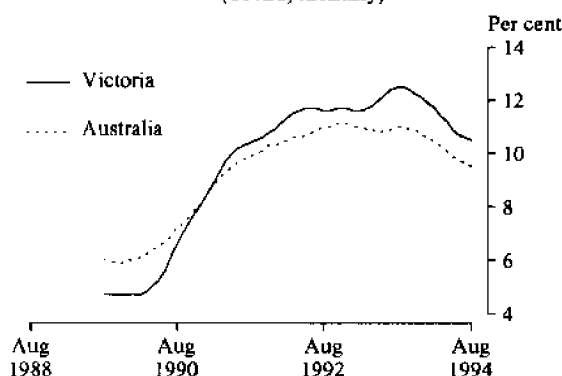


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**ECONOMIC INDICATORS, VICTORIA,
SEPTEMBER 1994**

MAIN FEATURES

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
(Trend, monthly)**

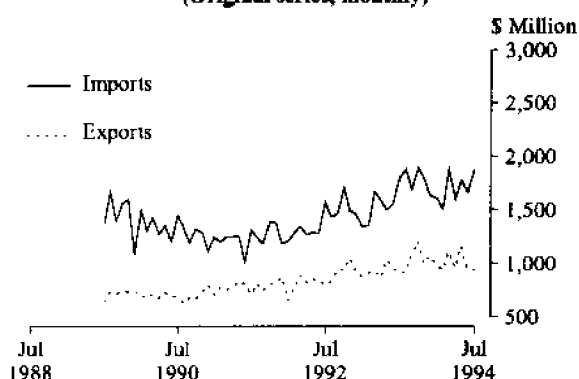


Unemployment rate

The trend estimate of the unemployment rate for Victoria decreased to 10.5 per cent in August 1994 from 10.6 per cent in July 1994. This was the eleventh monthly consecutive decrease since September 1993.

At the national level the trend unemployment rate decreased by a 0.1 percentage point to 9.5 per cent in August 1994 following monthly consecutive decreases since November 1993.

**MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, VICTORIA
(Original series, monthly)**



External trade

Imports into Victoria increased from \$1,670 million in June 1994 to \$1,880 million in July 1994, an increase of 12.5 per cent. Imports in July 1994 increased by 4.1 per cent over July 1993.

Exports (excluding re-exports) from Victoria decreased from \$950 million in June 1994 to \$933 million in July 1994, a decrease of 1.7 per cent. Victorian exports increased by 1.7 per cent in July 1994 compared with July 1993.

Readers are reminded that trend estimates are subject to revision as subsequent months data become available.

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TABLE 1. VICTORIA IN RELATION TO OTHER STATES AND AUSTRALIA, SEPTEMBER 1994

