70 567	118 444	189 010
Adelaide (SD)	339	95	436	31 800	11 327	9 546	52 673	109 192	161 865
Northern Adelaide (SSD)	168	2	170	15 784	150	949	16 883	8 019	24 903
Gawler (M)	2 14	0 0	2 14	148 1 282	0 0	13 0	161 1 282	0 2 759	161 4 041
Playford (C)–East Central Playford (C)–Elizabeth	0	0	0	1 282	0	0	1 282	2 759	4 041
Playford (C)–Hills	3	0	3	308	0	0	308	0	308
Playford (C)–West	4	0	4	291	0	32	323	0	323
Playford (C)—West Central	3	Ō	3	237	0	0	237	490	727
Port Adel. Enfield (C)–East	19	0	19	1 564	0	115	1 679	180	1 859
Port Adel. Enfield (C)-Inner	2	2	4	163	150	130	443	804	1 247
Salisbury (C)-Central	22	0	22	2 023	0	79	2 102	220	2 322
Salisbury (C)-Inner North	11	0	11	876	0	22	898	0	898
Salisbury (C)-North-East	10	0	10	998	0	142	1 141	900	2 041
Salisbury (C)-South-East	8	0	8	1 038	0	171	1 209	0	1 209
Salisbury (C) Bal	10	0	10	1 033	0	0	1 033	1 456	2 489
Tea Tree Gully (C)-Central	3	0	3	297	0	126	423	0	423
Tea Tree Gully (C)-Hills	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	0	13
Tea Tree Gully (C)—North	37	0	37	3 543	0	70	3 613	670	4 283
Tea Tree Gully (C)-South	20	0	20	1 985	0	35	2 020	540	2 560
Western Adelaide (SSD)	35	0	35	3 079	0	1 823	4 901	6 233	11 135
Charles Sturt (C)–Coastal	5	0	5	558	0	648	1 205	0	1 205
Charles Sturt (C)–Inner East	5	0	5	464	0	145	609	3 600	4 209
Charles Sturt (C)–Inner West	7	0	7	637	0	135	772	240	1 012
Charles Sturt (C)-North-East	7	0	7	564	0	166	731	424	1 155
Port Adel. Enfield (C)—Coast	0	0	0	0	0	200	200	385	585
Port Adel. Enfield (C)—Port	6	0	6	457	0	40	497	405	902
West Torrens (C)–East West Torrens (C)–West	0 5	0 0	0 5	0 398	0	152 337	152 735	1 179 0	1 331 735
Unincorp. Western	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Adelaide (SSD)	52	71	125	5 549	9 120	4 492	19 162	88 264	107 425
Adelaide (C)	1	61	64	200	8 300	125	8 625	84 389	93 014
Adelaide Hills (DC)-Central	4	0	4	337	0	195	533	100	633
Adelaide Hills (DC)-Ranges	5	0	5	529	0	75	604	0	604
Burnside (C)-North-East	9	0	9	906	0	762	1 668	0	1 668
Burnside (C)-South-West	11	0	11	1 281	0	606	1 886	0	1 886
Campbelltown (C)-East	9	0	9	1 067	0	150	1 217	315	1 532
Campbelltown (C)-West	5	4	9	473	270	238	981	0	981
Norw. P'ham St Ptrs (C)–East	0	0	0	0	0	131	131	0	131
Norw. P'ham St Ptrs (C)–West	1	4	5	62	240	420	722	650	1 372
Prospect (C) Unley (C)–East	2 0	0 0	2	184 0	0	279 908	463 908	0	463 908
Unley (C)–Last Unley (C)–West	1	2	3	120	310	394	824	2 810	3 634
Walkerville (M)	4	0	4	390	0	210	600	0	600
Southern Adelaide (SSD)	84	22	106	7 387	2 057	2 282	11 726	6 676	18 402
Holdfast Bay (C)-North	7	6	13	710	580	281	1 570	0	1 570
Holdfast Bay (C)-South	1	8	9	102	640	108	850	0	850
Marion (C)-Central	9	2	11	719	197	69	985	2 430	3 415
Marion (C)-North	3	0	3	292	0	279	571	95	666
Marion (C)-South	6	0	6	611	0	80	691	0	691
Mitcham (C)-Hills	5	0	5	374	0	246	620	2 520	3 140
Mitcham (C)-North-East	1	6	7	98	640	705	1 443	1 140	2 583
Mitcham (C)–West	1	0	1	184	0	128	312	80	392
Onkaparinga (C) Hills	1	0	1	64	0	64	127	50	177
Onkaparinga (C) Hills	4	0	4	368	0	75 44	443	166	608
Onkaparinga (C)–Morphett Onkaparinga (C)–North Coast	0 4	0 0	0 4	0 258	0 0	11 100	11 358	0 100	11 458
Onkaparinga (C)–North Coast Onkaparinga (C)–Reservoir	6	0	6	613	0	0	613	0	613
Onkaparinga (C)–Neservoii Onkaparinga (C)–South Coast	17	0	17	1 250	0	53	1 303	95	1 398
Onkaparinga (C)-Woodcroft	19	0	19	1 744	0	85	1 830	0	1 830

