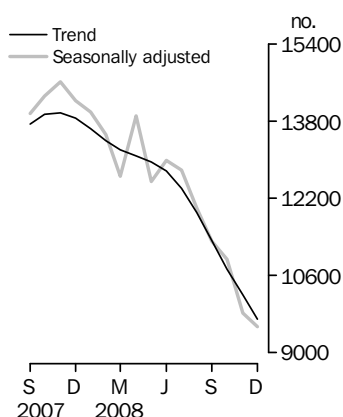


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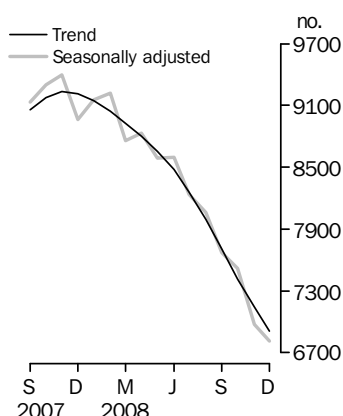
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Dwelling units approved



Private sector houses approved



INQUIRIES

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KEY FIGURES

TREND

	Dec 08 no.	Nov 08 to Dec 08 % change	Dec 07 to Dec 08 % change
Total dwelling units approved	9 692	-4.9	-30.1
Private sector houses	6 911	-3.3	-25.0
Private sector other dwellings	2 474	-9.5	-42.0

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Dec 08 no.	Nov 08 to Dec 08 % change	Dec 07 to Dec 08 % change
Total dwelling units approved	9 536	-2.9	-32.9
Private sector houses	6 813	-2.3	-24.0
Private sector other dwellings	2 448	-2.8	-49.4

KEY POINTS

TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved fell 4.9% in December 2008 and has fallen for 13 months.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling units approved fell 2.9%.

PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

- The trend estimate for private sector houses approved fell 3.3% in December.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector houses approved fell 2.3%.

PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for private sector other dwellings approved fell 9.5% in December.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector other dwellings approved fell 2.8%.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

- The trend estimate for the value of total building approved fell 8.6% in December. The trend estimate for the value of new residential building approved fell 5.9%, while the value of alterations and additions fell 3.0%. The trend estimate for the value of non-residential building approved fell 13.2%.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for the value of total building approved fell 10.9% in December. The seasonally adjusted estimate for the value of new residential building approved fell 4.2%, while the value of alterations and additions fell 2.7% and the value of non-residential building fell 20.3%.

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

ISSUE	RELEASE DATE
January 2009	5 March 2009
February 2009	1 April 2009
March 2009	5 May 2009
April 2009	2 June 2009
May 2009	1 July 2009
June 2009	30 July 2009

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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

There are no changes in this issue.

REVISIONS THIS MONTH

Revisions to the total number of dwelling units approved in this issue are:

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	2007-08	2008-09	TOTAL
NSW	38	94	132
Vic.	2	68	70
Qld	7	236	243
SA	230	7	237
WA	—	62	62
Tas.	—	1	1
NT	—	—	—
ACT	—	78	78
Total	277	546	823

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DATA NOTES

There are no notes about the data.

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ABBREVIATIONS

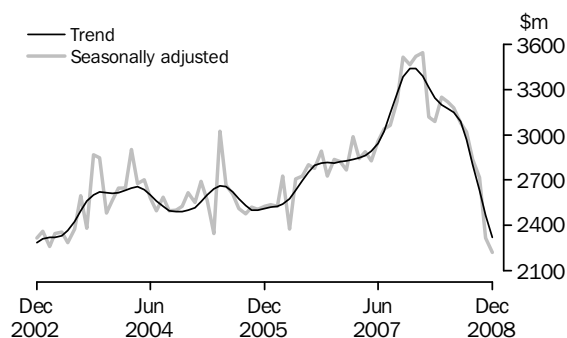
\$m	million dollars
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification
Aust.	Australia
GST	goods and services tax
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
no.	number
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
Qld	Queensland
SA	South Australia
Tas.	Tasmania
Vic.	Victoria
WA	Western Australia

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

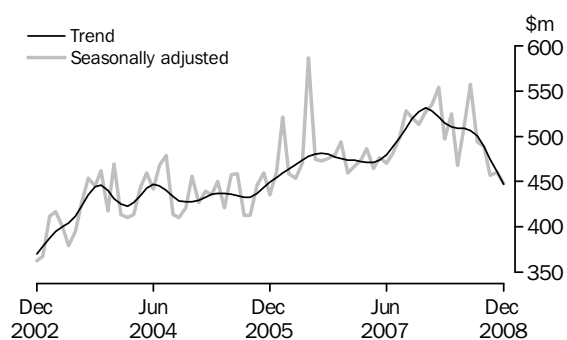
NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of new residential building approved fell 5.9% in December 2008 and has fallen for 13 months.



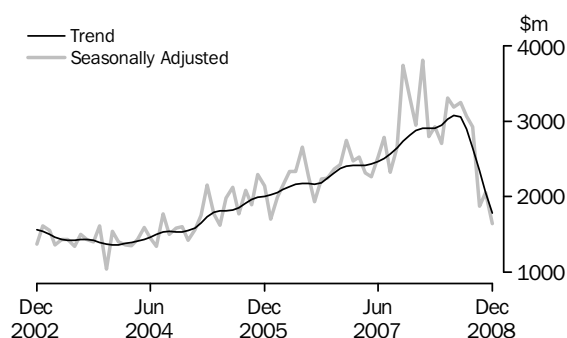
ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of alterations and additions fell 3.0% in December and has fallen for 12 months.



NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of non-residential building fell 13.2% in December and has fallen for six months.

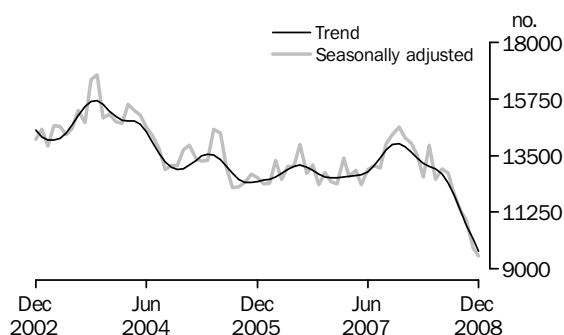


DWELLINGS APPROVED

TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

The trend estimate for the total number of dwelling units approved in December fell 4.9% and has fallen for 13 months.

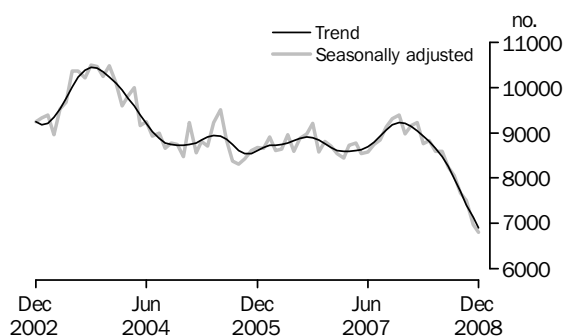
In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate fell 2.9% to 9,536 dwellings, the lowest number since March 2001.



PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals fell 3.3% and has fallen for 13 months.

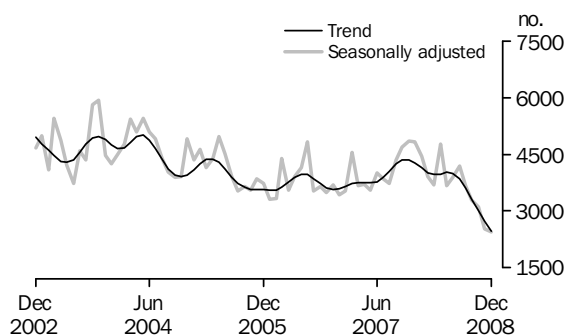
In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate fell 2.3% to 6,813 houses, the lowest number since March 2001.



PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS

The trend estimate for the number of private sector other dwellings approved fell 9.5% and has fallen for seven months.

In seasonally adjusted terms the estimate fell 2.8% to 2,448 dwellings, the lowest number since April 1996.



DWELLING UNITS APPROVED STATES AND TERRITORIES

SUMMARY COMMENTS

The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved fell 4.9% in December 2008. The trend fell in states and territories other than the Northern Territory (+3.7%), with the largest fall in the Australian Capital Territory (-16.6%).

The trend estimate for private sector houses approved fell 3.3% in December. The trend fell in all published states, with the largest fall in Queensland (-4.4%).

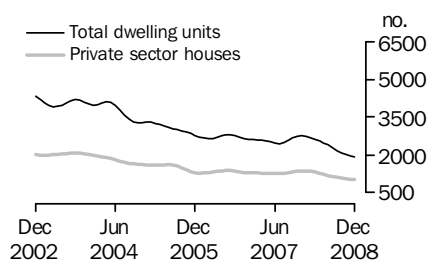
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
ORIGINAL									
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses (no.)	912	1 849	1 317	645	1 072	160	39	105	6 099
Total dwelling units (no.)	1 827	2 571	1 777	869	1 320	202	48	110	8 724
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses (%)	-8.0	-19.2	-15.8	-8.6	-4.5	-14.4	-35.0	8.2	-13.1
Total dwelling units (%)	-12.0	-10.5	-6.9	-7.7	-1.6	-13.3	-59.3	-56.0	-10.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses (no.)	990	2 154	1 511	646	1 193	na	na	na	6 813
Total dwelling units (no.)	1 888	3 014	1 993	857	1 407	218	na	na	9 536
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses (%)	-4.8	-4.6	-6.1	-8.1	16.4	na	na	na	-2.3
Total dwelling units (%)	-10.4	2.6	0.5	-8.3	12.4	-9.4	na	na	-2.9
TREND									
Dwelling units approved									
Private sector houses (no.)	1 016	2 203	1 517	672	1 182	na	na	na	6 911
Total dwelling units (no.)	1 912	2 966	2 044	906	1 393	234	85	151	9 692
Percentage change from previous month									
Private sector houses (%)	-2.0	-3.1	-4.4	-3.4	-3.6	na	na	na	-3.3
Total dwelling units (%)	-1.9	-4.3	-8.1	-4.1	-5.2	-2.7	3.7	-16.6	-4.9

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

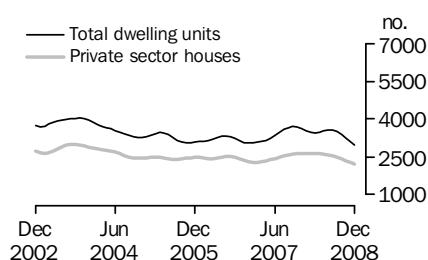
STATE TRENDS

NEW SOUTH WALES



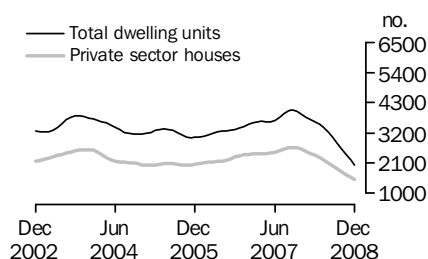
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in New South Wales fell 1.9% in December 2008 and has fallen for 12 months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses fell 2.0% and has fallen for 11 months.

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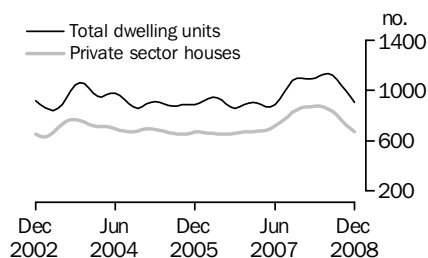
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Victoria fell 4.3% in December and has fallen for five months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses fell 3.1% and has fallen for 10 months.

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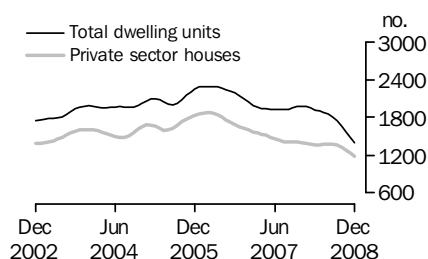
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Queensland fell 8.1% in December and has fallen for 14 months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses fell 4.4% and has fallen for 14 months.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in South Australia fell 4.1% in December and has fallen for six months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses fell 3.4% and has fallen for eight months.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA



The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Western Australia fell 5.2% in December and has fallen for 12 months. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses fell 3.6% and has fallen for six months.

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Month	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.