| Indicator(a) | Unit | Reference period | NSW | Vic. | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | Aust.(b) |
|--|-------------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| NUMBER | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed persons (c) | '000 | Aug 94 | 2,652 | 1,967 | 1,440 | 648 | 798 | 193 | 7,934 |
| Unemployment rate | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate | per cent | Aug 94 | 9.4 | 10.5 | 9.0 | 10.6 | 8.2 | 10.3 | 9.5 |
| Average weekly total earnings | | | | | | | | | |
| - all employees(e) | \$ | May qr 94 | 549.20 | 534.50 | 511.10 | 504.80 | 507.70 | 499.30 | 531.80 |
| Consumer price index all groups(e) | 1989-90=100 | Jun qr 94 | 110.0 | 112.0 | 111.5 | 114.4 | 109.1 | 112.4 | 111.2 |
| Exports(excludes re-exports) | \$m | Jul 94 | 1,303 | 933 | 123 | 267 | 1,189 | 125 | 5,170 |
| Imports | \$m | Jul 94 | 2,597 | 1,880 | 602 | 254 | 384 | 25 | 5,775 |
| Retail turnover - trend estimate | \$m | Jul 94 | 3,009 | 2,118 | 1,537 | 653 | 886 | 218 | 8,731 |
| New motor vehicle registrations | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate | no. | Jul 94 | 18,116 | 11,517 | 10,115 | 3,389 | 5,244 | 1,226 | 51,087 |
| New capital expenditure | | | | | | | | | |
| - seasonally adjusted | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 1,993 | 1,498 | 1,154 | 386 | 1,264 | 59 | 6,523 |
| New dwelling units approved | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate | no. | Jul 94 | 5,102 | 2,742 | 4,784 | 973 | 2,211 | 311 | 16,353 |
| Value of all buildings approved | \$m | Jul 94 | 714 | 376 | 566 | 116 | 236 | 31 | 2,152 |
| Housing finance for owner occupation(f) | \$m | Jul 94 | 1,478 | 895 | 804 | 286 | 518 | 65 | 4,234 |
| CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS PERIOD (PER CENT) | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed persons (c) | | Aug 94 | - | 1.8 | 0.3 | -0.8 | -0.5 | 1.8 | 0.5 |
| Unemployment rate | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate(d) | | Aug 94 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.1 | - | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Average weekly total earnings | | | | | | | | | |
| - all employees(e) | | May qr 94 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.3 | -1.5 | 0.5 |
| Consumer price index all groups(e) | | Jun qr 94 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Exports(excludes re-exports) | | Jul 94 | 7.6 | -1.7 | -86.7 | 18.7 | 11.7 | 8.3 | 3.3 |
| Imports | | Jul 94 | 2.3 | 12.5 | 7.1 | 6.0 | 2.2 | 9.1 | 6.4 |
| Retail turnover - trend estimate | | Jul 94 | - | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| New motor vehicle registrations | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate | | Jul 94 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 5.1 | 0.2 |
| New capital expenditure | | | | | | | | | |
| - seasonally adjusted | | Mar qr 94 | 2.7 | 18.9 | 40.2 | 27.0 | 26.1 | 21.3 | 3.6 |
| New dwelling units approved | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate | | Jul 94 | 5.2 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.5 |
| Value of all buildings approved | | Jul 94 | -17.1 | -58.5 | -9.5 | -8.8 | -17.2 | -17.9 | -26.1 |
| Housing finance for owner occupation(f) | | Jul 94 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| CHANGE OVER SAME PERIOD PREVIOUS YEAR (PER CENT) | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed persons (c) | | Aug 94 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 5.9 | 1.9 | 4.2 | 1.0 | 3.5 |
| Unemployment rate | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate(d) | | Aug 94 | -1.4 | -2.0 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 1.5 |
| Average weekly total earnings | | | | | | | | | |
| - all employees(e) | | May qr 94 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 2.8 |
| Consumer price index all groups(e) | | Jun qr 94 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.7 | 1.7 |
| Exports(excludes re-exports) | | Jul 94 | 9.0 | 1.7 | -88.8 | 0.3 | 11.0 | 13.1 | 1.0 |
| Imports | | Jul 94 | 11.9 | 4.1 | 6.1 | -3.7 | 6.2 | -23.5 | 7.4 |
| Retail turnover - trend estimate | | Jul 94 | 6.9 | 5.9 | 6.9 | 4.4 | 6.4 | 5.4 | 6.8 |
| New motor vehicle registrations | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate | | Jul 94 | 16.0 | 10.4 | 11.3 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 11.1 | 11.3 |
| New capital expenditure | | | | | | | | | |
| - seasonally adjusted | | Mar qr 94 | 4.3 | 8.6 | 30.1 | 14.6 | 16.2 | -41.0 | 0.2 |
| New dwelling units approved | | | | | | | | | |
| - trend estimate | | Jul 94 | 29.6 | 10.9 | 6.2 | -4.6 | 10.7 | -13.7 | 11.8 |
| Value of all buildings approved | | Jul 94 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 4.5 | 9.1 | 24.8 | 20.4 | 4.2 |
| Housing finance for owner occupation(f) | | Jul 94 | 27.4 | 16.6 | 17.7 | 14.0 | 18.6 | 12.8 | 21.0 |

(a) All figures are original unless otherwise stated. (b) The Australian total includes figures for NT and the ACT, and where applicable, Tasmania. (c) Seasonally adjusted. (d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points. (e) Available only for the middle of the quarter. (f) Trend estimate. All leaders, excludes alterations and additions, to residential buildings.