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						Alterations an			
	New	New other residential	Total	New	New other residential	additions to residential	Total residential	Non- residential	Total
Statistical area	houses	building	dwellings(a)	houses	buildings	buildings(b)	building	building	building
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Outer Adelaide (SD)	74	0	75	6 299	0	1 143	7 442	7 204	14 646
Barossa (SSD)	26	0	27	2 586	0	332	2 918	500	3 418
Barossa (DC)-Angaston	3	0	3	246	0	35	281	0	281
Barossa (DC)-Barossa	1	0	1	98	0	67	165	200	365
Barossa (DC)-Tanunda	1	0	1	148	0	97	245	0	245
Kapunda and Light (DC)	10	0	11	1 042	0	114	1 156	300	1 456
Mallala (DC)	11	0	11	1 052	0	19	1 071	0	1 071
Kangaroo Island (SSD)	1	0	1	12	0	60	72	0	72
Kangaroo Island (DC)	1	0	1	12	0	60	72	0	72
Mt Lofty Ranges (SSD)	17	0	17	1 560	0	460	2.020	100	2 120
Adelaide Hills (DC)–North	2	0	17 2	1 560	0		2 020 258	100 0	2 120 258
Adelaide Hills (DC) Bal	2	0	2	173 161	0	85 270	431	0	431
Mount Barker (DC)-Central	9	0	9	888	0	56	944	100	1 044
Mount Barker (DC) Bal	4	0	4	338	0	50	388	0	388
Mount barker (DC) bar	4	U	4	330	U	50	300	U	300
Fleurieu (SSD)	30	0	30	2 141	0	291	2 432	6 604	9 036
Alexandrina (DC)-Coastal	7	0	7	438	0	12	450	0	450
Alexandrina (DC)-Strathalbyn	2	0	2	150	0	114	264	0	264
Victor Harbor (DC)	15	0	15	1 201	0	115	1 315	6 454	7 769
Yankalilla (DC)	6	0	6	352	0	50	402	150	552
Yorke and Lower North (SD)	18	0	18	1 490	0	282	1 772	0	1 772
Yorke (SSD)	11	0	11	792	0	234	1 026	0	1 026
Barunga West (DC)	1	0	1	12	0	0	12	0	12
Copper Coast (DC)	4	0	4	201	0	51	252	0	252
Yorke Peninsula (DC)–North	2	0	2	282	0	51	333	0	333
Yorke Peninsula (DC)–South	4	0	4	297	0	133	430	0	430
Unincorp. Yorke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lower North (SSD)	7	0	7	698	0	48	746	0	746
Clare and Gilbert Valleys (DC)	6	0	6	647	0	0	647	0	647
Goyder (DC)	0	0	0	047	0	0	0	0	047
Wakefield (DC)	1	0	1	51	0	48	99	0	99
Maria Landa (OD)				4 0 4 0			4 00=		0.045
Murray Lands (SD)	17	0	17	1 210	0	715	1 925	320	2 245
Riverland (SSD)	13	0	13	859	0	598	1 457	269	1 727
Berri & Barmera (DC)-Barmera	0	0	0	0	0	230	230	0	230
Berri & Barmera (DC)-Berri	1	0	1	80	0	13	93	50	143
Loxton Waikerie (DC)–East	2	0	2	114	0	61	175	122	297
Loxton Waikerie (DC)–West	2	0	2	132	0	25	157	97	254
Mid Murray (DC) Renmark Paringa (DC)-Paringa	3 0	0 0	3 0	163	0	187	350	0 0	350
Renmark Paringa (DC)–Paringa  Renmark Paringa (DC)–Renmark		0		0	0	18	18	0	18
Unincorp. Riverland	0	0	5 0	370 0	0 0	64 0	434 0	0	434 0
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Murray Mallee (SSD)	4	0	4	351	0	117	468	51	518
Karoonda East Murray (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	51
Murray Bridge (RC)	3	0	3	201	0	97	298	0	298
Southern Mallee (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	0	20
The Coorong (DC) Unincorp. Murray Mallee	1 0	0 0	1 0	150 0	0 0	0	150 0	0	150 0
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South East (SD)	25	0	25	2 275	0	281	2 556	650	3 206
Upper South East (SSD)	10	0	10	883	0	55	938	600	1 538
Lacepede (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lucindale (DC)	0 7	0 0	0	0 579	0	0	0 579	0	0 570
Naracoorte (DC) Robe (DC)		0	7 0	578 0	0	0 55	578 55	0	578 55
Tatiara (DC)	0 3	0	3		0 0	55 0	55 204	0 600	55 904
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# BUILDING APPROVED IN STATISTICAL AREAS continued