ORIGINAL

2007							
October	10 180	10 341	5 149	5 260	15 329	272	15 601
November	10 073	10 232	5 014	5 178	15 087	323	15 410
December	7 452	7 697	4 630	4 760	12 082	375	12 457
2008							
January	7 316	7 468	4 014	4 165	11 330	303	11 633
February	9 167	9 312	3 916	4 077	13 083	306	13 389
March	7 828	7 901	3 295	3 385	11 123	163	11 286
April	9 123	9 188	4 174	4 453	13 297	344	13 641
May	9 179	9 307	4 039	4 312	13 218	401	13 619
June	8 933	9 005	3 965	4 521	12 898	628	13 526
July	9 128	9 327	4 305	4 595	13 433	489	13 922
August	8 421	8 493	3 800	3 916	12 221	188	12 409
September	8 073	8 271	3 646	3 750	11 719	302	12 021
October	8 229	8 361	3 440	3 540	11 669	232	11 901
November	7 016	7 126	2 445	2 617	9 461	282	9 743
December	6 099	6 183	2 383	2 541	8 482	242	8 724

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

2007							
October	9 304	9 456	4 689	4 859	13 993	321	14 314
November	9 394	9 540	4 854	5 081	14 248	373	14 621
December	8 967	9 263	4 833	4 956	13 800	418	14 218
2008							
January	9 155	9 322	4 452	4 662	13 607	378	13 984
February	9 224	9 410	3 903	4 110	13 127	393	13 520
March	8 759	8 858	3 692	3 796	12 451	203	12 654
April	8 830	8 902	4 779	5 008	13 609	301	13 910
May	8 590	8 721	3 659	3 832	12 249	303	12 552
June	8 600	8 658	3 898	4 317	12 498	478	12 976
July	8 235	8 370	4 194	4 413	12 429	353	12 782
August	8 062	8 139	3 665	3 857	11 727	269	11 996
September	7 674	7 841	3 294	3 474	10 968	348	11 315
October	7 515	7 647	3 114	3 281	10 629	300	10 928
November	6 971	7 080	2 519	2 737	9 489	328	9 817
December	6 813	6 902	2 448	2 634	9 261	275	9 536

TREND

2007							
October	9 177	9 361	4 343	4 575	13 520	415	13 936
November	9 232	9 423	4 346	4 553	13 578	398	13 977
December	9 215	9 406	4 267	4 453	13 482	377	13 859
2008							
January	9 145	9 325	4 139	4 314	13 284	355	13 639
February	9 043	9 204	4 016	4 188	13 060	333	13 392
March	8 928	9 062	3 959	4 135	12 888	309	13 197
April	8 803	8 911	3 978	4 161	12 781	291	13 072
May	8 658	8 752	4 020	4 208	12 678	282	12 960
June	8 481	8 576	3 999	4 191	12 480	287	12 768
July	8 258	8 364	3 854	4 047	12 112	299	12 411
August	7 998	8 113	3 603	3 796	11 600	309	11 910
September	7 706	7 827	3 301	3 492	11 007	312	11 319
October	7 414	7 535	3 001	3 191	10 415	311	10 726
November	7 145	7 263	2 733	2 924	9 878	309	10 187
December	6 911	7 027	2 474	2 664	9 385	307	9 692

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage change

Month	HOUSES		OTHER DWELLINGS		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

ORIGINAL

2007							
October	13.2	13.0	15.3	13.5	13.9	-17.3	13.1
November	-1.1	-1.1	-2.6	-1.6	-1.6	18.8	-1.2
December	-26.0	-24.8	-7.7	-8.1	-19.9	16.1	-19.2
2008							
January	-1.8	-3.0	-13.3	-12.5	-6.2	-19.2	-6.6
February	25.3	24.7	-2.4	-2.1	15.5	1.0	15.1
March	-14.6	-15.2	-15.9	-17.0	-15.0	-46.7	-15.7
April	16.5	16.3	26.7	31.6	19.5	111.0	20.9
May	0.6	1.3	-3.2	-3.2	-0.6	16.6	-0.2
June	-2.7	-3.2	-1.8	4.8	-2.4	56.6	-0.7
July	2.2	3.6	8.6	1.6	4.1	-22.1	2.9
August	-7.7	-8.9	-11.7	-14.8	-9.0	-61.6	-10.9
September	-4.1	-2.6	-4.1	-4.2	-4.1	60.6	-3.1
October	1.9	1.1	-5.7	-5.6	-0.4	-23.2	-1.0
November	-14.7	-14.8	-28.9	-26.1	-18.9	21.6	-18.1
December	-13.1	-13.2	-2.5	-2.9	-10.3	-14.2	-10.5

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

2007							
October	1.9	1.8	7.8	4.0	3.8	-33.0	2.5
November	1.0	0.9	3.5	4.6	1.8	16.3	2.1
December	-4.5	-2.9	-0.4	-2.5	-3.1	12.1	-2.8
2008							
January	2.1	0.6	-7.9	-5.9	-1.4	-9.8	-1.6
February	0.8	0.9	-12.3	-11.8	-3.5	4.2	-3.3
March	-5.0	-5.9	-5.4	-7.6	-5.1	-48.3	-6.4
April	0.8	0.5	29.4	31.9	9.3	48.2	9.9
May	-2.7	-2.0	-23.4	-23.5	-10.0	0.7	-9.8
June	0.1	-0.7	6.5	12.7	2.0	57.4	3.4
July	-4.2	-3.3	7.6	2.2	-0.6	-26.1	-1.5
August	-2.1	-2.8	-12.6	-12.6	-5.6	-23.9	-6.2
September	-4.8	-3.7	-10.1	-9.9	-6.5	29.4	-5.7
October	-2.1	-2.5	-5.5	-5.6	-3.1	-13.8	-3.4
November	-7.2	-7.4	-19.1	-16.6	-10.7	9.4	-10.2
December	-2.3	-2.5	-2.8	-3.8	-2.4	-16.1	-2.9

TREND

2007							
October	1.3	1.3	2.3	1.8	1.6	-2.0	1.5
November	0.6	0.7	0.1	-0.5	0.4	-4.0	0.3
December	-0.2	-0.2	-1.8	-2.2	-0.7	-5.4	-0.8
2008							
January	-0.8	-0.9	-3.0	-3.1	-1.5	-5.8	-1.6
February	-1.1	-1.3	-3.0	-2.9	-1.7	-6.3	-1.8
March	-1.3	-1.5	-1.4	-1.3	-1.3	-7.1	-1.5
April	-1.4	-1.7	0.5	0.6	-0.8	-5.8	-0.9
May	-1.6	-1.8	1.0	1.1	-0.8	-3.0	-0.9
June	-2.0	-2.0	-0.5	-0.4	-1.6	1.7	-1.5
July	-2.6	-2.5	-3.6	-3.4	-3.0	4.2	-2.8
August	-3.2	-3.0	-6.5	-6.2	-4.2	3.3	-4.0
September	-3.6	-3.5	-8.4	-8.0	-5.1	0.9	-5.0
October	-3.8	-3.7	-9.1	-8.6	-5.4	-0.2	-5.2
November	-3.6	-3.6	-8.9	-8.4	-5.2	-0.7	-5.0
December	-3.3	-3.2	-9.5	-8.9	-5.0	-0.8	-4.9

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.

ORIGINAL

2007

October	2 187	4 482	5 283	1 142	1 838	247	242	180	15 601
November	3 816	3 632	3 842	1 343	2 183	253	41	300	15 410
December	2 480	2 905	3 828	963	1 822	273	76	110	12 457

2008

January	2 180	2 837	3 112	849	2 269	235	34	117	11 633
February	2 668	3 701	3 444	1 103	1 853	258	150	212	13 389
March	2 223	3 215	2 752	885	1 820	208	81	102	11 286
April	2 503	3 349	4 217	1 056	1 952	272	89	203	13 641
May	2 897	3 618	3 082	1 311	2 258	300	45	108	13 619
June	2 431	3 804	3 393	1 446	1 739	174	91	448	13 526
July	2 536	4 088	3 281	1 229	2 066	384	28	310	13 922
August	2 220	3 591	3 046	997	2 073	249	69	164	12 409
September	1 894	3 532	3 214	1 317	1 567	272	67	158	12 021
October	2 159	3 701	2 522	963	1 754	276	81	445	11 901
November	2 076	2 874	1 908	942	1 342	233	118	250	9 743
December	1 827	2 571	1 777	869	1 320	202	48	110	8 724

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

2007

October	2 131	3 845	4 799	1 077	1 844	230	na	na	14 314
November	3 470	3 515	3 712	1 242	2 121	245	na	na	14 621
December	2 736	3 610	4 464	1 017	1 893	298	na	na	14 218

2008

January	2 619	3 544	3 766	1 029	2 574	258	na	na	13 984
February	2 620	3 582	3 554	1 170	1 955	282	na	na	13 520
March	2 612	3 520	2 936	991	2 181	217	na	na	12 654
April	2 497	3 254	4 657	1 099	1 839	270	na	na	13 910
May	2 511	3 327	3 137	1 226	1 924	274	na	na	12 552
June	2 457	3 649	3 016	1 407	1 753	180	na	na	12 976
July	2 348	3 917	2 930	1 055	1 848	351	na	na	12 782
August	2 257	3 496	2 896	1 010	1 855	250	na	na	11 996
September	1 735	3 347	2 951	1 209	1 601	252	na	na	11 315
October	2 050	3 197	2 313	931	1 689	251	na	na	10 928
November	2 108	2 936	1 982	935	1 253	241	na	na	9 817
December	1 888	3 014	1 993	857	1 407	218	na	na	9 536

TREND

2007

October	2 676	3 701	4 035	1 077	1 950	246	79	172	13 936
November	2 747	3 684	3 980	1 097	1 970	256	77	165	13 977
December	2 770	3 627	3 882	1 098	1 979	264	78	162	13 859

2008

January	2 746	3 546	3 778	1 091	1 971	265	82	159	13 639
February	2 684	3 482	3 681	1 091	1 944	261	87	162	13 392
March	2 613	3 456	3 590	1 098	1 920	257	88	175	13 197
April	2 545	3 475	3 503	1 114	1 897	255	83	200	13 072
May	2 473	3 523	3 402	1 130	1 877	256	72	227	12 960
June	2 395	3 564	3 249	1 135	1 853	260	62	248	12 768
July	2 285	3 565	3 058	1 119	1 808	264	58	254	12 411
August	2 174	3 502	2 835	1 086	1 742	264	61	245	11 910
September	2 079	3 382	2 610	1 040	1 657	258	68	225	11 319
October	2 004	3 237	2 405	992	1 562	250	75	202	10 726
November	1 948	3 098	2 224	944	1 468	241	82	182	10 187
December	1 912	2 966	2 044	906	1 393	234	85	151	9 692

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories—Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

ORIGINAL

2007

October	-16.6	20.7	43.9	-6.9	-12.4	-5.0	152.1	81.8	13.1
November	74.5	-19.0	-27.3	17.6	18.8	2.4	-83.1	66.7	-1.2
December	-35.0	-20.0	-0.4	-28.3	-16.5	7.9	85.4	-63.3	-19.2

2008

January	-12.1	-2.3	-18.7	-11.8	24.5	-13.9	-55.3	6.4	-6.6
February	22.4	30.5	10.7	29.9	-18.3	9.8	341.2	81.2	15.1
March	-16.7	-13.1	-20.1	-19.8	-1.8	-19.4	-46.0	-51.9	-15.7
April	12.6	4.2	53.2	19.3	7.3	30.8	9.9	99.0	20.9
May	15.7	8.0	-26.9	24.1	15.7	10.3	-49.4	-46.8	-0.2
June	-16.1	5.1	10.1	10.3	-23.0	-42.0	102.2	314.8	-0.7
July	4.3	7.5	-3.3	-15.0	18.8	120.7	-69.2	-30.8	2.9
August	-12.5	-12.2	-7.2	-18.9	0.3	-35.2	146.4	-47.1	-10.9
September	-14.7	-1.6	5.5	32.1	-24.4	9.2	-2.9	-3.7	-3.1
October	14.0	4.8	-21.5	-26.9	11.9	1.5	20.9	181.6	-1.0
November	-3.8	-22.3	-24.3	-2.2	-23.5	-15.6	45.7	-43.8	-18.1
December	-12.0	-10.5	-6.9	-7.7	-1.6	-13.3	-59.3	-56.0	-10.5

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

2007

October	-18.8	2.7	28.0	-15.2	-12.9	-7.3	na	na	2.5
November	62.8	-8.6	-22.6	15.4	15.0	6.5	na	na	2.1
December	-21.1	2.7	20.2	-18.1	-10.8	21.6	na	na	-2.8

2008

January	-4.3	-1.8	-15.6	1.1	36.0	-13.4	na	na	-1.6
February	—	1.1	-5.6	13.8	-24.1	9.2	na	na	-3.3
March	-0.3	-1.8	-17.4	-15.3	11.6	-23.1	na	na	-6.4
April	-4.4	-7.6	58.6	10.8	-15.7	24.4	na	na	9.9
May	0.6	2.2	-32.6	11.6	4.6	1.5	na	na	-9.8
June	-2.2	9.7	-3.9	14.7	-8.9	-34.4	na	na	3.4
July	-4.4	7.3	-2.8	-25.0	5.5	95.2	na	na	-1.5
August	-3.9	-10.7	-1.2	-4.3	0.3	-28.7	na	na	-6.2
September	-23.1	-4.3	1.9	19.8	-13.7	0.9	na	na	-5.7
October	18.2	-4.5	-21.6	-23.0	5.5	-0.7	na	na	-3.4
November	2.8	-8.1	-14.3	0.4	-25.8	-3.9	na	na	-10.2
December	-10.4	2.6	0.5	-8.3	12.4	-9.4	na	na	-2.9

TREND

2007

October	3.7	0.9	0.7	4.1	1.1	4.2	-7.6	-8.2	1.5
November	2.7	-0.4	-1.4	1.9	1.0	4.0	-2.8	-4.1	0.3
December	0.8	-1.6	-2.5	—	0.5	3.2	1.1	-1.8	-0.8

2008

January	-0.9	-2.2	-2.7	-0.6	-0.4	0.3	5.5	-1.4	-1.6
February	-2.3	-1.8	-2.6	—	-1.4	-1.5	5.9	1.7	-1.8
March	-2.6	-0.7	-2.5	0.7	-1.3	-1.6	1.1	8.2	-1.5
April	-2.6	0.5	-2.4	1.5	-1.2	-0.9	-5.9	14.1	-0.9
May	-2.8	1.4	-2.9	1.4	-1.1	0.5	-13.1	13.6	-0.9
June	-3.2	1.2	-4.5	0.5	-1.3	1.8	-14.1	9.2	-1.5
July	-4.6	—	-5.9	-1.5	-2.4	1.5	-6.4	2.2	-2.8
August	-4.8	-1.8	-7.3	-2.9	-3.7	-0.3	5.8	-3.4	-4.0
September	-4.4	-3.4	-7.9	-4.2	-4.9	-2.1	11.6	-8.3	-5.0
October	-3.6	-4.3	-7.9	-4.6	-5.7	-3.2	10.4	-10.2	-5.2
November	-2.8	-4.3	-7.5	-4.8	-6.0	-3.5	8.3	-10.0	-5.0
December	-1.9	-4.3	-8.1	-4.1	-5.2	-2.7	3.7	-16.6	-4.9

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PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, States and territories

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
<i>Month</i>	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.