TABLE 2. ECONOMIC INDICATORS, VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA, SEPTEMBER 1994

| Indicator | Unit | Reference period | Latest figure | Victoria | | Australia | | Victoria as a % of Australia | Source index | |
|--|----------|------------------|---------------|---|--|---------------|---|------------------------------|--------------|--|
| | | | | Change over preceding period (per cent) | Change over previous year (a) (per cent) | Latest figure | Change over preceding period (per cent) | | | Change over previous year (a) (per cent) |
| Population - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Estimated resident population | '000 | Mar qr 94 | p 4,474 | p 0.1 | p 0.2 | p 17,803 | p 0.3 | p 1.0 | p 25.1 | 1 |
| Civilian population aged 15 years and over | '000 | Aug 94 | 3,528 | - | 0.5 | 13,960 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 25.3 | 11,12 |
| Labour force - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Labour force | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original | '000 | Aug 94 | 2,189 | -1.5 | 0.5 | 8,684 | -1.2 | 1.7 | 25.2 | 11,12 |
| - seasonally adjusted | '000 | Aug 94 | 2,211 | -0.9 | 0.4 | 8,766 | -0.5 | 1.7 | 25.2 | 11,12 |
| - trend estimate | '000 | Aug 94 | 2,219 | - | 0.5 | 8,777 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 25.3 | 11,12 |
| Participation rate | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | per cent | Aug 94 | 62.1 | .. | .. | 62.2 | .. | .. | .. | 11,12 |
| - seasonally adjusted | per cent | Aug 94 | 62.7 | .. | .. | 62.8 | .. | .. | .. | 11,12 |
| - trend estimate | per cent | Aug 94 | 62.9 | .. | .. | 62.9 | .. | .. | .. | 11,12 |
| Unemployment rate | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | per cent | Aug 94 | 10.4 | .. | .. | 9.2 | .. | .. | .. | 11,12 |
| - seasonally adjusted | per cent | Aug 94 | 11.0 | .. | .. | 9.5 | .. | .. | .. | 11,12 |
| - trend estimate | per cent | Aug 94 | 10.5 | .. | .. | 9.5 | .. | .. | .. | 11,12 |
| Employed persons by industry (b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing etc.(c) | '000 | May qr 94 | 97 | -2.5 | 13.7 | 490 | 0.9 | 2.9 | 19.9 | 11,12 |
| Manufacturing | '000 | May qr 94 | 341 | 0.3 | -0.9 | 1,124 | 1.2 | 2.6 | 30.4 | 11,12 |
| Construction | '000 | May qr 94 | 114 | -4.1 | -1.1 | 553 | -0.8 | 1.7 | 20.6 | 11,12 |
| Wholesale and retail | '000 | May qr 94 | 430 | 5.1 | 1.8 | 1,685 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 25.5 | 11,12 |
| Transport and storage | '000 | May qr 94 | 95 | 0.3 | 10.1 | 384 | 0.6 | 3.1 | 24.7 | 11,12 |
| Finance, property and business services | '000 | May qr 94 | 243 | 1.5 | 3.7 | 922 | 0.8 | 8.6 | 26.3 | 11,12 |
| Community services (d) | '000 | May qr 94 | 359 | 4.1 | 1.9 | 1,509 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 23.8 | 11,12 |