					Alterations and						
		New other			New other	additions to	Total	Non-			
	New	residential	Total	New	residential	residential	residential	residential	Total		
Statistical area	houses	building	dwellings(a)	houses	buildings	buildings(b)	building	building	building		
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Lower South East (SSD)	15	0	15	1 393	0	226	1 618	50	1 668		
Grant (DC)	1	0	1	159	0	100	259	0	259		
Mount Gambier (C)	12	0	12	1 061	0	85	1 146	50	1 196		
Wattle Range (DC)-East	2	0	2	172	0	15	187	0	187		
Wattle Range (DC)–West	0	0	0	0	0	26	26	0	26		
Eyre (SD)	19	0	19	2 060	0	90	2 150	459	2 609		
Lincoln (SSD)	12	0	12	1 259	0	90	1 349	459	1 808		
Cleve (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Elliston (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Franklin Harbor (DC)	1	0	1	87	0	0	87	0	87		
Kimba (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Le Hunte (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Lower Eyre Peninsula (DC)	5	0	5	525	0	0	525	0	525		
Port Lincoln (C)	6	0	6	648	0	90	738	459	1 197		
Tumby Bay (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Unincorp. Lincoln	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
West Coast (SSD)	7	0	7	801	0	0	801	0	801		
Ceduna (DC)	2	0	2	192	0	0	192	0	192		
Streaky Bay (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Unincorp. West Coast	5	0	5	608	0	0	608	0	608		
Northern (SD)	17	0	17	1 722	0	327	2 049	619	2 668		
Whyalla (SSD)	2	0	2	328	0	28	356	130	486		
Whyalla (C)	2	0	2	328	0	28	356	130	486		
Unincorp. Whyalla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Pirie (SSD)	3	0	3	187	0	251	438	0	438		
Northern Areas (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Orroroo/Carrieton (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Peterborough (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Port Pirie C, Dists (M)-City	2	0	2	152	0	77	229	0	229		
Port Pirie C, Dists (M) Bal	1	0	1	35	0	174	209	0	209		
Unincorp. Pirie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Flinders Ranges (SSD)	3	0	3	366	0	48	414	0	414		
Flinders Ranges (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Mount Remarkable (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Port Augusta (C)	3	0	3	366	0	48	414	0	414		
Unincorp. Flinders Ranges	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Far North (SSD)	9	0	9	841	0	0	841	489	1 330		
Coober Pedy (DC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Roxby Downs (M)	9	0	9	841	0	0	841	0	841		
Unincorp. Far North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	489	489		

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes conversions and dwelling units approved as part (b) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 12. of alterations and additions or the construction of non-residential buildings.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication presents monthly details of building work approved.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- 2 Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:
- permits issued by local government authorities;
- permits issued by licensed building surveryors;
- contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities;
- major building activity in areas not subject to normal administrative approval e.g. building on remote mine sites.
- **3** The scope of the survey comprises the following activities:
- construction of new buildings
- alterations and additions to existing buildings
- approved non-structural renovation and refurbishment work
- approved installation of integral building fixtures

From July 1990, the statistics include:

- all approved new residential building valued at \$10,000 or more
- approved alterations and additions to residential building valued at \$10,000 or more
- all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more.

