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NOTES

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September 1997	20 October 1997
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ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

The aim of this publication is to provide users with a range of the latest statistics available at the end of each month of issue. Consequently, the dates and periods shown are not always the same for each table, but are in each case the latest figures available at that time.

Commencing with the September quarter 1997, the frequency of compilation and publication of the producer and international trade price indexes (see Table 9) will be reduced from monthly to quarterly. For further information, refer to *Price Index of Materials Used in House Building, Six State Capital Cities, May 1997* (Cat. no. 6408.0).

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variations from economic time series so that the effects of other influences are obvious. Seasonal variations are the systematic (though not necessarily regular) intra-year movements of economic time series. These are often the result of non-economic phenomena, such as climatic changes and regular religious festivals e.g. Christmas and Easter.

TREND ESTIMATE

Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by removing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson weighted moving average to the respective seasonally adjusted series. Readers are reminded that trend estimates are subject to revision as subsequent months' data become available.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER

USAGES

n.a.	not available
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
n.p.	not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
n.y.a.	not yet available
p	preliminary — figure or series subject to revision
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
*	estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero

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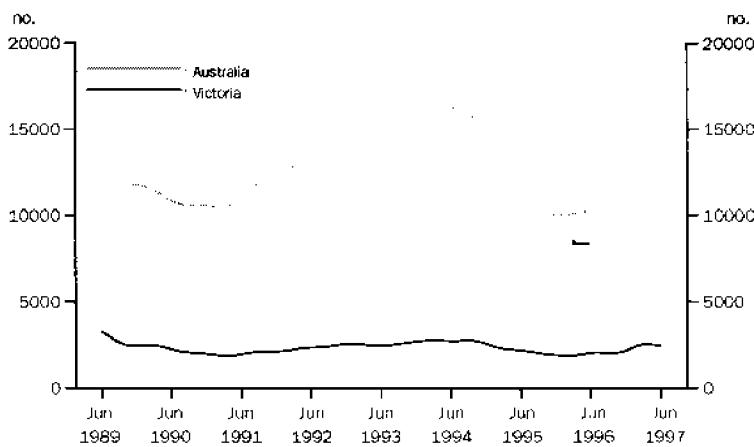
SELECTED FEATURES

NEW DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

The trend estimate of the number of new dwelling units approved for Victoria in June 1997 was 2,435. This represented a decrease from the previous month, after increases over six consecutive months, from November 1996 to April 1997.

For Australia, the trend estimate of the number of new dwelling units approved in June 1997 was 11,417. This represented a decrease from the previous month, after increases over 14 consecutive months, from February 1996 to March 1997.

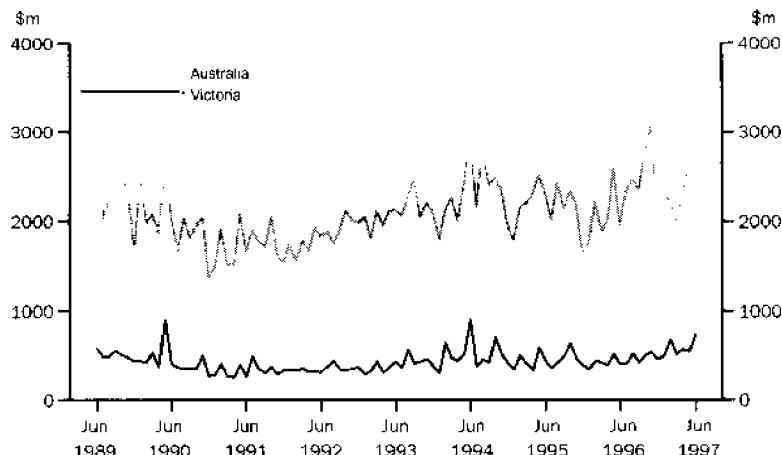
The number of new dwelling units approved for Victoria accounted for 21.3% of the Australian total.



VALUE OF ALL BUILDINGS APPROVED

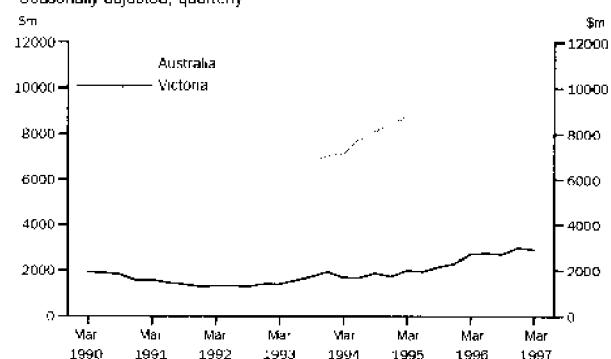
The value of all buildings approved, in original terms, for Victoria in June 1997 was \$739.5 million. For Australia, the value of all buildings approved, in original terms, in June 1997 was \$2,492.5 million. These figures continued the monthly variability.

The value of all buildings approved for Victoria accounted for 29.7% of the Australian total.

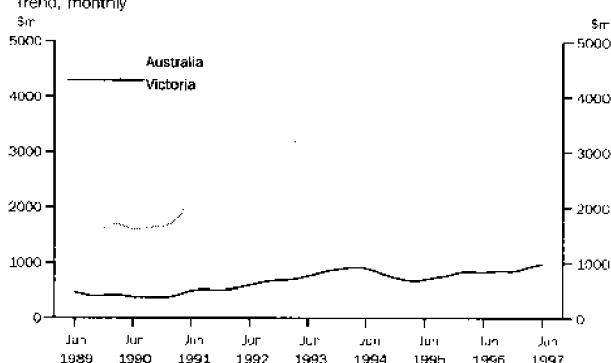


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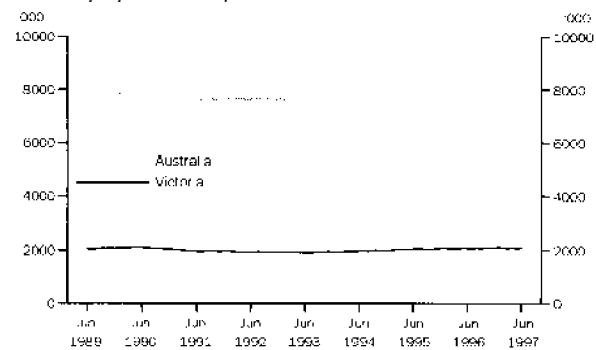
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Seasonally adjusted, quarterly