| Recreational, personal and other services | '000 | May qr 94 | 145 | 5.2 | 8.5 | 645 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 22.5 | 11,12 |
| Other industries (e) | '000 | May qr 94 | 138 | -1.8 | -2.8 | 567 | -3.3 | -2.4 | 24.4 | 11,12 |
| Total all industries | '000 | May qr 94 | 1,964 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 7,879 | 1.6 | 3.0 | 24.9 | 11,12 |
| Job vacancies (b) - | | | | | | | | | | |
| original series | '000 | May qr 94 | 15.3 | 35.4 | 183.3 | 49.4 | 7.6 | 63.6 | 31.0 | 2 |
| Overtime (b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Average weekly hours per employee | hours | May qr 94 | 1.23 | -6.1 | 10.8 | 1.31 | 7.4 | 11.0 | .. | 2 |
| Employees working overtime | per cent | May qr 94 | 17.0 | -1.3 | 14.0 | 17.8 | 6.1 | 9.8 | .. | 2 |
| Average weekly employee earnings (b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Full-time adult - ordinary | \$ | May qr 94 | 616.70 | 2.0 | 3.6 | 617.50 | 0.8 | 3.3 | .. | 3 |
| All employees - total | \$ | May qr 94 | 534.50 | 0.1 | 2.8 | 531.80 | 0.5 | 2.8 | .. | 3 |
| Weekly award rates of pay | | | | | | | | | | |
| Full-time adult employees (June 1985 = 100) | | Jul 94 | 142.40 | - | 0.8 | 141.50 | 0.1 | 1.1 | .. | 4 |
| Industrial disputes(f) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Working days lost per '000 employees | no. | Jun 94 | 89 | -7.3 | -79.7 | 91 | -3.2 | -46.5 | 97.8 | 5 |
| Overseas trade - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Imports | \$m | Jul 94 | 1,880 | 12.5 | 4.1 | 5,775 | 6.4 | 7.4 | 32.6 | 8 |
| Exports (g) | \$m | Jul 94 | 933 | -1.7 | 1.7 | 5,170 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 18.0 | 8 |
| Tourism - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Caravan parks - takings | \$'000 | Mar 94 | 6,542 | 17.2 | 13.9 | 34,269 | 12.5 | 11.0 | 19.1 | 21 |
| Licensed hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Takings | \$'000 | Jun 94 | 32,434 | -4.9 | 9.1 | 212,958 | -2.0 | 12.1 | 15.2 | 21 |
| - room occupancy rate | per cent | Mar 94 | 54.3 | .. | .. | - | .. | .. | .. | 21 |
| Consumer price index(b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| All groups (1989-90=100) | | Jun qr 94 | 112.00 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 111.20 | 0.7 | 1.7 | .. | 6 |
| Retail trade establishments - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Value of turnover | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | \$m | Jul 94 | 2,040 | 1.5 | 4.0 | 8,557 | 2.0 | 6.7 | 23.8 | 7 |
| - seasonally adjusted (1989-90 prices) | \$m | Jun qr 94 | 5,552 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 22,832 | -0.2 | 2.8 | 24.3 | 7 |
| - trend estimate | \$m | Jul 94 | 2,118 | 0.7 | 5.9 | 8,731 | 0.5 | 6.8 | 24.3 | 7 |

