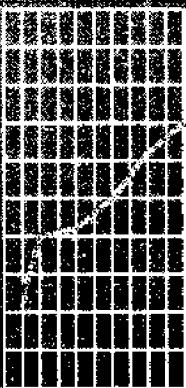


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SELECTED FEATURES

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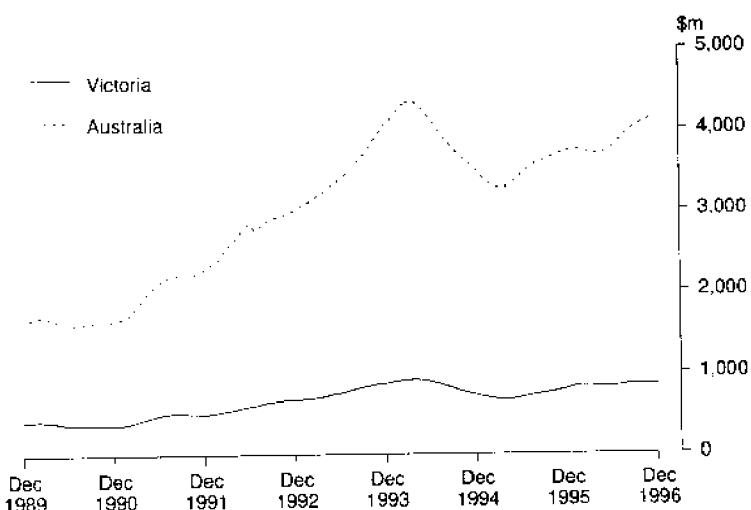
HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS

TO INDIVIDUALS

The trend estimate of the total value of secured housing finance commitments to individuals for Victoria in December 1996 was \$844.6 million, down slightly from the previous month.

For Australia, the trend estimate of the total value of secured housing finance commitments to individuals in December 1996 was \$4,136.5 million. This trend has continued to increase since May 1996.

Victoria's total value of secured housing finance commitments to individuals accounted for 20.4% of the Australian total.

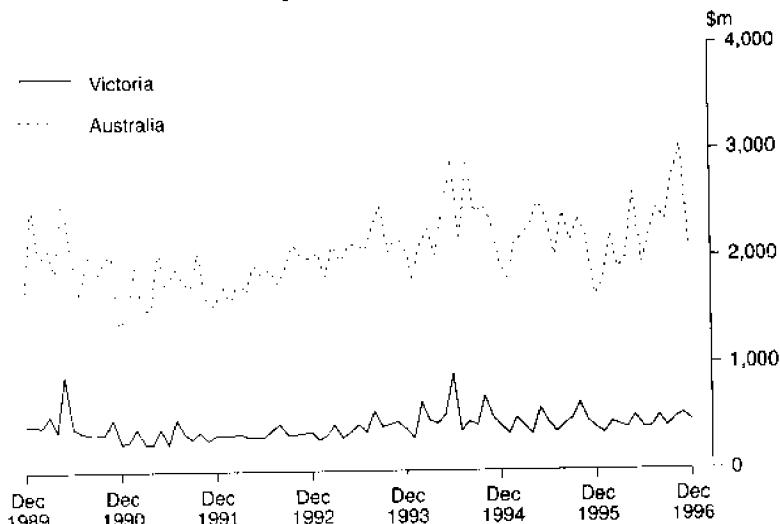


VALUE OF ALL BUILDINGS

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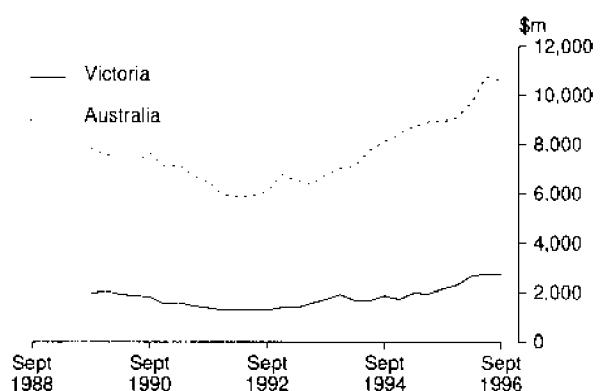
The value of all buildings approved, in original terms, for Victoria in December 1996 was \$460.8 million. For Australia, the value of all buildings approved, in original terms, in December 1996 was \$2,100.0 million. These figures continue the variability from month to month.

Victoria's value of all building approvals accounted for 21.9% of the Australian total.

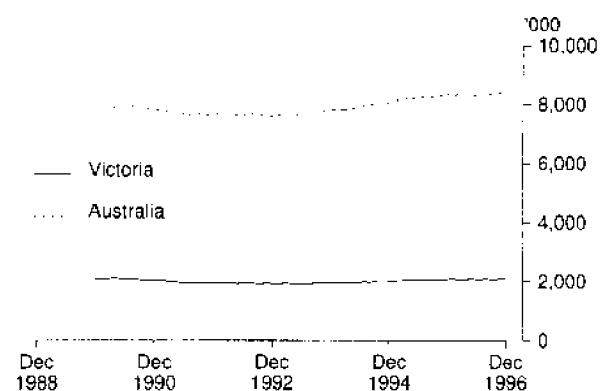


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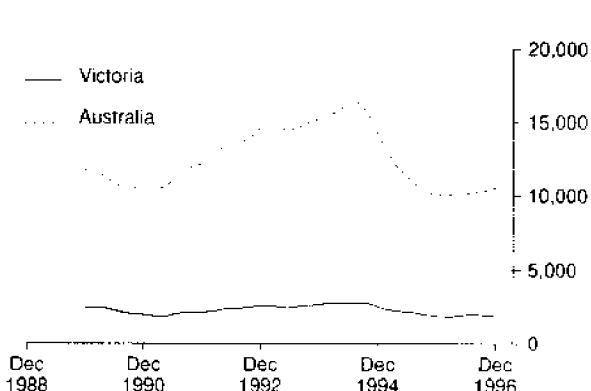
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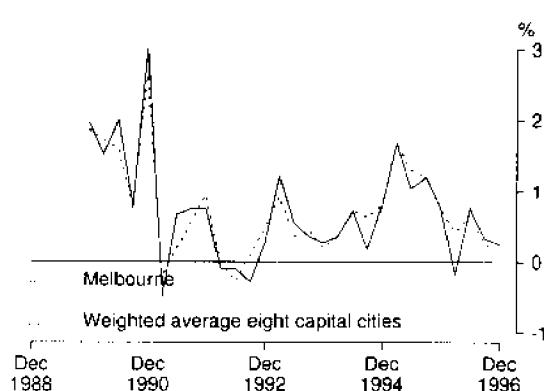
EMPLOYED PERSONS
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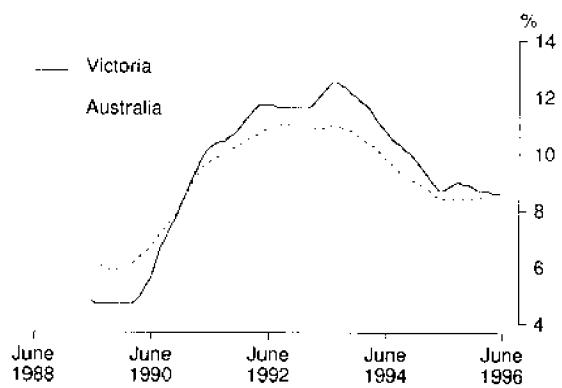
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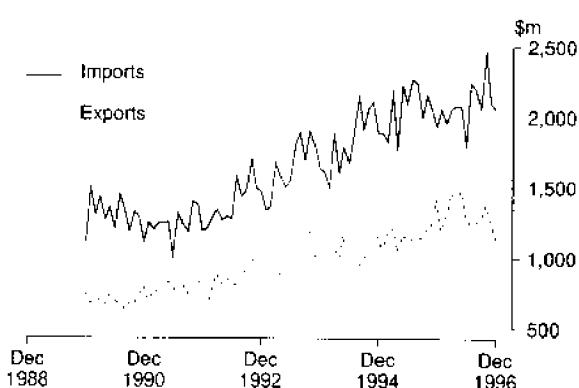
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Change from previous quarter



