

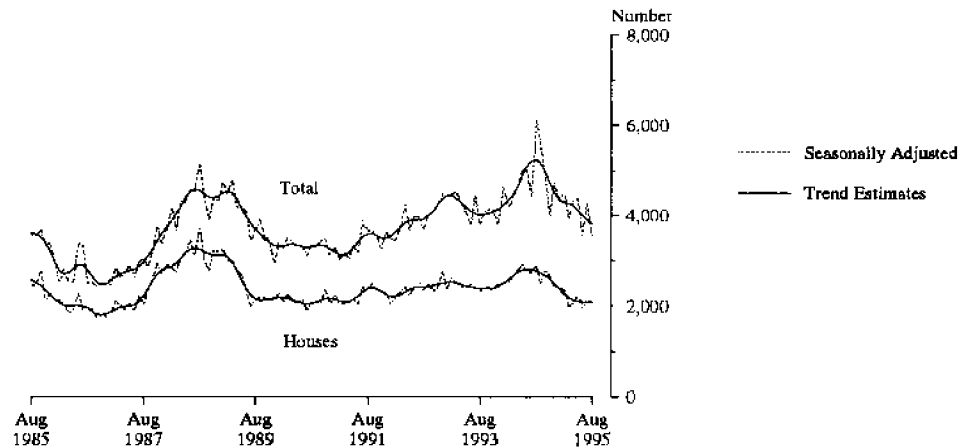
**BUILDING APPROVALS, NEW SOUTH WALES, AUGUST 1995**

**MAIN FEATURES**

**NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED**

	August 1994	July 1995	August 1995	August 1994 to August 1995 change	July 1995 to August 1995 change
Original series	6,363	4,201	3,783	-40.5%	-10.0%
Seasonally adjusted	6,133	4,296	3,559	-42.0%	-17.2%
Trend estimate	5,248	3,915	3,822	-27.2%	-2.4%

**TOTAL DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, NSW**



**Dwelling units**

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in August 1995 was 3,822, a decrease of 2.4% on the figure for last month. This figure for August was 27.2% lower than the corresponding figure from August 1994 (5,248).
- The seasonally adjusted number of dwelling units approved would need to increase by 18% (to 4,216) in September for the trend to flatten out. The historical average monthly movement of this series, regardless of sign, is 8%.
- The trend estimate for private sector houses approved in August was 2,010, not significantly different from July.

The seasonally adjusted number of private sector houses approved would need to decrease by more than 5% in September for the trend for this series to return to its downward path. The historical average monthly movement of this series, regardless of sign, is 7%.

**Value of new residential building**

- Last month it was reported that there would need to be a fall of 3% in the seasonally adjusted value of new residential building approved in August for the trend for this series to flatten out. The actual fall was 13.8% resulting in the trend resuming its downward movement. The trend estimate in August was \$387.7 million, 1.6% lower than last month.

*Please note that figures in this issue exclude some building work approved in Cessnock, Great Lakes and Wagga Wagga. Revised August figures will be included in the next issue.*

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TABLE 1. NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Period	New houses			New other residential buildings			Conversions, etc.	Total (a)		
	Private sector	Public sector	Total	Private sector	Public sector	Total		Private sector	Public sector	Total
<b>SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
1992-93	12,915	462	13,377	10,752	1,742	12,494	1,011	24,670	2,212	26,882
1993-94	13,691	240	13,931	12,090	1,048	13,138	2,043	27,811	1,301	29,112
1994-95	13,834	255	14,089	16,919	1,012	17,931	1,778	32,513	1,285	33,798
<i>July-August—</i>										
1994-95	2,704	73	2,777	3,526	167	3,693	147	6,377	240	6,617
1995-96	2,372	24	2,396	2,464	327	2,791	79	4,915	351	5,266
<i>1994—</i>										
June	1,251	46	1,297	1,411	89	1,500	57	2,719	135	2,854
July	1,265	32	1,297	985	95	1,080	26	2,276	127	2,403
August	1,439	41	1,480	2,541	72	2,613	121	4,101	113	4,214
September	1,220	28	1,248	2,022	115	2,137	719	3,961	143	4,104
October	1,433	26	1,459	1,198	36	1,234	77	2,708	62	2,770
November	1,415	12	1,427	1,154	17	1,171	82	2,651	29	2,680
December	979	4	983	1,513	69	1,582	85	2,577	73	2,650
<i>1995—</i>										
January	1,032	15	1,047	1,185	61	1,246	117	2,326	84	2,410
February	1,014	23	1,037	1,355	10	1,365	125	2,494	33	2,527
March	912	25	937	1,475	64	1,539	38	2,425	89	2,514
April	918	21	939	1,009	174	1,183	250	2,177	195	2,372
May	1,276	22	1,298	1,597	203	1,800	55	2,921	232	3,153
June	931	6	937	885	96	981	83	1,896	105	2,001
July	1,225	6	1,231	1,551	127	1,678	41	2,817	133	2,950
August	1,147	18	1,165	913	200	1,113	38	2,098	218	2,316
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>										
1992-93	28,653	869	29,522	16,308	2,667	18,975	1,365	46,318	3,544	49,862
1993-94	30,051	561	30,612	17,744	1,554	19,298	2,453	50,234	2,129	52,363
1994-95	28,578	423	29,001	21,979	1,811	23,790	2,073	52,604	2,260	54,864
<i>July-August—</i>										
1994-95	5,613	122	5,735	4,512	318	4,830	201	10,323	443	10,766
1995-96	4,350	42	4,392	3,043	423	3,466	126	7,519	465	7,984
<i>1994—</i>										
June	2,873	72	2,945	1,989	172	2,161	96	4,958	244	5,202
July	2,628	61	2,689	1,434	218	1,652	62	4,121	282	4,403
August	2,985	61	3,046	3,078	100	3,178	139	6,202	161	6,363
September	2,728	34	2,762	2,545	145	2,690	758	6,031	179	6,210
October	2,809	33	2,842	1,613	50	1,663	104	4,526	83	4,609
November	2,865	21	2,886	1,564	40	1,604	99	4,528	61	4,589
December	2,029	11	2,040	1,946	113	2,059	104	4,079	124	4,203
<i>1995—</i>										
January	2,041	17	2,058	1,527	161	1,688	134	3,694	186	3,880
February	1,998	30	2,028	1,755	60	1,815	150	3,903	90	3,993
March	2,100	58	2,158	1,841	107	1,948	61	4,002	165	4,167
April	1,802	27	1,829	1,410	251	1,661	259	3,471	278	3,749
May	2,526	38	2,564	2,073	327	2,400	85	4,677	372	5,049
June	2,067	32	2,099	1,193	239	1,432	118	3,370	279	3,649
July	2,132	10	2,142	1,812	174	1,986	73	4,017	184	4,201
August	2,218	32	2,250	1,231	249	1,480	53	3,502	281	3,783

(a) Includes Conversions, etc. See paragraphs 10-12 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 2. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED  
(\$ million)