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TABLE 2. ECONOMIC INDICATORS, VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA, SEPTEMBER 1994—continued

| Indicator | Unit | Reference period | Victoria | | | Australia | | | Victoria as a % of Australia | Source index |
|--|------|------------------|---------------|---|--|---------------|---|--|------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | Latest figure | Change over preceding period (per cent) | Change over previous year (a) (per cent) | Latest figure | Change over preceding period (per cent) | Change over previous year (a) (per cent) | | |
| New motor vehicle registrations | | | | | | | | | | |
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| - original series | no. | Jul 94 | 11,719 | -11.5 | 8.7 | 51,929 | -10.4 | 14.3 | 22.6 | 9,10 |
| - seasonally adjusted | no. | Jul 94 | 11,354 | -6.9 | 11.0 | 52,028 | -0.2 | 18.2 | 21.8 | 9,10 |
| - trend estimate | no. | Jul 94 | 11,517 | 0.1 | 10.4 | 51,087 | 0.2 | 11.3 | 22.5 | 9,10 |
| Cars and station wagons | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | no. | Jul 94 | 9,827 | -8.6 | 5.0 | 42,280 | -6.5 | 12.1 | 23.2 | 9,10 |
| - seasonally adjusted | no. | Jul 94 | 9,593 | -4.2 | 7.1 | 42,657 | 2.8 | 16.2 | 22.5 | 9,10 |
| Other motor vehicles (excludes motor cycles) | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | no. | Jul 94 | 1,892 | -24.1 | 33.0 | 9,649 | -24.1 | 25.0 | 19.6 | 9,10 |
| - seasonally adjusted | no. | Jul 94 | 1,761 | -19.5 | 38.5 | 9,371 | -12.1 | 28.6 | 18.8 | 9,10 |
| Finance - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Personal finance commitments | | | | | | | | | | |
| - total | \$m | Jul 94 | 550 | -6.9 | 44.5 | 2,205 | -12.1 | 27.9 | 25.0 | 28 |
| Commercial finance commitments | | | | | | | | | | |
| - total | \$m | Jul 94 | 1,841 | -19.2 | 4.2 | 8,060 | -32.2 | 15.3 | 22.8 | 29 |
| Lease finance commitments | | | | | | | | | | |
| - total | \$m | Jul 94 | 134 | -28.0 | 15.7 | 599 | -26.2 | 27.2 | 22.3 | 30 |
| Housing finance for owner occupation - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Secured loans to individuals | | | | | | | | | | |
| - number of dwelling units financed (h)(i) | no. | Jul 94 | 10,313 | -13.8 | 9.3 | 40,050 | -12.8 | 7.2 | 25.8 | 22 |
| - value of loans secured (h)(i) | \$m | Jul 94 | 904 | -13.2 | 21.0 | 3,853 | -13.2 | 18.0 | 23.5 | 22 |
| Total number of dwelling units financed(j)(k)(l) — trend | no. | Jul 94 | 11,393 | -1.9 | 14.1 | 47,953 | -1.2 | 13.7 | 23.8 | 22 |
| Total value of loans secured (j)(k)(l) — trend | \$m | Jul 94 | 895 | 0.1 | 16.6 | 4,234 | -0.6 | 21.0 | 21.1 | 22 |
| Loan purpose - All lenders(j) | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Established dwellings(k) | \$m | Jul 94 | 681 | -14.8 | 8.3 | 2,939 | -14.7 | 9.8 | 23.2 | 22 |
