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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.

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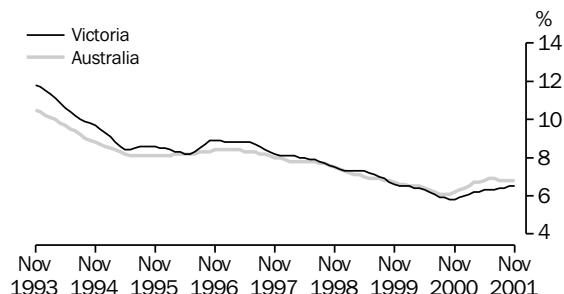
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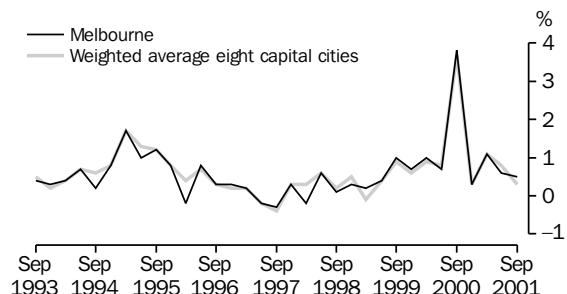
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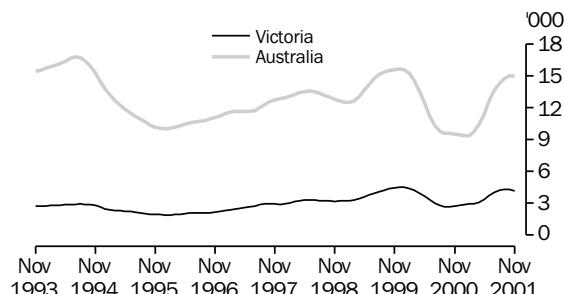
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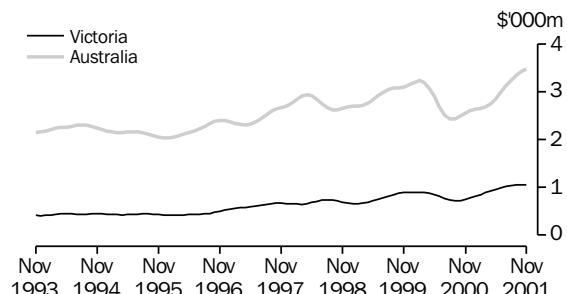
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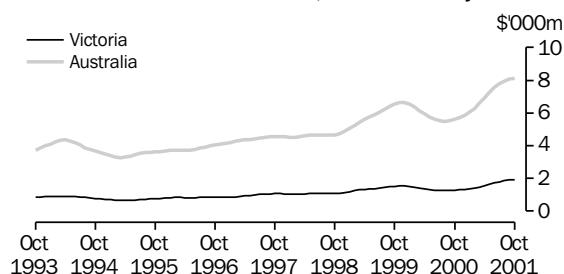
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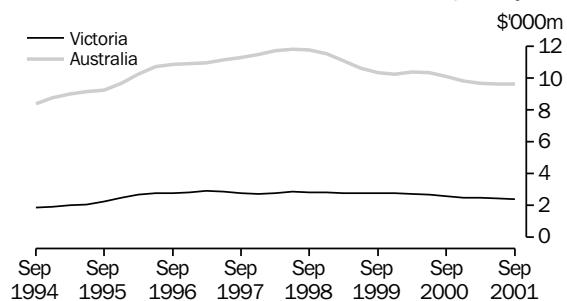
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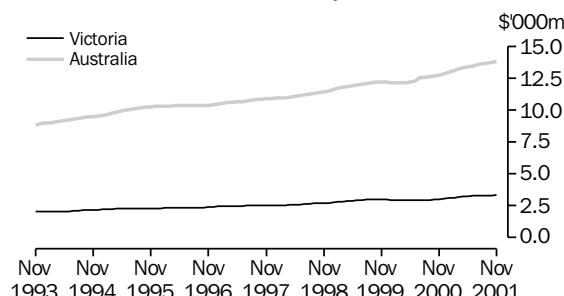
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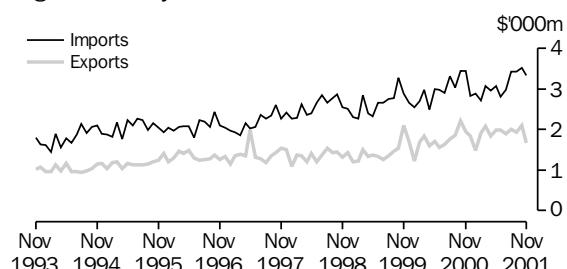
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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