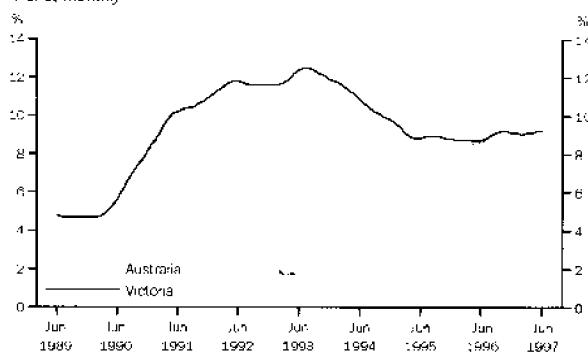
TOTAL VALUE OF SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS
Trend, monthly



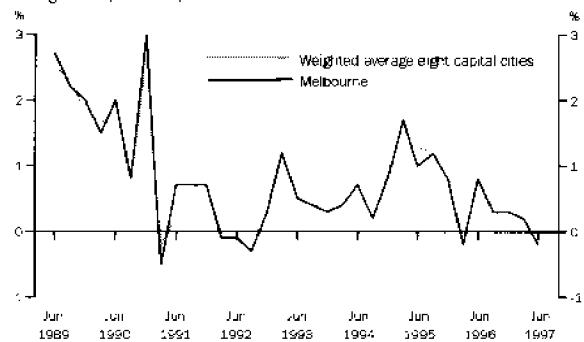
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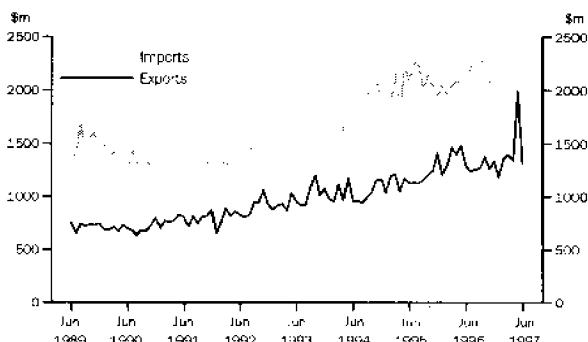
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Trend, monthly



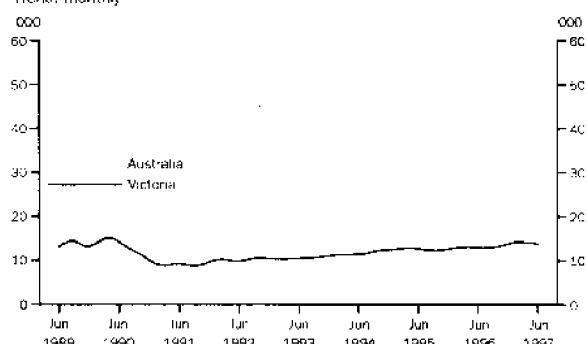
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
Change from previous quarter



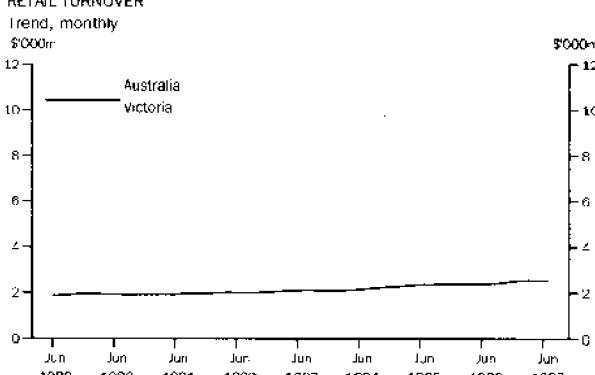
MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, VICTORIA
Original, monthly



NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS
Trend, monthly



RETAIL TURNOVER



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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

Period	AT END OF PERIOD.....			INCREASE DURING PERIOD..		MEAN ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION FOR YEAR ENDED.....		Melbourne Statistical Division at 30 Jun
	Males '000	Females '000	Persons '000	Natural '000	Total '000	30 Jun 000	31 Dec 000	
1993-94	2 219.5	2 267.2	4 486.7	32.5	11.3	4 479.1	4 488.6	3 196.7
1994-95	2 232.7	2 283.5	4 516.1	31.3	25.6	4 501.2	4 517.6	3 217.4
1995-96	2 252.9	2 307.9	4 560.8	28.1	39.9	4 539.1	4 561.5	3 248.8
1995								
December qtr	2 242.5	2 296.0	4 538.5	6.9	10.6	..	..	..
1996								
March qtr	2 249.0	2 303.2	4 552.2	7.4	12.4	..	..	..
June qtr	2 252.9	2 307.9	4 560.8	7.1	7.7	..	..	..
September qtr	2 258.4	2 313.6	4 571.9	6.3	11.0
December qtr	2 262.9	2 328.7	4 581.6	7.1	9.7

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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
	Births	Deaths (including infant deaths)	Marriages	Divorces	Births	Deaths	Marriages	Divorces	
1993-94	64 540	31 778	27 316	10 914	14.44	7.11	6.11	2.44	5.35
1994-95	63 960	32 291	26 831	11 602	14.26	7.20	5.98	2.59	5.19
1995-96	60 954	32 494	26 117	12 002	13.48	7.19	5.78	2.65	5.28
1995									
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	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr p	15 615	9 189	3 841	3 530	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr p	15 055	7 838	7 729	3 398
Year 1996	61 081	32 717	26 081	12 491	13.33	7.14	5.69	2.73	5.09

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

EMPLOYED..... UNEMPLOYED
LOOKING FOR WORK.....