| - Construction of dwellings | \$m | Jul 94 | 149 | -6.4 | 34.9 | 756 | -6.4 | 23.3 | 19.8 | 22 |
| - Newly erected dwellings | \$m | Jul 94 | 37 | -3.5 | 21.4 | 194 | -12.3 | 12.7 | 19.1 | 22 |
| Building approvals - | | | | | | | | | | |
| New dwelling units | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | no. | Jul 94 | 2,732 | 1.0 | 2.7 | 15,312 | -12.4 | -3.2 | 17.8 | 23,24 |
| - seasonally adjusted | no. | Jul 94 | 2,745 | 3.2 | 7.7 | 15,338 | -5.1 | 1.5 | 17.9 | 23,24 |
| - trend estimate | no. | Jul 94 | 2,742 | 0.9 | 10.9 | 16,353 | 1.5 | 11.8 | 16.8 | 23,24 |
| Value of non-residential buildings | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | \$m | Jul 94 | 81 | -86.8 | -10.8 | 594 | -49.0 | 5.9 | 13.6 | 23,24 |
| Value of all buildings (i) | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | \$m | Jul 94 | 376 | -58.5 | 2.5 | 2,152 | -26.1 | 4.2 | 17.5 | 23,24 |
| Building commencements - | | | | | | | | | | |
| New dwelling units, monthly | | | | | | | | | | |
| | no. | May 94 | 2,822 | 18.9 | 12.4 | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | .. | 25 |
| New dwelling units, quarterly | | | | | | | | | | |
| | no. | Mar qr 94 | 7,832 | -5.1 | 18.5 | 40,823 | -8.1 | 8.9 | 19.2 | 26 |
| Building activity - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Value of total building activity | | | | | | | | | | |
| - commenced | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 1,442 | -5.2 | 25.0 | 6,351 | -5.8 | 6.4 | 22.7 | 26 |
| - done | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 1,229 | -10.3 | 5.9 | 5,858 | -13.7 | 1.6 | 21.0 | 26 |
| - yet to be done | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 1,709 | 18.1 | 22.1 | 8,440 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 20.3 | 26 |
| Engineering construction - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Value of work by private sector | | | | | | | | | | |
| - commenced | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 332 | 39.4 | 4.7 | 1,758 | 9.3 | 17.5 | 18.9 | 27 |
| - done | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 355 | 28.0 | 33.1 | 1,747 | 1.7 | 21.9 | 20.3 | 27 |
| - yet to be done | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 603 | 3.1 | -7.5 | 2,828 | 10.8 | 7.2 | 21.3 | 27 |
| Value of work by public sector | | | | | | | | | | |
| - commenced | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 246 | 7.4 | 9.0 | 1,165 | 12.1 | -4.1 | 21.1 | 27 |
| - done | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 255 | 10.3 | -4.9 | 1,260 | -3.5 | -0.8 | 20.2 | 27 |
| - yet to be done | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 386 | 27.9 | 50.6 | 1,784 | -6.4 | -17.1 | 21.7 | 27 |
| Manufacturing - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Actual private new capital expenditure | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 515 | -30.2 | 16.0 | 1,547 | -22.3 | -0.3 | 33.3 | 13,14 |