Period	At end of period			Increase during period		Melbourne Statistical Division at 30 June(a)
	Males '000	Females '000	Persons '000	Natural '000	Total '000	
1998-99	2 328.1	2 379.5	4 707.6	27.1	52.7	3 413.9
1999-2000	2 359.0	2 407.8	4 766.8	27.7	59.2	p 3 466.0
2000-01	2 392.4	2 436.6	4 829.0	26.6	62.2	..
1999						
June qtr	2 328.1	2 379.5	4 707.6	6.4	10.4	..
September qtr	2 336.3	2 386.7	4 723.0	7.0	15.4	..
December qtr	2 343.7	2 394.5	4 738.2	7.0	15.2	..
2000						
March qtr	2 352.8	2 402.4	4 755.2	7.3	17.0	..
June qtr	2 359.0	2 407.8	4 766.8	6.4	11.6	..
September qtr p	2 368.2	2 415.6	4 783.8	6.2	17.0	..
December qtr p	2 375.6	2 422.7	4 798.3	6.2	14.5	..
2001						
March qtr p	2 385.5	2 430.6	4 816.1	6.7	17.8	..
June qtr p(b)	2 392.4	2 436.6	4 829.0	7.5	12.9	..

(a) Based on 2000 Statistical Local Area Boundaries.

(b) The preliminary estimate of net overseas migration for June quarter 2001 has been made using the medium net overseas assumption included in *Population Projections, Australia, 1999-2000* (Cat. no. 3222.0). Hence the resident population at 30 June 2001 is a projection.

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

	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		
	no.	no.	no.	no.	rate	rate	rate	rate	rate	
1998-99	59 374	32 298	26 351	12 579	12.7	6.9	5.6	2.7	5.4	
1999-2000	59 733	31 992	27 558	12 818	12.6	6.8	5.8	2.7	5.1	
2000-01	58 613	32 013	25 703	12 495	12.2	6.7	5.4	2.6	4.4	
1998										
June qtr	14 870	8 097	6 070	2 908	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr	15 197	8 984	3 912	3 188	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	14 648	7 850	7 860	3 548	..	..	..	..	..
Year—1998	59 292	32 100	26 372	12 307	12.7	6.9	5.7	2.6	4.8	
1999										
March qtr	14 939	7 259	8 657	2 738	..	..	..	..	..
June qtr	14 590	8 205	5 922	3 105	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr	15 655	8 636	4 211	3 461	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	14 909	7 912	8 462	3 438	..	..	..	..	..
Year—1999	60 093	32 012	27 252	12 742	12.8	6.8	5.8	2.7	5.4	
2000										
March qtr	14 626	7 350	8 683	2 733	..	..	..	..	..
June qtr	14 543	8 094	6 202	3 186	..	..	..	..	..
September qtr	p 14 633	p 8 403	3 943	3 088	..	..	..	..	..
December qtr	p 15 520	p 9 356	8 024	3 394	..	..	..	..	..
Year—2000	p 59 322	p 33 203	26 852	12 401	p 12.4	p 7.0	5.6	2.6	4.7	
2001										
March qtr p	13 609	6 870	8 049	2 590	..	..	..	..	..
June qtr p	14 853	7 384	5 687	3 423	

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (Cat. no. 3101.0) (quarterly).