Period	New residential building									Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total building	
	Houses			Other residential buildings			Total				Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
	Private sector	Public sector	Total	Private sector	Public sector	Total	Private sector	Public sector	Total					
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION														
1992-93	1,389.5	43.3	1,432.7	1,148.8	124.2	1,273.0	2,538.3	167.4	2,705.7	708.4	1,663.3	2,407.3	4,903.1	5,821.4
1993-94	1,510.3	23.1	1,533.3	1,040.6	70.9	1,111.4	2,550.8	94.0	2,644.8	782.9	1,376.9	2,065.7	4,703.5	5,493.3
1994-95	1,639.9	26.4	1,666.3	1,745.0	76.7	1,821.7	3,384.9	103.0	3,488.0	852.4	2,206.4	2,896.8	6,437.1	7,237.2
<i>July-August—</i>														
1994-95	313.9	9.5	323.4	396.6	10.6	407.2	710.5	20.0	730.6	142.0	354.8	520.3	1,206.0	1,392.9
1995-96	285.8	2.1	287.9	242.3	22.6	264.9	528.0	24.7	552.8	134.5	620.3	698.4	1,281.8	1,385.7
<i>1994—</i>														
June	147.7	4.3	152.0	138.7	6.0	144.7	286.4	10.3	296.7	69.4	155.2	179.3	509.8	545.4
July	144.5	4.4	148.8	88.7	6.0	94.7	233.2	10.4	243.6	62.9	98.5	153.0	394.0	459.5
August	169.5	5.1	174.6	307.9	4.5	312.5	477.4	9.6	487.0	79.1	256.3	367.4	812.0	933.5
September	143.8	2.6	146.4	232.8	8.3	241.0	376.6	10.9	387.5	120.0	73.7	139.1	567.9	646.6
October	160.5	2.2	162.7	107.8	2.3	110.0	268.3	4.4	272.7	71.7	86.3	119.3	426.4	463.7
November	161.7	1.1	162.9	115.9	1.6	117.5	277.6	2.7	280.3	74.8	102.3	146.8	454.5	501.9
December	124.7	0.4	125.0	150.2	6.6	156.8	274.9	6.9	281.8	54.8	149.1	177.6	478.6	514.2
<i>1995—</i>														
January	119.5	1.3	120.8	116.7	3.7	120.4	236.2	5.0	241.2	55.0	102.9	140.0	392.8	436.2
February	119.4	2.0	121.4	108.5	1.0	109.6	227.9	3.0	230.9	59.2	128.1	310.8	415.0	600.9
March	111.7	2.6	114.4	190.8	3.4	194.2	302.5	6.1	308.6	58.6	125.8	190.0	486.7	557.2
April	113.6	1.9	115.5	86.9	15.4	102.3	200.5	17.4	217.9	82.2	655.1	675.5	937.8	975.6
May	154.0	2.2	156.1	163.0	16.2	179.2	317.0	18.3	335.3	72.6	227.9	251.6	616.9	659.4
June	117.1	0.6	117.6	75.8	7.7	83.6	192.9	8.3	201.2	61.4	200.4	225.8	454.6	488.4
July	149.6	0.7	150.3	145.7	12.1	157.8	295.3	12.8	308.2	64.4	299.3	334.6	658.2	707.1
August	136.2	1.4	137.6	96.5	10.5	107.1	232.7	11.9	244.6	70.1	321.0	363.9	623.7	678.6
NEW SOUTH WALES														
1992-93	2,852.9	80.9	2,933.9	1,516.6	181.7	1,698.3	4,369.5	262.7	4,632.2	965.0	2,126.4	3,178.2	7,452.4	8,775.4
1993-94	3,065.8	53.3	3,119.1	1,424.1	99.9	1,523.9	4,489.9	153.1	4,643.1	1,043.1	1,895.6	2,884.1	7,420.5	8,570.2
1994-95	3,101.6	43.2	3,144.8	2,106.8	125.0	2,231.8	5,208.3	168.3	5,376.6	1,101.0	2,812.5	3,733.4	9,114.5	10,211.0
<i>July-August—</i>														
1994-95	603.6	14.7	618.3	469.7	20.0	489.7	1,073.3	34.7	1,108.0	191.3	448.8	666.3	1,711.8	1,965.6
1995-96	486.6	3.7	490.4	282.9	29.8	312.6	769.5	33.5	803.0	174.7	749.9	853.7	1,693.1	1,831.3
<i>1994—</i>														
June	307.8	6.7	314.5	179.5	11.5	191.0	487.3	18.2	505.5	93.4	224.3	262.4	803.6	861.3
July	278.5	7.5	285.9	124.1	13.1	137.2	402.6	20.5	423.1	85.2	144.7	206.1	631.7	714.3
August	325.2	7.2	332.4	345.6	6.9	352.5	670.7	14.2	684.9	106.1	304.1	460.3	1,080.2	1,251.3
September	287.8	3.5	291.2	268.9	10.2	279.2	556.7	13.7	570.4	142.6	124.7	207.2	821.5	920.2
October	295.6	2.7	298.4	136.5	3.3	139.8	432.2	6.0	438.1	93.4	157.5	209.3	683.1	740.8
November	301.6	1.9	303.5	143.5	3.0	146.5	445.2	4.9	450.1	97.1	169.8	239.1	711.9	786.3
December	229.2	1.0	230.2	179.6	9.0	188.6	408.8	10.1	418.9	72.3	198.2	238.4	679.2	729.6
<i>1995—</i>														
January	220.4	1.5	221.8	143.2	8.1	151.2	363.5	9.5	373.1	70.5	146.1	209.3	578.8	652.9
February	215.6	2.6	218.1	137.3	3.5	140.8	352.9	6.1	359.0	76.1	161.6	363.7	590.4	798.8
March	230.8	5.7	236.5	218.7	6.0	224.7	449.4	11.8	461.2	78.7	167.9	258.5	695.8	798.4
April	202.8	2.7	205.5	113.9	20.6	134.5	316.7	23.3	340.0	99.6	695.1	724.5	1,111.3	1,164.0
May	281.0	3.4	284.4	197.7	23.6	221.3	478.7	27.0	505.7	94.6	280.5	313.2	853.1	913.5
June	233.2	3.5	236.8	97.8	17.8	115.5	331.0	21.3	352.3	84.7	262.3	303.9	677.6	740.9
July	244.4	1.2	245.6	163.0	14.9	177.9	407.4	16.1	423.5	84.7	332.1	373.2	823.2	881.3
August	242.3	2.5	244.8	119.8	14.9	134.7	362.1	17.4	379.5	90.0	417.9	480.5	869.9	950.0

TABLE 3. NUMBER AND VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES (a)

Period	Number of dwelling units (b)				Value (\$m)	
	Houses		Total		New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential buildings
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total		
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED</b>						
<i>1994—</i>						
June	2,692	2,777	5,018	5,110	501.4	92.5
July	2,560	2,733	4,012	4,441	422.4	86.8
August	2,864	2,931	5,944	6,133	697.9	99.7
September	2,455	2,488	5,342	5,536	486.4	115.1
October	2,748	2,818	4,659	4,822	463.0	91.7
November	2,676	2,671	3,998	3,980	408.1	89.4
December	2,417	2,426	4,698	4,738	465.0	85.8
<i>1995—</i>						
January	2,470	2,401	4,119	4,388	402.4	85.5
February r	2,320	2,363	4,394	4,491	410.5	85.7
March r	1,994	1,976	3,882	3,957	434.5	77.6
April r	2,006	2,049	3,952	4,348	378.5	112.2
May r	2,230	2,265	4,132	4,396	461.2	83.5
June r	1,919	1,964	3,399	3,567	343.4	83.0
July r	2,013	2,107	3,912	4,296	428.7	87.1
August	2,062	2,083	3,261	3,559	369.7	82.6
<b>TREND ESTIMATES</b>						
<i>1994—</i>						
June	2,719	2,817	4,808	5,072	449.0	93.2
July	2,709	2,812	4,969	5,219	461.1	95.7
August	2,689	2,779	5,029	5,248	465.7	97.7
September	2,668	2,735	4,970	5,147	461.9	98.2
October	2,641	2,678	4,822	4,955	453.7	95.9
November	2,586	2,597	4,617	4,719	442.9	92.2
December	2,499	2,494	4,416	4,511	433.4	88.7
<i>1995—</i>						
January	2,386	2,376	4,249	4,362	424.7	86.8
February r	2,267	2,263	4,141	4,293	417.6	86.9
March r	2,165	2,173	4,078	4,271	413.7	88.3
April r	2,092	2,117	3,978	4,208	410.1	89.3
May r	2,051	2,090	3,851	4,108	404.9	89.0
June r	2,025	2,074	3,727	4,008	399.3	87.8
July r	2,009	2,064	3,614	3,915	394.1	86.3
August	2,010	2,064	3,497	3,822	387.7	84.8

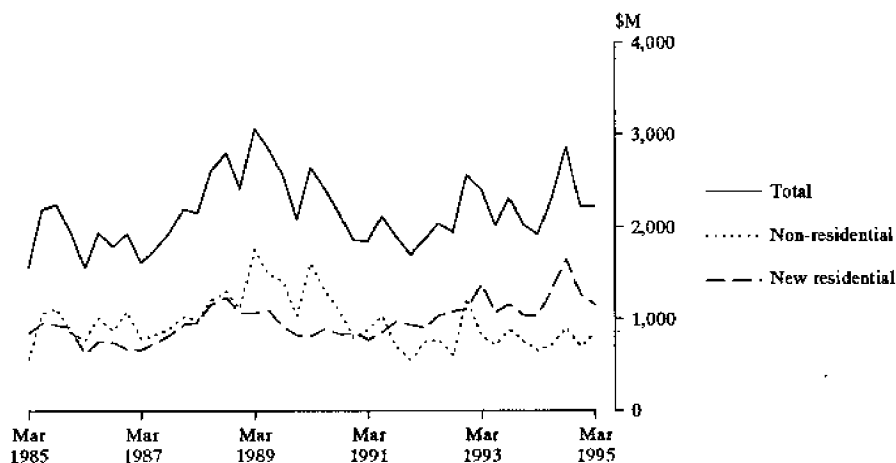
(a) Seasonally adjusted series smoothed by application of a 13-term Henderson moving average - see paragraphs 17-21 of the Explanatory Notes for a more detailed explanation. (b) Includes Conversions, etc. See paragraphs 10-12 of the Explanatory Notes.

**TABLE 4. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES (a)  
(\$ million)**

Period	New residential building				Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		Total building	
	Houses		Other residential buildings	Total		Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
	Private sector	Total							
1992-93	2,723.4	2,800.6	1,842.8	4,643.4	921.2	2,248.8	3,361.5	7,590.5	8,926.2
1993-94	2,870.6	2,920.5	1,640.7	4,561.2	977.0	1,984.8	3,021.2	7,424.4	8,559.4
1994-95	2,849.3	2,889.0	2,340.5	5,229.5	1,011.7	2,867.0	3,808.8	9,006.1	10,050.0
1994—									
Mar. qtr	677.3	691.4	348.2	1,039.6	225.4	402.2	656.0	1,646.1	1,920.9
June qtr	820.3	838.9	484.1	1,323.0	256.2	569.8	730.7	2,101.2	2,309.8
Sept. qtr	823.8	840.6	814.4	1,655.0	308.6	591.2	900.6	2,525.8	2,864.2
Dec. qtr	760.3	765.5	498.8	1,264.3	241.8	538.5	703.7	2,039.4	2,209.8
1995—									
Mar. qtr	605.5	614.4	538.9	1,153.3	204.7	484.3	846.7	1,830.2	2,204.8
June qtr	659.6	668.4	488.4	1,156.8	256.6	1,252.9	1,357.8	2,610.7	2,771.2

(a) See paragraphs 25-27 of the Explanatory Notes. Constant price estimates are subject to revision each quarter as more up to date information on prices and commodity compositions becomes available.