ORIGINAL

2007

October	1 356	2 931	3 119	895	1 471	209	74	125	10 180
November	1 572	2 816	2 722	933	1 657	223	30	120	10 073
December	1 045	2 186	2 007	792	1 130	195	27	70	7 452

2008

January	1 125	1 887	2 137	692	1 184	203	20	68	7 316
February	1 439	2 622	2 496	927	1 322	237	47	77	9 167
March	1 137	2 544	2 020	690	1 179	169	26	63	7 828
April	1 290	2 817	2 392	818	1 363	249	37	157	9 123
May	1 339	2 563	2 264	1 015	1 624	263	33	78	9 179
June	1 204	2 799	2 357	873	1 320	156	43	181	8 933
July	1 249	2 712	2 305	989	1 484	301	22	66	9 128
August	1 261	2 736	1 871	751	1 452	214	54	82	8 421
September	1 118	2 617	1 878	791	1 317	223	48	81	8 073
October	1 129	2 485	1 877	806	1 568	211	57	96	8 229
November	991	2 289	1 564	706	1 122	187	60	97	7 016
December	912	1 849	1 317	645	1 072	160	39	105	6 099

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

2007

October	1 318	2 678	2 724	833	1 386	na	na	na	9 304
November	1 470	2 575	2 642	836	1 533	na	na	na	9 394
December	1 255	2 745	2 510	861	1 262	na	na	na	8 967

2008

January	1 363	2 543	2 632	858	1 398	na	na	na	9 155
February	1 396	2 600	2 490	957	1 408	na	na	na	9 224
March	1 355	2 748	2 204	778	1 393	na	na	na	8 759
April	1 284	2 640	2 352	835	1 286	na	na	na	8 830
May	1 200	2 500	2 204	932	1 403	na	na	na	8 590
June	1 162	2 636	2 241	870	1 328	na	na	na	8 600
July	1 110	2 457	2 045	842	1 416	na	na	na	8 235
August	1 152	2 576	1 793	782	1 414	na	na	na	8 062
September	1 071	2 479	1 779	739	1 275	na	na	na	7 674
October	1 069	2 277	1 648	747	1 446	na	na	na	7 515
November	1 040	2 257	1 609	703	1 025	na	na	na	6 971
December	990	2 154	1 511	646	1 193	na	na	na	6 813

TREND

2007

October	1 321	2 607	2 677	825	1 407	na	na	na	9 177
November	1 346	2 625	2 664	847	1 406	na	na	na	9 232
December	1 364	2 638	2 608	860	1 399	na	na	na	9 215

2008

January	1 368	2 647	2 527	867	1 386	na	na	na	9 145
February	1 354	2 648	2 448	870	1 370	na	na	na	9 043
March	1 322	2 636	2 377	873	1 362	na	na	na	8 928
April	1 278	2 621	2 305	873	1 362	na	na	na	8 803
May	1 229	2 603	2 222	867	1 370	na	na	na	8 658
June	1 182	2 578	2 124	854	1 380	na	na	na	8 481
July	1 140	2 537	2 014	831	1 378	na	na	na	8 258
August	1 110	2 481	1 896	800	1 361	na	na	na	7 998
September	1 085	2 417	1 777	763	1 325	na	na	na	7 706
October	1 060	2 345	1 673	727	1 277	na	na	na	7 414
November	1 036	2 273	1 587	695	1 226	na	na	na	7 145
December	1 016	2 203	1 517	672	1 182	na	na	na	6 911

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PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2007									
October	15.3	21.1	15.8	15.2	-7.1	-11.8	111.4	71.2	13.2
November	15.9	-3.9	-12.7	4.2	12.6	6.7	-59.5	-4.0	-1.1
December	-33.5	-22.4	-26.3	-15.1	-31.8	-12.6	-10.0	-41.7	-26.0
2008									
January	7.7	-13.7	6.5	-12.6	4.8	4.1	-25.9	-2.9	-1.8
February	27.9	39.0	16.8	34.0	11.7	16.7	135.0	13.2	25.3
March	-21.0	-3.0	-19.1	-25.6	-10.8	-28.7	-44.7	-18.2	-14.6
April	13.5	10.7	18.4	18.6	15.6	47.3	42.3	149.2	16.5
May	3.8	-9.0	-5.4	24.1	19.1	5.6	-10.8	-50.3	0.6
June	-10.1	9.2	4.1	-14.0	-18.7	-40.7	30.3	132.1	-2.7
July	3.7	-3.1	-2.2	13.3	12.4	92.9	-48.8	-63.5	2.2
August	1.0	0.9	-18.8	-24.1	-2.2	-28.9	145.5	24.2	-7.7
September	-11.3	-4.3	0.4	5.3	-9.3	4.2	-11.1	-1.2	-4.1
October	1.0	-5.0	-0.1	1.9	19.1	-5.4	18.8	18.5	1.9
November	-12.2	-7.9	-16.7	-12.4	-28.4	-11.4	5.3	1.0	-14.7
December	-8.0	-19.2	-15.8	-8.6	-4.5	-14.4	-35.0	8.2	-13.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2007									
October	6.3	7.3	-0.8	2.7	-7.5	na	na	na	1.9
November	11.5	-3.8	-3.0	0.4	10.6	na	na	na	1.0
December	-14.6	6.6	-5.0	2.9	-17.7	na	na	na	-4.5
2008									
January	8.5	-7.4	4.9	-0.3	10.7	na	na	na	2.1
February	2.5	2.2	-5.4	11.4	0.7	na	na	na	0.8
March	-2.9	5.7	-11.5	-18.7	-1.1	na	na	na	-5.0
April	-5.2	-3.9	6.7	7.3	-7.7	na	na	na	0.8
May	-6.5	-5.3	-6.3	11.6	9.1	na	na	na	-2.7
June	-3.2	5.4	1.7	-6.7	-5.3	na	na	na	0.1
July	-4.4	-6.8	-8.7	-3.2	6.7	na	na	na	-4.2
August	3.7	4.9	-12.3	-7.2	-0.2	na	na	na	-2.1
September	-7.0	-3.8	-0.8	-5.5	-9.8	na	na	na	-4.8
October	-0.2	-8.1	-7.3	1.2	13.4	na	na	na	-2.1
November	-2.7	-0.9	-2.3	-6.0	-29.1	na	na	na	-7.2
December	-4.8	-4.6	-6.1	-8.1	16.4	na	na	na	-2.3
TREND									
2007									
October	2.0	1.0	1.0	3.6	0.2	na	na	na	1.3
November	1.9	0.7	-0.5	2.7	-0.1	na	na	na	0.6
December	1.3	0.5	-2.1	1.6	-0.6	na	na	na	-0.2
2008									
January	0.3	0.3	-3.1	0.7	-0.9	na	na	na	-0.8
February	-1.0	—	-3.2	0.4	-1.2	na	na	na	-1.1
March	-2.4	-0.4	-2.9	0.3	-0.6	na	na	na	-1.3
April	-3.4	-0.6	-3.0	—	—	na	na	na	-1.4
May	-3.8	-0.7	-3.6	-0.7	0.6	na	na	na	-1.6
June	-3.9	-1.0	-4.4	-1.5	0.7	na	na	na	-2.0
July	-3.5	-1.6	-5.2	-2.6	-0.2	na	na	na	-2.6
August	-2.6	-2.2	-5.8	-3.7	-1.2	na	na	na	-3.2
September	-2.2	-2.6	-6.3	-4.7	-2.6	na	na	na	-3.6
October	-2.3	-3.0	-5.9	-4.7	-3.6	na	na	na	-3.8
November	-2.3	-3.1	-5.1	-4.4	-4.0	na	na	na	-3.6
December	-2.0	-3.1	-4.4	-3.4	-3.6	na	na	na	-3.3

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories: **Original**

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
<i>Period</i>	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
HOUSES									
2005-06	16 875	28 808	25 342	8 325	22 071	2 288	678	1 044	105 431
2006-07	15 951	28 867	28 751	8 597	19 580	2 541	766	1 264	106 317
2007-08	15 786	31 555	30 155	10 375	17 121	2 540	590	1 284	109 406
2008									
January	1 154	1 916	2 171	712	1 216	205	26	68	7 468
February	1 468	2 635	2 506	955	1 362	238	58	90	9 312
March	1 142	2 547	2 027	704	1 216	169	32	64	7 901
April	1 303	2 824	2 407	829	1 373	249	45	158	9 188
May	1 342	2 575	2 296	1 035	1 666	268	35	90	9 307
June	1 208	2 810	2 373	887	1 327	158	43	199	9 005
July	1 267	2 732	2 319	1 013	1 584	312	26	74	9 327
August	1 268	2 739	1 888	767	1 458	216	66	91	8 493
September	1 153	2 650	1 899	813	1 365	224	53	114	8 271
October	1 130	2 508	1 927	813	1 591	218	68	106	8 361
November	995	2 300	1 578	741	1 147	187	69	109	7 126
December	913	1 870	1 322	688	1 082	160	42	106	6 183
OTHER DWELLINGS									
2005-06	17 285	7 721	12 691	3 133	4 099	346	685	823	46 783
2006-07	15 451	9 075	12 765	2 221	5 507	399	698	982	47 098
2007-08	15 438	11 289	14 798	2 980	6 520	398	582	1 055	53 060
2008									
January	1 026	921	941	137	1 053	30	8	49	4 165
February	1 200	1 066	938	148	491	20	92	122	4 077
March	1 081	668	725	181	604	39	49	38	3 385
April	1 200	525	1 810	227	579	23	44	45	4 453
May	1 555	1 043	786	276	592	32	10	18	4 312
June	1 223	994	1 020	559	412	16	48	249	4 521
July	1 269	1 356	962	216	482	72	2	236	4 595
August	952	852	1 158	230	615	33	3	73	3 916
September	741	882	1 315	504	202	48	14	44	3 750
October	1 029	1 193	595	150	163	58	13	339	3 540
November	1 081	574	330	201	195	46	49	141	2 617
December	914	701	455	181	238	42	6	4	2 541
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS									
2005-06	34 160	36 529	38 033	11 458	26 170	2 634	1 363	1 867	152 214
2006-07	31 402	37 942	41 516	10 818	25 087	2 940	1 464	2 246	153 415
2007-08	31 224	42 844	44 953	13 355	23 641	2 938	1 172	2 339	162 466
2008									
January	2 180	2 837	3 112	849	2 269	235	34	117	11 633
February	2 668	3 701	3 444	1 103	1 853	258	150	212	13 389
March	2 223	3 215	2 752	885	1 820	208	81	102	11 286
April	2 503	3 349	4 217	1 056	1 952	272	89	203	13 641
May	2 897	3 618	3 082	1 311	2 258	300	45	108	13 619
June	2 431	3 804	3 393	1 446	1 739	174	91	448	13 526
July	2 536	4 088	3 281	1 229	2 066	384	28	310	13 922
August	2 220	3 591	3 046	997	2 073	249	69	164	12 409
September	1 894	3 532	3 214	1 317	1 567	272	67	158	12 021
October	2 159	3 701	2 522	963	1 754	276	81	445	11 901
November	2 076	2 874	1 908	942	1 342	233	118	250	9 743
December	1 827	2 571	1 777	869	1 320	202	48	110	8 724

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By Capital City Statistical Division(a): Original

	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Greater Hobart	Darwin	Canberra
Period	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
HOUSES								
2005-06	6 563	18 742	9 918	4 982	15 392	1 004	517	1 041
2006-07	6 460	19 169	10 775	5 526	13 462	1 165	573	1 263
2007-08	6 686	22 109	11 867	6 671	11 742	1 044	471	1 268
2008								
January	399	1 276	678	467	837	81	22	68
February	670	1 881	1 005	641	917	89	50	90
March	458	1 847	780	451	799	70	30	64
April	548	2 010	975	524	914	105	39	158
May	601	1 824	867	651	1 144	132	26	74
June	547	2 010	1 034	538	932	67	40	199
July	518	1 863	1 010	625	1 049	138	24	74
August	633	2 056	746	473	1 012	96	61	91
September	522	1 835	842	455	918	119	44	113
October	567	1 868	835	520	1 121	85	40	105
November	457	1 625	686	467	824	81	57	109
December	407	1 283	596	422	774	69	36	105
OTHER DWELLINGS								
2005-06	11 403	6 626	5 862	2 785	3 218	113	462	823
2006-07	10 993	8 120	4 880	1 645	4 138	178	668	982
2007-08	11 611	10 210	6 255	2 683	5 388	142	526	1 055
2008								
January	735	869	331	122	999	9	8	49
February	819	983	341	128	471	2	86	122
March	911	551	230	114	567	6	43	38
April	952	463	989	218	504	4	41	45
May	968	966	282	235	529	19	10	18
June	930	815	490	519	355	6	48	249
July	835	1 321	641	181	349	26	2	236
August	730	700	442	188	553	—	3	73
September	563	768	693	324	160	22	12	44
October	787	1 055	368	130	101	35	13	339
November	768	516	199	189	148	38	49	141
December	783	632	296	165	145	28	5	4
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS								
2005-06	17 966	25 368	15 780	7 767	18 610	1 117	979	1 864
2006-07	17 453	27 289	15 655	7 171	17 600	1 343	1 241	2 245
2007-08	18 297	32 319	18 122	9 354	17 130	1 186	997	2 323
2008								
January	1 134	2 145	1 009	589	1 836	90	30	117
February	1 489	2 864	1 346	769	1 388	91	136	212
March	1 369	2 398	1 010	565	1 366	76	73	102
April	1 500	2 473	1 964	742	1 418	109	80	203
May	1 569	2 790	1 149	886	1 673	151	36	92
June	1 477	2 825	1 524	1 057	1 287	73	88	448
July	1 353	3 184	1 651	806	1 398	164	26	310
August	1 363	2 756	1 188	661	1 565	96	64	164
September	1 085	2 603	1 535	779	1 078	141	56	157
October	1 354	2 923	1 203	650	1 222	120	53	444
November	1 225	2 141	885	656	972	119	106	250
December	1 190	1 915	892	587	919	97	41	109

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(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 25.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By sector: **Original**