Month	EMPLOYED.....			UNEMPLOYED LOOKING FOR WORK.....			Labour force '000	Not in labour force '000	Civilian population 15 years and over '000	Unemploy- ment rate %	Partici- pation rate %
	Full-time	Total	'000	Full-time	Part-time	'000					
MALES											
1996											
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	73.3	
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	1 768.8	9.1	74.7	
1997											
January	1 050.9	1 184.8	108.4	16.6	125.0	1 309.8	460.3	1 770.2	9.5	74.0	
February	1 049.8	1 180.9	113.2	19.2	132.4	1 313.3	458.2	1 771.5	10.1	74.1	
March	1 037.5	1 184.1	104.8	20.0	124.8	1 308.9	463.9	1 772.9	9.5	73.8	
April	1 044.3	1 186.3	97.1	19.3	116.5	1 302.8	472.0	1 774.8	8.9	73.4	
May	1 040.9	1 183.3	101.9	13.8	115.7	1 299.0	477.7	1 776.7	8.9	73.1	
June	1 033.1	1 182.8	104.0	15.8	119.8	1 302.6	476.0	1 778.6	9.2	73.2	
July	1 039.7	1 185.2	98.3	14.0	112.3	1 297.5	483.0	1 780.5	8.7	72.9	
FEMALES											
1996											
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	
1997											
January	511.9	888.2	64.1	24.1	88.2	976.4	871.9	1 848.3	9.0	52.8	
February	511.1	903.0	72.0	29.6	101.7	1 004.7	845.0	1 849.7	10.1	54.3	
March	501.2	904.3	63.3	32.5	95.8	1 000.1	851.0	1 851.1	9.6	54.0	
April	503.8	914.2	63.0	30.4	93.4	1 007.7	845.4	1 853.1	9.3	54.4	
May	503.7	907.5	61.9	30.8	92.7	1 000.2	854.9	1 855.1	9.3	53.9	
June	512.1	921.1	60.6	27.0	87.6	1 008.8	848.3	1 857.1	8.7	54.3	
July	523.1	917.8	56.3	25.7	82.0	999.8	859.3	1 859.1	8.2	53.8	
PERSONS											
1996											
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	3 608.5	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	
1997											
January	1 562.8	2 073.0	172.5	40.7	213.2	2 286.2	1 332.2	3 618.4	9.3	63.2	
February	1 560.9	2 084.0	185.2	48.9	234.1	2 318.0	1 303.2	3 621.2	10.1	64.0	
March	1 538.7	2 088.4	168.1	52.5	220.6	2 309.0	1 315.0	3 624.0	9.6	63.7	
April	1 548.1	2 100.6	160.2	49.7	209.9	2 310.5	1 317.4	3 627.9	9.1	63.7	
May	1 544.6	2 090.8	163.8	44.7	208.4	2 299.2	1 332.6	3 631.8	9.1	63.3	
June	1 545.2	2 103.9	164.6	42.9	207.5	2 311.4	1 324.4	3 635.7	9.0	63.6	
July	1 562.8	2 103.0	154.6	39.7	194.3	2 297.3	1 342.3	3 639.6	8.5	63.1	

EMPLOYED PERSONS, By Industry

	Feb 1996	May 1996	Aug 1996	Nov 1996	Feb 1997	May 1997
Industry division	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
MALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	71.0	69.0	65.8	71.1	79.0	70.2
Mining	*3.0	*3.2	*3.2	4.6	*3.3	*3.0
Manufacturing	242.4	249.7	261.5	262.6	255.3	253.0
Electricity, gas and water supply	13.6	13.3	11.4	11.2	10.4	12.4
Construction	118.2	123.1	119.3	118.0	106.7	104.9
Wholesale trade	87.4	94.1	93.6	86.9	84.9	92.4
Retail trade	152.8	151.7	152.1	159.7	158.2	157.5
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	35.5	43.2	34.9	30.7	32.0	35.2
Transport and storage	81.6	76.6	64.5	66.2	73.9	78.4
Communication services	30.8	33.0	35.0	32.0	25.8	25.2
Finance and insurance	37.4	34.9	53.1	36.8	36.2	43.3
Property and business services	118.2	119.4	116.4	115.4	117.8	121.3
Government administration and defence	37.7	31.7	40.5	42.1	39.0	33.4
Education	46.2	46.6	47.3	52.4	47.8	47.6
Health and community services	39.8	42.0	44.1	45.8	38.5	35.6
Cultural and recreational services	23.8	21.7	24.2	20.3	26.5	21.5
Personal and other services	36.7	34.6	35.1	36.8	45.6	48.4
Total	1 176.2	1 187.9	1 182.2	1 192.4	1 180.9	1 183.3
FEMALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	31.3	29.0	29.0	33.7	34.1	35.2
Mining	*0.6	*1.0	*0.5	*0.5	*0.5	*0.0
Manufacturing	104.7	110.6	103.0	99.8	97.5	95.7
Electricity, gas and water supply	*2.6	*2.5	*2.3	*2.1	*2.9	*2.1
Construction	12.1	15.2	15.5	16.3	14.6	14.1
Wholesale trade	41.1	39.0	37.5	39.6	38.5	41.4
Retail trade	150.5	155.5	150.1	166.9	156.3	151.3
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	39.3	48.3	45.7	46.4	45.6	49.9
Transport and storage	18.7	21.3	18.1	20.8	25.1	23.9
Communication services	18.4	18.9	18.2	18.2	17.4	14.0
Finance and insurance	45.2	45.5	45.0	40.5	44.6	49.8
Property and business services	90.3	88.7	96.0	101.3	91.4	94.6
Government administration and defence	45.4	39.7	38.9	40.7	44.3	41.7
Education	85.6	88.2	90.6	89.4	84.7	89.2
Health and community services	133.7	141.6	143.4	141.9	147.0	145.1
Cultural and recreational services	22.2	21.0	24.8	20.3	23.2	21.9
Personal and other services	40.4	38.4	34.5	35.0	35.4	39.6
Total	882.1	904.3	893.2	913.3	903.0	907.5
PERSONS						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	102.3	98.0	94.9	104.7	113.1	103.4
Mining	*3.6	*4.3	*3.7	5.1	*3.8	*3.0
Manufacturing	347.1	360.2	364.5	362.4	352.7	348.7
Electricity, gas and water supply	16.1	15.8	13.7	13.3	13.3	14.5
Construction	130.3	138.2	134.9	134.2	121.4	119.0
Wholesale trade	128.5	133.1	131.1	126.5	123.4	133.8
Retail trade	303.3	307.2	302.2	326.5	314.5	308.8
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	74.7	91.5	80.6	77.1	77.6	85.1
Transport and storage	100.3	97.9	82.6	86.9	99.0	102.3
Communication services	49.2	52.0	53.2	50.3	43.2	39.1
Finance and insurance	82.7	80.4	78.1	77.2	80.8	93.1
Property and business services	208.5	208.1	212.4	216.7	209.1	215.9
Government administration and defence	83.0	71.4	79.5	82.8	83.3	75.1
Education	131.8	134.8	137.9	141.8	132.5	136.8
Health and community services	173.5	183.6	187.5	187.6	185.5	180.7
Cultural and recreational services	46.0	42.7	49.0	40.6	49.7	43.4
Personal and other services	77.1	73.0	69.5	71.8	81.0	88.0
Total	2 058.3	2 092.3	2 075.4	2 105.7	2 084.0	2 090.8