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

	<i>Employed</i>		<i>Unemployed looking for work</i>			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population 15 years and over	Unemployment rate	Participation rate					
	Full-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total										
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000										
MALES															
2000															
September	1 116.9	1 289.4	70.0	15.0	85.0	1 374.4	499.7	1 874.1	6.2	73.3					
October	1 125.3	1 296.2	68.6	10.8	79.4	1 375.6	501.5	1 877.1	5.8	73.3					
November	1 132.4	1 299.1	66.8	13.7	80.6	1 379.6	500.5	1 880.1	5.8	73.4					
December	1 151.2	1 318.0	67.4	19.5	86.9	1 404.9	478.2	1 883.1	6.2	74.6					
2001															
January	1 124.0	1 294.4	70.7	14.2	84.9	1 379.2	506.8	1 886.0	6.2	73.1					
February	1 134.5	1 313.6	75.1	14.4	89.6	1 403.2	485.7	1 888.9	6.4	74.3					
March	1 114.6	1 292.1	68.4	19.6	88.0	1 380.1	511.7	1 891.8	6.4	73.0					
April	1 122.2	1 304.2	67.5	21.3	88.8	1 393.0	501.2	1 894.3	6.4	73.5					
May	1 115.9	1 301.7	61.5	21.4	82.8	1 384.5	512.2	1 896.8	6.0	73.0					
June	1 107.5	1 302.5	65.0	14.9	80.0	1 382.5	516.8	1 899.3	5.8	72.8					
July	1 106.5	1 301.8	66.3	16.3	82.6	1 384.4	517.4	1 901.8	6.0	72.8					
August	1 095.6	1 285.8	72.3	16.7	89.0	1 374.8	529.5	1 904.4	6.5	72.2					
September	1 118.9	1 306.7	75.4	18.3	93.7	1 400.4	506.5	1 906.9	6.7	73.4					
October	1 114.2	1 301.8	79.3	17.4	96.7	1 398.5	511.5	1 910.0	6.9	73.2					
November	1 125.0	1 302.9	68.6	14.8	83.4	1 386.3	526.8	1 913.1	6.0	72.5					
FEMALES															
2000															
September	568.6	1 024.5	41.6	24.6	66.2	1 090.7	862.0	1 952.8	6.1	55.9					
October	571.4	1 011.4	33.3	23.6	56.9	1 068.3	887.0	1 955.3	5.3	54.6					
November	559.2	999.4	35.3	17.8	53.1	1 052.4	905.3	1 957.8	5.0	53.8					
December	577.7	1 014.9	33.9	22.9	56.8	1 071.8	888.5	1 960.3	5.3	54.7					
2001															
January	566.7	982.7	39.7	24.4	64.0	1 046.8	915.9	1 962.7	6.1	53.3					