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings</i>	<i>Conversion(a)</i>	<i>Non-residential building(a)</i>	<i>Total dwelling units</i>
<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
PRIVATE SECTOR						
2005-06	103 443	43 464	470	1 091	320	148 788
2006-07	104 121	44 381	491	479	356	149 828
2007-08	107 438	49 473	635	320	300	158 166
2008						
January	7 308	3 919	26	62	15	11 330
February	9 155	3 757	126	24	21	13 083
March	7 823	3 243	46	2	9	11 123
April	9 095	4 117	37	29	19	13 297
May	9 171	3 979	40	10	18	13 218
June	8 928	3 924	21	4	21	12 898
July	9 122	4 234	32	23	22	13 433
August	8 415	3 704	43	26	33	12 221
September	8 058	3 594	34	14	19	11 719
October	8 218	3 380	31	23	17	11 669
November	7 006	2 411	30	8	6	9 461
December	6 089	2 307	30	34	22	8 482
PUBLIC SECTOR						
2005-06	1 855	1 515	51	2	3	3 426
2006-07	1 962	1 607	14	2	2	3 587
2007-08	1 823	2 293	71	105	8	4 300
2008						
January	152	143	8	—	—	303
February	145	118	23	15	5	306
March	73	58	—	32	—	163
April	65	226	7	46	—	344
May	128	251	16	6	—	401
June	72	547	3	6	—	628
July	198	283	1	6	1	489
August	72	92	1	21	2	188
September	197	104	—	1	—	302
October	132	100	—	—	—	232
November	109	154	3	16	—	282
December	84	158	—	—	—	242
TOTAL						
2005-06	105 298	44 979	521	1 093	323	152 214
2006-07	106 083	45 988	505	481	358	153 415
2007-08	109 261	51 766	706	425	308	162 466
2008						
January	7 460	4 062	34	62	15	11 633
February	9 300	3 875	149	39	26	13 389
March	7 896	3 301	46	34	9	11 286
April	9 160	4 343	44	75	19	13 641
May	9 299	4 230	56	16	18	13 619
June	9 000	4 471	24	10	21	13 526
July	9 320	4 517	33	29	23	13 922
August	8 487	3 796	44	47	35	12 409
September	8 255	3 698	34	15	19	12 021
October	8 350	3 480	31	23	17	11 901
November	7 115	2 565	33	24	6	9 743
December	6 173	2 465	30	34	22	8 724

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) See Glossary for definition.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories—By sector: **Original**

<i>States and territories</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings</i>	<i>Conversions(a)</i>	<i>Non-residential building(a)</i>	<i>Total dwelling units</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
PRIVATE SECTOR						
NSW	909	849	11	3	—	1 772
Vic.	1 847	639	10	27	1	2 524
Qld	1 315	408	1	2	—	1 726
SA	644	160	2	1	19	826
WA	1 072	203	4	—	1	1 280
Tas.	159	40	—	1	—	200
NT	38	4	2	—	1	45
ACT	105	4	—	—	—	109
Aust.	6 089	2 307	30	34	22	8 482
PUBLIC SECTOR						
NSW	1	54	—	—	—	55
Vic.	21	26	—	—	—	47
Qld	5	46	—	—	—	51
SA	43	—	—	—	—	43
WA	10	30	—	—	—	40
Tas.	—	2	—	—	—	2
NT	3	—	—	—	—	3
ACT	1	—	—	—	—	1
Aust.	84	158	—	—	—	242
TOTAL						
NSW	910	903	11	3	—	1 827
Vic.	1 868	665	10	27	1	2 571
Qld	1 320	454	1	2	—	1 777
SA	687	160	2	1	19	869
WA	1 082	233	4	—	1	1 320
Tas.	159	42	—	1	—	202
NT	41	4	2	—	1	48
ACT	106	4	—	—	—	110
Aust.	6 173	2 465	30	34	22	8 724

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) See Glossary for definition.

Original

	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF				NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF					
Period	New houses	One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total	Total new other residential building	Total new residential building
DWELLING UNITS (no.)										
2005-06	105 298	10 180	10 561	20 741	3 037	5 166	16 035	24 238	44 979	150 277
2006-07	106 083	10 025	11 247	21 272	2 478	4 379	17 859	24 716	45 988	152 071
2007-08	109 261	10 491	12 242	22 733	3 288	4 257	21 488	29 033	51 766	161 027
2007										
October	10 329	646	1 216	1 862	468	235	2 582	3 285	5 147	15 476
November	10 221	857	1 029	1 886	237	821	2 131	3 189	5 075	15 296
December	7 688	820	879	1 699	512	193	2 257	2 962	4 661	12 349
2008										
January	7 460	590	1 039	1 629	174	290	1 969	2 433	4 062	11 522
February	9 300	949	1 006	1 955	310	228	1 382	1 920	3 875	13 175
March	7 896	631	580	1 211	190	200	1 700	2 090	3 301	11 197
April	9 160	1 003	1 049	2 052	242	420	1 629	2 291	4 343	13 503
May	9 299	979	1 069	2 048	276	341	1 565	2 182	4 230	13 529
June	9 000	1 136	1 231	2 367	206	250	1 648	2 104	4 471	13 471
July	9 320	875	1 217	2 092	241	336	1 848	2 425	4 517	13 837
August	8 487	852	722	1 574	392	266	1 564	2 222	3 796	12 283
September	8 255	1 002	943	1 945	169	290	1 294	1 753	3 698	11 953
October	8 350	726	767	1 493	159	172	1 656	1 987	3 480	11 830
November	7 115	732	746	1 478	131	271	685	1 087	2 565	9 680
December	6 173	591	590	1 181	242	134	908	1 284	2 465	8 638
VALUE (\$m)										
2005-06	21 989.0	1 396.9	1 884.5	3 281.4	524.5	886.5	4 132.4	5 543.4	8 824.9	30 813.9
2006-07	24 038.0	1 403.2	2 119.8	3 523.1	458.9	926.1	5 040.8	6 425.8	9 948.9	33 986.9
2007-08	26 570.1	1 646.1	2 475.5	4 121.6	601.9	941.1	6 891.1	8 434.0	12 555.6	39 125.7
2007										
October	2 450.8	96.8	226.7	323.5	69.5	44.9	899.5	1 013.8	1 337.4	3 788.1
November	2 467.8	127.1	210.2	337.3	50.3	236.6	612.7	899.6	1 236.9	3 704.6
December	1 910.0	138.6	175.7	314.4	78.0	37.5	687.1	802.5	1 116.9	3 026.8
2008										
January	1 819.4	92.9	208.7	301.6	29.2	60.1	744.0	833.3	1 134.8	2 954.2
February	2 294.7	161.5	207.9	369.4	64.2	57.2	365.1	486.5	855.9	3 150.6
March	1 935.6	97.8	120.2	218.0	29.0	39.8	495.4	564.1	782.2	2 717.8
April	2 230.8	153.7	217.6	371.3	49.9	73.4	667.5	790.8	1 162.1	3 392.8
May	2 304.7	176.6	227.5	404.1	45.8	94.5	584.7	725.0	1 129.1	3 433.8
June	2 260.7	187.3	269.8	457.1	61.2	44.8	449.1	555.2	1 012.3	3 273.0
July	2 341.0	155.2	268.9	424.1	38.2	78.3	558.2	674.7	1 098.8	3 439.8
August	2 161.8	131.1	165.0	296.2	48.8	70.2	419.9	538.9	835.0	2 996.9
September	2 059.6	187.1	199.4	386.5	26.2	46.9	465.4	538.5	925.0	2 984.5
October	2 093.4	120.5	170.1	290.6	28.0	41.0	517.3	586.3	876.9	2 970.3
November	1 803.1	118.8	154.4	273.2	24.2	44.8	138.5	207.5	480.7	2 283.8
December	1 541.1	87.1	130.6	217.7	37.1	34.9	248.1	320.0	537.7	2 078.8

(a) See Glossary for definition.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED IN NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, States and territories—Number and value: **Original**

		NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC. OF			NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF					
States and territories	New houses	One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total	Total new other residential building	Total new residential building
DWELLING UNITS (no.)										
NSW	910	112	153	265	35	27	576	638	903	1 813
Vic.	1 868	163	234	397	22	40	206	268	665	2 533
Qld	1 320	51	75	126	160	50	118	328	454	1 774
SA	687	73	64	137	15	8	—	23	160	847
WA	1 082	155	60	215	10	—	8	18	233	1 315
Tas.	159	33	—	33	—	9	—	9	42	201
NT	41	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	4	45
ACT	106	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	4	110
Aust.	6 173	591	590	1 181	242	134	908	1 284	2 465	8 638
VALUE (\$m)										
NSW	258.2	19.1	30.9	50.0	12.0	4.4	126.0	142.4	192.4	450.5
Vic.	442.1	20.3	54.9	75.2	2.4	13.2	77.9	93.5	168.7	610.9
Qld	347.6	8.8	14.7	23.6	17.1	8.8	39.2	65.1	88.7	436.3
SA	131.9	11.9	15.7	27.7	4.0	1.0	—	5.0	32.7	164.7
WA	292.1	21.9	12.9	34.8	1.6	—	4.9	6.4	41.3	333.4
Tas.	31.0	4.1	—	4.1	—	7.5	—	7.5	11.6	42.5
NT	11.3	0.9	—	0.9	—	—	—	—	0.9	12.3
ACT	26.8	—	1.4	1.4	—	—	—	—	1.4	28.2
Aust.	1 541.1	87.1	130.6	217.7	37.1	34.9	248.1	320.0	537.7	2 078.8

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

<i>Month</i>	<i>New residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions to residential buildings(a)</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non- residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
ORIGINAL					
2007					
November	3 704.6	535.0	4 239.6	3 479.1	7 718.7
December	3 026.8	412.5	3 439.4	2 688.0	6 127.4
2008					
January	2 954.2	448.5	3 402.8	3 681.3	7 084.1
February	3 150.6	552.4	3 703.0	2 693.9	6 396.9
March	2 717.8	461.1	3 178.9	2 650.0	5 828.9
April	3 392.8	511.8	3 904.6	2 649.9	6 554.6
May	3 433.8	509.8	3 943.6	3 443.1	7 386.7
June	3 273.0	524.0	3 797.0	3 202.8	6 999.8
July	3 439.8	610.1	4 050.0	3 656.6	7 706.5
August	2 996.9	536.6	3 533.5	2 969.0	6 502.5
September	2 984.5	533.0	3 517.6	3 137.4	6 655.0
October	2 970.3	487.9	3 458.2	1 995.1	5 453.4
November	2 283.8	469.5	2 753.3	2 019.8	4 773.1
December	2 078.8	367.5	2 446.3	1 482.8	3 929.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
2007					
November	3 460.9	512.6	3 973.5	3 302.7	7 276.2
December	3 516.0	526.8	4 042.8	2 940.5	6 983.4
2008					
January	3 545.3	534.5	4 079.8	3 806.4	7 886.2
February	3 116.2	553.6	3 669.8	2 795.9	6 465.7
March	3 087.4	496.9	3 584.3	2 921.7	6 506.0
April	3 249.8	524.5	3 774.3	2 709.9	6 484.2
May	3 217.8	467.7	3 685.5	3 308.7	6 994.2
June	3 178.1	511.9	3 690.0	3 186.8	6 876.9
July	3 076.1	557.3	3 633.4	3 248.5	6 881.9
August	3 019.8	493.8	3 513.7	3 067.9	6 581.6
September	2 837.2	488.5	3 325.7	2 924.4	6 250.1
October	2 719.3	456.8	3 176.2	1 875.5	5 051.7
November	2 319.4	460.1	2 779.5	2 056.6	4 836.0
December	2 222.1	447.5	2 669.6	1 639.8	4 309.5
TREND					
2007					
November	3 439.4	527.3	3 966.8	2 819.7	6 786.5
December	3 436.0	530.8	3 966.8	2 879.4	6 846.2
2008					
January	3 385.2	527.9	3 913.1	2 905.2	6 818.3
February	3 310.8	521.5	3 832.3	2 903.8	6 736.1
March	3 242.6	514.9	3 757.6	2 902.1	6 659.6
April	3 197.6	510.8	3 708.3	2 948.9	6 657.3
May	3 174.7	508.9	3 683.6	3 022.8	6 706.4
June	3 149.4	508.4	3 657.8	3 079.6	6 737.3
July	3 086.5	506.5	3 593.0	3 051.4	6 644.4
August	2 965.6	500.4	3 466.0	2 897.5	6 363.5
September	2 804.7	488.6	3 293.3	2 641.4	5 934.7
October	2 634.4	474.4	3 108.8	2 342.6	5 451.4
November	2 469.9	461.3	2 931.1	2 049.6	4 980.7
December	2 323.6	447.4	2 771.0	1 779.9	4 550.9

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

	New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings(a)	Total residential building	Non- residential building	Total building
Month	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL					
2007					
November	-2.2	-4.7	-2.5	-10.6	-6.3
December	-18.3	-22.9	-18.9	-22.7	-20.6
2008					
January	-2.4	8.7	-1.1	37.0	15.6
February	6.6	23.2	8.8	-26.8	-9.7
March	-13.7	-16.5	-14.2	-1.6	-8.9
April	24.8	11.0	22.8	—	12.4
May	1.2	-0.4	1.0	29.9	12.7
June	-4.7	2.8	-3.7	-7.0	-5.2
July	5.1	16.4	6.7	14.2	10.1
August	-12.9	-12.1	-12.8	-18.8	-15.6
September	-0.4	-0.7	-0.4	5.7	2.3
October	-0.5	-8.5	-1.7	-36.4	-18.1
November	-23.1	-3.8	-20.4	1.2	-12.5
December	-9.0	-21.7	-11.2	-26.6	-17.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
2007					
November	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-11.7	-6.4
December	1.6	2.8	1.7	-11.0	-4.0
2008					
January	0.8	1.5	0.9	29.4	12.9
February	-12.1	3.6	-10.0	-26.5	-18.0
March	-0.9	-10.2	-2.3	4.5	0.6
April	5.3	5.6	5.3	-7.2	-0.3
May	-1.0	-10.8	-2.4	22.1	7.9
June	-1.2	9.5	0.1	-3.7	-1.7
July	-3.2	8.9	-1.5	1.9	0.1
August	-1.8	-11.4	-3.3	-5.6	-4.4
September	-6.0	-1.1	-5.3	-4.7	-5.0
October	-4.2	-6.5	-4.5	-35.9	-19.2
November	-14.7	0.7	-12.5	9.7	-4.3
December	-4.2	-2.7	-4.0	-20.3	-10.9
TREND					
2007					
November	1.7	1.5	1.7	3.0	2.2
December	-0.1	0.7	—	2.1	0.9
2008					
January	-1.5	-0.6	-1.4	0.9	-0.4
February	-2.2	-1.2	-2.1	—	-1.2
March	-2.1	-1.3	-2.0	-0.1	-1.1
April	-1.4	-0.8	-1.3	1.6	—
May	-0.7	-0.4	-0.7	2.5	0.7
June	-0.8	-0.1	-0.7	1.9	0.5
July	-2.0	-0.4	-1.8	-0.9	-1.4
August	-3.9	-1.2	-3.5	-5.0	-4.2
September	-5.4	-2.3	-5.0	-8.8	-6.7
October	-6.1	-2.9	-5.6	-11.3	-8.1
November	-6.2	-2.8	-5.7	-12.5	-8.6
December	-5.9	-3.0	-5.5	-13.2	-8.6