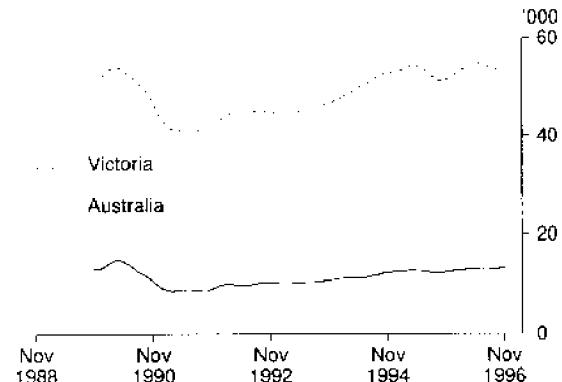
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Trend, monthly



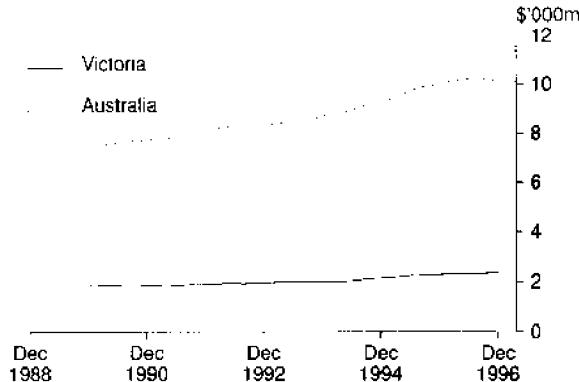
MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS
Original, monthly



NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS
Trend, monthly



RETAIL TURNOVER
Trend, monthly



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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

	At end of period			Increase during period		Mean estimated resident population for year ended		Melbourne Statistical Division at 30 June
	Males '000	Females '000	Persons '000	Natural '000	Total '000	30 June '000	31 Dec '000	
Period								
1993-94	2 216.4	2 259.1	4 475.5	32.5	11.3	4 469.7	4 477.3	3 196.7
1994-95	2 228.5	2 272.5	4 501.1	31.3	25.6	4 488.0	4 502.3	3 217.4
1995-96 p	2 247.3	2 293.7	4 541.0	28.1	39.9	4 521.5	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
1992								
June qtr	2 206.4	2 244.5	4 451.0	8.0	5.3	..	..	..
September qtr	2 208.6	2 247.3	4 455.8	8.2	4.8	..	..	..
December qtr	2 209.8	2 249.7	4 459.4	8.5	3.6	..	..	..
1993								
March qtr	2 212.0	2 252.5	4 464.4	8.8	5.0	..	..	..
June qtr	2 211.6	2 252.6	4 464.2	8.1	-0.2	..	..	..
September qtr	2 212.4	2 254.1	4 466.5	7.7	2.3	..	..	..
December qtr	2 213.2	2 255.6	4 468.8	8.3	2.3	..	..	..
1994								
March qtr	2 215.5	2 257.8	4 473.2	8.5	4.4	..	..	..
June qtr	2 216.4	2 259.1	4 475.5	7.6	2.2	..	..	..
September qtr	2 219.6	2 262.6	4 482.1	6.8	5.6	..	..	..
December qtr	2 221.4	2 264.9	4 486.3	7.8	3.7	..	..	..
1995								
March qtr	2 225.4	2 269.1	4 494.5	8.9	8.6	..	..	..
June qtr	2 228.5	2 272.5	4 501.1	7.6	6.7	..	..	..
September qtr p	2 232.8	2 277.3	4 510.2	6.6	9.1	..	..	..
December qtr p	2 237.5	2 283.3	4 520.8	6.9	10.6	..	..	..
1996								
March qtr p	2 243.6	2 289.7	4 533.3	7.4	12.4
June qtr p	2 247.3	2 293.7	4 541.0	7.1	7.7

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

Period	Number of registrations				Annual rate per 1,000 of mean estimated resident population				Infant deaths per 1,000 live births	
	Deaths (including infant deaths)		Marriages		Births	Deaths	Marriages	Divorces		
	Births	Deaths	Marriages	Divorces						
1991-92	65 478	31 447	28 567	11 511	14.71	7.05	6.41	2.59	5.93	
1992-93	66 542	31 111	27 943	10 371	14.70	6.98	6.26	2.32	5.71	
1993-94	64 542	31 773	27 316	10 914	14.44	7.11	6.11	2.44	5.35	
1993										
September qtr	16 240	8 545	4 092	2 706	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	15 555	7 617	8 080	3 091	..	..	..	..	..
Year - 1993	64 264	31 078	27 418	11 050	14.38	6.96	6.14	2.48	5.57	
1994										
March qtr	16 684	7 564	8 862	2 379	..	..	..	..	..
June qtr	16 061	8 052	6 282	2 738	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr	16 039	9 140	4 149	3 050	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	15 498	7 557	7 681	3 153	..	..	..	..	..
Year - 1994	64 282	32 313	26 974	11 320	14.36	7.22	6.03	2.53	5.26	
1995										
March qtr	16 656	7 608	8 891	2 625	..	..	..	..	..
June qtr	15 767	7 986	6 110	2 774	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr	15 735	8 745	3 881	3 132	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	14 808	8 059	7 725	3 307	..	..	..	..	..
Year - 1995	62 966	32 398	26 607	11 838	13.99	7.20	5.91	2.63	5.08	
1996										
March qtr	15 244	7 725	8 372	2 672	
June qtr	15 167	7 965	6 139	2 891	

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LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