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JOB VACANCIES

Month	INDUSTRY.....			SECTOR.....		Job vacancy rate %
	Vacancies <i>all persons</i>	Manu- facturing	Other	Public	Private	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	
1996						
May	11.6	*2.8	8.8	2.5	9.1	0.68
August	13.6	*2.0	11.6	1.7	11.9	0.83
November	12.8	2.0	10.8	1.9	10.9	0.75
1997						
February	12.8	*3.3	9.5	1.7	*11.1	0.75
May	11.5	*2.1	9.4	1.9	9.6	0.66

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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	Education, health, community services			
						Construction	Other industries	Community services	Other industries
1996									
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	11	13	3.0	3.4	4.3	1.2	0.5	0.1	6.0
November	9	12	15.3	15.4	1.9	—	10.2	1.6	13.7
December	9	11	1.6	5.5	1.0	0.4	1.9	0.6	3.9
1997									
January	3	5	0.9	1.4	—	1.1	—	0.1	1.1
February	6	7	9.9	10.3	—	3.0	7.7	—	10.7
March	8	8	8.8	8.8	0.5	2.3	—	5.3	8.1
April	11	12	4.7	5.1	9.2	1.5	—	0.5	11.2
May	15	18	7.5	9.7	11.6	0.6	0.4	1.3	13.9

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES

	MALES.....			FEMALES.....			PERSONS.....		
	<i>Full-time adult ordinary time earnings</i>	<i>Full-time adult total earnings</i>	<i>All males total earnings</i>	<i>Full-time adult ordinary time earnings</i>	<i>Full-time adult total earnings</i>	<i>All females total earnings</i>	<i>Full-time adult ordinary time earnings</i>	<i>Full-time adult total earnings</i>	<i>All employees total earnings</i>
Reference period	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1996									
May	702.90	764.30	673.20	594.20	607.30	441.90	666.50	711.70	570.00
August	697.60	756.00	662.30	588.00	601.70	432.30	659.70	702.60	557.80
November	720.30	791.80	686.50	607.10	625.80	443.80	681.20	734.50	577.50
1997									
February	726.60	782.50	687.70	611.90	625.90	462.40	687.70	729.40	590.00
May	736.90	789.10	676.20	618.50	636.70	453.90	693.90	733.80	572.70

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—Melbourne

MELBOURNE.....

Period	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	All groups	Weighted average of eight capital cities—All groups
						and alcohol				
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
1996–97	118.6	108.4	95.0	114.7	124.0	158.5	157.1	123.3	119.9	120.3
1996										
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
1997										
March qtr	118.8	108.1	93.5	114.6	125.1	158.4	158.4	125.2	120.1	120.5
June qtr	119.6	108.4	90.1	115.0	123.8	159.4	162.7	124.8	119.9	120.2

Base of each group: year 1989–90=100.0.

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PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING—Melbourne

1997.....

Group	1994–95	1995–96	1996–97	April			May	June	June 1997	Weighted average of six state capital cities—
House building										
All groups	115.9	115.4	115.3				115.7	115.9	115.9	117.1
Other than house building										
Structural timber	123.0	116.1	110.1				111.9	113.1	113.3	118.2
Clay bricks	112.3	112.1	113.1				113.7	114.1	116.1	111.4
Ready mixed concrete	124.2	118.6	111.5				111.9	111.9	112.1	107.7
Precast concrete products	104.8	108.1	110.3				111.8	111.8	111.8	119.2
Steel decking and cladding	106.5	109.9	109.2				113.2	110.3	110.3	115.3
Structural steel	95.3	100.9	104.2				105.0	105.1	105.1	113.0
Reinforcing steel bar, mesh, etc.	101.8	102.7	100.7				100.6	100.6	100.6	113.1
Aluminium windows	98.8	100.8	100.6				100.5	100.6	100.4	108.7
Fabricated steel products	110.7	113.1	116.7				119.2	119.4	119.4	115.2
Builders' hardware	113.7	114.5	116.5				117.4	117.4	118.6	118.7
Sand and aggregate	118.5	114.6	115.9				117.5	116.4	116.4	120.8
Carpet	98.5	101.6	101.6				102.8	102.9	102.9	103.2
Paint and other coatings	131.2	141.2	145.8				140.4	143.3	143.3	135.5
Non-ferrous pipes and fittings	100.8	112.2	111.5				112.1	112.8	112.8	132.8
All groups excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	108.5	109.7	110.0				110.7	110.7	110.8	113.8
All electrical materials	113.5	119.4	112.0				111.0	111.1	110.4	116.0
All mechanical services	108.9	114.1	114.9				114.5	114.5	115.0	114.9
All plumbing materials	112.6	118.9	120.1				120.7	120.8	121.3	128.1
All groups	108.9	111.1	110.9				111.3	111.2	111.3	114.0

Base of each index: year 1989–90=100.0.

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs	Chickens
Period	000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
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
1995-96	1 523.6	589.8	2 488.0	5 897.7	1 142.1	85 410.9
1996						
May	135.3	47.2	158.5	505.0	107.2	7 538.7
June	109.5	75.8	128.8	400.8	87.0	6 689.1
July	121.6	82.3	123.7	425.2	103.0	7 397.0
August	121.7	182.1	182.2	439.4	91.7	7 155.9
September	118.0	131.0	182.9	468.0	91.3	7 308.5
October	146.6	70.9	251.8	551.1	102.8	8 282.4
November	131.7	19.4	251.0	546.8	94.3	6 957.6
December	138.4	8.7	274.8	528.3	103.0	7 780.8
1997						
January	159.3	7.9	324.5	533.6	92.9	7 661.6
February	148.8	6.6	304.8	460.0	96.8	6 863.8
March	131.2	15.9	234.3	466.0	90.2	6 520.7
April	165.6	42.4	261.1	559.2	111.1	7 244.5
May	155.2	55.9	225.4	518.7	113.4	6 867.5
June r	140.1	75.5	174.5	475.4	105.2	6 692.3
July	145.1	84.8	169.8	513.9	118.8	7 331.8

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MEAT PRODUCTION

MEAT (CARCASS WEIGHT).....