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2007									
October	1 260.1	2 916.7	2 090.0	447.2	1 055.4	94.2	207.0	169.4	8 240.0
November	2 111.2	1 497.6	1 953.5	426.0	1 354.1	133.5	60.4	182.4	7 718.7
December	1 691.4	1 502.2	1 420.6	335.8	910.9	115.9	106.6	44.0	6 127.4
2008									
January	1 400.9	2 221.4	1 403.5	377.2	1 473.0	80.1	35.9	91.9	7 084.1
February	1 493.9	1 647.4	1 798.6	346.9	831.9	77.0	67.7	133.6	6 396.9
March	1 230.7	1 768.0	1 508.1	256.1	840.6	100.2	75.3	49.8	5 828.9
April	1 833.4	1 436.4	1 765.3	429.7	815.7	94.3	64.6	115.3	6 554.6
May	1 472.8	1 822.2	1 678.5	384.1	1 657.8	145.5	45.7	180.0	7 386.7
June	1 702.8	1 646.3	1 709.4	886.8	752.7	85.2	90.6	126.0	6 999.8
July	1 416.5	1 780.3	2 557.6	444.7	1 099.6	116.5	31.4	259.9	7 706.5
August	1 340.0	1 806.6	1 847.0	446.6	863.8	85.7	47.2	65.6	6 502.5
September	1 632.0	1 603.2	1 761.7	379.7	811.9	155.4	84.0	227.0	6 655.0
October	1 154.3	1 495.9	1 282.0	374.9	806.0	96.2	54.8	189.2	5 453.4
November	1 317.1	1 313.4	1 017.5	259.1	597.8	111.4	68.3	88.5	4 773.1
December	882.0	1 061.7	864.2	362.3	568.6	83.1	51.0	56.1	3 929.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2007									
October	1 314.8	2 723.8	1 902.4	396.6	1 057.0	na	na	na	7 775.4
November	2 038.5	1 541.3	1 861.2	398.6	1 317.0	na	na	na	7 276.2
December	1 879.5	1 817.5	1 903.1	351.2	932.2	na	na	na	6 983.4
2008									
January	1 577.2	2 588.1	1 636.6	412.8	1 380.2	na	na	na	7 886.2
February	1 400.4	1 606.1	1 817.6	392.2	958.0	na	na	na	6 465.7
March	1 447.6	1 681.8	1 500.4	326.2	1 025.0	na	na	na	6 506.0
April	1 766.9	1 439.5	1 833.1	370.7	754.1	na	na	na	6 484.2
May	1 359.8	1 705.9	1 610.4	381.3	1 474.2	na	na	na	6 994.2
June	1 665.0	1 617.8	1 666.7	849.1	802.1	na	na	na	6 876.9
July	1 436.8	1 674.9	2 193.8	457.0	923.4	na	na	na	6 881.9
August	1 348.4	1 709.8	1 810.2	410.4	902.1	na	na	na	6 581.6
September	1 269.5	1 595.7	1 645.0	383.0	847.8	na	na	na	6 250.1
October	1 254.5	1 288.0	1 156.9	313.1	814.5	na	na	na	5 051.7
November	1 265.0	1 400.9	1 060.2	258.5	582.2	na	na	na	4 836.0
December	974.6	1 261.0	1 121.6	358.6	569.4	na	na	na	4 309.5
TREND									
2007									
October	1 501.8	1 725.2	1 782.6	366.3	975.9	na	na	na	6 638.0
November	1 526.1	1 762.7	1 826.1	381.6	993.7	na	na	na	6 786.5
December	1 535.4	1 765.6	1 835.5	384.7	1 003.1	na	na	na	6 846.2
2008									
January	1 527.3	1 739.6	1 808.2	378.4	1 002.4	na	na	na	6 818.3
February	1 507.2	1 696.2	1 758.4	371.7	985.6	na	na	na	6 736.1
March	1 484.1	1 655.0	1 709.8	373.6	956.4	na	na	na	6 659.6
April	1 472.3	1 635.3	1 691.2	387.2	931.2	na	na	na	6 657.3
May	1 469.3	1 633.1	1 701.4	407.6	915.4	na	na	na	6 706.4
June	1 466.4	1 639.1	1 709.9	422.1	905.6	na	na	na	6 737.3
July	1 438.7	1 637.2	1 684.7	421.7	892.7	na	na	na	6 644.4
August	1 384.7	1 601.0	1 612.3	404.7	864.2	na	na	na	6 363.5
September	1 314.0	1 533.1	1 498.3	375.5	814.5	na	na	na	5 934.7
October	1 239.7	1 452.1	1 357.9	345.5	751.0	na	na	na	5 451.4
November	1 169.6	1 370.9	1 218.1	320.6	681.7	na	na	na	4 980.7
December	1 095.0	1 305.6	1 093.0	298.7	629.1	na	na	na	4 550.9

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VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage change

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2007									
October	-20.2	65.8	26.8	44.2	21.4	17.0	201.0	172.9	29.2
November	67.5	-48.7	-6.5	-4.7	28.3	41.7	-70.8	7.7	-6.3
December	-19.9	0.3	-27.3	-21.2	-32.7	-13.2	76.5	-75.9	-20.6
2008									
January	-17.2	47.9	-1.2	12.4	61.7	-30.9	-66.3	108.9	15.6
February	6.6	-25.8	28.2	-8.0	-43.5	-3.9	88.3	45.3	-9.7
March	-17.6	7.3	-16.2	-26.2	1.1	30.1	11.3	-62.7	-8.9
April	49.0	-18.8	17.1	67.7	-3.0	-5.9	-14.3	131.4	12.4
May	-19.7	26.9	-4.9	-10.6	103.2	54.3	-29.3	56.1	12.7
June	15.6	-9.7	1.8	130.9	-54.6	-41.4	98.5	-30.0	-5.2
July	-16.8	8.1	49.6	-49.9	46.1	36.7	-65.4	106.3	10.1
August	-5.4	1.5	-27.8	0.4	-21.4	-26.5	50.4	-74.7	-15.6
September	21.8	-11.3	-4.6	-15.0	-6.0	81.4	78.1	245.9	2.3
October	-29.3	-6.7	-27.2	-1.3	-0.7	-38.1	-34.8	-16.7	-18.1
November	14.1	-12.2	-20.6	-30.9	-25.8	15.8	24.6	-53.2	-12.5
December	-33.0	-19.2	-15.1	39.8	-4.9	-25.4	-25.2	-36.7	-17.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2007									
October	-3.9	57.2	13.9	16.1	16.4	na	na	na	21.3
November	55.0	-43.4	-2.2	0.5	24.6	na	na	na	-6.4
December	-7.8	17.9	2.3	-11.9	-29.2	na	na	na	-4.0
2008									
January	-16.1	42.4	-14.0	17.5	48.1	na	na	na	12.9
February	-11.2	-37.9	11.1	-5.0	-30.6	na	na	na	-18.0
March	3.4	4.7	-17.5	-16.8	7.0	na	na	na	0.6
April	22.1	-14.4	22.2	13.7	-26.4	na	na	na	-0.3
May	-23.0	18.5	-12.2	2.8	95.5	na	na	na	7.9
June	22.4	-5.2	3.5	122.7	-45.6	na	na	na	-1.7
July	-13.7	3.5	31.6	-46.2	15.1	na	na	na	0.1
August	-6.2	2.1	-17.5	-10.2	-2.3	na	na	na	-4.4
September	-5.9	-6.7	-9.1	-6.7	-6.0	na	na	na	-5.0
October	-1.2	-19.3	-29.7	-18.2	-3.9	na	na	na	-19.2
November	0.8	8.8	-8.4	-17.5	-28.5	na	na	na	-4.3
December	-23.0	-10.0	5.8	38.7	-2.2	na	na	na	-10.9
TREND									
2007									
October	2.0	4.0	3.7	6.3	3.3	na	na	na	3.2
November	1.6	2.2	2.4	4.2	1.8	na	na	na	2.2
December	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.9	na	na	na	0.9
2008									
January	-0.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.6	-0.1	na	na	na	-0.4
February	-1.3	-2.5	-2.8	-1.8	-1.7	na	na	na	-1.2
March	-1.5	-2.4	-2.8	0.5	-3.0	na	na	na	-1.1
April	-0.8	-1.2	-1.1	3.6	-2.6	na	na	na	—
May	-0.2	-0.1	0.6	5.3	-1.7	na	na	na	0.7
June	-0.2	0.4	0.5	3.5	-1.1	na	na	na	0.5
July	-1.9	-0.1	-1.5	-0.1	-1.4	na	na	na	-1.4
August	-3.8	-2.2	-4.3	-4.0	-3.2	na	na	na	-4.2
September	-5.1	-4.2	-7.1	-7.2	-5.7	na	na	na	-6.7
October	-5.6	-5.3	-9.4	-8.0	-7.8	na	na	na	-8.1
November	-5.7	-5.6	-10.3	-7.2	-9.2	na	na	na	-8.6
December	-6.4	-4.8	-10.3	-6.8	-7.7	na	na	na	-8.6

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VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2007									
October	651.7	1 237.2	1 500.0	246.9	515.4	58.3	90.0	50.0	4 349.5
November	1 085.5	944.3	1 129.1	290.8	651.1	60.1	15.5	63.2	4 239.6
December	691.2	878.1	909.6	197.4	626.0	56.4	51.1	29.6	3 439.4
2008									
January	649.9	794.9	860.2	168.4	830.6	57.9	12.3	28.5	3 402.8
February	791.9	985.5	998.1	214.3	554.7	60.2	46.1	52.2	3 703.0
March	664.7	870.4	792.3	171.5	562.5	49.5	39.1	28.8	3 178.9
April	732.0	910.5	1 310.1	212.2	596.6	61.9	26.9	54.5	3 904.6
May	855.3	990.8	957.5	259.1	755.4	69.0	24.7	31.7	3 943.6
June	798.9	1 047.8	963.0	332.3	479.8	46.5	34.9	93.8	3 797.0
July	828.3	1 201.2	969.3	254.8	608.9	99.9	15.1	72.4	4 050.0
August	704.3	1 028.7	859.0	215.0	607.5	58.1	24.8	36.1	3 533.5
September	652.2	932.0	1 022.7	283.1	475.6	67.2	45.0	39.8	3 517.6
October	761.7	1 031.8	745.0	208.3	527.4	67.7	26.6	89.8	3 458.2
November	581.3	827.3	582.0	201.8	401.0	58.7	51.6	49.6	2 753.3
December	564.7	720.2	497.5	195.0	369.6	50.3	16.2	32.7	2 446.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2007									
October	636.6	1 040.9	1 368.1	244.5	548.1	na	na	na	4 035.3
November	1 016.0	892.2	1 114.2	226.8	602.3	na	na	na	3 973.5
December	825.0	1 066.0	1 159.5	211.1	625.1	na	na	na	4 042.8
2008									
January	787.0	989.4	1 057.8	201.0	912.1	na	na	na	4 079.8
February	737.0	977.5	979.0	217.2	585.5	na	na	na	3 669.8
March	792.4	1 026.1	779.2	212.4	652.7	na	na	na	3 584.3
April	727.7	856.3	1 270.4	210.8	568.8	na	na	na	3 774.3
May	756.6	967.9	964.2	239.9	645.7	na	na	na	3 685.5
June	757.8	1 035.6	909.9	330.8	499.3	na	na	na	3 690.0
July	781.3	1 026.8	860.8	236.7	563.7	na	na	na	3 633.4
August	713.1	1 016.0	854.1	233.2	567.7	na	na	na	3 513.7
September	561.9	929.4	930.7	247.7	510.7	na	na	na	3 325.7
October	738.2	838.5	682.4	200.3	539.3	na	na	na	3 176.2
November	603.7	854.8	633.1	176.7	357.6	na	na	na	2 779.5
December	615.7	794.3	581.0	198.4	366.5	na	na	na	2 669.6
TREND									
2007									
October	797.7	992.8	1 159.8	219.8	574.3	na	na	na	3 900.9
November	816.1	1 001.6	1 164.5	221.7	592.3	na	na	na	3 966.8
December	819.3	999.0	1 143.3	217.7	611.0	na	na	na	3 966.8
2008									
January	808.5	988.8	1 106.5	212.2	623.4	na	na	na	3 913.1
February	788.7	977.4	1 065.4	210.5	623.6	na	na	na	3 832.3
March	771.6	971.0	1 024.6	214.7	615.6	na	na	na	3 757.6
April	759.1	974.5	992.1	224.9	601.8	na	na	na	3 708.3
May	752.0	984.0	965.4	237.2	587.7	na	na	na	3 683.6
June	745.9	992.7	934.4	245.7	575.6	na	na	na	3 657.8
July	728.2	991.7	897.1	246.2	560.1	na	na	na	3 593.0
August	703.3	971.3	849.7	238.8	537.1	na	na	na	3 466.0
September	676.8	935.3	796.5	226.0	507.0	na	na	na	3 293.3
October	651.9	891.4	736.9	211.9	471.1	na	na	na	3 108.8
November	630.5	848.2	676.2	198.8	432.3	na	na	na	2 931.1
December	613.4	809.6	622.8	187.2	401.5	na	na	na	2 771.0