February	572.5	1 002.0	42.6	33.9	76.5	1 078.5	886.5	1 965.0	7.1	54.9					
March	568.0	1 013.7	37.7	36.0	73.7	1 087.4	880.0	1 967.4	6.8	55.3					
April	563.4	1 006.4	41.8	25.3	67.1	1 073.5	895.8	1 969.3	6.3	54.5					
May	561.9	1 011.3	46.8	27.8	74.6	1 085.9	885.4	1 971.3	6.9	55.1					
June	551.9	1 019.6	41.7	24.7	66.4	1 086.0	887.3	1 973.3	6.1	55.0					
July	559.0	1 019.1	42.6	22.4	64.9	1 084.0	891.4	1 975.4	6.0	54.9					
August	552.9	1 017.3	40.9	22.1	63.0	1 080.3	897.3	1 977.5	5.8	54.6					
September	579.1	1 034.3	37.0	27.6	64.6	1 098.9	880.8	1 979.7	5.9	55.5					
October	569.9	1 022.1	40.0	28.0	68.0	1 090.1	892.2	1 982.3	6.2	55.0					
November	559.9	1 021.7	42.3	21.6	63.9	1 085.6	899.2	1 984.8	5.9	54.7					
PERSONS															
2000															
September	1 685.5	2 313.9	111.7	39.6	151.2	2 465.2	1 361.7	3 826.8	6.1	64.4					
October	1 696.7	2 307.6	101.9	34.4	136.3	2 443.9	1 388.5	3 832.4	5.6	63.8					
November	1 691.6	2 298.4	102.1	31.5	133.6	2 432.1	1 405.8	3 837.9	5.5	63.4					
December	1 728.9	2 332.9	101.3	42.4	143.7	2 476.7	1 366.7	3 843.4	5.8	64.4					
2001															
January	1 690.7	2 277.1	110.4	38.6	148.9	2 426.0	1 422.6	3 848.7	6.1	63.0					
February	1 707.1	2 315.6	117.8	48.3	166.1	2 481.7	1 372.2	3 853.9	6.7	64.4					
March	1 682.6	2 305.7	106.2	55.6	161.7	2 467.5	1 391.7	3 859.2	6.6	63.9					
April	1 685.6	2 310.7	109.3	46.6	155.9	2 466.6	1 397.0	3 863.6	6.3	63.8					
May	1 677.8	2 313.0	108.2	49.2	157.4	2 470.4	1 397.7	3 868.1	6.4	63.9					
June	1 659.4	2 322.1	106.8	39.7	146.4	2 468.5	1 404.1	3 872.6	5.9	63.7					
July	1 665.5	2 320.9	108.8	38.7	147.5	2 468.4	1 408.8	3 877.2	6.0	63.7					
August	1 648.5	2 303.1	113.2	38.8	152.0	2 455.1	1 426.8	3 881.9	6.2	63.2					
September	1 698.0	2 341.0	112.4	45.9	158.3	2 499.3	1 387.3	3 886.6	6.3	64.3					
October	1 684.0	2 323.8	119.3	45.4	164.7	2 488.6	1 403.7	3 892.3	6.6	63.9					
November	1 685.0	2 324.7	110.9	36.4	147.3	2 472.0	1 425.9	3 897.9	6.0	63.4					