	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	Dressed weight of chickens
Period	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
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
1995-96	348 649	12 009	50 910	110 172	83 052	127 736
1996						
May	31 242	961	3 159	9 685	8 048	10 675
June	25 209	1 496	2 675	7 543	6 325	10 212
July	27 672	1 720	2 432	7 664	7 446	10 739
August	27 220	3 589	3 693	7 990	6 594	11 366
September	26 388	2 643	3 730	8 468	6 624	11 122
October	33 045	1 433	5 217	10 159	7 416	12 457
November	29 544	431	5 067	10 085	6 671	10 453
December	31 543	226	5 610	9 866	7 365	11 780
1997						
January	35 911	218	6 485	10 024	6 607	11 173
February	33 270	174	5 915	8 720	6 835	11 030
March	28 955	363	4 469	8 804	6 312	9 188
April	36 387	895	4 990	10 656	7 972	10 256
May	33 595	1 106	4 301	9 841	8 236	10 367
June r	30 242	1 461	3 459	9 041	8 595	9 999
July	31 047	1 650	3 369	9 640	8 595	10 832

NON-
RESIDENTIAL
BUILDING(b)....

NEW DWELLING UNITS(a).....

Period	Private sector.....		Public sector.....		Total(c).....		Conversions, etc.(d)	Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Private sector		Total all building
	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m			no.	\$m	
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION											
1994-95	20 916	2 113.1	888	69.8	21 804	2 182.9	1 330	571.9	1 072.3	1 655.8	4 410.6
1995-96	15 676	1 624.3	1 068	86.5	16 744	1 710.8	617	467.2	1 352.5	1 934.5	4 112.5
1996-97	19 790	2 202.0	447	35.8	20 237	2 237.8	1 189	584.1	1 505.8	2 282.2	5 104.1
1996											
April	1 177	117.0	133	12.3	1 310	129.3	66	44.8	89.5	136.6	310.7
May	1 456	151.0	44	3.3	1 500	154.4	5	39.4	154.2	221.6	415.3
June	1 403	141.5	19	1.1	1 422	142.5	12	35.4	76.2	103.2	281.1
July	1 540	173.5	128	8.4	1 668	181.9	19	41.8	87.2	105.1	328.9
August	1 908	215.4	52	3.6	1 960	219.0	47	46.1	118.4	163.2	428.2
September	1 275	135.1	57	3.0	1 332	138.1	30	42.0	117.8	151.5	331.6
October	1 683	172.3	31	2.9	1 714	175.2	116	53.3	132.0	175.1	403.6
November	1 297	145.8	21	1.1	1 318	146.9	40	40.2	130.1	242.8	430.0
December	1 270	139.4	17	1.8	1 287	141.3	208	39.0	142.8	162.1	342.4
1997											
January	1 581	164.7	37	6.0	1 618	170.7	24	39.7	169.8	203.7	414.1
February	1 766	191.7	9	0.6	1 775	192.3	223	65.6	140.4	272.1	530.0
March	1 867	197.4	12	1.2	1 879	198.6	36	51.5	120.4	153.7	403.8
April	1 846	201.7	56	5.8	1 902	207.5	76	52.1	131.0	158.2	417.8
May r	1 974	243.4	23	1.2	1 997	244.7	70	49.2	107.7	137.9	431.7
June	1 783	221.5	4	0.2	1 787	221.7	300	63.7	108.2	356.6	642.0
TOTAL VICTORIA											
1994-95	28 509	2 772.2	1 409	101.8	29 918	2 874.0	1 347	685.1	1 274.7	1 975.2	5 534.3
1995-96	21 643	2 171.1	1 401	108.7	23 044	2 279.7	663	590.1	1 721.6	2 452.4	5 322.3
1996-97	26 201	2 816.7	597	46.7	26 798	2 863.4	1 240	721.2	1 864.3	2 824.9	6 409.5
1996											
April	1 634	161.7	153	13.6	1 787	175.3	83	55.3	107.6	164.7	395.4
May	1 988	200.4	95	6.6	2 083	206.9	12	53.4	184.7	259.6	519.9
June	1 912	187.3	41	2.2	1 953	189.5	14	44.5	118.1	171.9	405.9
July	2 044	220.0	143	9.7	2 187	229.8	22	52.1	109.3	135.3	417.1
August	2 403	262.1	66	4.6	2 469	266.7	53	54.7	140.5	200.1	521.4
September	1 780	183.8	71	4.0	1 851	187.9	43	53.3	140.3	182.2	423.3
October	2 272	226.6	41	3.5	2 313	230.2	120	66.3	153.5	205.5	502.0
November	1 832	196.9	46	2.8	1 878	199.7	43	52.1	157.7	286.5	538.3
December	1 763	186.9	26	2.8	1 789	189.7	216	49.4	177.7	221.6	460.8
1997											
January	2 069	213.3	50	6.9	2 119	220.2	25	50.9	189.9	228.1	499.3
February	2 224	245.1	17	1.1	2 341	246.2	225	77.5	173.4	359.7	683.4
March	2 435	252.7	12	1.2	2 447	253.9	37	64.2	150.7	195.0	513.2
April	2 405	256.9	77	7.3	2 482	264.2	80	63.8	203.3	238.3	566.3
May r	2 576	300.4	37	2.2	2 613	302.6	74	62.6	136.9	179.6	544.9
June	2 298	271.8	11	0.6	2 309	272.4	302	74.2	131.1	392.9	739.5

(a) Valued at \$10,000 and over.

(b) Valued at \$50,000 and over.

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

(d) Dwelling units created as a result of conversions of buildings or construction of non-residential buildings.

NEW HOUSES.....

NEW OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS....