Excluded from the statistics is:

 construction activity not defined as building (e.g. construction of roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.). Statistics for this activity can be found in Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8762.0).

VALUE DATA

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

OWNERSHIP

**5** Building ownership is classified as either public or private sector and is based on the sector of intended owner of the completed building at the time of approval. Residential buildings constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes are classified as public sector when the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the building on or before completion.

BUILDING CLASSIFICATIONS

- **6** Building approvals are classified both by the Type of Building (e.g. 'house', 'factory') and by the Type of Work involved (e.g. 'new', 'alterations and additions'). These classifications are often used in conjunction with each other to describe building approvals in this publication.
- **7** The Type of Building classification refers to the intended major function of a building. 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, not to the function of the group as a whole.
- **8** An example is the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. For instance, a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Shops, while the factory buildings would be classified to Factories.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

BUILDING CLASSIFICATIONS continued

- **9** An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings. For example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Education.
- **10** In the case of a large multi-function building, i.e. a single large physical building which, at the time of approval is intended to have more than one purpose (e.g. a hotel/shops/casino project), the ABS endeavours to split the approval details according to each main function.
- **11** Where this is not possible because separate details cannot be obtained, the building is classified to the predominant function of the building on the basis of the function which represents the highest proportion of the total value of the project.
- **12** The Type of Work classification refers to the building activity carried out: New; Alterations and additions; or Conversion. See the Glossary for definitions of these terms. Prior to the April 1998 issue of this publication, Conversions were published as part of a category called 'Conversions, etc.'. From the April 1998 issue onwards, Conversion jobs are shown separately in tables 5 and 6. However, in other tables they are included within existing categories, as follows: in tables 1 and 2 they are included in the appropriate Type of Building category, and in tables 3, 4,11 and 12 they are included in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

- **13** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised.
- **14** In the seasonal adjustment of series, account has been taken of both normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month. Adjustment has also been made for the influence of Easter which may affect the March and April estimates differently.
- **15** Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular or non-seasonal influences (e.g. the approval of large projects or a change in the administrative arrangements of approving authorities).
- **16** Some of the component series have been seasonally adjusted independently. Therefore, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals.
- **17** As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. The timing of this review may vary and when appropriate will be notified in the 'Data Notes' section of this publication.

TREND ESTIMATES

**18** Smoothing seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series and creates trend estimates. For monthly series, these trend estimates are derived 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 series. For further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview* (Cat. no. 1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (02) 6252 6345.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

TREND ESTIMATES continued

**19** While the smoothing techniques described in paragraph 18 enable trend estimates to be produced for the latest few periods, they do result in revisions to the trend estimates as new data becomes 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.

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

- **20** The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually re-weighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year (currently 1996–1997). The reference year will be updated annually in the July publication. While current price estimates reflect both price and volume changes, chain volume estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated and therefore only reflect volume changes
- **21** Further information on the nature and concepts of chain volume measures is contained in the ABS publication *Information paper: Introduction of Chain Volume Measures in the Australian National Accounts* (Cat. no. 5248.0).

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD
GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION
(ASGC)

**22** Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification*, 1998 Edition, (Cat. no. 1216.0), effective from 1 July 1998, and ASGC terminology has been adopted in the presentation of building Statistics.

UNPUBLISHED DATA

**23** The ABS can also make available certain building approvals data which are not published. Where the data cannot be provided by telephone, it can be provided via fax, photocopy, computer printout, floppy disk and email. A charge may be made for providing unpublished data in these forms.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- **24** Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- Building Activity, Building Work Done, Australia (Cat. no. 8755.0)
- Building Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8752.0)
- Building Activity, Australia: Dwelling Unit Commencements (Cat. no. 8750.0)
- Building Activity, South Australia (Cat. no. 8752.4)
- Building Approvals, Australia (Cat. no. 8731.0)
- Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8762.0)
- House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities (Cat. no. 6416.0)
- Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia (Cat. no. 5609.0)
- Price Index of Materials Used in Building Other than House Building (Cat. no. 6407.0)
- Price Index of Materials Used in House Building (Cat. no. 6408.0).

ROUNDING

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

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a. not availablen.y.a. not yet available

C City

DC District Council
M Municipality
RC Rural City

SD Statistical DivisionSSD Statistical Subdivision

## GLOSSARY

Alterations and additions

Building activity carried out on existing buildings. Includes adding to or diminishing floor area, altering the structural design of a building and affixing rigid components which are integral to the functioning of the building.