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AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES**



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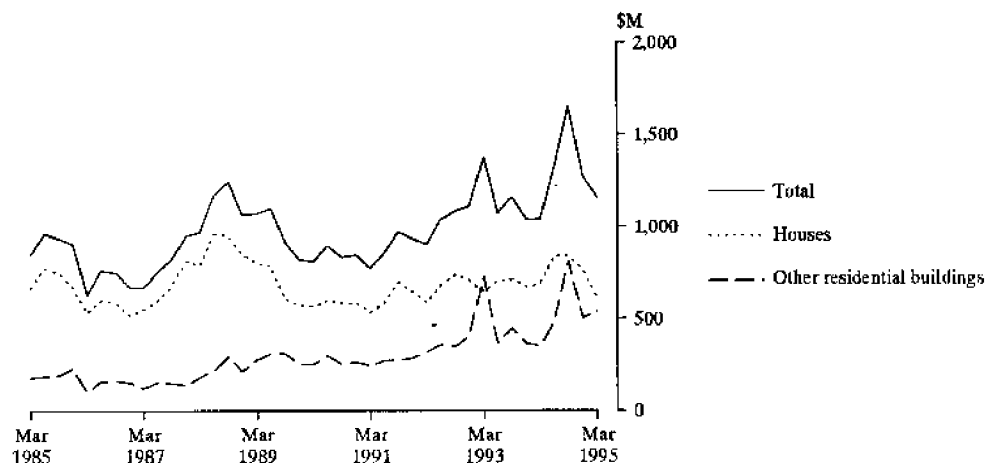


TABLE 5. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND OWNERSHIP  
(\$ million)

Class of building	1993-94	1994-95	July-August		1995		
			1994-95	1995-96	June	July	August
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>							
New houses	3,065.8	3,101.6	603.6	486.6	233.2	244.4	242.3
New other residential buildings	1,424.1	2,106.8	469.7	282.9	97.8	163.0	119.8
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>4,489.9</i>	<i>5,208.3</i>	<i>1,073.3</i>	<i>769.5</i>	<i>331.0</i>	<i>407.4</i>	<i>362.1</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	1,034.9	1,093.7	189.7	173.6	84.3	83.7	89.9
Hotels, etc.	75.2	284.4	9.8	170.0	49.6	166.4	3.6
Shops	301.4	587.5	195.5	165.4	57.8	24.5	140.9
Factories	272.9	381.2	50.6	49.7	47.7	22.3	27.4
Offices	362.5	348.1	78.8	83.3	33.6	18.1	65.1
Other business premises	287.5	354.2	39.5	166.3	34.7	39.8	126.6
Educational	102.2	99.2	18.9	16.8	9.2	8.1	8.8
Religious	34.2	33.7	2.7	7.6	3.8	0.4	7.2
Health	208.2	75.5	11.8	6.6	0.8	4.6	1.9
Entertainment and recreational	151.0	574.8	25.1	74.6	16.7	43.1	31.5
Miscellaneous	100.5	73.7	16.1	9.7	8.3	4.8	4.9
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>1,895.6</i>	<i>2,812.5</i>	<i>448.8</i>	<i>749.9</i>	<i>262.3</i>	<i>332.1</i>	<i>417.9</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,420.5</b>	<b>9,114.5</b>	<b>1,711.8</b>	<b>1,693.1</b>	<b>677.6</b>	<b>823.2</b>	<b>869.9</b>
<b>PUBLIC SECTOR</b>							
New houses	53.3	43.2	14.7	3.7	3.5	1.2	2.5
New other residential buildings	99.9	125.0	20.0	29.8	17.8	14.9	14.9
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>153.1</i>	<i>168.3</i>	<i>34.7</i>	<i>33.5</i>	<i>21.3</i>	<i>16.1</i>	<i>17.4</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	8.1	7.3	1.5	1.0	0.4	0.9	0.1
Hotels, etc.	2.7	2.3	1.9	—	—	—	—
Shops	21.2	19.4	4.2	8.8	1.4	6.1	2.8
Factories	21.2	8.3	0.3	0.8	—	0.2	0.7
Offices	208.9	157.1	26.3	7.7	13.5	3.4	4.2
Other business premises	106.8	85.2	5.6	20.0	9.4	7.8	12.2
Educational	326.2	237.7	37.9	31.5	10.0	10.0	21.5
Religious	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health	187.8	239.7	97.2	4.3	4.6	1.1	3.1
Entertainment and recreational	33.6	51.7	28.3	21.8	1.8	9.9	11.9
Miscellaneous	80.0	119.5	15.8	8.9	0.8	2.6	6.2
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>988.5</i>	<i>920.9</i>	<i>217.6</i>	<i>103.7</i>	<i>41.5</i>	<i>41.1</i>	<i>62.6</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,149.8</b>	<b>1,096.5</b>	<b>253.8</b>	<b>138.2</b>	<b>63.2</b>	<b>58.1</b>	<b>80.1</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>							
New houses	3,119.1	3,144.8	618.3	490.4	236.8	245.6	244.8
New other residential buildings	1,523.9	2,231.8	489.7	312.6	115.5	177.9	134.7
<i>Total new residential building</i>	<i>4,643.1</i>	<i>5,376.6</i>	<i>1,108.0</i>	<i>803.0</i>	<i>352.3</i>	<i>423.5</i>	<i>379.5</i>
Alterations and additions to residential buildings	1,043.1	1,101.0	191.3	174.7	84.7	84.7	90.0
Hotels, etc.	78.0	286.7	11.7	170.0	49.6	166.4	3.6
Shops	322.6	607.0	199.8	174.3	59.2	30.5	143.7
Factories	294.0	389.5	51.0	50.5	47.7	22.5	28.0
Offices	571.4	505.2	105.0	90.9	47.1	21.6	69.4
Other business premises	394.3	439.4	45.1	186.3	44.0	47.6	138.8
Educational	428.5	336.9	56.8	48.3	19.2	18.1	30.2
Religious	34.2	33.7	2.7	7.6	3.8	0.4	7.2
Health	396.0	315.2	109.0	10.8	5.5	5.8	5.1
Entertainment and recreational	184.5	626.5	53.4	96.4	18.5	53.0	43.4
Miscellaneous	180.5	193.3	31.8	18.5	9.1	7.4	11.1
<i>Total non-residential building</i>	<i>2,884.1</i>	<i>3,733.4</i>	<i>666.3</i>	<i>853.7</i>	<i>303.9</i>	<i>373.2</i>	<i>480.5</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,570.2</b>	<b>10,211.0</b>	<b>1,965.6</b>	<b>1,831.3</b>	<b>740.9</b>	<b>881.3</b>	<b>950.0</b>

TABLE 6. NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING JOBS APPROVED, BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND VALUE SIZE GROUPS

Period	\$50,000 to less than \$200,000		\$200,000 to less than \$500,000		\$500,000 to less than \$1m		\$1m to less than \$5m		\$5m and over		Total	
	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)
HOTELS, ETC.												
1995—												
June	7	0.7	3	0.8	2	1.8	3	6.4	1	40.0	16	49.6
July	6	0.8	—	—	2	1.6	2	4.1	1	160.0	11	166.4
August	5	0.5	6	1.8	—	—	1	1.3	—	—	12	3.6
SHOPS												
1995—												
June	88	8.1	18	5.1	6	3.5	4	5.6	2	37.0	118	59.2
July	94	8.2	20	5.2	7	4.5	3	6.9	1	5.7	125	30.5
August	104	8.7	16	4.8	9	6.0	3	4.2	7	120.0	139	143.7
FACTORIES												
1995—												
June	43	4.5	20	6.1	8	5.0	2	2.8	2	29.3	75	47.7
July	37	3.5	14	4.3	9	6.0	3	8.7	—	—	63	22.5
August	32	3.0	14	4.5	5	3.8	5	6.3	2	10.5	58	28.0
OFFICES												
1995—												
June	87	7.8	24	7.3	10	6.5	4	8.7	2	16.8	127	47.1
July	64	6.4	22	6.3	3	2.1	5	6.8	—	—	94	21.6
August	68	6.3	22	7.0	5	3.7	10	20.8	3	31.5	108	69.4
OTHER BUSINESS PREMISES												
1995—												
June	36	3.5	18	5.7	11	8.5	10	15.4	1	11.0	76	44.0
July	19	1.8	16	4.4	3	2.0	8	16.3	2	23.1	48	47.6
August	40	3.7	9	3.1	5	3.3	8	19.5	2	109.2	64	138.8
EDUCATIONAL												
1995—												
June	22	2.0	13	4.0	3	1.9	6	11.3	—	—	44	19.2
July	7	0.8	8	2.6	4	2.7	4	6.9	1	5.1	24	18.1
August	7	0.6	3	1.0	3	2.3	12	26.4	—	—	25	30.2
RELIGIOUS												
1995—												
June	6	0.6	4	1.2	—	—	1	2.0	—	—	11	3.8
July	3	0.4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	0.4
August	7	0.9	4	1.5	—	—	1	4.8	—	—	12	7.2
HEALTH												
1995—												
June	11	1.3	1	0.4	—	—	1	3.7	—	—	13	5.5
July	6	0.5	4	1.3	3	1.9	1	2.0	—	—	14	5.8
August	7	0.7	2	0.7	2	1.3	1	2.4	—	—	12	5.1