	Employed		Unemployed looking for work				Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years and over	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
	Full- time	Total	Full- time	Part- time	Total	Labour force				
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
MALES										
1995										
August	1 029.5	1 161.7	99.8	12.1	111.9	1 273.6	467.3	1 741.0	8.8	73.2
September	1 048.4	1 168.6	103.5	18.4	121.9	1 290.5	451.6	1 742.1	9.4	74.1
October	1 044.8	1 164.6	101.7	14.2	116.0	1 280.6	462.8	1 743.4	9.1	73.5
November	1 047.7	1 171.1	94.6	11.8	106.4	1 277.5	467.3	1 744.8	8.3	73.2
December	1 069.5	1 195.3	101.1	12.9	114.0	1 309.4	436.7	1 746.1	8.7	75.0
1996										
January	1 043.8	1 170.6	108.8	12.4	121.2	1 291.7	456.3	1 748.0	9.4	73.9
February	1 050.9	1 176.2	113.5	16.8	130.3	1 306.5	443.4	1 749.9	10.0	74.7
March	1 042.2	1 169.7	101.1	14.5	115.4	1 285.1	466.7	1 751.8	9.0	73.4
April	1 043.5	1 174.3	101.7	15.5	117.2	1 291.6	462.3	1 753.8	9.1	73.6
May	1 057.5	1 187.9	96.9	12.3	109.2	1 297.2	458.6	1 755.8	8.4	73.9
June	1 057.0	1 187.1	88.5	12.7	101.2	1 288.3	469.5	1 757.8	7.9	73.3
July	1 055.2	1 185.0	90.7	13.9	104.5	1 289.5	470.3	1 759.8	8.1	73.3
August	1 045.0	1 182.2	98.5	13.5	112.0	1 294.2	467.7	1 761.9	8.7	73.5
September	1 040.3	1 185.8	107.8	15.6	123.3	1 309.1	454.8	1 763.9	9.4	74.2
October	1 047.5	1 185.9	101.5	15.7	117.2	1 303.1	462.5	1 765.5	9.0	73.8
November	1 049.0	1 192.4	104.1	12.3	116.4	1 308.8	458.4	1 767.2	8.9	74.1
December	1 059.4	1 201.7	103.4	16.4	119.8	1 321.5	447.4	1 768.9	9.1	74.7
FEMALES										
1995										
August	505.5	888.9	49.8	23.1	72.9	961.8	854.7	1 816.5	7.6	52.9
September	500.9	900.5	57.0	28.5	85.6	986.0	831.8	1 817.8	8.7	54.2
October	508.2	881.3	62.9	23.5	86.4	967.7	851.4	1 819.1	8.9	53.2
November	505.4	894.4	57.9	22.9	80.8	975.3	845.2	1 820.4	8.3	53.6
December	521.3	908.3	53.3	23.3	76.6	984.9	836.9	1 821.7	7.8	54.1
1996										
January	501.3	876.0	59.6	27.8	87.4	963.4	860.1	1 823.6	9.1	52.8
February	497.5	882.1	68.9	31.2	100.1	982.2	843.2	1 825.4	10.2	53.8
March	501.5	892.0	56.3	30.7	87.0	979.0	848.2	1 827.2	8.9	53.6
April	507.4	894.3	57.8	32.2	90.1	984.4	845.0	1 829.4	9.1	53.8
May	516.1	904.3	56.3	26.0	82.3	986.6	845.0	1 831.6	8.3	53.9
June	505.0	895.6	48.4	28.2	76.7	972.3	861.5	1 833.8	7.9	53.0
July	527.3	897.7	53.7	28.7	82.4	980.2	856.0	1 836.2	8.4	53.4
August	507.7	893.2	60.8	25.3	86.1	979.3	859.3	1 838.6	8.8	53.3
September	517.9	914.3	62.5	29.0	91.5	1 005.7	835.2	1 841.0	9.1	54.6
October	514.1	906.1	59.8	27.7	87.5	993.6	849.4	1 842.9	8.8	53.9
November	515.4	913.3	62.9	24.9	87.8	1 001.1	843.8	1 844.9	8.8	54.3
December	520.2	918.1	63.6	32.0	95.6	1 013.7	833.1	1 846.8	9.4	54.9
PERSONS										
1995										
August	1 535.0	2 050.6	149.5	35.3	184.8	2 235.4	1 322.0	3 557.4	8.3	62.8
September	1 549.3	2 069.1	160.5	47.0	207.5	2 276.6	1 283.3	3 559.9	9.1	64.0
October	1 553.0	2 046.0	164.6	37.7	202.4	2 248.3	1 314.2	3 562.6	9.0	63.1
November	1 553.1	2 065.5	152.6	34.7	187.2	2 252.7	1 312.5	3 565.2	8.3	63.2
December	1 590.8	2 103.6	154.4	36.2	190.6	2 294.2	1 273.6	3 567.8	8.3	64.3
1996										
January	1 545.1	2 046.6	168.4	40.2	208.6	2 255.2	1 316.4	3 571.6	9.2	63.1
February	1 548.4	2 058.3	182.5	47.9	230.4	2 288.7	1 286.6	3 575.3	10.1	64.0
March	1 543.7	2 061.7	157.3	45.1	202.4	2 264.1	1 314.9	3 579.0	8.9	63.3
April	1 550.9	2 068.7	159.5	47.8	207.3	2 276.0	1 307.2	3 583.2	9.1	63.5
May	1 573.6	2 092.3	153.2	38.3	191.5	2 283.8	1 303.6	3 587.4	8.4	63.7
June	1 562.0	2 082.8	136.9	41.0	177.8	2 260.6	1 331.0	3 591.6	7.9	62.9
July	1 582.5	2 082.7	144.4	42.6	187.0	2 269.7	1 326.3	3 596.0	8.2	63.1
August	1 552.7	2 075.4	159.3	38.8	198.2	2 273.5	1 326.9	3 600.4	8.7	63.1
September	1 558.1	2 100.0	170.3	44.5	214.8	2 314.8	1 290.0	3 604.9	9.3	64.2
October	1 561.6	2 091.9	161.3	43.4	204.7	2 296.6	1 311.8	3 608.4	8.9	63.6
November	1 564.4	2 105.7	167.0	37.2	204.2	2 309.9	1 302.2	3 612.0	8.8	63.9
December	1 579.5	2 119.8	167.0	48.4	215.4	2 335.2	1 280.5	3 615.7	9.2	64.6

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EMPLOYED PERSONS BY INDUSTRY

	Aug 1995	Nov 1995	Feb 1995	May 1996	August 1996	Nov 1996
Industry division	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
MALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	58.8	64.3	71.0	69.0	65.8	71.1
Mining	4.9	*3.3	*3.0	*3.2	*3.2	4.6
Manufacturing	251.6	249.6	242.4	249.7	261.5	262.6
Electricity, gas and water supply	18.4	15.9	13.6	13.3	11.4	11.2
Construction	112.8	110.3	118.2	123.1	119.3	118.0
Wholesale trade	86.1	92.2	87.4	94.1	93.6	86.9
Retail trade	150.2	148.8	152.8	151.7	152.1	159.7
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	34.5	34.6	35.5	43.2	34.9	30.7
Transport and storage	70.0	77.4	81.6	76.6	64.5	66.2
Communication services	27.5	27.9	30.8	33.0	35.0	32.0
Finance and insurance	36.3	34.9	37.4	34.9	53.1	36.8
Property and business services	113.3	121.2	118.2	119.4	116.4	115.4
Government administration and defence	41.2	40.6	37.7	31.7	40.5	42.1
Education	50.4	45.3	46.2	46.6	47.3	52.4
Health and community services	42.0	40.4	39.8	42.0	44.1	45.8
Cultural and recreational services	26.8	25.3	23.8	21.7	24.2	20.3
Personal and other services	36.9	39.0	36.7	34.6	35.1	36.8
Total	1 161.7	1 171.1	1 176.2	1 187.9	1 182.2	1 192.4
FEMALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	32.1	26.3	31.3	29.0	29.0	33.7
Mining	*1.3	*1.3	*0.6	*1.0	*0.5	*0.5
Manufacturing	95.4	108.1	104.7	110.6	103.0	99.8
Electricity, gas and water supply	*3.8	*3.7	*2.6	*2.5	*2.3	*2.1
Construction	14.2	16.6	12.1	15.2	15.5	16.3
Wholesale trade	40.3	43.2	41.1	39.0	37.5	39.6
Retail trade	148.0	153.5	150.5	155.5	150.1	166.9
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	46.2	44.7	39.3	48.3	45.7	46.4
Transport and storage	15.2	17.9	18.7	21.3	18.1	20.8
Communication services	13.6	15.3	18.4	18.9	18.2	18.2
Finance and insurance	51.0	43.3	45.2	45.5	45.0	40.5
Property and business services	92.8	91.6	90.3	88.7	96.0	101.3
Government administration and defence	39.9	41.2	45.4	39.7	38.9	40.7
Education	97.9	93.6	85.6	88.2	90.6	89.4
Health and community services	143.6	133.9	133.7	141.6	143.4	141.9
Cultural and recreational services	21.7	22.2	22.2	21.0	24.8	20.3
Personal and other services	31.9	38.1	40.4	38.4	34.5	35.0
Total	888.9	894.4	882.1	904.3	893.2	913.3
PERSONS						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	90.9	90.5	102.3	98.0	94.9	104.7
Mining	6.2	4.6	*3.6	*4.3	*3.7	5.1
Manufacturing	347.0	357.7	347.1	360.2	364.5	362.4
Electricity, gas and water supply	22.1	19.6	16.1	15.8	13.7	13.3
Construction	127.0	126.9	130.3	138.2	134.9	134.2
Wholesale trade	126.4	135.4	128.5	133.1	131.1	126.5
Retail trade	298.2	302.3	303.3	307.2	302.2	326.5
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	80.7	79.4	74.7	91.5	80.6	77.1
Transport and storage	85.2	95.3	100.3	97.9	82.6	86.9
Communication services	41.1	43.2	49.2	52.0	53.2	50.3
Finance and insurance	87.3	78.2	82.7	80.4	78.1	77.2
Property and business services	206.0	212.8	208.5	208.1	212.4	216.7
Government administration and defence	81.1	81.8	83.0	71.4	79.5	82.8
Education	148.4	138.9	131.8	134.8	137.9	141.8
Health and community services	185.6	174.2	173.5	183.6	187.5	187.6
Cultural and recreational services	48.6	47.5	46.0	42.7	49.0	40.6
Personal and other services	68.9	77.1	77.1	73.0	69.5	71.8
Total	2 050.6	2 065.5	2 058.3	2 092.3	2 075.4	2 105.7