	Under Approved Commenced construction Completed				Under Approved Commenced 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	18 889	19 399	8 066	21 883	4 155	4 276	3 906	3 086
1996								
March qtr	3 996	4 373	8 392	4 582	1 118	1 193	3 111	751
June qtr	4 438	4 102	8 066	4 394	1 385	1 427	3 906	629
September qtr	4 631	4 453	8 623	3 848	1 876	1 722	4 111	1 480
December qtr	4 456	4 139	7 624	5 081	1 524	1 238	4 046	1 294
1997								
March qtr p	5 032	4 247	8 038	3 831	1 875	1 497	4 003	1 533

Period	RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS....		NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.....							<i>Total</i> \$m
	Alterations and New additions		Shops	Factories	Offices	Education	Health	Other		
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m		
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	2 486.2	679.7	444.3	249.2	393.5	330.0	108.4	953.5	5 644.8	
1996										
March qtr	597.9	138.4	78.4	64.3	80.1	68.0	20.1	361.0	1 408.2	
June qtr	598.8	206.8	110.0	67.3	84.1	96.2	35.2	144.8	1 343.1	
September qtr	648.1	152.8	90.4	95.9	179.1	70.7	101.9	129.9	1 468.8	
December qtr	587.6	184.3	72.3	80.4	111.1	66.2	49.8	275.6	1 427.3	
1997										
March qtr p	623.0	178.4	86.9	77.2	103.5	57.9	38.2	222.4	1 387.5	
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	1 472.5	339.4	235.5	141.4	139.2	248.1	123.9	1 390.9	4 091.0	
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	1 472.5	339.4	235.5	141.4	139.2	248.1	123.9	1 390.9	4 091.0	
September qtr	1 513.8	297.3	275.5	199.4	199.4	262.2	146.2	1 426.4	4 320.3	
December qtr	1 402.4	284.5	249.8	183.6	201.8	224.3	157.9	1 594.5	4 298.8	
1997										
March qtr p	1 440.5	309.0	235.4	210.3	218.8	187.5	172.4	1 801.5	4 575.4	
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	2 489.6	689.0	715.1	249.9	514.1	302.2	234.7	844.4	6 038.9	
1996										
March qtr	537.1	141.7	55.9	39.3	120.3	86.8	22.7	137.1	1 140.8	
June qtr	521.4	147.7	217.6	60.0	98.1	72.9	33.9	392.8	1 544.6	
September qtr	606.0	204.1	85.6	41.5	119.6	55.7	79.2	175.6	1 367.4	
December qtr	710.6	200.5	106.0	110.8	79.2	103.1	39.0	220.4	1 569.5	
1997										
March qtr p	596.7	158.7	120.3	57.6	99.8	87.2	24.7	264.2	1 409.3	

	Budget estimate 1996-97	Actual 5 months to 30.11.1996	Actual 5 months to 30.11.1995
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Departmental outlays			
Education	3 738.2	1 606.9	1 465.6
Human services	5 221.3	1 969.7	1 761.2
Infrastructure	1 655.4	664.7	726.7
Justice	1 477.7	632.0	502.3
Natural resources and environment	459.6	203.5	151.8
Parliament	71.5	21.8	19.0
Premier and cabinet	290.1	102.3	106.8
State development	317.9	76.4	111.2
Treasurer and finance	1 271.7	664.8	1 091.3
Commonwealth grants on-passed	852.1	428.0	409.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>15 355.5</i>	<i>5 040.5</i>	<i>6 345.1</i>
less			
Superannuation contributions	—	—	94.6
Capital charge received	262.1	24.2	—
Payroll tax paid by departments	254.9	103.9	99.5
<i>Total departmental outlays</i>	<i>14 838.5</i>	<i>4 912.4</i>	<i>6 151.0</i>
Current outlays	14 459.1	5 945.9	5 684.6
Capital outlays	379.5	-1 033.6	466.4
Revenue and grants received			
Revenue			
Taxes, fees and fines			
Payroll tax	2 123.9	882.6	822.6
Stamp duty on financial and capital transactions	1 015.2	540.6	366.8
State deficit levy on rateable properties	0.5	1.0	5.0
Financial institutions transaction taxes	582.5	249.7	239.4
Franchise fees	1 471.7	561.2	454.9
Motor vehicle taxes	821.3	363.0	351.7
Land taxes	407.0	24.0	23.7
Gambling taxes	1 151.7	471.3	416.6
Public authority contribution	317.5	170.4	181.3
Taxes on insurance	334.5	146.8	143.1
Other taxes, fees and fines	205.2	104.9	84.0
<i>Total taxes, fees and fines</i>	<i>8 431.0</i>	<i>3 515.6</i>	<i>3 089.1</i>
Other revenue			
Interest received	106.4	24.7	11.5
Rent and royalties	57.3	11.1	17.7
Income from public trading and financial enterprises	1 273.0	780.1	512.0
Other state revenue	48.5	39.0	33.9
<i>Total other revenue</i>	<i>1 485.2</i>	<i>854.8</i>	<i>575.1</i>
Grants			
Grants received from Commonwealth	6 239.6	2 550.3	2 399.3
Commonwealth grants for on-passing	852.1	430.8	410.0
<i>Total grants</i>	<i>7 091.7</i>	<i>2 981.1</i>	<i>2 809.3</i>
<i>Total revenue and grants received</i>	<i>17 007.9</i>	<i>7 351.5</i>	<i>6 473.5</i>
Financing transactions			
Net advances from Commonwealth	-34.8	-2.8	-214.7
Other net borrowing	-2 023.3	-2 843.2	-1 627.6
Other, including changes in cash balances and investments	111.2	406.8	1 519.6
<i>Total financing transactions</i>	<i>2 169.3</i>	<i>-2 439.2</i>	<i>322.7</i>

(a) This monthly statement of budget sector transactions (Neimeyer 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	\$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	
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	123	1 027	1 596	2 746	768	1 978	
December qtr	299	1 107	1 818	3 223	1 010	2 213	
1997							
March qtr	162	852	1 519	2 532	760	1 772	
EXPECTED							
1996-97	952	3 985	6 522	11 460	3 524	7 936	
1997-98	844	2 698	5 103	8 644	2 876	5 769	

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COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS

Period	FIXED LOAN FACILITIES.....						TYPE OF LENDER			
	Purchase of real property	Purchase of plant and equipment	Wholesale	Other	Total	Revolving credit facilities	Total commitments	Banks	All other lenders	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1996										
April	93.0	223.3	147.4	66.8	336.1	866.7	2 757.0	3 623.8	2 479.4	1 144.3
May	82.7	226.1	159.1	97.8	474.3	1 040.0	2 711.9	3 751.9	2 317.8	1 434.2
June	101.0	260.1	240.1	81.3	814.3	1 496.9	2 440.5	3 937.5	3 195.8	741.6
July	97.9	264.5	183.4	107.7	648.4	1 301.9	2 175.6	3 477.6	2 868.7	608.9
August	80.5	287.6	258.4	64.9	640.8	1 332.4	1 386.5	2 718.9	2 375.6	343.2
September	75.1	248.3	190.0	69.0	896.0	1 478.5	1 300.6	2 779.1	2 384.9	394.1
October	146.3	290.8	185.7	97.8	353.3	1 074.0	1 593.6	2 667.6	2 046.4	621.2
November	76.4	290.8	176.0	78.0	525.7	1 147.1	1 913.0	3 060.1	2 105.2	954.9
December	82.8	293.8	172.5	69.1	705.7	1 324.0	1 546.0	2 870.0	2 078.9	791.1
1997										
January	154.7	1284.2	131.8	69.3	1450.7	990.7	2 538.2	3 528.9	1 688.3	1 840.6
February	77.4	310.8	140.1	74.6	316.8	919.6	1 711.3	2 630.9	2 159.6	471.3
March	92.8	369.0	183.2	84.8	707.3	1 437.2	1 131.1	2 568.3	2 203.7	364.6
April	76.8	355.2	166.4	79.3	443.5	1 121.3	2 110.3	3 231.6	2 826.2	405.4
May	78.7	738.2	154.5	90.2	863.5	1 925.1	2 425.8	4 350.9	3 738.8	612.1
June	75.4	408.9	172.8	120.2	824.8	1 602.2	2 192.2	3 794.4	2 929.6	864.8

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SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS

Period	Original series.....		Seasonally adjusted		Trend estimates.....	
	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m	Dwelling units	\$m
1996						
April	9 140	797	9 780	839	9 359	832
May	10 051	911	8 938	812	9 237	825
June	8 382	753	8 276	767	9 203	825
July	10 015	900	9 257	822	9 279	832
August	9 845	874	9 694	869	9 411	843
September	10 153	900	10 353	906	9 507	851
October	9 947	903	9 417	857	9 483	852
November	8 743	798	8 892	815	9 349	847
December	8 557	810	9 083	824	9 188	846
1997						
January	7 816	741	9 300	868	9 125	857
February	8 759	818	9 003	854	9 214	881
March	8 634	839	9 107	922	9 388	911
April r	10 637	1 031	9 956	961	9 561	941
May r	10 302	1 018	9 831	967	9 716	967
June	10 080	1 021	9 752	988	9 831	987

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RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry (Excluding Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.)

Month	Food retailing r	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing r	Household good retailing r	Recreational good retailing r	Other retailing r	Hospitality and services r	Total r
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1996								
May	1 023.2	224.2	163.1	317.1	132.3	212.5	305.8	2 378.2
June	961.4	213.3	152.4	313.8	126.0	195.0	305.6	2 267.6
July	984.8	203.4	151.4	328.1	127.8	211.8	297.5	2 304.7
August	1 029.9	199.7	137.6	327.8	134.3	221.5	290.9	2 341.5
September	966.8	186.2	136.4	297.9	128.5	210.7	296.0	2 222.5
October	1 061.6	203.9	163.2	341.1	150.2	245.2	311.4	2 476.5
November	1 063.5	250.8	154.3	351.3	159.7	261.0	316.0	2 556.6
December	1 185.9	442.4	218.4	446.1	246.7	363.9	363.3	3 266.6
1997								
January	1 108.7	197.4	153.2	347.3	144.8	220.6	321.1	2 493.1
February	1 009.1	171.9	118.2	320.1	132.2	220.5	284.9	2 256.9
March	1 084.0	214.3	143.1	319.9	142.2	229.8	326.0	2 459.1
April	1 053.7	212.6	173.4	325.2	147.0	242.5	310.7	2 465.2
May	1 104.6	241.0	169.8	327.6	141.1	254.6	304.8	2 543.5
June	1 028.5	200.4	147.1	333.1	134.8	235.7	288.4	2 367.9
July	1 069.4	226.3	164.2	331.4	139.6	254.6	305.0	2 490.5

Section	1996-97.....		JULY 1997.....	
	Imports \$m	Exports r \$m	Imports \$m	Exports \$m

0 Food and live animals chiefly for food	1 002	3 673	90	254
1 Beverages and tobacco	103	124	13	11
2 Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)	536	1 737	58	156
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	1 025	887	74	80
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	95	83	7	11
5 Chemicals and related products, n.e.c.	2 482	876	234	74
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3 706	2 321	359	193
7 Machinery and transport equipment	10 957	3 396	1 000	237
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4 350	992	443	85
9 Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, n.e.c.	933	2 216	78	177
Total	25 190	16 305	2 357	1 279

Country	1995-96.....		1996-97.....		JULY 1997.....	
	Imports \$m	Exports \$m	Imports \$m	Exports \$m	Imports \$m	Exports \$m
Belgium-Luxembourg	253	74	242	66	21	2
Brazil	174	77	125	81	15	10
Canada	453	101	394	123	37	11
China	1 675	641	1 756	1 659	182	50
Fiji	60	215	119	236	14	16
Finland	239	9	169	8	17	1
France	536	143	711	162	44	17
Germany	1 994	264	1 922	280	177	20
Hong Kong	241	821	267	811	31	62
India	234	139	231	239	27	16
Indonesia	378	367	513	1 428	38	37
Italy	807	249	832	319	85	27
Japan	3 429	1 952	3 097	1 528	343	131
Korea, Republic of	634	1 921	671	1 2097	67	185
Malaysia	458	737	508	1 669	55	50
Mexico	55	43	64	52	7	3
Netherlands	233	60	237	39	21	5
New Zealand	1 207	1 598	1 247	1 2136	111	108
Pakistan	72	77	75	55	9	3
Papua New Guinea	128	237	232	269	20	27
Philippines	117	339	108	372	11	20
Saudi Arabia	225	194	226	168	17	10
Singapore	571	1 162	524	1 893	35	74
South Africa	83	207	100	1 292	11	23
Sweden	591	69	502	65	43	4
Switzerland	288	45	241	66	21	2
Taiwan	773	663	799	695	74	61
Thailand	322	513	335	411	31	29
United Kingdom	1 502	373	1 634	416	136	39
United States of America	5 839	788	5 945	1 958	527	105
Other and unknown	1 092	1 332	1 364	1 712	130	131
Total	24 663	15 410	25 190	16 305	2 357	1 279