TABLE 6. NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING JOBS APPROVED, BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND VALUE SIZE GROUPS—continued

Period	\$50,000 to less than \$200,000		\$200,000 to less than \$500,000		\$500,000 to less than \$1m		\$1m to less than \$5m		\$5m and over		Total	
	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)
ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL												
1995—												
June	15	1.3	12	3.2	4	2.5	2	2.5	1	9.0	34	18.5
July	17	1.7	12	4.2	4	2.8	2	4.9	4	39.5	39	53.0
August	29	2.3	7	2.1	6	3.8	6	8.2	2	27.0	50	43.4
MISCELLANEOUS												
1995—												
June	22	1.9	7	2.1	1	0.8	3	4.3	—	—	33	9.1
July	14	1.3	3	1.1	—	—	3	5.0	—	—	20	7.4
August	17	2.0	8	2.2	3	2.0	3	5.0	—	—	31	11.1
TOTAL NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING												
1995—												
June	337	31.7	120	35.9	45	30.4	36	62.7	9	143.1	547	303.9
July	267	25.5	99	29.4	35	23.4	31	61.6	9	233.4	441	373.2
August	316	28.6	91	28.8	38	26.0	50	98.9	16	298.2	511	480.5



TABLE 7. NUMBER AND VALUE OF NEW DWELLING UNITS (a) APPROVED IN AREAS OF NSW, AUGUST 1995

Dwelling unit classification	Private sector		Public sector		Total	
	Number	Value (\$'000)	Number	Value (\$'000)	Number	Value (\$'000)
<b>SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>						
<i>Houses</i>	1,147	136,185	18	1,371	1,165	137,556
Brick, stone, or concrete	181	26,991	—	—	181	26,991
Brick-veneer	801	86,524	18	1,371	819	87,895
Timber	34	3,643	—	—	34	3,643
Fibre cement	10	801	—	—	10	801
Other materials	121	18,226	—	—	121	18,226
Other residential buildings	913	96,515	200	10,539	1,113	107,054
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>2,060</b>	<b>232,700</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>11,910</b>	<b>2,278</b>	<b>244,610</b>
<b>HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>						
<i>Houses</i>	222	23,456	7	629	229	24,086
Brick, stone, or concrete	27	2,720	1	90	28	2,810
Brick-veneer	169	17,985	6	539	175	18,524
Timber	4	345	—	—	4	345
Fibre cement	7	782	—	—	7	782
Other materials	15	1,625	—	—	15	1,625
Other residential buildings	68	5,559	10	899	78	6,458
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>29,015</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>30,544</b>
<b>ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>						
<i>Houses</i>	200	21,342	—	—	200	21,342
Brick, stone, or concrete	6	706	—	—	6	706
Brick-veneer	180	18,954	—	—	180	18,954
Timber	5	470	—	—	5	470
Fibre cement	3	232	—	—	3	232
Other materials	6	980	—	—	6	980
Other residential buildings	67	5,061	18	2,122	85	7,183
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>26,403</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2,122</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>28,525</b>
<b>BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES</b>						
<i>Houses</i>	649	61,276	7	543	656	61,819
Brick, stone, or concrete	113	12,139	—	—	113	12,139
Brick-veneer	376	37,238	7	543	383	37,781
Timber	52	4,223	—	—	52	4,223
Fibre cement	54	4,018	—	—	54	4,018
Other materials	54	3,658	—	—	54	3,658
Other residential buildings	183	12,711	21	1,296	204	14,007
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>73,987</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>75,826</b>
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>						
<i>Houses</i>	2,218	242,259	32	2,544	2,250	244,803
Brick, stone, or concrete	327	42,556	1	90	328	42,646
Brick-veneer	1,526	160,701	31	2,454	1,557	163,154
Timber	95	8,682	—	—	95	8,682
Fibre cement	74	5,833	—	—	74	5,833
Other materials	196	24,488	—	—	196	24,488
Other residential buildings	1,231	119,846	249	14,856	1,480	134,702
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>3,449</b>	<b>362,105</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>17,400</b>	<b>3,730</b>	<b>379,505</b>

(a) Comprises new houses (classified by material of outer walls) and dwelling units in new other residential buildings. Excludes Conversions, etc.

**TABLE 8. NEW DWELLING UNITS (a) APPROVED BY TYPE AND STATISTICAL DIVISION, NSW  
AUGUST 1995**

Statistical division	New other residential building									Total new residential building
	New houses	Semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, etc. of			Flats, units or apartments in a building of				Total	
		1 storey	2 or more storeys	Total	1-2 storeys	3 storeys	4 or more storeys	Total		
NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS										
Sydney	1,165	295	272	567	258	110	178	546	1,113	2,278
Hunter	229	57	18	75	3	—	—	3	78	307
Illawarra	200	38	31	69	16	—	—	16	85	285
Richmond—Tweed	112	30	24	54	8	—	—	8	62	174
Mid-North Coast	159	18	—	18	5	—	—	5	23	182
Northern	35	3	—	3	5	—	—	5	8	43
North Western	40	4	—	4	—	—	—	—	4	44
Central West	60	14	2	16	7	—	—	7	23	83
South Eastern	170	80	—	80	2	—	—	2	82	252
Murrumbidgee	37	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	39
Murray	43	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	43
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>New South Wales</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>3,730</b>
VALUE (\$'000)										
Sydney	137,556	22,102	24,918	47,020	19,984	9,500	30,550	60,034	107,054	244,610
Hunter	24,086	4,778	1,380	6,158	300	—	—	300	6,458	30,544
Illawarra	21,342	2,723	3,090	5,813	1,370	—	—	1,370	7,183	28,525
Richmond—Tweed	10,977	2,098	1,900	3,998	660	—	—	660	4,658	15,635
Mid-North Coast	15,165	1,065	—	1,065	558	—	—	558	1,622	16,788
Northern	4,079	130	—	130	310	—	—	310	440	4,519
North Western	3,919	316	—	316	—	—	—	—	316	4,235
Central West	5,963	808	80	888	398	—	—	398	1,286	7,249
South Eastern	14,443	5,354	—	5,354	190	—	—	190	5,544	19,987
Murrumbidgee	3,362	140	—	140	—	—	—	—	140	3,502
Murray	3,910	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,910
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>New South Wales</b>	<b>244,803</b>	<b>39,514</b>	<b>31,369</b>	<b>70,883</b>	<b>23,769</b>	<b>9,500</b>	<b>30,550</b>	<b>63,819</b>	<b>134,702</b>	<b>379,505</b>

(a) Excludes Conversions, etc.

**NEW OTHER RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, BY TYPE, NSW**

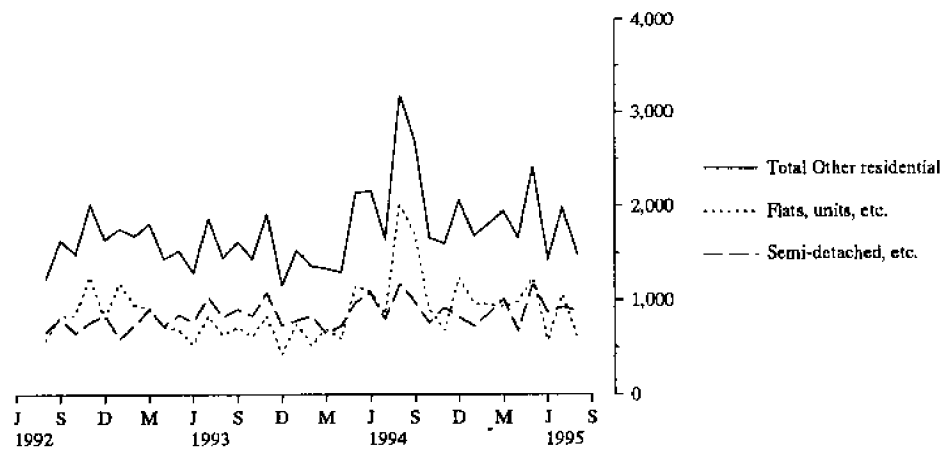


TABLE 9. BUILDING APPROVED IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW, AUGUST 1995