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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JOB VACANCIES

	Month	Vacancies all persons	Industry		Sector		Job vacancy rate %
			Manufacturing	Other	Public	Private	
		'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	
1995							
19 May	10.2	1.1	9.1	2.0	8.2		0.60
18 August	10.6	*2.6	8.0	1.8	8.8		0.64
17 November	12.0	1.4	10.6	2.6	9.4		0.73
1996							
16 February	16.7	*2.3	14.5	3.4	13.3		0.96
17 May	11.6	*2.8	8.8	2.5	9.1		0.68
16 August	13.6	*2.0	11.6	1.7	11.9		0.83
15 November	12.8	2.0	10.8	1.9	10.9		0.75

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK

Period	Number of disputes		Employees involved ('000)		Working days lost ('000)				
	Beginning in period	Total	Beginning in period	Total	Manufacturing	Construction	Education, health, community services	Other industries	Total
1995									
September	3	10	0.4	2.3	0.4	—	—	10.2	10.6
October	9	14	26.0	26.5	2.4	8.5	0.1	3.4	14.4
November	2	4	1.7	2.0	3.2	—	—	1.6	4.8
December	8	8	2.3	2.3	0.1	—	—	1.8	1.8
1996									
January	n.p.	3	0.2	1.0	—	—	—	1.1	1.1
February	7	8	9.4	9.4	2.8	1.0	0.1	3.5	7.4
March	11	14	4.5	6.9	0.2	2.3	0.2	8.9	11.6
April	4	7	1.8	3.1	1.1	0.3	0.0	1.7	3.1
May	6	7	33.0	33.1	0.4	25.0	4.4	0.9	30.7
June	n.p.	n.p.	—	25.0	—	25.0	—	—	25.0
July	5	6	33.8	46.8	5.5	23.0	8.9	6.7	44.1
August	6	8	7.8	8.9	41.7	—	2.4	0.6	44.7
September	10	11	6.1	6.5	6.3	5.8	0.1	—	12.2
October	10	12	3.0	3.4	4.2	1.2	0.5	—	5.9

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES (ORIGINAL SERIES)

Reference period: pay period ending on or before —	Males		Females		Persons				
	Full-time adults		All males		Full-time adults		All females		
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1995									
19 May	680.10	737.30	664.60	576.10	590.00	435.40	643.20	685.10	558.50
18 August	680.40	736.00	657.00	575.10	588.40	430.30	642.60	682.90	549.70
17 November	692.00	750.20	672.50	579.10	595.00	432.60	653.60	697.40	563.60
1996									
16 February	695.70	756.10	675.50	588.10	600.00	440.70	659.40	703.50	570.30
17 May	702.90	764.30	673.20	594.20	607.30	441.90	666.50	711.70	570.00
16 August	697.60	756.00	662.30	588.00	601.70	432.30	659.70	702.60	557.80

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MELBOURNE

Period	Melbourne								Weighted average of eight capital cities — All groups	
	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education		
1993-94	107.9	107.3	92.7	110.0	115.8	132.1	135.4	113.6	111.1	110.4
1994-95	110.1	107.4	97.5	111.1	118.8	137.3	142.4	116.7	114.1	113.9
1995-96	114.1	108.0	101.4	113.0	122.6	154.2	148.7	120.3	118.4	118.7
1993										
September qtr	107.8	107.9	93.8	109.0	115.0	129.8	131.9	112.2	110.5	109.8
December qtr	108.1	107.5	92.4	109.3	115.8	131.7	132.9	113.3	110.8	110.0
1994										
March qtr	107.8	106.7	92.2	110.8	114.9	133.0	137.4	114.1	111.2	110.4
June qtr	107.9	106.9	92.4	110.8	117.5	134.0	139.2	114.8	112.0	111.2
September qtr	108.6	107.0	92.7	110.3	118.4	134.0	139.8	114.9	112.2	111.9
December qtr	108.8	107.4	95.0	110.9	118.5	134.7	140.8	116.4	113.1	112.8
1995										
March qtr	111.2	107.0	100.4	111.5	118.5	137.1	143.4	117.9	115.0	114.7
June qtr	111.7	108.2	102.0	111.8	119.9	143.5	145.5	117.5	116.2	116.2
September qtr	113.5	107.7	102.4	112.5	122.4	149.5	146.0	118.0	117.6	117.6
December qtr	114.0	108.1	102.8	113.1	122.5	153.3	148.4	120.1	118.5	118.5
1996										
March qtr	113.6	107.9	99.8	112.6	121.9	156.0	150.2	122.4	118.3	119.0
June qtr	115.4	108.3	100.4	113.8	123.5	158.1	150.2	120.6	119.2	119.8
September qtr	117.5	108.5	99.6	114.2	123.1	158.3	152.0	121.1	119.6	120.1
December qtr	118.4	108.4	96.7	114.9	124.1	158.0	155.3	122.0	119.9	120.3

(Base of each group: year 1989-90=100.0)

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PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, MELBOURNE