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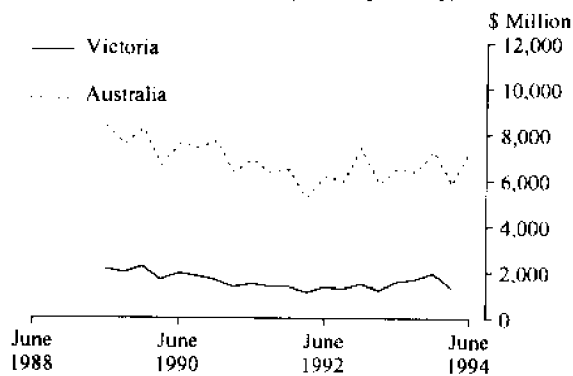
| Indicator | Unit | Reference period | Victoria | | | Australia | | | Victoria as a % of Australia | Source index |
|---|-------------|------------------|---------------|---|--|---------------|---|--|------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | Latest figure | Change over preceding period (per cent) | Change over previous year (a) (per cent) | Latest figure | Change over preceding period (per cent) | Change over previous year (a) (per cent) | | |
| Production - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Whole milk | ML | Jun 94 | p 204 | p -14.3 | p 26.6 | p 417 | p -11.0 | p 14.0 | p 48.8 | 15,16 |
| Butter | tonnes | Dec 93 | 15,679 | -3.1 | 2.8 | 17,925 | -2.9 | 4.8 | 87.5 | 17 |
| Cheese (inc. cheddar and non-cheddar) | tonnes | Dec 93 | 14,486 | -2.0 | 7.0 | 24,296 | -2.9 | 10.6 | 59.6 | 17 |
| Yarns | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Cotton | tonnes | May 94 | 1,400 | 11.6 | 29.7 | 2,612 | 7.8 | 18.6 | 53.6 | 15,16 |
| - Woollen | tonnes | Jun 94 | 1,689 | -5.0 | 37.5 | 2,040 | -4.7 | 27.5 | 82.8 | 15,16 |
| Woven fabric | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Cotton | '000 sq m | Jun 94 | 2,165 | 20.5 | -3.4 | 4,874 | 10.4 | 9.2 | 44.4 | 15,16 |
| - Woollen (includes worsted wool) | '000 sq m | Jun 94 | 328 | -3.5 | -18.2 | 629 | -14.4 | -7.5 | 52.2 | 15,16 |
| - Man-made fibres | '000 sq m | Jun 94 | 6,781 | -1.7 | -8.3 | 17,325 | 8.7 | -0.8 | 39.1 | 15,16 |
| Textile floor coverings | '000 sq m | Jun 94 | 3,418 | -15.9 | 25.1 | 4,046 | -7.3 | 22.1 | 84.5 | 15,16 |
| Clay bricks | million | May 94 | 28 | 13.9 | 2.5 | 167 | 16.1 | 4.8 | 16.9 | 15,16 |
| Ready mixed concrete | '000 cu m | May 94 | 294 | 28.3 | 1.7 | 1,475 | 20.4 | 10.5 | 19.9 | 18 |
| Paints & other surface coatings | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Architectural and decorative paints | '000 litres | May 94 | 1,632 | 2.4 | 18.3 | 8,853 | 3.9 | 3.0 | 18.4 | 15,18 |
| Electricity - production (kWh) | GWh | Jul 94 | 3,165 | 2.2 | -10.6 | 14,603 | 4.9 | 0.1 | 21.7 | 15,20 |
| Gas - available for issue through mains (MJ) | GJ | Jul 94 | 24,999 | 10.5 | 12.5 | 62,375 | 8.1 | 9.8 | 40.1 | 15,20 |
| Actual private new capital expenditure - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Building and structures | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 258 | -42.5 | -13.6 | 1,741 | -22.2 | 6.4 | 14.8 | 13 |
| Equipment, plant and machinery | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 1,074 | -28.9 | 16.2 | 4,096 | -18.8 | -2.8 | 26.2 | 13 |
| Total new capital expenditure | | | | | | | | | | |
| - original series | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 1,332 | -32.0 | 8.9 | 5,836 | -19.8 | -0.2 | 22.8 | 13 |
| - seasonally adjusted | \$m | Mar qr 94 | 1,498 | -18.9 | 8.6 | 6,523 | -3.6 | 0.2 | 23.0 | 13 |