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VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
2007									
October	608.4	1 679.5	589.9	200.4	540.0	36.0	117.0	119.4	3 890.5
November	1 025.7	553.4	824.3	135.2	703.0	73.4	44.9	119.2	3 479.1
December	1 000.2	624.1	511.0	138.4	285.0	59.5	55.5	14.4	2 688.0
2008									
January	751.1	1 426.6	543.3	208.8	642.4	22.3	23.6	63.4	3 681.3
February	701.9	661.9	800.6	132.6	277.2	16.8	21.6	81.4	2 693.9
March	566.0	897.5	715.8	84.7	278.1	50.7	36.2	21.0	2 650.0
April	1 101.3	525.9	455.1	217.5	219.1	32.4	37.7	60.9	2 649.9
May	617.5	831.4	721.1	125.0	902.5	76.5	20.9	148.3	3 443.1
June	903.9	598.5	746.4	554.6	272.9	38.7	55.8	32.1	3 202.8
July	588.2	579.1	1 588.3	189.9	490.6	16.6	16.2	187.5	3 656.6
August	635.7	778.0	988.0	231.5	256.3	27.5	22.4	29.6	2 969.0
September	979.8	671.2	739.0	96.6	336.3	88.3	39.0	187.2	3 137.4
October	392.6	464.1	537.0	166.7	278.6	28.5	28.2	99.4	1 995.1
November	735.8	486.1	435.5	57.3	196.8	52.6	16.7	39.0	2 019.8
December	317.2	341.5	366.7	167.3	199.0	32.8	34.8	23.4	1 482.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2007									
October	678.2	1 682.9	534.3	152.2	508.9	na	na	na	3 740.1
November	1 022.6	649.1	746.9	171.8	714.7	na	na	na	3 302.7
December	1 054.5	751.5	743.6	140.1	307.1	na	na	na	2 940.5
2008									
January	790.2	1 598.7	578.8	211.8	468.1	na	na	na	3 806.4
February	663.4	628.6	838.7	175.1	372.5	na	na	na	2 795.9
March	655.2	655.7	721.2	113.8	372.2	na	na	na	2 921.7
April	1 039.2	583.2	562.7	159.9	185.3	na	na	na	2 709.9
May	603.2	738.0	646.2	141.4	828.5	na	na	na	3 308.7
June	907.2	582.2	756.8	518.3	302.8	na	na	na	3 186.8
July	655.5	648.1	1 333.0	220.3	359.7	na	na	na	3 248.5
August	635.3	693.8	956.2	177.2	334.4	na	na	na	3 067.9
September	707.6	666.3	714.3	135.3	337.1	na	na	na	2 924.4
October	516.3	449.5	474.5	112.8	275.2	na	na	na	1 875.5
November	661.3	546.1	427.1	81.8	224.6	na	na	na	2 056.6
December	358.9	466.7	540.6	160.2	202.9	na	na	na	1 639.8
TREND									
2007									
October	704.2	732.4	622.8	146.4	401.6	na	na	na	2 737.0
November	710.0	761.1	661.6	159.8	401.5	na	na	na	2 819.7
December	716.1	766.7	692.2	167.0	392.1	na	na	na	2 879.4
2008									
January	718.7	750.8	701.7	166.2	379.0	na	na	na	2 905.2
February	718.5	718.8	692.9	161.2	361.9	na	na	na	2 903.8
March	712.5	683.9	685.2	158.9	340.8	na	na	na	2 902.1
April	713.2	660.8	699.1	162.3	329.4	na	na	na	2 948.9
May	717.3	649.1	736.0	170.4	327.7	na	na	na	3 022.8
June	720.5	646.4	775.5	176.4	329.9	na	na	na	3 079.6
July	710.5	645.4	787.7	175.4	332.6	na	na	na	3 051.4
August	681.4	629.6	762.6	166.0	327.0	na	na	na	2 897.5
September	637.2	597.8	701.8	149.6	307.5	na	na	na	2 641.4
October	587.8	560.7	621.0	133.7	279.9	na	na	na	2 342.6
November	539.0	522.8	541.9	121.8	249.4	na	na	na	2 049.6
December	481.6	496.0	470.1	111.5	227.6	na	na	na	1 779.9

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, By sector: **Original**

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions creating dwellings</i>	<i>Alterations and additions not creating dwellings</i>	<i>Conversions</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
PRIVATE SECTOR								
2005-06	21 640.5	8 578.6	59.1	5 025.8	318.8	35 622.8	18 775.6	54 398.4
2006-07	23 609.6	9 658.8	68.4	5 355.8	84.5	38 777.1	22 639.3	61 416.4
2007-08	26 116.2	12 133.6	119.6	5 780.6	91.0	44 241.0	29 043.1	73 284.2
2008								
January	1 775.6	1 105.8	4.3	402.6	22.0	3 310.2	2 296.7	5 606.9
February	2 257.9	832.9	29.9	499.0	3.8	3 623.5	2 104.8	5 728.3
March	1 913.7	770.9	6.7	436.7	0.1	3 128.1	2 275.4	5 403.5
April	2 213.8	1 113.4	6.3	489.0	3.8	3 826.3	2 250.9	6 077.2
May	2 273.3	1 087.4	5.1	490.7	0.8	3 857.4	2 801.6	6 658.9
June	2 244.5	916.5	1.5	518.6	0.2	3 681.3	2 302.3	5 983.6
July	2 293.0	1 041.9	5.5	586.2	7.2	3 933.7	2 470.6	6 404.3
August	2 144.0	817.4	6.9	513.4	4.6	3 486.3	1 891.8	5 378.1
September	2 010.5	904.8	4.6	512.4	3.8	3 436.2	2 604.7	6 040.9
October	2 059.6	858.9	3.5	474.2	4.4	3 400.7	1 515.0	4 915.7
November	1 778.2	454.6	4.4	450.2	0.9	2 688.3	1 553.1	4 241.4
December	1 526.5	511.0	3.4	352.7	0.8	2 394.5	1 190.3	3 584.8
PUBLIC SECTOR								
2005-06	348.5	246.3	5.1	162.3	0.2	762.4	6 657.0	7 419.4
2006-07	428.4	290.1	1.9	172.6	0.2	893.1	5 598.0	6 491.1
2007-08	453.9	422.0	11.4	120.6	8.4	1 016.2	7 466.2	8 482.4
2008								
January	43.8	29.0	1.9	17.8	—	92.5	1 384.7	1 477.2
February	36.7	23.0	6.4	12.3	1.0	79.5	589.1	668.7
March	21.9	11.2	—	15.5	2.2	50.9	374.6	425.5
April	17.0	48.7	0.6	8.4	3.8	78.4	399.0	477.4
May	31.4	41.7	1.0	11.4	0.7	86.2	641.6	727.8
June	16.2	95.8	—	2.9	0.7	115.7	900.6	1 016.2
July	48.0	56.9	0.1	10.7	0.5	116.2	1 186.0	1 302.2
August	17.8	17.7	0.2	9.7	1.8	47.1	1 077.3	1 124.4
September	49.1	20.2	—	12.1	0.1	81.4	532.6	614.0
October	33.8	18.0	—	5.8	—	57.6	480.1	537.7
November	24.9	26.0	2.5	10.3	1.2	65.0	466.8	531.7
December	14.6	26.7	—	10.6	—	51.8	292.4	344.3
TOTAL								
2005-06	21 989.0	8 824.9	64.2	5 188.1	319.0	36 385.1	25 432.6	61 817.8
2006-07	24 038.0	9 948.9	70.3	5 528.3	84.7	39 670.2	28 237.3	67 907.5
2007-08	26 570.1	12 555.6	131.0	5 901.2	99.4	45 257.2	36 509.3	81 766.5
2008								
January	1 819.4	1 134.8	6.2	420.3	22.0	3 402.8	3 681.3	7 084.1
February	2 294.7	855.9	36.3	511.3	4.8	3 703.0	2 693.9	6 396.9
March	1 935.6	782.2	6.7	452.2	2.3	3 178.9	2 650.0	5 828.9
April	2 230.8	1 162.1	6.9	497.4	7.6	3 904.6	2 649.9	6 554.6
May	2 304.7	1 129.1	6.1	502.2	1.5	3 943.6	3 443.1	7 386.7
June	2 260.7	1 012.3	1.5	521.5	1.0	3 797.0	3 202.8	6 999.8
July	2 341.0	1 098.8	5.5	596.9	7.7	4 050.0	3 656.6	7 706.5
August	2 161.8	835.0	7.1	523.1	6.4	3 533.5	2 969.0	6 502.5
September	2 059.6	925.0	4.6	524.5	3.9	3 517.6	3 137.4	6 655.0
October	2 093.4	876.9	3.5	480.0	4.4	3 458.2	1 995.1	5 453.4
November	1 803.1	480.7	6.9	460.5	2.2	2 753.3	2 019.8	4 773.1
December	1 541.1	537.7	3.4	363.2	0.8	2 446.3	1 482.8	3 929.1

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories—By sector: **Original**

<i>States and territories</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions creating dwellings</i>	<i>Alterations and additions not creating dwellings</i>	<i>Conversions</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
PRIVATE SECTOR								
NSW	257.8	182.4	1.6	107.6	0.1	549.5	297.4	846.9
Vic.	438.0	164.2	1.2	102.3	0.7	706.4	248.0	954.4
Qld	346.4	80.9	0.1	61.0	0.1	488.4	326.0	814.4
SA	126.1	32.7	0.1	30.1	—	189.2	92.4	281.5
WA	290.3	37.2	0.2	35.6	—	363.2	176.4	539.7
Tas.	31.0	11.3	—	7.8	—	50.0	26.2	76.3
NT	10.3	0.9	0.2	3.7	—	15.1	12.5	27.7
ACT	26.6	1.4	—	4.5	—	32.5	11.4	43.9
<i>Aust.</i>	<i>1 526.5</i>	<i>511.0</i>	<i>3.4</i>	<i>352.7</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>2 394.5</i>	<i>1 190.3</i>	<i>3 584.8</i>
PUBLIC SECTOR								
NSW	0.4	9.9	—	4.9	—	15.2	19.8	35.0
Vic.	4.2	4.5	—	5.1	—	13.8	93.5	107.3
Qld	1.2	7.8	—	0.1	—	9.1	40.8	49.8
SA	5.8	—	—	0.1	—	5.9	74.9	80.8
WA	1.8	4.1	—	0.4	—	6.3	22.6	28.9
Tas.	—	0.3	—	—	—	0.3	6.6	6.9
NT	1.0	—	—	—	—	1.1	22.3	23.4
ACT	0.2	—	—	—	—	0.2	12.0	12.2
<i>Aust.</i>	<i>14.6</i>	<i>26.7</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>10.6</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>51.8</i>	<i>292.4</i>	<i>344.3</i>
TOTAL								
NSW	258.2	192.4	1.6	112.5	0.1	564.7	317.2	882.0
Vic.	442.1	168.7	1.2	107.4	0.7	720.2	341.5	1 061.7
Qld	347.6	88.7	0.1	61.0	0.1	497.5	366.7	864.2
SA	131.9	32.7	0.1	30.2	—	195.0	167.3	362.3
WA	292.1	41.3	0.2	36.0	—	369.6	199.0	568.6
Tas.	31.0	11.6	—	7.8	—	50.3	32.8	83.1
NT	11.3	0.9	0.2	3.7	—	16.2	34.8	51.0
ACT	26.8	1.4	—	4.5	—	32.7	23.4	56.1
<i>Aust.</i>	<i>1 541.1</i>	<i>537.7</i>	<i>3.4</i>	<i>363.2</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>2 446.3</i>	<i>1 482.8</i>	<i>3 929.1</i>

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	53.0	74.1	68.4	7.6	45.0	1.9	2.3	1.0	253.2
Transport	18.1	3.8	69.1	0.2	1.4	—	—	2.1	94.6
Offices	42.3	61.3	53.3	12.4	34.2	1.3	5.0	7.5	217.2
Other commercial n.e.c.	4.5	2.1	6.4	0.2	0.3	2.0	0.1	—	15.6
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>117.9</i>	<i>141.4</i>	<i>197.2</i>	<i>20.3</i>	<i>80.8</i>	<i>5.2</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>10.5</i>	<i>580.5</i>
Industrial									
Factories	22.5	13.4	15.5	20.9	22.3	1.6	—	0.1	96.2
Warehouses	31.7	42.8	25.6	4.8	25.2	4.0	2.4	—	136.5
Agricultural/aquacultural	0.8	1.6	1.2	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.4	—	6.0
Other industrial n.e.c.	2.9	0.3	5.6	0.4	1.3	0.9	0.3	—	11.5
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>57.8</i>	<i>58.1</i>	<i>47.9</i>	<i>26.6</i>	<i>49.5</i>	<i>7.1</i>	<i>3.1</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>250.2</i>
Other non-residential									
Educational	40.8	57.3	71.1	26.8	15.8	2.4	6.3	12.7	233.3
Religious	0.7	1.1	0.3	1.3	—	0.1	—	—	3.5
Aged care facilities	38.5	25.3	15.0	20.4	3.4	0.1	—	0.1	102.7
Health	18.0	7.1	1.9	17.2	0.5	1.9	11.8	—	58.6
Entertainment and recreation	20.8	16.3	5.3	54.4	1.7	0.4	3.5	—	102.4
Accommodation	14.2	10.4	1.5	0.2	17.7	12.4	1.7	—	58.0
Other non-residential n.e.c.	8.5	24.5	26.6	—	29.7	3.3	1.1	—	93.7
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>141.6</i>	<i>142.0</i>	<i>121.7</i>	<i>120.3</i>	<i>68.7</i>	<i>20.5</i>	<i>24.4</i>	<i>12.8</i>	<i>652.1</i>
Total non-residential	317.2	341.5	366.7	167.3	199.0	32.8	34.8	23.4	1 482.8