Group	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996			Nov 1996	Weighted average of six State capital cities — Nov 1996
				Sept	Oct	Nov		
House building								
All groups	112.1	115.9	115.4	114.6	114.9	115.2	115.8	
Other than house building								
Structural timber	119.5	123.0	116.1	107.0	106.8	106.8	114.9	
Clay bricks	109.3	112.3	112.1	111.3	111.2	113.7	108.6	
Ready mixed concrete	123.4	124.2	118.6	111.1	109.9	109.4	105.9	
Precast concrete products	99.2	104.8	108.1	109.0	109.0	109.3	117.1	
Steel decking and cladding	104.7	106.5	109.9	107.4	106.7	106.7	110.8	
Structural steel	93.3	95.3	100.9	103.3	104.1	104.1	112.8	
Reinforcing steel bar, mesh, etc.	102.0	101.8	102.7	100.8	100.8	100.8	111.2	
Aluminium windows	96.5	98.8	100.8	100.6	100.6	100.6	108.5	
Fabricated steel products	109.4	110.7	113.1	114.8	114.8	114.8	114.0	
Builders' hardware	116.2	113.7	114.5	115.6	115.6	115.6	117.4	
Sand and aggregate	119.5	118.5	114.6	113.8	113.8	114.1	118.5	
Carpet	98.3	98.5	101.6	101.0	101.0	101.0	103.0	
Paint and other coatings	125.0	131.2	141.2	146.8	146.8	146.8	136.2	
Non-ferrous pipes and fittings	86.5	100.8	112.2	112.3	111.6	108.8	124.2	
All groups excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	106.6	108.5	109.7	109.5	109.3	109.2	112.4	
All electrical materials	107.3	113.5	119.4	112.7	112.7	111.2	114.4	
All mechanical services	106.8	108.9	114.1	115.7	115.6	114.5	114.1	
All plumbing materials	105.3	112.6	118.9	120.1	120.1	119.6	122.8	
All groups	106.7	108.9	111.1	110.8	110.6	110.2	112.7	

(Base of each index: year 1989-90=100.0)

10 LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs	Chickens
Period	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1992-93	1 365.8	608.5	3 722.6	6 288.1	1 070.8	78 614.7
1993-94	1 393.9	583.4	3 975.9	5 600.8	1 188.5	85 797.9
1994-95	1 445.6	641.3	3 202.6	6 263.8	1 196.6	79 799.4
1995						
February	117.7	4.8	330.6	478.4	89.9	6 200.2
March	130.7	11.0	295.1	522.7	106.7	6 731.2
April	112.5	24.3	182.6	464.2	84.3	6 520.6
May	137.7	47.6	186.2	512.0	114.9	6 208.8
June	133.7	74.2	147.3	453.2	106.7	6 305.2
July	113.5	81.6	150.0	449.5	87.9	6 528.3
August	114.0	137.0	160.7	494.8	100.5	5 966.2
September	106.2	119.3	197.4	524.5	93.2	6 547.5
October	131.6	53.8	279.5	614.9	97.1	6 470.1
November	142.5	19.9	279.3	578.7	96.6	6 064.2
December	125.7	9.7	208.8	485.2	101.2	7 232.2
1996						
January	142.6	7.7	247.2	498.1	90.3	7 100.2
February	145.9	5.3	261.0	464.2	92.4	6 275.4
March	132.2	8.4	220.8	454.4	92.6	6 722.5
April	115.5	28.2	196.1	459.1	94.4	6 466.7
May	134.8	47.7	158.4	508.2	107.1	6 957.9
June	109.1	76.3	128.6	404.1	86.9	6 108.4
July	118.8	82.9	123.6	428.5	102.7	6 816.3
August	118.0	182.7	182.0	442.7	91.7	6 575.2
September	114.2	131.6	182.7	471.3	91.6	6 727.8
October	141.5	75.0	251.6	554.1	102.3	7 701.7
November r	136.6	20.0	254.5	562.4	93.9	6 376.9
December	132.3	11.2	260.7	540.9	100.8	7 138.2

11 MEAT PRODUCTION

Period	Meat (carcass weight)					Dressed weight of chickens
	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
1992-93	299 907	14 948	81 907	113 220	70 535	114 587
1993-94	315 279	13 466	85 010	101 386	78 488	123 529
1994-95	320 510	14 320	63 608	110 138	84 411	110 971
1995						
February	25 760	203	6 431	8 525	6 187	9 222
March	29 632	328	5 578	9 378	7 471	9 995
April	25 434	582	3 478	7 884	5 991	9 294
May	30 426	1 072	3 695	9 183	8 409	8 921
June	30 983	1 572	2 917	7 991	8 005	8 835
July	25 310	1 642	2 979	7 997	6 564	9 180
August	23 804	2 773	3 240	8 997	7 400	9 350
September	23 831	2 416	4 092	9 741	6 930	9 703
October	30 513	1 170	5 850	11 474	7 081	9 669
November	33 584	496	5 903	10 771	7 021	9 005
December	28 778	295	4 363	9 112	7 130	10 692
1996						
January	34 722	251	5 080	9 511	6 525	9 801
February	33 838	211	5 324	8 870	6 742	9 219
March	30 860	271	4 425	8 544	6 677	9 833
April	26 877	654	3 952	8 504	6 618	9 482
May	31 202	1 031	3 158	9 741	8 043	9 614
June	25 172	1 567	2 575	7 598	6 324	9 152
July	27 062	1 791	2 432	7 719	7 428	9 678
August	26 345	3 660	3 693	8 046	6 596	10 305
September	25 491	2 715	3 730	8 523	6 644	10 061
October	31 814	1 575	5 217	10 210	7 391	11 396
November r	30 835	502	5 143	10 377	6 647	9 393
December	29 612	337	5 278	10 098	7 235	10 590

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BUILDING APPROVALS, MELBOURNE AND VICTORIA

Period	New dwelling units ¹			Alterations and additions to residential buildings			Non-residential building ²			Total all building
	Private sector	Public sector	Total ³	Private sector	Total		Private sector	Total		
Period	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION										
1993–94	20 798	1 925 655	999	71 616	21 797	1 997 271	509 231	1 619 834	2 138 618	4 645 121
1994–95	20 916	2 113 075	888	69 830	21 804	2 182 905	571 937	1 072 307	1 655 767	4 410 610
1995–96	15 535	1 611 458	1 068	86 497	16 603	1 697 955	466 305	1 351 911	1 933 633	4 097 893
1995										
May	1 935	226 429	121	12 348	2 056	238 777	51 528	118 061	188 796	479 101
June	1 515	147 831	109	6 911	1 624	154 742	41 079	84 364	156 102	351 923
July	1 403	136 198	92	6 069	1 495	142 267	32 787	80 942	94 679	269 734
August	1 421	140 179	151	13 079	1 572	153 259	37 489	87 940	144 659	335 406
September	1 669	171 719	19	2 964	1 688	174 683	38 184	126 424	188 544	401 411
October	1 328	145 420	88	5 987	1 416	151 407	41 681	286 938	343 823	536 911
November	1 260	129 278	237	19 841	1 497	149 119	41 864	110 035	159 057	350 039
December	1 234	138 352	96	6 197	1 330	144 549	31 977	95 745	137 515	314 041
1996										
January	923	91 406	88	5 655	1 011	97 061	32 956	64 115	125 521	255 538
February	1 270	146 592	41	5 357	1 311	151 948	40 914	114 798	126 454	319 317
March	1 134	115 757	60	4 616	1 194	120 374	49 755	66 635	152 863	322 992
April	1 179	116 956	133	12 336	1 310	129 291	44 812	89 466	136 592	310 695
May	1 405	146 542	44	3 336	1 449	149 878	39 062	153 840	221 049	409 988
June	1 313	133 158	19	1 059	1 332	134 218	34 824	76 034	102 878	271 920
July	1 426	163 379	128	8 385	1 554	171 765	41 053	86 070	103 817	316 635
August	1 832	208 230	51	3 476	1 883	211 707	45 420	117 180	161 917	419 044
September	1 159	123 999	57	3 036	1 216	127 035	41 345	110 493	144 173	312 553
October	1 577	161 971	29	2 664	1 606	164 635	52 345	131 561	174 122	391 101
November	1 250	141 596	21	1 104	1 271	142 700	39 887	130 128	240 349	422 935
December	1 270	139 448	17	1 823	1 287	141 271	39 024	142 760	162 124	342 419
TOTAL VICTORIA										
1993–94	30 336	2 718 022	1 414	99 663	31 750	2 817 685	623 548	1 853 551	2 502 670	5 943 903
1994–95	28 509	2 771 998	1 409	101 789	29 918	2 873 788	685 062	1 274 683	1 975 197	5 534 047
1995–96	21 502	2 158 250	1 401	108 652	22 903	2 266 902	589 247	1 721 016	2 451 514	5 307 663
1995										
May	2 516	279 956	154	14 272	2 670	294 229	62 740	153 918	230 951	587 920
June	2 108	199 955	186	12 631	2 294	212 586	50 786	104 004	181 425	444 797
July	1 879	179 571	162	9 712	2 041	189 283	41 048	111 685	131 436	361 767
August	1 935	185 868	163	13 784	2 098	199 652	46 875	117 115	180 525	427 053
September	2 100	211 712	31	3 736	2 131	215 448	47 450	154 641	227 509	490 407
October	1 877	195 307	124	8 187	2 001	203 494	53 811	307 906	382 126	639 430
November	1 815	180 232	268	22 841	2 083	203 073	52 733	137 562	212 939	468 745
December	1 647	174 617	108	7 642	1 755	182 259	41 127	114 949	172 420	395 806
1996										
January	1 380	134 038	116	7 579	1 496	141 617	40 928	95 411	163 531	346 077
February	1 787	193 111	50	5 878	1 837	198 989	49 820	182 677	200 083	448 893
March	1 691	167 353	90	6 918	1 781	174 271	63 101	89 203	185 598	422 971
April	1 634	161 704	153	13 595	1 787	175 299	55 336	107 571	164 740	395 375
May	1 937	195 855	95	6 568	2 032	202 423	53 057	184 314	259 057	514 538
June	1 822	178 982	41	2 211	1 863	181 194	43 960	117 982	171 549	396 703
July	1 930	209 817	143	9 727	2 073	219 603	51 340	108 147	133 928	404 871
August	2 327	254 922	65	4 477	2 392	259 399	54 009	139 194	198 811	512 219
September	1 664	172 755	71	4 021	1 735	176 775	52 606	132 925	174 860	404 242
October	2 166	216 319	39	3 317	2 205	219 635	65 386	153 103	204 521	489 542
November	1 785	192 684	46	2 770	1 831	195 454	51 757	157 669	284 022	531 232
December	1 763	186 923	26	2 788	1 789	189 711	49 445	177 726	221 628	460 784