Alterations and additions to residential buildings

Alterations and additions carried out on existing residential buildings, which may result in the creation of new dwelling units. See also Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

Building

A building is 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 is the provision for regular access by persons in order to satisfy its intended use.

Conversion

Building activity which converts a non-residential building to a residential building, e.g. conversion of a warehouse to residential apartments. Conversion is considered to be a special type of alteration, and these jobs have been separately identified as such from the July 1996 reference month, though they have only appeared separately in this publication from the January 1998 issue. Prior to that issue, conversions were published as part of the 'Conversions, etc.' category or included elsewhere within a table. Prior to July 1996, Table 7 includes the number of Conversions in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category while Table 8 includes the value of Conversions in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings, creating dwellings' category. See also Explanatory Notes paragraph 12.

Dwelling unit

A dwelling unit is a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long-term residential use. Regardless of whether they are self-contained or not, units within buildings offering institutional care (e.g. hospitals) or temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments) are not defined as dwelling units. Such units are included in the appropriate category of non-residential building approvals. Dwelling units can be created in one of four ways: through new work to create a residential building; through alteration/addition work to an existing residential building; through either new or alteration/addition work on non-residential building or through conversion of a non-residential building to a residential building.

Educational

Includes schools, colleges, kindergartens, libraries, museums and universities.

Entertainment and recreational

Includes clubs, cinemas, sport and recreation centres.

Factories

Includes paper mills, oil refinery buildings, brickworks and powerhouses.

Flats, units or apartments

Dwellings not having their own private grounds and usually sharing a common entrance, foyer or stairwell.

Health

Includes hospitals, nursing homes, surgeries, clinics and medical centres.

Hotels, motels and other short term accommodation

Includes hostels, boarding houses, guest houses, and holiday apartment buildings.

House

A house is a detached building primarily used for long term residential purposes. It consists of one dwelling unit. For instance, detached 'granny flats' and detached dwelling units (e.g. caretakers residences) associated with a non-residential building are defined as houses.

## GLOSSARY

Miscellaneous Includes justice and defence buildings, welfare and charitable homes, prisons and

reformatories, maintenance camps, farming and livestock buildings, veterinary

clinics, child-minding centres, police stations and public toilets.

New building work Building activity which will result in the creation of a building which previously

did not exist.

New other residential Building activity which will result in the creation of a residential building other

buildings than a house, which previously did not exist.

New residential Building activity which will result in the creation of any residential building

(house or other residential) which previously did not exist.

Non-residential building A non-residential building is primarily intended for purposes other than long

term residential purposes. Note that, on occasions, one or more dwelling units may be created through non-residential building activity. Prior to the January 1998 issue of this publication, they have been included in the 'Conversions, etc.' column in tables showing dwelling units approved. They are now identified separately (e.g. see table 7). However, the value of these dwelling units cannot be separated out from that of the non-residential building which they are part of, therefore the value associated with these remain in the appropriate

Non-residential category.

Offices Includes banks, post offices and council chambers.

Other business premises Includes warehouses, service stations, transport depots and terminals, electricity

substation buildings, telephone exchanges, broadcasting and film studios.

Other dwellings Includes all dwellings other than houses. They can be created by: the creation of

new other residential buildings (e.g. flats); alteration/addition work to an existing residential building; either new or alteration/addition work on a non-residential building; conversion of a non-residential building to a residential building

creating more than one dwelling unit.

Other residential building An other residential building is a building other than a house primarily used for

long-term residential purposes. An other residential building contains more than one dwelling unit. Other residential buildings are coded to the following categories: semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey; semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse with two or more storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of one or two storeys; flat, unit or apartment in a building of four or more storeys; flat, unit or apartment attached to a house; other/number of storeys unknown. The latter two categories are included with the semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey category in table 9 of this

publication.

Religious Includes convents, churches, temples, mosques, monasteries and noviciates.

**Residential building** A residential building is a building consisting of one or more dwelling units.

Residential buildings can be either houses or other residential buildings.

Semi-detached, row or terrace Dwellings having their own private grounds with no other dwellings above or

houses, townhouses below.

**Shops** Includes retail shops, restaurants, taverns and shopping arcades.

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