Source: Labour Force, Victoria (Cat. no. 6202.2) (quarterly).

Industry division	Aug 2000 '000	Nov 2000 '000	Feb 2001 '000	May 2001 '000	Aug 2001 '000	Nov 2001 '000
MALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	62.3	61.7	58.1	61.9	57.4	61.2
Mining	5.4	5.5	4.8	*3.5	*3.2	*3.4
Manufacturing	264.3	274.6	264.8	260.6	257.3	257.5
Electricity, gas and water supply	12.2	12.4	11.8	13.3	15.3	11.9
Construction	140.4	148.7	143.4	137.9	140.5	163.2
Wholesale trade	71.9	71.0	69.4	74.9	69.7	68.5
Retail trade	149.4	151.4	163.0	171.0	183.3	179.9
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	41.8	51.7	50.2	49.6	40.8	38.7
Transport and storage	72.7	78.3	82.0	80.8	80.3	78.0
Communication services	37.8	38.1	39.2	40.9	35.6	29.4
Finance and insurance	42.2	39.4	44.8	42.1	44.0	46.9
Property and business services	157.8	165.7	165.0	147.7	141.3	144.9
Government administration and defence	31.6	34.0	40.4	37.6	38.2	39.7
Education	47.5	42.1	47.9	52.2	58.2	54.2
Health and community services	50.9	48.8	52.7	50.3	46.8	51.2
Cultural and recreational services	35.5	31.2	32.8	32.0	30.1	32.8
Personal and other services	42.2	42.6	40.3	45.5	43.7	41.6
Total(b)	1 267.7	1 299.1	1 313.6	1 301.7	1 285.8	1 302.9
FEMALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	30.1	30.8	33.9	30.2	33.9	34.5
Mining	*2.0	*0.5	*0.6	*0.3	*0.6	*0.0
Manufacturing	105.9	106.1	100.5	104.1	103.8	98.4
Electricity, gas and water supply	*1.7	*2.8	*4.2	*4.4	5.2	*3.5
Construction	19.2	20.1	17.4	16.6	17.6	19.6
Wholesale trade	35.8	32.8	34.4	33.4	33.5	34.6
Retail trade	167.0	164.2	173.1	168.0	176.8	179.2
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	54.7	59.6	53.7	52.9	50.1	52.4
Transport and storage	25.7	21.6	24.5	26.7	23.6	22.7
Communication services	18.2	17.4	16.9	16.5	13.6	16.5
Finance and insurance	48.5	46.4	44.3	50.5	49.9	52.8
Property and business services	129.4	122.1	116.7	115.1	114.5	110.1
Government administration and defence	39.3	45.2	46.1	48.9	42.4	44.4
Education	108.3	102.6	96.3	102.0	107.5	108.2
Health and community services	161.1	156.3	171.8	172.1	174.4	174.8
Cultural and recreational services	28.0	34.4	27.2	25.6	28.4	30.6
Personal and other services	26.4	33.1	38.9	43.9	41.4	39.5
Total(b)	1 005.0	999.4	1 002.0	1 011.3	1 017.3	1 021.7
PERSONS						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	92.3	92.5	92.0	92.1	91.3	95.7
Mining	7.4	6.0	5.4	*3.9	*3.8	*3.4
Manufacturing	370.1	380.7	365.4	364.7	361.1	355.9
Electricity, gas and water supply	13.9	15.2	16.0	17.6	20.5	15.4
Construction	159.7	168.7	160.9	154.5	158.1	182.8
Wholesale trade	107.6	103.9	103.8	108.3	103.2	103.1
Retail trade	316.4	315.6	336.1	338.9	360.1	359.1
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	96.5	111.2	103.9	102.5	91.0	91.1
Transport and storage	98.5	99.9	106.5	107.5	103.9	100.7
Communication services	56.0	55.5	56.2	57.4	49.2	45.9
Finance and insurance	90.8	85.8	89.2	92.5	94.0	99.7
Property and business services	287.1	287.8	281.7	262.8	255.8	254.9
Government administration and defence	71.0	79.2	86.5	86.5	80.6	84.1
Education	155.8	144.8	144.3	154.2	165.7	162.3
Health and community services	212.0	205.0	224.4	222.4	221.2	226.0
Cultural and recreational services	63.5	65.6	60.0	57.6	58.5	63.4
Personal and other services	68.6	75.7	79.2	89.5	85.1	81.1
Total(b)	2 272.7	2 298.4	2 315.6	2 313.0	2 303.1	2 324.7

(a) From Apr 2001 the Labour Force Survey was conducted using a redesigned questionnaire containing additional items and some minor definitional changes. Revisions have been made to core labour force estimates to ensure continuity, which have been published in Table 3. However, this table contains estimates which have not been revised, so data from April 2001 onwards are not strictly comparable with earlier unrevised data.

Information Paper: Implementing the Redesigned Labour Force Survey Questionnaire (Cat. no. 6295.0) contains further information about the questionnaire changes and the revised series. For details on the content of the redesigned questionnaire, see *Information Paper: Questionnaires Used in the Labour Force Survey* (Cat. no. 6232.0).

(b) Total employed person counts for Feb 2000, May 2000, Aug 2000, Nov 2000 and Feb 2001 have been revised to reflect definitional changes introduced in Apr 2001 whilst counts of employed persons by industry, being non core data items, have not been revised. Hence the sum of each industry for the above reference periods will not add to total employed persons. See footnote (a) for further details.