¹ Valued at \$10,000 and over.

² Valued at \$50,000 and over.

³ Excludes dwelling units created as a result of conversions of buildings or construction of non-residential buildings.

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NEW HOUSES AND OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS: NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS

	New houses				New other residential buildings			
			Under construction				Under construction	
	Approved	Commenced	Completed	Approved	Commenced	Completed	Under construction	Completed
1993-94	28 057	27 904	12 362	27 118	3 693	3 562	2 355	3 209
1994-95	25 885	25 846	10 668	27 380	4 033	3 612	2 765	2 892
1995-96 r	18 750	19 359	8 034	21 875	4 153	4 276	3 906	3 086
1995								
September qtr	5 501	5 836	10 190	6 267	767	713	2 786	646
December qtr	4 954	5 088	8 620	6 640	885	943	2 669	1 060
1996								
March qtr	3 996	4 373	8 392	4 582	1 118	1 193	3 111	751
June qtr r	4 361	4 062	8 034	4 386	1 383	1 427	3 906	629
September qtr p	4 343	4 198	8 517	3 666	1 857	1 746	4 165	1 450

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VALUE OF BUILDING

Period	Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings						
	New	Alterations and additions	Shops	Factories	Offices	Education	Health	Other	Total
COMMENCED									
1993-94	2 876.5	700.0	456.6	227.1	273.6	211.2	240.0	1 120.8	6 105.7
1994-95	2 907.7	678.6	323.4	211.4	384.2	293.3	140.8	583.8	5 523.2
1995-96 r	2 482.5	679.4	444.3	249.2	393.5	330.0	108.4	953.5	5 640.7
1995									
September qtr	639.2	165.5	162.7	52.4	101.0	56.3	19.3	209.4	1 405.9
December qtr	650.3	169.1	93.2	65.2	128.4	109.4	33.8	238.3	1 487.6
1996									
March qtr	597.9	138.4	78.4	64.3	80.1	68.0	20.1	361.0	1 408.2
June qtr r	595.1	206.4	110.0	67.3	84.1	96.2	35.2	144.8	1 339.0
September qtr p	620.3	146.0	90.4	64.8	177.5	69.5	98.7	124.8	1 391.8
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1993-94	1 474.8	360.6	415.7	165.1	140.7	144.4	539.9	950.9	4 192.0
1994-95	1 450.8	354.3	480.6	142.9	241.9	217.3	251.0	1 092.6	4 231.4
1995-96 r	1 469.5	339.2	235.5	141.4	139.2	248.1	123.9	1 390.9	4 087.7
1995									
September qtr	1 441.0	335.0	335.7	145.1	250.8	247.5	151.5	1 212.1	4 118.7
December qtr	1 333.4	291.0	319.6	110.1	180.9	243.7	127.8	1 314.7	3 921.1
1996									
March qtr	1 395.7	298.2	345.2	136.0	149.8	222.0	123.4	1 600.5	4 270.9
June qtr r	1 469.5	339.2	235.5	141.4	139.2	248.1	123.9	1 390.9	4 087.7
September qtr p	1 503.8	327.1	278.5	169.4	200.2	261.0	143.9	1 427.2	4 311.2
COMPLETED									
1993-94	2 725.1	601.3	182.5	424.0	1 056.7	201.0	113.3	517.7	5 821.7
1994-95	2 882.5	709.8	313.6	253.1	290.7	228.8	387.3	521.5	5 587.3
1995-96 r	2 489.0	688.8	715.1	249.9	514.1	302.2	234.7	844.4	6 038.1
1995									
September qtr	656.7	184.6	322.7	49.3	95.9	28.2	122.1	118.5	1 577.9
December qtr	774.5	215.0	119.0	101.2	199.8	114.3	56.0	195.9	1 775.6
1996									
March qtr	537.1	141.7	55.9	39.3	120.3	86.8	22.7	137.1	1 140.8
June qtr r	520.8	147.5	217.6	60.0	98.1	72.9	33.9	392.8	1 543.8
September qtr p	585.3	169.2	82.5	40.5	117.1	55.7	78.3	170.7	1 299.5