(a) 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.....		
Period	Imports \$m	Exports \$m	Excess of exports \$m	Imports \$m	Exports (incl. re-exports) \$m	Excess of exports \$m
1994–95	23 967	13 008	-10 959	74 619	67 052	-7 567
1995–96	24 663	15 410	-9 253	77 792	76 004	-1 788
1996–97 r	25 190	16 305	-8 885	78 979	78 906	-73
1996						
May	2 076	1 485	-591	6 682	6 757	+75
June	1 803	1 295	-508	5 827	6 282	+455
July	2 245	1 239	-996	6 841	6 338	-503
August	2 194	1 255	-939	6 756	6 400	-356
September	2 062	1 273	-789	6 276	6 245	-31
October	2 462	1 382	-1 080	7 304	6 656	-648
November	2 101	1 264	-837	6 573	6 373	-200
December	2 049	1 340	-709	6 694	6 737	+43
1997						
January	1 985	1 146	-839	6 425	6 018	-407
February	1 941	1 349	592	6 073	6 424	+351
March r	1 865	1 395	470	5 986	6 630	+644
April r	2 166	1 346	820	6 751	6 632	-119
May r	2 041	1 992	-49	6 450	7 622	+1 172
June r	2 079	1 323	756	6 852	6 830	-22
July	2 357	1 279	1078	7 417	7 098	-319

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION—Melbourne and Victoria

Period	HOTELS, MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES				SHORT-TERM CARAVAN PARKS.....			
	Establish- ments	Capacity, guest rooms	Room occupancy rates	Takings from accom- modation	Establish- ments	Capacity, sites and cabins	Site occupancy rates	Takings from accom- modation
	no.	no.	%	\$'000	no.	no.	%	\$'000
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION								
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
December qtr	241	14 509	71	114 046	52	5 877	51	2 262
1997								
March qtr	240	14 456	74	125 553	52	5 899	59	2 368
TOTAL VICTORIA								
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
December qtr	1 013	29 918	56	152 611	441	54 390	41	17 402
1997								
March qtr	1 012	29 869	60	169 396	442	54 394	49	21 407

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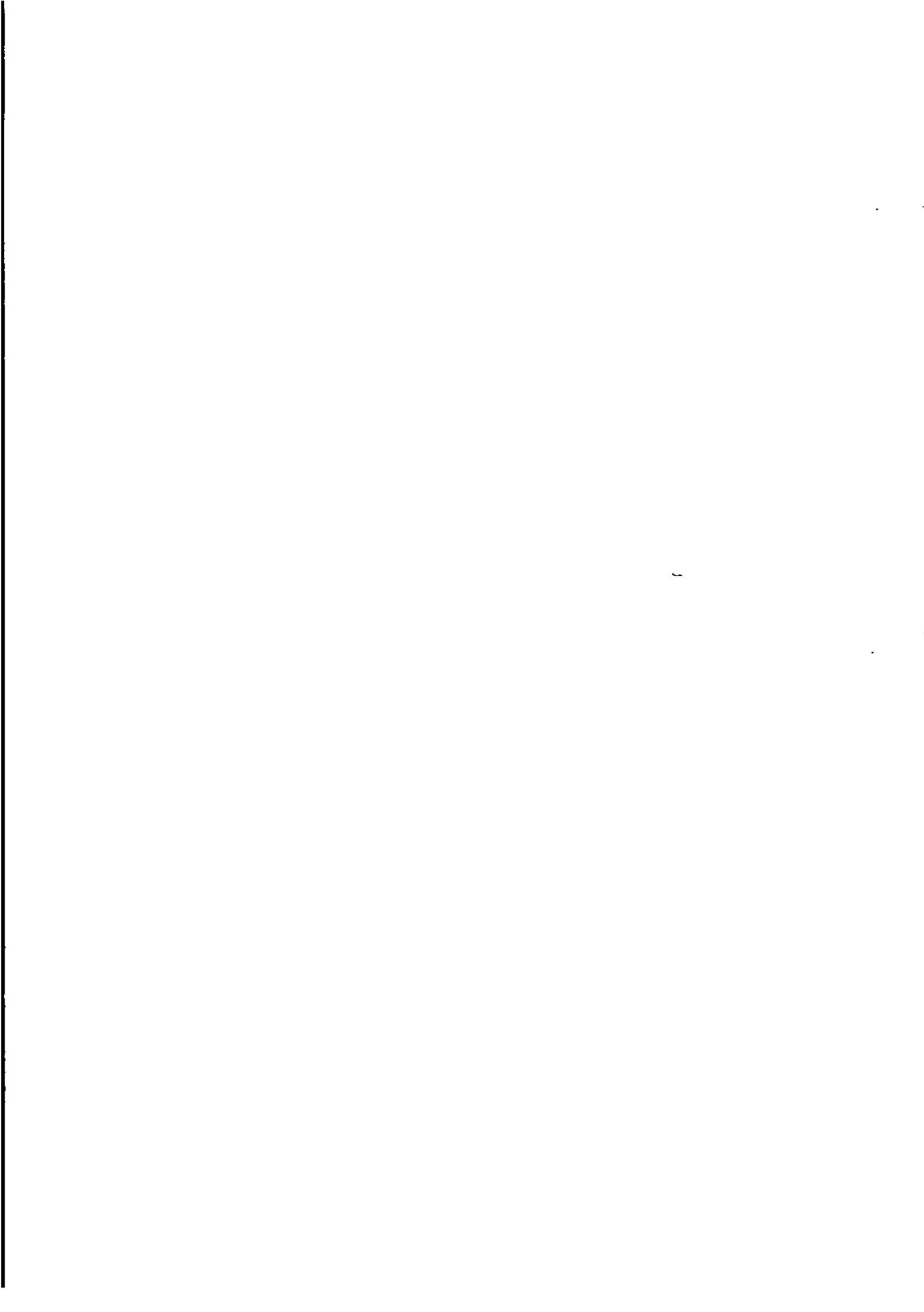
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