Statistical area	New residential building (a)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$'000)	Non-residential building		
	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Botany (A)	7	—	1,416	—	—	—	898	105,600	105,600	107,913
Leichhardt (A)	8	—	980	21	—	2,086	5,101	2,015	2,015	10,182
Marrickville (A)	1	—	65	—	—	—	370	90	90	525
South Sydney (C)	3	—	160	4	—	360	2,166	9,645	12,527	15,214
Sydney (C) — Inner & Remainder	—	—	—	108	—	14,600	228	47,407	55,697	70,525
Inner Sydney (SSD)	19	—	2,621	133	—	17,046	8,763	164,756	175,930	204,359
Randwick (C)	6	—	1,005	86	—	11,380	2,133	2,017	10,566	25,084
Waverley (A)	4	—	725	12	—	1,190	1,774	234	234	3,923
Woolahra (A)	1	—	194	41	—	10,700	3,419	1,643	1,643	15,956
Eastern Suburbs (SSD)	11	—	1,924	139	—	23,270	7,326	3,894	12,443	44,962
Hurstville (C)	14	1	2,058	26	4	1,950	1,101	2,630	2,865	7,974
Kogarah (A)	5	—	801	21	—	1,532	456	1,000	1,000	3,789
Rockdale (C)	5	—	940	4	—	310	692	1,470	3,925	5,866
Sutherland Shire (A)	62	—	9,120	49	—	4,508	3,666	2,185	2,185	19,479
St George — Sutherland (SSD)	86	1	12,919	100	4	8,300	5,915	7,285	9,975	37,108
Bankstown (C)	8	4	1,510	19	10	1,793	1,906	2,010	2,535	7,743
Canterbury (A)	2	—	165	34	—	2,729	1,307	459	2,479	6,680
Canterbury — Bankstown (SSD)	10	4	1,675	53	10	4,522	3,213	2,469	5,014	14,423
Fairfield (C)	29	—	3,657	30	—	2,430	954	3,788	3,959	11,001
Liverpool (C)	203	—	20,900	53	—	4,066	536	1,810	6,863	32,365
Fairfield — Liverpool (SSD)	232	—	24,557	83	—	6,496	1,491	5,598	10,822	43,366
Camden (A)	74	—	7,786	—	—	—	305	225	225	8,316
Campbelltown (C)	42	—	4,263	—	—	—	1,263	2,041	2,424	7,950
Wollondilly (A)	24	—	2,196	—	—	—	221	300	300	2,717
Outer South Western Sydney (SSD)	140	—	14,245	—	—	—	1,789	2,566	2,949	18,983
Ashfield (A)	9	—	826	—	—	—	304	—	—	1,130
Burwood (A)	4	—	635	5	—	500	686	3,750	3,750	5,571
Concord (A)	2	—	189	—	—	—	479	50	2,550	3,219
Drummoyne (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	455	80	80	535
Strathfield (A)	3	—	839	—	—	—	303	2,241	4,030	5,172
Inner Western Sydney (SSD)	18	—	2,489	5	—	500	2,227	6,121	10,410	15,626

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	Houses			Other residential buildings				Private sector (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)	Total building (\$'000)
	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)	Private sector (number)	Public sector (number)	Total value (\$'000)				
<b>SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION—continued</b>										
Auburn (A)	12	—	1,212	4	—	250	201	1,545	4,034	5,698
Holroyd (C)	22	—	2,751	56	—	3,200	580	520	520	7,051
Parramatta (C)	23	5	2,370	10	20	2,270	1,635	14,169	14,412	20,687
Central Western Sydney (SSD)	57	5	6,333	70	20	5,720	2,417	16,234	18,966	33,436
Blue Mountains (C)	24	—	2,275	6	15	1,240	1,737	105	105	5,357
Hawkesbury (C)	34	—	4,020	4	—	277	904	—	—	5,201
Penrith (C)	64	—	7,116	21	71	4,143	1,611	4,421	4,519	17,389
Outer Western Sydney (SSD)	122	—	13,412	31	86	5,660	4,252	4,526	4,624	27,948
Baulkham Hills (A)	56	—	8,030	27	—	2,403	2,452	1,800	1,800	14,685
Blacktown (C)	71	—	6,252	35	67	5,748	988	14,257	14,498	27,486
Blacktown—Baulkham Hills (SSD)	127	—	14,282	62	67	8,131	3,440	16,057	16,298	42,171
Hunter's Hill (A)	3	—	541	—	—	—	851	—	—	1,392
Lane Cove (A)	4	—	325	2	—	160	1,691	680	680	2,856
Mosman (A)	2	—	1,000	4	—	725	2,842	—	120	4,687
North Sydney (A)	1	—	325	13	—	4,092	543	1,352	1,352	6,312
Ryde (C)	22	—	3,207	37	6	3,977	2,320	4,080	4,080	13,584
Willoughby (C)	8	—	1,703	10	—	995	2,353	50,230	50,230	55,280
Lower Northern Sydney (SSD)	40	—	7,100	66	6	9,949	10,601	56,342	56,462	84,112
Hornsby (A)	63	—	7,553	21	—	1,780	3,123	—	2,400	14,856
Ku-ring-gai (A)	9	—	2,446	46	—	5,680	4,704	512	512	13,343
Hornsby—Ku-ring-gai (SSD)	72	—	10,000	67	—	7,460	7,827	512	2,912	28,199
Manly (A)	2	—	270	—	—	—	1,360	7,580	7,850	9,480
Pittwater (A)	8	—	2,358	—	—	—	3,661	507	507	6,526
Warringah (A)	31	—	3,820	43	—	4,633	2,714	2,048	4,218	15,386
Northern Beaches (SSD)	41	—	6,447	43	—	4,633	7,736	10,135	12,575	31,392
Gosford (C)	78	8	9,872	46	7	4,238	1,827	2,520	2,520	18,456
Wyong (A)	94	—	9,681	15	—	1,110	1,281	21,953	21,953	34,025
Gosford—Wyong (SSD)	172	8	19,553	61	7	5,348	3,107	24,473	24,473	52,481
<b>Sydney (SD)</b>	<b>1,147</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>137,556</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>107,054</b>	<b>70,104</b>	<b>320,967</b>	<b>363,852</b>	<b>678,566</b>

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<b>HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Cessnock (C) (b)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lake Macquarie (C)	92	1	10,119	13	—	1,201	1,563	18,164	18,164	31,047
Maitland (C)	24	—	2,345	4	—	160	354	650	650	3,509
Newcastle (C) — Inner & Remainder	53	6	5,312	28	10	3,079	2,165	7,623	9,613	20,168
Port Stephens (A)	35	—	4,261	15	—	1,390	515	1,140	1,140	7,306
Newcastle (SSD)	204	7	22,036	60	10	5,830	4,597	27,577	29,567	62,030
Dungog (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gloucester (A)	2	—	184	—	—	—	27	—	—	211
Great Lakes (A) (b)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Merriwa (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Murrumbidgee (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	80	80	80
Muswellbrook (A)	1	—	125	—	—	—	232	395	395	752
Scone (A)	4	—	437	6	—	388	239	150	150	1,214
Singleton (A)	11	—	1,304	2	—	240	534	928	5,628	7,706
Hunter SD Balance (SSD)	18	—	2,050	8	—	628	1,031	1,553	6,253	9,962
<b>Hunter (SD)</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24,086</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6,458</b>	<b>5,628</b>	<b>29,130</b>	<b>35,820</b>	<b>71,992</b>
<b>ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Kiama (A)	6	—	921	11	—	800	260	440	440	2,421
Shellharbour (A)	34	—	3,203	3	—	150	535	109	109	3,997
Wollongong (C)	62	—	6,798	30	18	4,493	2,479	5,109	6,544	20,314
Wollongong (SSD)	102	—	10,922	44	18	5,443	3,274	5,658	7,093	26,732
Shoalhaven (C)	66	—	6,882	14	—	840	1,087	560	980	9,789
Wingecarribee (A)	32	—	3,537	9	—	900	643	252	752	5,832
Illawarra SD Balance (SSD)	98	—	10,419	23	—	1,740	1,730	812	1,732	15,621
<b>Illawarra (SD)</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>21,342</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7,183</b>	<b>5,004</b>	<b>6,469</b>	<b>8,825</b>	<b>42,353</b>
<b>RICHMOND—TWEED STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Tweed (A) Pt A	43	—	4,348	30	—	2,133	240	5,259	5,259	11,980
Tweed Heads (SSD)	43	—	4,348	30	—	2,133	240	5,259	5,259	11,980
Ballina (A)	16	—	2,292	8	—	625	188	100	280	3,384
Byron (A)	22	—	1,818	24	—	1,900	115	715	715	4,548
Casino (A)	1	—	68	—	—	—	83	242	242	393
Kyogle (A)	3	—	172	—	—	—	28	—	—	200
Lismore (C)	20	—	1,673	—	—	—	404	611	611	2,688
Richmond River (A)	7	—	607	—	—	—	68	200	200	875
Tweed (A) Pt B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Richmond—Tweed SD Balance (SSD)	69	—	6,629	32	—	2,525	885	1,868	2,048	12,088
<b>Richmond—Tweed (SD)</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>10,977</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4,658</b>	<b>1,125</b>	<b>7,126</b>	<b>7,306</b>	<b>24,067</b>