15 STATEMENT OF BUDGET SECTOR TRANSACTIONS¹

	Budget Estimate 1996-97	Actual 4 months to 31.10.1996	Actual 4 months to 31.10.1995
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Departmental outlays			
Education	3 738.2	1 326.0	1 247.5
Human services	5 221.3	1 569.1	1 413.8
Infrastructure	1 655.4	497.5	537.3
Justice	1 477.7	503.6	429.3
Natural resources and environment	459.6	169.4	120.5
Parliament	71.5	16.7	14.4
Premier and cabinet	290.1	88.5	57.4
State development	317.9	66.5	108.2
Treasurer and finance	1 271.7	-721.4	832.8
Commonwealth grants on-passed	852.1	343.5	324.5
<i>Total</i>	<i>15 355.5</i>	<i>3 859.4</i>	<i>5 085.7</i>
<i>less</i>			
Superannuation contributions	—	—	69.9
Capital charge received	262.1	—	
Payroll tax paid by departments	254.9	83.6	84.1
Total departmental outlays	14 838.5	3 775.8	4 931.7
Current outlays	14 459.1	4 887.9	4 605.4
Capital outlays	379.5	-1 112.3	326.3
Revenue and grants received			
Revenue			
Taxes, fees and fines			
Payroll tax	2 123.9	697.8	660.0
Stamp duty on financial and capital transactions	1 015.2	472.5	290.9
State deficit levy on rateable properties	0.5	0.8	3.1
Financial institutions transaction taxes	582.5	199.1	191.4
Franchise fees	1 471.7	460.2	562.4
Motor vehicle taxes	821.3	291.8	283.8
Land taxes	407.0	22.2	20.8
Gambling taxes	1 151.7	377.4	335.2
Public authority contribution	317.5	130.9	148.8
Taxes on insurance	334.5	117.2	115.4
Other taxes, fees and fines	205.2	85.7	69.7
<i>Total taxes, fees and fines</i>	<i>8 431.0</i>	<i>2 855.4</i>	<i>2 681.6</i>
Other revenue			
Interest received	106.4	13.7	7.7
Rent and royalties	57.3	6.7	24.7
Income from public trading and financial enterprises	1 273.0	712.0	240.3
Other state revenue	48.5	33.6	17.1
<i>Total other revenue</i>	<i>1 485.2</i>	<i>765.9</i>	<i>289.8</i>
Grants			
Grants received from Commonwealth	6 239.6	2 056.7	1 950.1
Commonwealth grants for on-passing	852.1	344.0	331.7
<i>Total grants</i>	<i>7 091.7</i>	<i>2 400.7</i>	<i>2 281.8</i>
Total revenue and grants received	17 007.9	6 021.9	5 253.2
Financing transactions			
Net advances from Commonwealth	-34.8	-2.8	-104.3
Other net borrowing	-2 023.3	-2 696.7	-921.5
Other, including changes in cash balances and investments	-111.2	453.3	704.4
Total financing transactions	-2 169.3	-2 246.2	-321.5

¹ This monthly statement of budget sector transactions (Niemeier Statement) is presented in Government Finance Statistics format.
Source: Treasurer of Victoria

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PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY SELECTED INDUSTRIES AND TYPE OF ASSET

Period	Selected industries			Type of asset		
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant, and machinery
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ACTUAL						
1993-94	441	2 657	3 933	7 031	1 485	5 546
1994-95	603	3 034	3 896	7 533	1 535	5 998
1995-96	588	3 341	5 923	9 852	3 033	6 819
1994						
March qtr	114	546	823	1 483	294	1 189
June qtr	86	711	924	1 721	311	1 410
September qtr	138	749	1 018	1 905	289	1 617
December qtr	152	762	946	1 860	365	1 495
1995						
March qtr	139	725	901	1 765	342	1 424
June qtr	173	799	1 031	2 002	539	1 463
September qtr	150	793	1 247	2 191	617	1 574
December qtr	172	873	1 436	2 480	820	1 661
1996						
March qtr	157	796	1 412	2 365	691	1 674
June qtr	109	879	1 828	2 815	905	1 911
September qtr	126	871	1 765	2 762	798	1 964
EXPECTED						
1996-97	807	3 097	3 255	7 159	1 613	5 546

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COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS

Period	Fixed loan facilities						Type of lender		
	Const- ruction	Purchase of real property	Purchase of plant and equipment	Whole- sale	Other	Total	Revolving credit facilities	Total commit- ments	Type of lender
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1995									
June	79.8	264.1	213.1	91.4	483.4	1 121.9	2 297.4	3 419.3	2 155.4
July	72.1	227.2	156.6	79.0	383.1	918.2	1 527.3	2 445.4	2 050.4
August	123.6	277.5	171.8	97.9	318.3	989.4	1 926.4	2 915.8	2 431.9
September	76.2	213.3	162.0	65.9	505.4	1 022.9	1 746.4	2 769.3	2 318.4
October	142.7	207.8	155.7	78.6	396.2	980.9	1 445.2	2 426.1	1 990.0
November	83.2	270.2	177.8	73.3	733.6	1 338.0	1 447.5	2 785.5	2 462.5
December	99.9	201.0	170.6	158.2	591.2	1 220.9	3 384.6	4 605.5	3 035.6
1996									
January	101.1	271.6	137.7	55.8	577.7	1 143.9	4 484.4	5 628.3	4 562.2
February	111.7	260.0	153.1	67.8	598.6	1 191.1	2 012.6	3 203.7	2 491.2
March	352.6	311.6	152.6	65.4	579.7	1 461.8	2 114.1	3 575.9	3 111.3
April	93.0	223.3	147.4	66.8	336.1	866.7	2 757.0	3 623.8	2 479.4
May	82.7	226.1	159.1	97.8	474.3	1 040.0	2 711.9	3 751.9	2 317.8
June	101.0	260.1	240.1	81.3	814.3	1 496.9	2 440.5	3 937.5	3 195.8
July	97.9	264.5	183.4	107.7	648.4	1 301.9	2 175.6	3 477.6	2 868.7
August	80.5	287.6	258.4	64.9	640.8	1 332.4	1 386.5	2 718.9	2 375.6
September	75.1	248.3	190.0	69.0	896.0	1 478.5	1 300.6	2 779.1	2 384.9
October	146.3	290.8	185.7	97.8	353.3	1 074.0	1 593.6	2 667.6	2 046.4
November	76.4	290.8	175.2	78.0	525.8	1 146.4	1 897.4	3 043.8	2 105.2

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SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS

Period	Original Series		Seasonally Adjusted		Trend Estimates	
	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m
1995						
July	8 133	729	8 054	708	7 894	702
August	9 166	814	8 548	778	8 145	719
September r	8 052	703	8 268	725	8 423	738
October r	8 787	753	8 908	760	8 642	753
November r	8 998	787	8 471	736	8 873	770
December r	8 229	719	8 868	767	9 149	793
1996						
January r	8 022	714	9 504	834	9 403	818
February r	9 990	873	9 972	866	9 537	834
March r	9 800	852	9 599	860	9 500	838
April r	9 140	797	9 780	839	9 359	832
May r	10 051	911	8 938	812	9 234	825
June r	8 382	753	8 276	767	9 195	824
July r	9 995	898	9 239	820	9 268	831
August r	9 826	872	9 675	867	9 396	843
September r	10 135	898	10 334	905	9 481	851
October r	9 925	901	9 397	855	9 476	853
November r	8 728	797	8 877	813	9 410	850
December	8 572	813	9 099	827	9 316	845

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RETAIL TURNOVER BY INDUSTRY (EXCLUDING MOTOR VEHICLES, PARTS, PETROL, ETC.)