(a) Change over same period previous year. (b) Available only for the middle month of the quarter. (c) Includes hunting and mining. (d) Comprises health, education, libraries, etc., welfare institutions, and other community groups. (e) Comprises electricity, gas and water, communications, public administration and defence. (f) 12 months ended. (g) Excludes re-exports. (h) All banks. (i) Includes, alterations and additions to residential buildings. (j) Excludes, alterations and additions to residential buildings. (k) Includes refinancing. (l) All lenders.

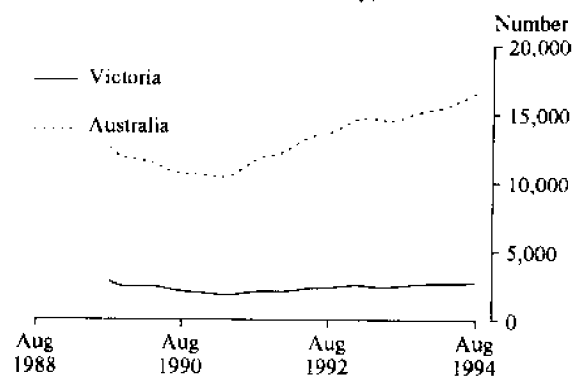
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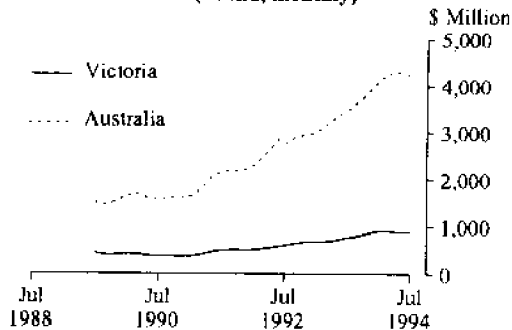
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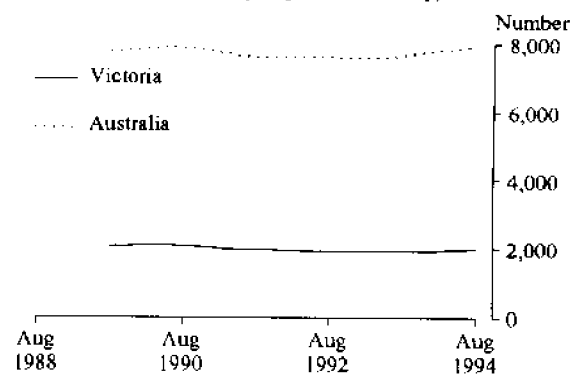
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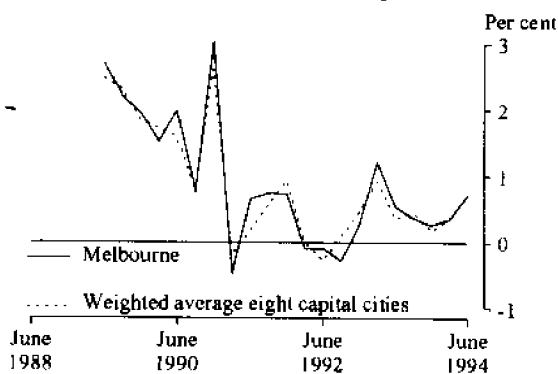
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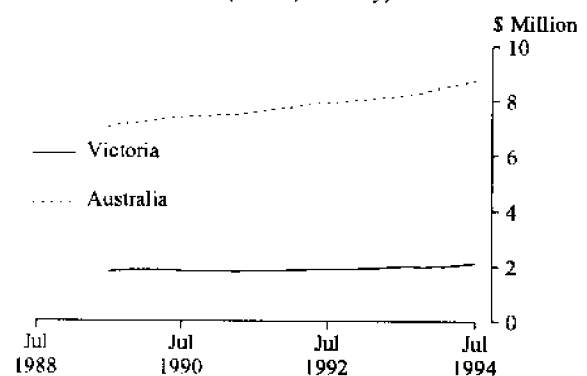
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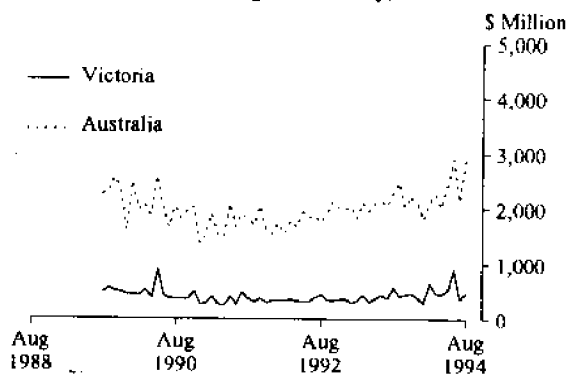
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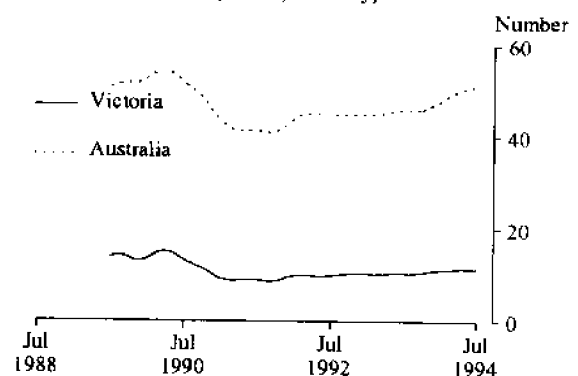
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