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<b>MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Bellingen (A)	5	—	413	—	—	—	63	—	—	476
Coffs Harbour (C)	42	—	3,473	2	—	150	374	500	1,769	5,767
Copmanhurst (A)	1	—	70	—	—	—	50	—	—	120
Grafton (C)	6	—	645	2	—	178	84	—	450	1,356
Macleay (A)	13	2	1,366	4	4	610	98	—	—	2,074
Nambucca (A)	6	—	451	—	—	—	50	93	93	594
Nymboida (A)	2	—	152	—	—	—	30	—	—	182
Ullmarra (A)	6	—	550	—	—	—	15	98	248	813
Clarence (SSD)	81	2	7,121	8	4	937	764	691	2,560	11,383
Greater Taree (C)	20	—	2,367	—	—	—	452	1,493	1,493	4,312
Hastings (A)	40	—	4,453	11	—	685	662	26,165	29,067	34,867
Kempsey (A)	15	1	1,224	—	—	—	98	330	330	1,652
Lord Howe Island	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hastings (SSD)	75	1	8,044	11	—	685	1,212	27,988	30,890	40,831
<b>Mid-North Coast (SD)</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15,165</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1,622</b>	<b>1,976</b>	<b>28,679</b>	<b>33,450</b>	<b>52,214</b>
<b>NORTHERN STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Barraba (A)	1	—	136	—	—	—	51	—	—	187
Bingara (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gunnedah (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	180	180	215
Inverell (A) Pt A	1	—	145	—	—	—	—	—	—	145
Manilla (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	10
Nundle (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Parry (A)	4	—	581	—	—	—	159	—	—	740
Quirindi (A)	1	—	80	—	—	—	—	—	1,421	1,501
Tamworth (C)	8	—	831	3	—	250	167	210	210	1,458
Yallaroi (A)	1	—	130	—	—	—	—	70	70	200
Northern Slopes (SSD)	16	—	1,903	3	—	250	422	460	1,881	4,456
Armidale (C)	2	—	320	3	—	130	130	1,614	1,784	2,364
Dumaresq (A)	4	—	688	—	—	—	—	79	179	867
Glen Innes (A)	4	—	306	2	—	60	—	—	—	366
Guyra (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inverell (A) Pt B	1	—	70	—	—	—	88	—	—	158
Severn (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	40	—	—	40
Tenterfield (A)	1	—	40	—	—	—	—	135	135	175
Uralla (A)	3	—	377	—	—	—	40	—	—	417
Walcha (A)	1	—	78	—	—	—	10	—	—	88
Northern Tablelands (SSD)	16	—	1,879	5	—	190	308	1,828	2,098	4,475
Moree Plains (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	86	51	51	137
Narrabri (A)	3	—	297	—	—	—	98	—	—	395
North Central Plain (SSD)	3	—	297	—	—	—	184	51	51	532
<b>Northern (SD)</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4,079</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>2,339</b>	<b>4,029</b>	<b>9,463</b>

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<b>NORTH WESTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Coolah (A)	4	—	366	—	—	—	—	—	—	366
Coonabarabran (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	118	60	60	178
Dubbo (C)	19	—	1,974	2	—	141	215	430	430	2,760
Gilgandra (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	15
Mudgee (A)	6	—	641	2	—	175	257	50	50	1,123
Narromine (A)	2	—	158	—	—	—	—	87	87	245
Wellington (A)	2	—	164	—	—	—	10	—	—	174
Central Macquarie (SSD)	33	—	3,303	4	—	316	614	627	627	4,861
Bogan (A)	1	—	120	—	—	—	10	—	—	130
Coonamble (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	200	200	217
Walgett (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Warren (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	140	140	140
Macquarie — Barwon (SSD)	1	—	120	—	—	—	27	340	340	487
Bourke (A)	2	—	130	—	—	—	10	—	—	140
Brewarrina (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	200	200
Cobar (A)	4	—	367	—	—	—	145	126	506	1,017
Upper Darling (SSD)	6	—	496	—	—	—	155	126	706	1,356
North Western (SD)	40	—	3,919	4	—	316	796	1,093	1,673	6,704
<b>CENTRAL WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Bathurst (C)	15	—	1,799	2	—	80	203	56	116	2,197
Blayney (A) Pt A	1	—	280	—	—	—	20	—	—	300
Cabonne (A) Pt A	2	—	104	—	—	—	40	—	—	144
Evans (A) Pt A	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Orange (C)	8	—	743	—	17	966	293	9,330	9,330	11,332
Bathurst — Orange (SSD)	26	—	2,926	2	17	1,046	555	9,386	9,446	13,973
Blayney (A) Pt B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cabonne (A) Pt B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Evans (A) Pt B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Greater Lithgow (C)	6	—	486	—	—	—	214	100	100	801
Oberon (A)	4	—	349	—	—	—	173	100	100	622
Rylstone (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central Tablelands (excl. Bathurst — Orange) (SSD)	10	—	836	—	—	—	387	200	200	1,423
Bland (A)	2	—	189	—	—	—	—	—	—	189
Cabonne (A) Pt C	9	—	737	—	—	—	67	—	—	804
Cowra (A)	5	—	556	—	—	—	36	50	50	642
Forbes (A)	2	—	172	4	—	240	76	—	—	488
Lachlan (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	390	390	390
Parkes (A)	6	—	548	—	—	—	30	138	138	716
Weddin (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	47	—	—	47
Lachlan (SSD)	24	—	2,262	4	—	240	256	578	578	3,276
Central West (SD)	60	—	5,963	6	17	1,286	1,198	10,164	10,224	18,671

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<b>SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Queanbeyan (C)	23	—	2,730	—	—	—	349	—	—	3,079
Queanbeyan (SSD)	23	—	2,730	—	—	—	349	—	—	3,079
Boorowa (A)	3	—	191	—	—	—	14	—	—	205
Crookwell (A)	2	—	230	2	—	107	42	—	—	379
Goulburn (C)	51	—	3,055	72	—	4,762	138	921	921	8,876
Gunning (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Harden (A)	2	—	83	—	—	—	15	—	—	98
Mulwaree (A)	2	—	122	—	—	—	—	—	—	122
Tallaganda (A)	2	—	113	—	—	—	27	—	—	140
Yarrowlumla (A)	6	—	569	—	—	—	148	500	500	1,217
Yass (A)	5	—	656	—	—	—	98	5,614	5,614	6,368
Young (A)	4	—	267	—	—	—	46	52	52	365
Southern Tablelands (excl. Queanbeyan) (SSD)	77	—	5,286	74	—	4,869	527	7,087	7,087	17,769
Bega Valley (A)	25	1	2,562	2	—	220	568	350	350	3,701
Eurobodalla (A)	37	—	3,120	6	—	455	285	1,475	1,475	5,335
Lower South Coast (SSD)	62	1	5,683	8	—	675	853	1,825	1,825	9,036
Bombala (A)	1	—	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	95
Cooma-Monaro (A)	1	—	40	—	—	—	56	100	100	196
Snowy River (A)	5	—	610	—	—	—	45	—	90	745
Snowy (SSD)	7	—	745	—	—	—	101	100	190	1,036
<b>South Eastern (SD)</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14,443</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5,544</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>9,012</b>	<b>9,102</b>	<b>30,920</b>
<b>MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Coilamon (A)	1	—	100	—	—	—	—	—	—	100
Cootamundra (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gundagai (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jumea (A)	2	—	235	—	—	—	110	150	150	495
Lockhart (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	365	1,939	1,958
Narrandera (A)	1	—	178	—	—	—	63	—	—	241
Temora (A)	2	—	175	—	—	—	—	—	—	175
Tumut (A)	7	—	572	2	—	140	58	100	700	1,470
Wagga Wagga (C) (b)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,100	1,100
Central Murrumbidgee (SSD)	13	—	1,260	2	—	140	250	615	3,889	5,539
Carrathool (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	47	—	—	47
Griffith (C)	16	—	1,537	—	—	—	113	98	98	1,747
Hay (A)	2	—	60	—	—	—	—	80	80	140
Lecton (A)	4	—	378	—	—	—	62	149	149	589
Murrumbidgee (A)	2	—	128	—	—	—	—	—	—	128
Lower Murrumbidgee (SSD)	24	—	2,102	—	—	—	222	327	327	2,651
<b>Murrumbidgee (SD)</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,362</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>4,216</b>	<b>8,190</b>

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<b>MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Albury (C)	14	3	1,691	—	—	—	302	930	930	2,923
Hume (A)	4	—	391	—	—	—	121	125	125	637
Albury (SSD)	18	3	2,082	—	—	—	423	1,055	1,055	3,560
Corowa (A)	2	—	137	—	—	—	—	200	200	337
Culcairn (A)	2	—	225	—	—	—	108	300	300	633
Holbrook (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	—	—	13
Tumbarumba (A)	3	—	180	—	—	—	55	300	300	535
Urana (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Upper Murray (excl. Albury) (SSD)	7	—	542	—	—	—	176	800	800	1,518
Berrigan (A)	2	—	172	—	—	—	160	110	110	442
Conargo (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Deniliquin (A)	2	—	267	—	—	—	117	—	—	384
Jenilderie (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Murray (A)	9	—	709	—	—	—	—	—	—	709
Wakool (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Windouran (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central Murray (SSD)	13	—	1,147	—	—	—	277	110	110	1,534
Balranald (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wentworth (A)	2	—	140	—	—	—	14	—	—	154
Murray—Darling (SSD)	2	—	140	—	—	—	14	—	—	154
<b>Murray (SD)</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3,910</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>1,965</b>	<b>1,965</b>	<b>6,766</b>
<b>FAR WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION</b>										
Broken Hill (C)	—	—	—	—	—	—	78	—	—	78
Central Darling (A)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Unincorp. Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Far West (SD)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>										
<b>New South Wales</b>	<b>2,218</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>244,803</b>	<b>1,231</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>134,702</b>	<b>90,017</b>	<b>417,887</b>	<b>480,463</b>	<b>949,984</b>

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Introduction

This publication contains monthly details of building work approved.

2. For purposes of comparison, it should be noted that statistics of building approvals are affected from month to month by large projects (e.g. blocks of flats, multi-storey office buildings) approved in particular months and also by the administrative arrangements of government authorities.

### Scope and Coverage

3. Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:

- (a) permits issued by local authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities; and
- (b) contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities.
- (c) major building activity which takes place in areas not subject to the normal administrative approval processes (e.g. buildings on remote mine sites).