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
PRIVATE SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	53.0	57.0	68.1	7.6	45.0	1.9	1.7	1.0	235.0
Transport	18.1	2.8	68.0	—	0.9	—	—	2.1	91.7
Offices	38.6	51.9	47.1	12.1	23.2	1.3	2.2	7.5	183.9
Other commercial n.e.c.	4.5	2.1	6.4	0.2	0.3	2.0	—	—	15.5
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>114.2</i>	<i>113.7</i>	<i>189.5</i>	<i>19.8</i>	<i>69.4</i>	<i>5.1</i>	<i>3.9</i>	<i>10.5</i>	<i>526.1</i>
Industrial									
Factories	22.5	13.4	15.5	20.9	22.3	1.6	—	0.1	96.2
Warehouses	31.7	42.4	21.1	4.6	25.2	4.0	2.2	—	131.2
Agricultural/aquacultural	0.8	1.6	1.2	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.4	—	6.0
Other industrial n.e.c.	2.9	0.3	3.7	0.4	1.3	0.9	0.3	—	9.6
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>57.8</i>	<i>57.6</i>	<i>41.6</i>	<i>26.4</i>	<i>49.5</i>	<i>7.1</i>	<i>2.9</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>243.0</i>
Other non-residential									
Educational	37.0	24.9	59.5	22.6	5.2	0.8	0.3	0.7	151.0
Religious	0.7	0.5	0.3	1.3	—	0.1	—	—	2.9
Aged care facilities	38.5	25.0	15.0	20.4	3.4	0.1	—	0.1	102.4
Health	17.8	5.4	1.8	1.4	0.5	0.2	2.5	—	29.6
Entertainment and recreation	11.3	2.8	4.0	0.2	1.1	0.4	1.4	—	21.2
Accommodation	14.2	10.4	1.4	0.2	17.7	12.4	1.5	—	57.7
Other non-residential n.e.c.	6.0	7.7	12.9	—	29.7	0.1	—	—	56.4
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>125.5</i>	<i>76.7</i>	<i>94.9</i>	<i>46.1</i>	<i>57.5</i>	<i>14.0</i>	<i>5.8</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>421.2</i>
Total non-residential	297.4	248.0	326.0	92.4	176.4	26.2	12.5	11.4	1 190.3
PUBLIC SECTOR									
Commercial									
Retail/wholesale trade	—	17.1	0.4	—	—	—	0.6	—	18.1
Transport	—	1.1	1.1	0.2	0.5	—	—	—	2.8
Offices	3.7	9.5	6.2	0.3	10.9	0.1	2.7	—	33.3
Other commercial n.e.c.	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.1	—	0.1
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>3.7</i>	<i>27.6</i>	<i>7.7</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>11.4</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>3.5</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>54.4</i>
Industrial									
Factories	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Warehouses	—	0.5	4.4	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	5.3
Agricultural/aquacultural	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other industrial n.e.c.	—	—	1.8	—	—	—	—	—	1.8
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>6.3</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>7.1</i>
Other non-residential									
Educational	3.9	32.3	11.6	4.2	10.7	1.7	6.0	12.0	82.3
Religious	—	0.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.6
Aged care facilities	—	0.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.3
Health	0.3	1.8	0.1	15.9	—	1.7	9.3	—	29.0
Entertainment and recreation	9.5	13.6	1.3	54.2	0.5	—	2.1	—	81.2
Accommodation	—	—	0.1	—	—	—	0.2	—	0.3
Other non-residential n.e.c.	2.5	16.8	13.7	—	—	3.1	1.1	—	37.3
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>16.1</i>	<i>65.4</i>	<i>26.8</i>	<i>74.2</i>	<i>11.2</i>	<i>6.5</i>	<i>18.7</i>	<i>12.0</i>	<i>230.9</i>
Total non-residential	19.8	93.5	40.8	74.9	22.6	6.6	22.3	12.0	292.4

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	\$50,000 to less than \$1m	\$1m to less than \$5m	\$5m and over	Total
BUILDING JOBS (no.)				
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	430	29	12	471
Transport	15	3	2	20
Offices	271	33	9	313
Other commercial n.e.c.	14	3	1	18
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>730</i>	<i>68</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>822</i>
Industrial				
Factories	74	26	1	101
Warehouses	120	29	4	153
Agricultural/aquacultural	63	—	—	63
Other industrial n.e.c.	27	3	—	30
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>284</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>347</i>
Other non-residential				
Educational	174	34	10	218
Religious	11	1	—	12
Aged care facilities	8	5	9	22
Health	50	5	3	58
Entertainment and recreation	75	18	2	95
Accommodation	27	4	4	35
Other non-residential n.e.c.	64	17	5	86
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>409</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>526</i>
Total non-residential	1 423	210	62	1 695

VALUE (\$m)				
Commercial				
Retail/wholesale trade	72.2	59.7	121.2	253.2
Transport	5.0	7.8	81.7	94.6
Offices	66.1	74.7	76.4	217.2
Other commercial n.e.c.	3.0	7.1	5.5	15.6
<i>Total commercial</i>	<i>146.4</i>	<i>149.3</i>	<i>284.8</i>	<i>580.5</i>
Industrial				
Factories	23.7	59.5	13.0	96.2
Warehouses	36.3	61.6	38.5	136.5
Agricultural/aquacultural	6.0	—	—	6.0
Other industrial n.e.c.	6.0	5.4	—	11.5
<i>Total industrial</i>	<i>72.1</i>	<i>126.6</i>	<i>51.5</i>	<i>250.2</i>
Other non-residential				
Educational	49.4	67.3	116.6	233.3
Religious	2.4	1.1	—	3.5
Aged care facilities	2.1	14.3	86.2	102.7
Health	13.4	7.4	37.8	58.6
Entertainment and recreation	13.3	33.5	55.6	102.4
Accommodation	7.4	10.1	40.5	58.0
Other non-residential n.e.c.	16.4	37.2	40.2	93.7
<i>Total other non-residential</i>	<i>104.4</i>	<i>170.7</i>	<i>376.9</i>	<i>652.1</i>
Total non-residential	322.9	446.6	713.3	1 482.8

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VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Chain volume measures(a)

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 (\$m)							
2005-06	22 749.6	9 289.2	32 040.3	5 694.6	37 739.9	26 989.8	64 728.0
2006-07	24 038.0	9 948.9	33 986.9	5 683.3	39 670.2	28 237.3	67 907.5
2007-08	25 224.0	11 789.0	37 013.0	5 835.3	42 848.4	34 084.2	76 932.6
2007							
June Qtr	6 130.3	2 570.9	8 701.0	1 419.0	10 119.3	6 750.9	16 874.6
September Qtr	6 696.9	2 685.2	9 382.1	1 572.0	10 954.1	7 794.6	18 748.7
December Qtr	6 523.8	3 516.0	10 039.7	1 447.6	11 487.3	9 494.0	20 981.3
2008							
March Qtr	5 682.2	2 560.3	8 242.5	1 376.8	9 619.3	8 351.2	17 970.5
June Qtr	6 321.2	3 027.6	9 348.7	1 439.0	10 787.7	8 444.4	19 232.1
September Qtr	6 025.5	2 579.0	8 604.4	1 544.2	10 148.7	8 724.7	18 873.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$m)							
2007							
June Qtr	6 063.4	2 586.2	8 649.3	1 390.4	10 038.9	6 887.4	16 928.4
September Qtr	6 342.7	2 628.3	8 971.0	1 476.9	10 447.9	7 614.4	18 062.2
December Qtr	6 553.9	3 442.2	9 996.2	1 478.7	11 474.9	9 501.7	20 976.5
2008							
March Qtr	6 300.9	2 875.8	9 176.7	1 491.2	10 667.8	8 359.6	19 027.5
June Qtr	6 026.6	2 842.6	8 869.2	1 388.6	10 257.8	8 608.5	18 866.3
September Qtr	5 708.4	2 525.0	8 233.4	1 452.6	9 686.0	8 549.9	18 235.9
TREND (\$m)							
2007							
June Qtr	6 118.4	2 611.1	8 729.2	1 420.6	10 149.5	7 382.7	17 530.7
September Qtr	6 339.8	2 863.8	9 203.5	1 455.3	10 658.5	7 974.1	18 632.7
December Qtr	6 442.8	3 059.3	9 502.1	1 477.2	10 979.2	8 575.1	19 554.9
2008							
March Qtr	6 301.1	3 019.0	9 320.2	1 462.5	10 782.8	8 780.9	19 556.1
June Qtr	6 036.1	2 810.9	8 847.5	1 438.4	10 285.9	8 625.1	18 908.3
September Qtr	5 743.4	2 567.3	8 273.9	1 423.5	9 697.4	8 467.8	18 208.3
TREND (% change from previous quarter)							
2007							
June Qtr	2.3	5.9	3.3	0.8	3.0	4.7	3.7
September Qtr	3.6	9.7	5.4	2.4	5.0	8.0	6.3
December Qtr	1.6	6.8	3.2	1.5	3.0	7.5	4.9
2008							
March Qtr	-2.2	-1.3	-1.9	-1.0	-1.8	2.4	—
June Qtr	-4.2	-6.9	-5.1	-1.6	-4.6	-1.8	-3.3
September Qtr	-4.9	-8.7	-6.5	-1.0	-5.7	-1.8	-3.7

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(b) Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2006-07. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 24.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories—Chain volume measures(a):

Original

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
<i>Period</i>	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
2005–06	9 091.8	9 069.4	9 618.1	2 188.4	6 207.6	587.7	443.7	527.1	37 739.9
2006–07	8 994.6	9 959.7	10 517.7	2 065.4	6 462.2	635.2	471.1	564.4	39 670.2
2007–08	8 885.0	11 075.0	11 873.7	2 573.0	6 829.7	655.5	410.9	545.5	42 848.4
2007									
June Qtr	2 300.5	2 495.7	2 704.6	518.5	1 654.7	159.8	104.8	180.7	10 119.3
September Qtr	2 288.2	2 948.1	3 141.9	589.7	1 596.6	164.0	95.4	130.1	10 954.1
December Qtr	2 359.4	2 917.7	3 335.7	710.8	1 712.4	166.4	146.6	138.3	11 487.3
2008									
March Qtr	2 008.3	2 471.1	2 445.7	523.5	1 816.0	159.0	90.0	105.6	9 619.3
June Qtr	2 229.1	2 738.1	2 950.4	748.8	1 704.8	166.1	79.0	171.5	10 787.7
September Qtr	2 022.1	2 903.8	2 550.3	686.2	1 564.0	208.5	76.5	137.3	10 148.7
NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
2005–06	6 890.0	7 595.6	6 512.2	1 335.5	2 617.7	304.4	468.3	1 292.9	26 989.8
2006–07	7 944.8	7 870.3	6 760.7	1 197.1	2 758.5	398.5	264.9	1 042.6	28 237.3
2007–08	8 937.2	8 981.2	7 500.1	2 025.2	4 788.6	471.1	470.0	910.9	34 084.2
2007									
June Qtr	1 932.0	1 719.7	1 735.6	401.3	525.1	78.2	54.0	292.6	6 750.9
September Qtr	2 145.4	1 838.1	1 864.6	327.8	1 155.0	92.9	91.7	279.1	7 794.6
December Qtr	2 519.2	2 665.1	1 861.1	456.1	1 383.3	162.2	202.0	245.0	9 494.0
2008									
March Qtr	1 894.5	2 710.5	1 969.5	403.3	1 057.2	82.7	74.3	159.1	8 351.2
June Qtr	2 378.0	1 767.5	1 804.9	838.0	1 193.1	133.3	102.0	227.7	8 444.4
September Qtr	1 959.2	1 797.3	3 031.0	468.3	909.6	116.6	67.7	374.9	8 724.7
TOTAL BUILDING									
2005–06	15 989.9	16 647.3	16 128.0	3 523.1	8 825.5	893.6	914.0	1 819.0	64 728.0
2006–07	16 939.4	17 830.0	17 278.4	3 262.5	9 220.7	1 033.7	735.9	1 607.0	67 907.5
2007–08	17 822.3	20 056.2	19 373.8	4 598.1	11 618.3	1 126.6	881.0	1 456.4	76 932.6
2007									
June Qtr	4 233.1	4 222.8	4 441.5	918.7	2 179.5	238.4	158.7	472.9	16 874.6
September Qtr	4 433.7	4 786.2	5 006.5	917.5	2 751.5	256.9	187.2	409.2	18 748.7
December Qtr	4 878.6	5 582.8	5 196.8	1 166.9	3 095.7	328.6	348.6	383.3	20 981.3
2008									
March Qtr	3 902.9	5 181.6	4 415.3	926.8	2 873.2	241.7	164.2	264.7	17 970.5
June Qtr	4 607.1	4 505.5	4 755.3	1 586.8	2 897.9	299.4	181.0	399.2	19 232.1
September Qtr	3 981.3	4 701.1	5 581.3	1 154.5	2 473.6	325.1	144.2	512.3	18 873.3

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2006–07. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraph 24.

WHAT IF...? REVISIONS TO TREND ESTIMATES

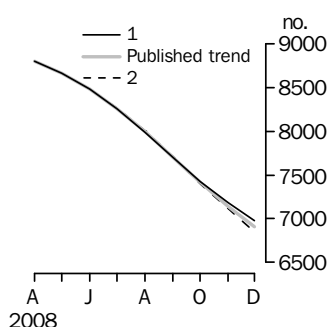
EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

TREND REVISIONS

Recent seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are likely to be revised when original estimates for subsequent months become available. The approximate effect of possible scenarios on trend estimates are presented below. 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.