	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
Month	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1994								
August	831.8	182.2	138.7	255.0	119.7	191.6	278.6	1 997.6
September	854.4	202.8	141.8	249.7	114.1	192.8	290.2	2 045.8
October	887.1	215.2	152.6	251.0	121.0	212.5	307.0	2 146.4
November	878.4	223.1	156.0	266.4	130.7	219.9	313.4	2 187.9
December	1 070.8	418.7	236.8	348.7	196.9	305.2	355.8	2 932.9
1995								
January	885.5	165.1	154.2	258.2	119.1	179.5	295.3	2 056.9
February	851.0	152.0	127.1	238.4	112.2	185.0	271.7	1 937.4
March	922.8	188.2	145.7	265.4	118.1	208.9	304.7	2 153.8
April	902.1	215.7	166.5	241.9	115.1	207.4	292.4	2 141.1
May	905.9	211.6	153.2	268.7	129.1	219.5	292.6	2 180.6
June	897.6	209.9	151.5	276.1	128.7	203.8	292.8	2 160.4
July	914.0	197.2	150.2	270.2	137.1	199.7	286.4	2 154.8
August	944.3	197.8	138.9	263.1	137.6	214.2	283.0	2 178.9
September	942.5	195.3	138.2	264.2	129.8	212.6	294.2	2 176.8
October	959.3	203.0	151.8	280.4	130.6	217.0	287.2	2 229.3
November	982.0	246.8	157.9	288.1	144.1	225.3	309.2	2 353.4
December	1 130.6	436.7	224.1	384.2	232.2	327.3	351.5	3 086.6
1996								
January	975.5	187.4	147.8	274.7	165.7	183.9	303.9	2 238.9
February	965.4	169.2	118.8	252.2	137.5	183.1	270.9	2 097.1
March	1 004.2	189.4	139.0	271.9	131.4	193.0	300.4	2 229.3
April	976.6	220.1	157.9	266.5	124.5	187.0	300.9	2 233.5
May	1 003.4	224.2	157.5	289.0	129.4	200.4	294.6	2 298.5
June	940.2	213.3	146.4	284.5	122.8	182.8	293.9	2 183.9
July	970.7	203.4	147.0	302.6	127.4	201.1	237.7	2 239.9
August	1 014.0	199.7	133.2	299.5	134.0	207.9	279.4	2 267.7
September	950.3	186.2	132.0	270.2	127.3	196.6	284.5	2 147.1
October	1 045.7	203.9	158.3	309.4	149.5	232.2	299.6	2 398.6
November	1 045.2	250.8	149.0	314.8	158.4	246.8	303.0	2 468.0
December	1 161.8	442.4	213.3	403.5	247.3	343.0	346.6	3 157.9

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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS BY SECTIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT CLASSIFICATIONS

Section	1995-96		6 months ending Dec 1996	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals chiefly for food	r1 001	r3 487	511	1 690
1 Beverages and tobacco	164	98	59	62
2 Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)	596	1 592	282	822
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	660	668	500	390
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	r92	84	47	42
5 Chemicals and related products, n.e.c.	2 416	867	1 198	434
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	r3 834	2 354	1 926	1 142
7 Machinery and transport equipment	r10 866	2 707	5 861	1 501
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	r4 167	950	2 257	497
9 Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, n.e.c.	867	2 597	474	1 158
Total	r24 663	r15 404	13 115	7 738

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OVERSEAS TRADE, MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS¹

Country	1994-95		1995-96		6 months ending Dec 1996	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Belgium-Luxembourg	r225	29	253	74	122	37
Brazil	r167	61	174	77	68	47
Canada	430	113	r453	101	228	59
China	r1 575	561	r1 675	641	954	349
Fiji	39	127	60	215	50	120
Finland	r235	6	239	9	81	4
France	r487	173	536	143	429	68
Germany	r2 088	262	r1 994	263	994	147
Hong Kong	r205	565	241	821	133	396
India	224	115	234	139	130	83
Indonesia	335	270	378	367	289	205
Italy	717	263	807	249	443	140
Japan	r3 986	1 849	r3 429	1 954	1 550	734
Korea, Republic of	r609	1 112	634	1 921	349	1 094
Malaysia	428	749	r458	737	244	329
Mexico	55	62	55	43	31	22
Netherlands	229	44	233	60	130	19
New Zealand	1 190	1 247	r1 207	1 595	639	837
Pakistan	86	30	72	77	42	13
Papua New Guinea	125	188	128	237	106	151
Philippines	105	285	117	339	55	178
Saudi Arabia	242	127	225	195	112	96
Singapore	493	1 312	571	1 162	281	420
South Africa	73	193	83	207	56	157
Sweden	495	40	r591	69	275	46
Switzerland	302	59	288	45	122	55
Taiwan	810	631	r773	663	422	339
Thailand	323	441	322	513	178	205
United Kingdom	r1 364	369	r1 502	373	826	221
United States of America	r5 256	785	r5 839	787	3 131	429
Other and unknown	1 064	940	r1 092	r1 328	645	738
Total	r23 962	13 008	r24 663	r15 404	13 115	7 738

¹ The list of countries in this table reflects the volume of trade with Victoria. Information about Victoria's trade with other countries is available on request.

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VALUE OF OVERSEAS TRADE, VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA

	Victoria			Australia			Excess of exports
	Imports	Exports	Excess of exports	Imports	Exports (incl. re-exports)		
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1993-94	20 770	12 349	8 421	64 470	64 548		+78
1994-95 r	23 967	13 008	-10 959	74 619	67 052		-7 567
1995-96 r	24 663	15 404	-9 258	77 792	76 057		-1 735
1995							
July	2 266	1 128	-1 138	6 866	6 286		-580
August r	2 232	1 127	-1 105	6 842	6 126		-716
September r	1 996	1 152	-844	6 280	6 263		-17
October r	2 157	1 206	-951	6 950	6 258		-692
November r	2 050	1 241	-809	6 734	6 007		-727
December	1 936	1 414	-522	6 230	6 824		r+594
1996							
January r	2 053	1 199	-854	6 463	5 966		-497
February r	1 959	1 299	-660	6 202	6 042		-160
March r	2 057	1 461	-596	6 273	6 921		+648
April r	2 079	1 401	-678	6 443	6 251		-192
May r	2 076	1 484	-592	6 682	6 785		+103
June r	1 803	1 294	-509	5 827	6 328		+501
July r	2 245	1 239	-1 006	6 842	6 486		-356
August r	2 194	1 254	-940	6 755	6 394		-361
September r	2 063	1 271	-792	6 277	6 240		-37
October r	2 462	1 377	-1 085	7 304	6 690		-614
November	2 102	1 256	-846	6 575	6 363		-212
December	2 049	1 339	-710	6 710	6 763		+53

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION, MELBOURNE AND VICTORIA

Period	Hotels, motels, etc. with facilities				Short-term caravan parks			
	Establishments	Capacity, guest rooms	Room occupancy rates	Takings from accommodation	Establishments	Capacity, sites and cabins	Site occupancy rates	Takings from accommodation
								No.
Period	No.	No.	%	\$'000	No.	No.	%	\$'000
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION								
1994								
September qtr	238	14 721	59	79 369	54	5 742	45	1 716
December qtr	240	14 843	66	93 034	53	5 709	55	2 012
1995								
March qtr	240	14 905	68	94 245	53	5 694	59	2 055
June qtr	242	14 315	63	86 538	53	5 734	47	1 364
September qtr	241	14 359	66	97 625	53	5 728	45	1 854
December qtr	242	14 513	71	103 964	53	5 730	51	2 242
1996								
March qtr	243	14 520	71	110 002	53	5 730	59	2 209
June qtr	243	14 644	68	105 834	53	5 724	47	1 510
September qtr	239	14 440	66	100 835	53	5 728	44	1 771
TOTAL VICTORIA								
1994								
September qtr	1 003	29 680	48	113 668	438	53 831	35	10 602
December qtr	1 006	29 892	53	127 072	436	53 377	40	14 503
1995								
March qtr	1 003	29 973	56	131 900	435	53 307	47	17 781
June qtr	1 016	29 543	51	120 636	434	53 195	39	10 670
September qtr	1 009	29 504	52	135 286	438	53 825	40	10 730
December qtr	1 015	29 798	56	140 332	438	54 001	40	16 035
1996								
March qtr	1 019	29 891	58	150 879	438	53 918	47	19 178
June qtr	1 021	30 007	54	142 716	439	54 060	39	12 016
September qtr	1 013	29 877	52	141 778	441	54 226	36	12 239

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