4. The statistics relate to building activity which includes construction of new buildings, and alterations and additions to existing buildings. Construction activity not defined as building (e.g. construction of roads, bridges, railways, earthworks etc.) is excluded from this publication, but can be found in the ABS publication *Engineering Construction Survey* (8762.0).

5. In relation to work carried out on existing buildings, the statistics include details of non-structural renovation and refurbishment work and the installation of integral building fixtures for which building approval was obtained.

6. From July 1990, the statistics cover:

- (a) all approved new residential building jobs valued at \$10,000 or more (previously \$5,000 or more)
- (b) approved alterations and additions to residential buildings valued at \$10,000 or more
- (c) all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more (previously \$30,000 or more).

These changes in coverage do not have a statistically significant effect on broad building approvals aggregate data. However, care should be taken in interpreting data for specific classes of non-residential building.

### Definitions

7. A *building* is defined as a rigid, fixed and permanent structure which has a roof. Its intended purpose is primarily to house people, plant, machinery, vehicles, goods or livestock. An integral feature of a building's design, to satisfy its intended use, is the provision for regular access by persons.

8. A *dwelling unit* is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long term residential use. Units (whether self-contained or not) within buildings offering institutional care such as hospitals or temporary accommodation, such as motels, hostels and holiday apartments are not defined as dwelling units. The value of units of this type is included in the appropriate category of non-residential buildings approved.

9. A *residential building* is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either houses or other residential buildings.

(a) A *house* is defined as a detached building predominantly used for long term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit. Thus detached granny flats and detached dwelling units such as caretaker's residences associated with non-residential buildings are defined as houses for the purpose of these statistics.

(b) An *other residential building* is defined as a building which is predominantly used for long term residential purposes and which contains (or has attached to it) more than one dwelling unit (e.g. includes townhouses, duplexes, apartment buildings etc.).

10. From the January 1995 issue of this publication, the number of dwelling units approved as part of alterations and additions to or conversions of existing residential or non-residential buildings and as part of the construction of non-residential building is shown separately in Table 1 under the heading of 'Conversions, etc.', and is included in the total number of dwelling units shown in the table. Previously, such dwellings were only included as a footnote.

11. In addition, from the January 1995 issue, the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for the number of dwelling units approved, shown in Table 3, include these conversions, etc. Previously, only dwelling units approved as part of the construction of new residential buildings were included in these estimates.

12. The value of new residential building approved continues to exclude the value of dwelling units approved as part of alterations and additions to or conversions of existing residential or non-residential buildings and as part of the construction of non-residential building. Approved building work represented by these conversions, etc. jobs continues to be included in the value of alterations and additions to residential buildings or in the value of non-residential building as appropriate.

13. Value data are derived by aggregation of the estimated value (when completed) of building work (excluding value of land and landscaping but including site preparation) as reported on approval documents. For 'houses', these estimates are usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of the building. However, for 'other residential buildings' and 'non-residential buildings' these estimates can differ significantly from the completed value of the building.

### Building Classification

14. *Ownership of a building* is classified as either public sector or private sector according to the sector of the intended owner of the completed building as evident at the time of approval. Residential buildings being constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes whereby the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the buildings on or before completion, are classified as public sector.

15. *Functional classification of buildings:* a building is classified according to its intended major function. Hence a building which is ancillary to other buildings or forms a part of a group of related buildings is classified to the function of the building and not to the function of the group as a whole. An example of this can be seen in the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. In this case a detached

administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Shops, while factory buildings would be classified to Factories. An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings *e.g.* a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Educational.

16. Examples of the types of individual building jobs included under each main functional heading are shown in the following list:

- (a) *Houses:* includes cottages, bungalows, detached caretakers/managers cottages and granny flats, rectories;
- (b) *Other residential buildings:* includes blocks of flats, home units, attached townhouses, duplexes, villa units, terrace houses, apartment buildings, semi-detached houses, maisonettes;
- (c) *Hotels etc.:* includes motels, hostels, boarding houses, guest houses, holiday apartment buildings;
- (d) *Shops:* includes retail shops, restaurants, cafes, taverns, dry cleaners, laundromats, hair salons, shopping arcades;
- (e) *Factories:* includes paper mills, oil refinery buildings, brickworks, foundries, power-houses, manufacturing laboratories, workshops as part of a manufacturing process;
- (f) *Offices:* includes banks, post offices, council chambers, head and regional offices;
- (g) *Other business premises:* includes warehouses, storage depots, service stations, transport depots and terminals, electricity sub-station buildings, telephone exchanges, mail sorting centres, broadcasting stations, film studios;
- (h) *Educational:* includes schools, colleges, kindergartens, libraries, museums, art galleries, research and teaching laboratories, theological colleges;
- (i) *Religious:* includes churches, chapels, temples;
- (j) *Health:* includes hospitals, nursing homes, surgeries, clinics, medical centres;
- (k) *Entertainment and recreational:* includes clubs, theatres, cinemas, public halls, gymnasiums, grandstands, squash courts, recreation centres;
- (l) *Miscellaneous:* includes law courts, homes for the aged (where medical care is not provided as a normal service), orphanages, gaols, barracks, mine buildings, glass houses, livestock sheds, shearing sheds, fruit and skin drying sheds, public toilets, and ambulance, fire and police stations.

### Seasonal Adjustment

17. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series may be more clearly recognised.

18. For the six seasonally adjusted series shown in Table 3, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the month) and the effect of movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months.

19. Seasonal adjustment procedures do not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month, such as the effect of the approval of large projects or as a consequence of the administrative arrangements of approving authorities. These irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

20. Most of the component series have been seasonally adjusted independently. Therefore, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals. Further, the difference between independently seasonally adjusted series does not necessarily produce series which are optimum or even adequate adjustments of the similarly derived original series. Thus the figures which can be derived by subtracting seasonally adjusted private sector dwelling units from the seasonally adjusted total should not be used to represent seasonally adjusted public sector dwelling units.

21. As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. For Building Approvals, the results of the latest review are shown in the July issue each year. Further information about seasonal adjustment can be obtained from the Assistant Director of Time Series Analysis, Canberra, on (06) 252 6345.

### Trend Estimates

22. Seasonally adjusted series can be smoothed to reduce the impact of the irregular component in the adjusted series. This smoothed seasonally adjusted series is called a trend estimate.

23. The trend estimates in Table 3 are obtained by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all months of the respective seasonally adjusted series except the last six months. Trend series are created for the last six months by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted time series. For further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series - Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview* (1348.0).

24. While the smoothing technique described in paragraphs 22 and 23 enables trend estimates to be produced for the latest few months, it does result in revisions to the trend estimates as new data become available. Generally, revisions become smaller over time and, after three months, usually have a negligible impact on the series. Revisions to the original data and re-analysis of seasonal factors may also lead to revisions to the trend.

### Estimates at Constant Prices

25. Estimates of the quarterly value of building approvals at average 1989-90 prices are presented in Table 4. (Note: monthly value data at constant prices are not available.)

26. Constant price estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated. The deflators used to revalue the current price estimates are derived from the same price data underlying the deflators compiled for the dwelling and non-dwelling construction components of the national accounts aggregate 'Gross fixed capital expenditure'.

27. Estimates at constant prices are subject to a number of approximations and assumptions. Further information on the nature and concepts of constant price estimates is contained in Chapter 4 of *Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5216.0).

## Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)

28. Area statistics are now being classified to the *Australian Standard Geographical Classification, Edition 2.5* (1216.0) and ASGC terminology has been adopted in the presentation of building statistics. Changes brought about by the (State) *Local Government Act 1993* to the titles of legal Local Government Areas (LGAs) have been incorporated in this publication.

- (a) *Statistical Local Areas (SLAs)* are in most cases either identical with, or have been aggregated to, the previously published whole or part of legal Local Government Areas (LGAs) as defined under the (State) *Local Government Act 1919* and comprising cities (C), municipalities (M) and shires (S). In other cases, they are identical to each previously published unincorporated area. The (State) *Local Government Act 1993* eliminated the titles of Shire and Municipality and instituted the concept of *Area (A)*. With one exception -- Sutherland (S) became Sutherland Shire (A) -- names of the LGAs have remained unaltered. In aggregate, SLAs cover the whole of the State without gaps or overlaps. In some cases legal LGAs overlap Statistical Subdivision boundaries and therefore comprise two SLAs (Part A and Part B) or three SLAs in the case of Cabonne (A) (Part A, Part B and Part C).
- (b) *Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs)*. These consist of one or more SLAs and form the intermediate size spatial unit for the presentation of regional data.
- (c) *Statistical Divisions (SDs)*. These consist of one or more Statistical Subdivisions (SSDs). Where SSDs are not shown for statistical purposes, statistical local areas are shown ordered alphabetically within statistical divisions. The divisions are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within the region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.
- (d) *Statistical Districts*. To provide comparable statistics over a period of time, statistical districts have been defined around selected urban centres, with a population of 25,000 or more, experiencing urban growth beyond the legal local government area boundaries. Those districts are intended to contain the anticipated urban spread over the next 20 years. In some cases, Statistical District boundaries are identical to those of particular Statistical Subdivisions (e.g. Newcastle SSD and Wollongong SSD included in Table 8 of this publication).

## Unpublished Data and Related Publications

29. The ABS can also make available certain building approvals data which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required information by telephone, data can be provided in the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, computer printout and clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished information in these forms.

30. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

*Building Approvals, Australia* (8731.0)  
*Dwelling Unit Commencements Reported by Approving Authorities, New South Wales* (8741.2)  
*Building Activity, Australia: Dwelling Unit Commencements, Preliminary* (8750.0)  
*Building Activity, New South Wales* (8752.2)  
*Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia* (5609.0)  
*Price Index of Materials Used in House Building* (6408.0)  
*Engineering Construction Survey* (8762.0)

31. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The *Catalogue and Publications Advice* are available from any ABS office.

### Symbols and Other Usages

—	nil or rounded to zero
A	Area
C	City
n.y.a.	not yet available
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
SD	Statistical Division
SLA	Statistical Local Area
SSD	Statistical Subdivision

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

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## RELIABILITY OF CONTEMPORARY TREND ESTIMATES

The tables below present trend estimates of selected building approvals series for the six months March to August 1995.

2. Analysis of building approvals series has shown that the original series can be volatile and that the initial estimates of a months trend value can be revised substantially. In particular, some months can elapse before a turning point in the trend series is identified reliably. Generally, the size of revisions to the trend estimates tends to be larger, the greater the volatility of the original series. Revisions to trend estimates will also occur with revisions to original data and re-estimates of seasonal adjustment factors. See paragraphs 28 and 29 of the Explanatory Notes for a more detailed explanation.

3. To illustrate the possible impact of future months' observations on the trend estimates for the latest months, the tables show the revisions to the trend estimates that would result if the

movements in the seasonally adjusted estimates for next month (September 1995) were to equal the average monthly percentage change (regardless of sign) in the series over the last ten years.

4. For example, if the seasonally adjusted estimate for the number of private houses approved (the first table) were to increase by 7% in September 1995, the trend estimate for that month would be 2,103, a movement of 1.7%. The monthly movements in the trend estimates for June, July and August 1995, which are currently estimated to be -1.3%, -0.8% and -0.0% respectively, would be revised to -0.4%, 0.5% and 1.0%. On the other hand, a 7% seasonally adjusted decline in the number of private houses approved in September 1995 would produce a trend estimate for September 1995 of 1,986 a movement of -0.3%, with the movements in the trend estimates for June, July and August 1995 being revised to -1.2%, -0.9% and -0.8% respectively.

### NUMBER OF PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED: RELIABILITY OF TREND ESTIMATES

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if September 1995 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 7% on August 1995		is down 7% on August 1995	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1995—						
March	2,165	-4.5	2,158	-4.8	2,164	-4.6
April	2,092	-3.4	2,080	-3.6	2,089	-3.5
May	2,051	-2.0	2,045	-1.7	2,050	-1.9
June	2,025	-1.3	2,038	-0.4	2,025	-1.2
July	2,009	-0.8	2,048	0.5	2,007	-0.9
August	2,010	-0.0	2,068	1.0	1,991	-0.8
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	2,103	1.7	1,986	-0.3

### TOTAL NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED: RELIABILITY OF TREND ESTIMATES

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if September 1995 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 7% on August 1995		is down 7% on August 1995	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1995—						
March	2,173	-4.0	2,167	-4.2	2,173	-4.0
April	2,117	-2.6	2,105	-2.9	2,115	-2.7
May	2,090	-1.3	2,085	-1.0	2,090	-1.2
June	2,074	-0.8	2,085	0.0	2,072	-0.9
July	2,064	-0.5	2,097	0.6	2,054	-0.8
August	2,064	0.0	2,115	0.9	2,035	-0.9
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	2,149	1.6	2,028	-0.3

## TOTAL NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED: RELIABILITY OF TREND ESTIMATES

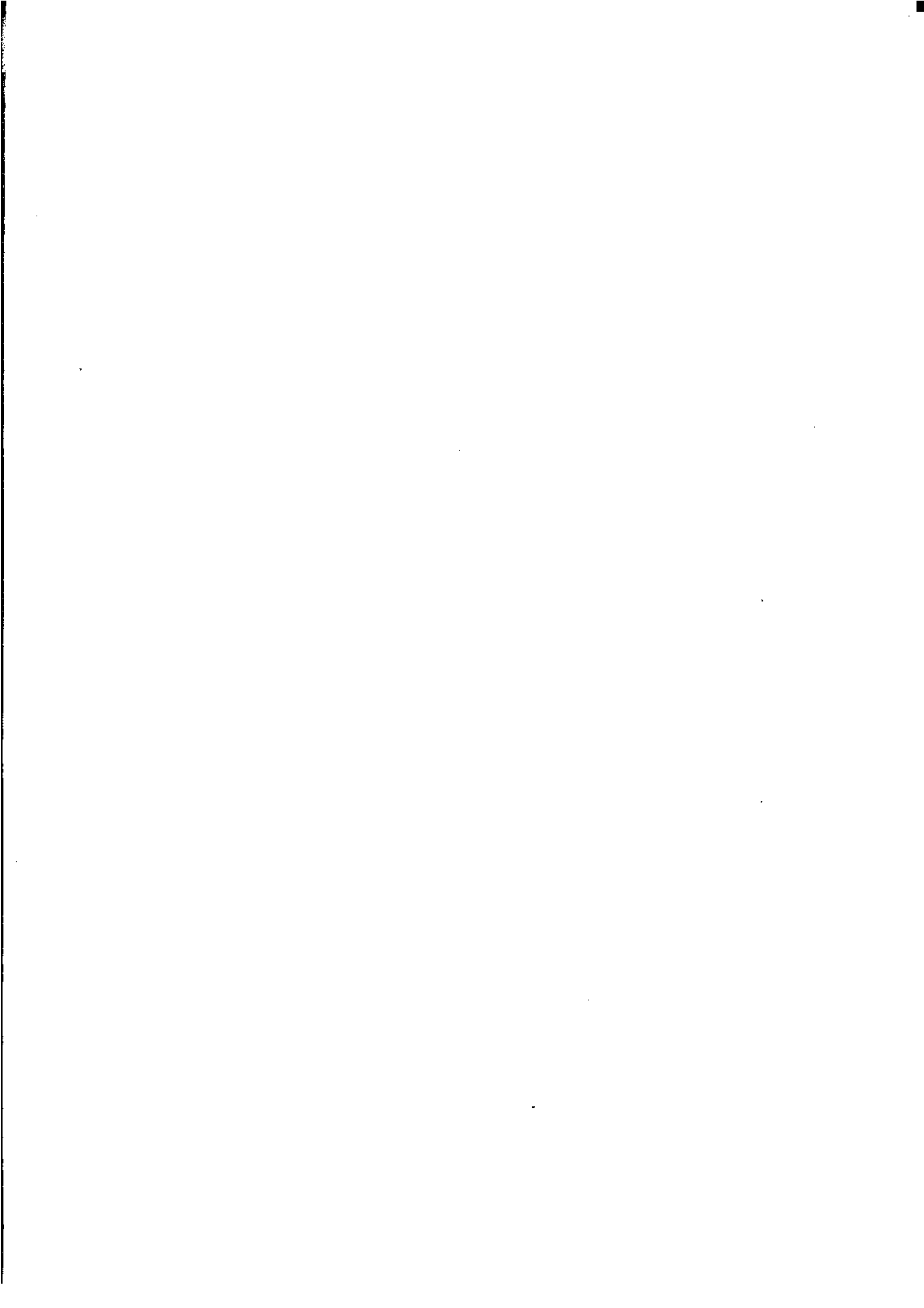
	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if September 1995 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 8% on August 1995		is down 8% on August 1995	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1995 --						
March	4,271	-0.5	4,267	-0.6	4,279	-0.3
April	4,208	-1.5	4,206	-1.4	4,226	-1.2
May	4,108	-2.4	4,108	-2.3	4,118	-2.6
June	4,008	-2.4	4,014	-2.3	3,987	-3.2
July	3,915	-2.3	3,926	-2.2	3,838	-3.8
August	3,822	-2.4	3,844	-2.1	3,677	-4.2
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	3,793	-1.3	3,542	-3.7

## VALUE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING APPROVED: RELIABILITY OF TREND ESTIMATES

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if September 1995 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 8% on August 1995		is down 8% on August 1995	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1995—						
March	413.7	-0.9	413.3	-1.0	414.4	-0.8
April	410.1	-0.9	409.6	-0.9	411.5	-0.7
May	404.9	-1.3	404.7	-1.2	405.7	-1.4
June	399.3	-1.4	400.1	-1.1	397.5	-2.0
July	394.1	-1.3	395.5	-1.2	386.9	-2.7
August	387.7	-1.6	391.2	-1.1	375.1	-3.1
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	387.7	-0.9	363.4	-3.1

## VALUE OF ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDING: RELIABILITY OF TREND ESTIMATES

	Trend estimate		Revised trend estimate if September 1995 seasonally adjusted estimate			
			is up 8% on August 1995		is down 8% on August 1995	
	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month	No.	% change on previous month
1995—						
March	88.3	1.7	88.2	1.5	88.4	1.8
April	89.3	1.1	89.2	1.2	89.6	1.4
May	89.0	-0.4	89.0	-0.3	89.2	-0.5
June	87.8	-1.3	87.9	-1.1	87.4	-2.0
July	86.3	-1.8	86.7	-1.4	84.9	-2.9
August	84.8	-1.8	85.8	-1.1	82.3	-3.1
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	85.1	-0.7	79.9	-2.9





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