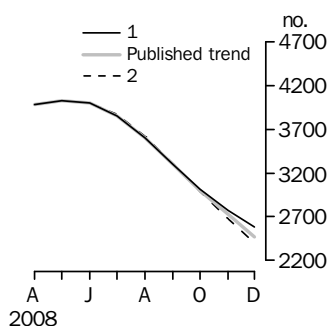
The graphs and tables which follow present the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates: that the January seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the December estimate by 3.5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 13% for private sector other dwelling units approved; and that the January seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the December estimate by 3.5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 13% for private sector other dwelling units approved. These percentages represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED



			WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:			
Trend as published			(1) rises by 3.5% on Dec 2008		(2) falls by 3.5% on Dec 2008	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
2008						
July	8 258	-2.6	8 255	-2.7	8 264	-2.6
August	7 998	-3.2	7 991	-3.2	8 006	-3.1
September	7 706	-3.6	7 703	-3.6	7 711	-3.7
October	7 414	-3.8	7 425	-3.6	7 404	-4.0
November	7 145	-3.6	7 181	-3.3	7 113	-3.9
December	6 911	-3.3	6 980	-2.8	6 851	-3.7

PRIVATE SECTOR OTHER DWELLINGS



			WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:			
Trend as published			(1) rises by 13% on Dec 2008		(2) falls by 13% on Dec 2008	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
2008						
July	3 854	-3.6	3 853	-3.7	3 865	-3.3
August	3 603	-6.5	3 598	-6.6	3 620	-6.3
September	3 301	-8.4	3 297	-8.4	3 308	-8.6
October	3 001	-9.1	3 019	-8.4	2 990	-9.6
November	2 733	-8.9	2 776	-8.0	2 682	-10.3
December	2 474	-9.5	2 581	-7.0	2 403	-10.4

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- 1** This publication presents monthly details of building work approved.
- 2** Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:
 - permits issued by local government authorities and other principal certifying authorities
 - contracts let or day labour work authorised by commonwealth, state, semi-government and local government authorities
 - major building approvals in areas not subject to normal administrative approval e.g. building on remote mine sites.
- 3** The scope of the survey comprises the following:
 - construction of new buildings
 - alterations and additions to existing buildings
 - approved non-structural renovation and refurbishment work
 - approved installation of integral building fixtures.
- 4** Excluded from the statistics is construction activity not defined as building (e.g. roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.). Statistics for this activity can be found in *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8762.0).
- 5** 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.

VALUE DATA

- 6** Statistics on the value of building work approved are derived by aggregating the estimated 'value of building work when completed' as reported on building approval documents provided to local councils or other building approval authorities. Conceptually these value data should exclude the value of land and landscaping but include site preparation costs. These estimates are usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of 'houses'. However, for 'other residential buildings' and 'non-residential buildings', they can differ significantly from the completed value of the building as final costs and contracts have not been established before council approval is sought and gained.
- 7** The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) generally accepts values provided by approving bodies. Every effort is made to ensure data are provided on a consistent basis, however, there may be instances where value reported does not reflect the building completion value. For example, the reported value for most project homes is the contract price, which may include the cost of site preparation and landscaping. In other cases where a builder is contracted to construct a dwelling based on the owner's plans, the value may only be the builder's costs. Some councils do not use the value on approval documents, instead deriving a value based on floor area and type of structure.
- 8** From July 2000, value data includes the Goods and Services Tax (GST) for residential and non-residential building approvals. The ABS has consulted with councils and other approving authorities to ensure that approval values are reported inclusive of the GST. Where it was identified by a council or other approving authority that approvals submitted from its jurisdiction were on a GST-exclusive basis, the ABS made adjustments to the data to ensure that values were consistent with other data collected and were inclusive of GST.

OWNERSHIP

- 9** 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.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

BUILDING CLASSIFICATION

10 *Functional classification of buildings.* A building is classified according to its intended major function. Hence a building which is ancillary to other buildings, or forms a part of a group of related buildings, is classified to the function of the building and not to the function of the group as a whole. An example of this can be seen in the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. In this case, a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Retail/wholesale trade, while factory buildings would be classified to Factories. An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings where, for example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Educational. The categories included under type of building classifications are defined in the Glossary.

11 In the case of a large multi-function 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. 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 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' and 'conversions'). These classifications are often used in conjunction with each other in this publication and are defined in the Glossary.

13 The TYPE OF WORK classification refers to the building activity carried out. Conversion jobs are shown separately in tables 9, 10, 19 and 20. 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 13, 14 and 24 they are included in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

14 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.

15 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.

16 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).

17 From May 2003, the seasonally adjusted estimates are produced by the concurrent seasonal adjustment method which takes account of the latest available original estimates. The concurrent method improves the estimation of seasonal factors, and therefore, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for the current and previous months.

18 The state/territory series have been seasonally adjusted independently. However, a further adjustment has been made to these series to provide coherence between the state/territory estimates and the Australian total estimates.

19 A more detailed review of concurrent seasonal factors will be conducted annually, generally prior to the release of data for May. The timing of this review may vary and when appropriate will be notified in the 'Data Notes' section of this publication.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

TREND ESTIMATES

20 The revision properties of the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates have been improved by the use of autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) modelling. ARIMA modelling relies on the characteristics of the series being analysed to project future period data. The ARIMA model is assessed as part of the annual reanalysis. For more information on the details of ARIMA modelling see feature article: Use of ARIMA modelling to reduce revisions in the October 2004 issue of Australian Economic Indicators (cat. no. 1350.0).

21 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 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 the quarterly chain volume measures (table 24), the trend estimates are derived by applying a 7-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all quarters of the respective seasonally adjusted series except the last three quarters. Trend series are created for these last three quarters by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average seasonally adjusted series. For further information, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring Trends, 2003* (cat. no. 1349.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra (02) 6252 6345 or email <time.series.analysis@abs.gov.au>.

22 While the smoothing techniques described in paragraph 20 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 may also lead to revisions to the trend.

23 The ABS produces trend estimates to best represent the underlying behaviour in ABS original estimates. Abnormally high or low values (outliers) are discounted or excluded from the trend estimates. Outliers are considered to be part of the irregular component of the original estimates and, thus, do not conceptually form a part of trend estimates but do appear in the original and seasonally adjusted estimates. Therefore, failure to exclude outliers can result in a distortion to the trend estimates.

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

24 The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually reweighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year. The reference year is updated annually in the October issue of this 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 hence only reflect volume changes. The direct impact of the GST is a price change, and hence is removed from chain volume estimates. Since the value of approvals are more timely than the building price deflators, chain volume measures for the latest quarter are published once an additional month (after the quarter) of building approvals data becomes available. Therefore chain volume measures are updated in the April, July, October and January issues. 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 GEOGRAPHIC CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)

25 Area statistics are now being classified to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), 2008 Edition (cat. no. 1216.0), effective from July 2008. Building work approved before July 2008 was classified according to the current edition of the ASGC at that time, and is presented in this publication unrevised, in the original geographical area that applied at the time of approval.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD
GEOGRAPHIC
CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)
continued

26 From 1 July 2002, approvals in the External Territories of Australia are included in these statistics. Jervis Bay is included in New South Wales, while Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands are included in Western Australia.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

27 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:

Building Activity, Australia, cat. no. 8752.0

Dwelling Unit Commencements, Australia, Preliminary, cat. no. 8750.0

Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary, cat. no. 8755.0

Engineering Construction Activity, Australia, cat. no. 8762.0

House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities, cat. no. 6416.0

Housing Finance, Australia, cat. no. 5609.0

Producer Price Indexes, Australia, cat. no. 6427.0.

28 While building approvals value series are shown inclusive of GST, this is different to building activity – *Building Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8752.0) and *Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary* (cat. no. 8755.0) – in which residential work is published inclusive of GST and non-residential work exclusive of GST. In the Engineering Construction Survey – *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8762.0) all values exclude GST.

ABS DATA AVAILABLE ON
REQUEST

29 As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant data available on request. Inquiries should be made to the National Information and Referral Service on 1300 135 070.

ROUNDING

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

APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES

ELECTRONIC TABLES

The following tables are available electronically via the ABS web site.

Note: not all series in the table go back to the earliest start date.

DWELLING UNITS

	Publication table no. (a)	Electronic table no. (a)	Start date (b)
Dwelling units approved, New South Wales	na	1	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Victoria	na	2	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Queensland	na	3	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, South Australia	na	4	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Western Australia	na	5	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, all series, Australia	1	6	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, percentage change, Australia	2	na	..
Dwelling units approved, state and territories, number	3	7	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, states and territories, percentage change	4	na	..
Private sector houses approved, states and territories	5	8	July 1983
Private sector houses approved, states and territories, percentage change	6	na	..
Dwelling units approved, states and territories, by type	7	9	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, by Capital City Statistical Division, original	8	10	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, by sector, original, Australia	9	11	January 1956
Dwelling units approved, by sector, New South Wales	10	12	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Victoria	10	13	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Queensland	10	14	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, South Australia	10	15	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Western Australia	10	16	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Tasmania	10	17	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Northern Territory	10	18	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	10	19	July 1970
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	11	20	January 1956
Value of dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	11	21	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, New South Wales	12	22	January 1965
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Victoria	12	23	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Queensland	12	24	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, South Australia	12	25	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Western Australia	12	26	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Tasmania	12	27	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Northern Territory	12	28	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Australian Capital Territory	12	29	January 1965

(a) na not available

(b) .. not applicable

APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES *continued*

VALUE

	<i>Publication table no. (a)</i>	<i>Electronic table no. (a)</i>	<i>Start date (b)</i>
Value of building approved, New South Wales	na	30	July 1970
Value of building approved, Victoria	na	31	July 1970
Value of building approved, Queensland	na	32	July 1970
Value of building approved, South Australia	na	33	July 1970
Value of building approved, Western Australia	na	34	July 1970
Value of building approved, Tasmania	na	35	July 1970
Value of building approved, Northern Territory	na	36	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australian Capital Territory	na	37	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australia	13	38	January 1956
Value of building approved, Australia, percentage change	14	na	..
Value of total building approved, states and territories	15	39	July 1973
Value of total building approved, percentage change	16	na	..
Value of total building approved, states and territories	17	40	July 1973
Value of non-residential building approved, states and territories	18	41	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector	19	42	January 1961
Value of building approved, by sector, New South Wales	20	43	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Victoria	20	44	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Queensland	20	45	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, South Australia	20	46	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Western Australia	20	47	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Tasmania	20	48	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	20	49	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	20	50	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australia	21	51	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, New South Wales	22	52	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Victoria	22	53	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Queensland	22	54	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, South Australia	22	55	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Western Australia	22	56	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Tasmania	22	57	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	22	58	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	22	59	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	60	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Victoria	na	61	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Queensland	na	62	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, South Australia	na	63	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	64	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	65	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Australia	23	66	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	67	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Victoria	na	68	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Queensland	na	69	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, South Australia	na	70	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	71	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	72	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Australia	23	73	July 2000

(a) na not available

(b) .. not applicable

CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

	<i>Publication table no.</i>	<i>Electronic table no.</i>	<i>Start date</i>
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australia	24	74	September 1970
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, New South Wales	25	75	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Victoria	25	76	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Queensland	25	77	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, South Australia	25	78	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Western Australia	25	79	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Tasmania	25	80	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Northern Territory	25	81	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australian Capital Territory	25	82	September 1985

APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES *continued*

DATA CUBES

	<i>SuperTable format</i>	<i>Excel format</i>
Statistical Local Areas, New South Wales, 2001–02 to 2008–09	1	1
Statistical Local Areas, Victoria, 2001–02 to 2008–09	2	2
Statistical Local Areas, Queensland, 2001–02 to 2008–09	3	3
Statistical Local Areas, South Australia, 2001–02 to 2008–09	4	4
Statistical Local Areas, Western Australia, 2001–02 to 2008–09	5	5
Statistical Local Areas, Tasmania, 2001–02 to 2008–09	6	6
Statistical Local Areas, Northern Territory, 2001–02 to 2008–09	7	7
Statistical Local Areas, Australian Capital Territory, 2001–02 to 2008–09	8	8
Number and value (\$m) of approvals, states and territories	9	na

GLOSSARY

Accommodation	Buildings primarily providing short-term or temporary accommodation, and includes the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Self-contained, short-term apartments (e.g. serviced apartments) ■ Hotels (predominantly accommodation), motels, boarding houses, cabins ■ Other short-term accommodation n.e.c. (e.g. migrant hostels, youth hostels, lodges).
Aged care facilities	Building used in the provision or support of aged care facilities, excluding dwellings (e.g. retirement villages). Includes aged care facilities with and without medical care.
Agriculture/aquaculture	Buildings housing, or associated with, agriculture and aquaculture activities, including bulk storage of produce (e.g. shearing shed, grain silo, shearers' quarters).
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 13.
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.
Commercial	Buildings primarily occupied with or engaged in commercial trade or work intended for commercial trade, including buildings used primarily in wholesale and retail trades, office and transport activities.
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. See also Explanatory Notes, paragraph 13.
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	Buildings used in the provision or support of educational services, including group accommodation buildings (e.g. classrooms, school canteens, dormitories).
Entertainment and recreation	Buildings used in the provision of entertainment and recreational facilities or services (e.g. libraries, museums, casinos, sporting facilities).
Factories	Buildings housing, or associated with, production and assembly processes of intermediate and final goods.
Flats, units or apartments	Dwellings not having their own private grounds and usually sharing a common entrance, foyer or stairwell.
Health	Buildings used in the provision of non-aged care medical services (e.g. nursing quarters, laboratories, clinics).

GLOSSARY *continued*

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. caretaker's residences) associated with a non-residential building are defined as houses. Also includes 'cottages', 'bungalows' and rectories.
Industrial	Buildings used for warehousing and the production and assembly activities of industrial establishments, including factories and plants.
New	Building activity which will result in the creation of a building 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 9). 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	Buildings primarily used in the provision of professional services or public administration (e.g. offices, insurance or finance buildings).
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: semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey; semidetached, 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 three 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 semidetached, row or terrace house or townhouse with one storey category in table 11 and 12 of this publication.
Religious	Buildings used for or associated with worship or in support of programs sponsored by religious bodies (e.g. church, temple, church hall, dormitories).
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.
Retail/wholesale trade	Buildings primarily used in the sale of goods to intermediate and end users.
Semidetached, row or terrace houses, townhouses	Dwellings having their own private grounds with no other dwellings above or below.
Transport	Buildings primarily used in the provision of transport services, and includes the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Passenger transport buildings (e.g. passenger terminals) ■ Non-passenger transport buildings (e.g. freight terminals) ■ Commercial car parks (excluded are those built as part of, and intended to service, other distinct building developments) ■ Other transport buildings n.e.c.
Warehouses	Buildings primarily used for storage of goods, excluding produce storage.

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