Source: *Labour Force, Victoria* (Cat. no. 6202.2) (quarterly).

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JOB VACANCIES

Month	Vacancies all persons	Public Sector	Private Sector	Job vacancy rate
	'000	'000	'000	%
2000				
May	26.2	6.7	19.5	1.3
August	38.8	4.1	34.7	1.9
November	35.2	5.0	30.2	1.7
2001				
February	29.5	3.7	25.7	1.4
May	23.8	3.2	20.6	1.1
August	28.7	3.8	24.9	1.4

Source: Job Vacancies, Australia (Cat. no. 6354.0) (quarterly).

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK

Beginning in period	Disputes		Employees involved			Working days lost				
	Total	no.	Beginning in period	Total	'000	Manufacturing	Construction	Education, health, community services	Other industries	
						'000	'000	'000	'000	
2000										
March	17	21	4.9	8.1	4.9	4.9	10.4	2.0	2.4	19.7
April	8	15	1.7	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.0	0.5	1.4	9.9
May	23	27	8.8	9.0	1.9	7.0	—	—	2.1	11.0
June	19	24	6.2	6.7	6.8	0.3	—	—	3.8	10.9
July	22	27	7.3	9.9	1.0	3.6	2.0	0.5	0.5	7.1
August	25	36	7.0	8.1	11.2	1.4	0.3	0.3	0.8	13.8
September	21	31	10.4	12.0	8.0	2.0	0.7	0.6	0.6	11.4
October	16	24	9.6	11.1	7.9	8.7	—	—	0.2	16.8
November	22	28	2.2	2.6	5.4	0.9	—	—	0.8	7.1
December	15	19	2.3	2.6	3.2	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.5	4.2
2001										
January	18	21	2.6	2.7	2.2	1.3	—	0.1	0.1	3.6
February	20	23	2.7	2.9	9.2	1.5	—	0.1	0.1	10.8
March	22	25	11.1	11.8	3.6	8.2	—	1.5	1.5	13.3
April	20	25	1.8	2.8	1.6	0.3	—	1.8	1.8	3.7
May	17	20	7.8	8.3	6.8	4.3	—	2.3	2.3	13.4
June	17	21	2.1	2.9	9.0	1.6	—	0.1	0.1	10.8
July	24	34	4.7	5.4	12.9	1.0	0.2	0.9	0.9	14.9
August	r 18	r 25	r 7.1	8.1	2.6	10.4	0.9	r 0.4	r 0.4	r 14.3
September	23	29	3.5	3.7	1.1	1.0	—	1.8	1.8	4.0

Source: ABS data available on request, Industrial Disputes Collection.

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All males total earnings	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All females total earnings	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All employees total earnings
2000									
May	799.1	850.1	739.6	706.0	722.6	504.8	765.9	804.7	626.3
August	813.1	861.4	741.8	724.1	740.4	513.8	781.6	818.6	632.3
November	808.7	857.0	737.8	716.2	732.7	509.8	776.2	813.3	627.6
2001									
February	826.2	865.6	748.0	736.6	749.9	533.1	794.0	824.0	645.2
May	836.5	883.6	761.1	733.4	747.3	519.6	799.6	834.9	644.1
August	853.8	899.1	770.5	749.1	763.6	527.4	816.8	851.3	653.6

Source: Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (Cat. no. 6302.0) (quarterly).

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—MELBOURNE

Group	2000–2001	2000			2001		
		Jun qtr	Sep qtr	Dec qtr	Mar qtr	Jun qtr	Sep qtr
Food	135.0	130.1	131.6	132.8	136.8	138.8	140.1
Alcohol and tobacco	192.4	177.3	187.6	189.1	194.8	198.0	200.7
Clothing and footwear	114.3	106.9	116.2	115.4	112.5	113.2	112.7
Housing	98.5	91.7	97.8	98.3	99.1	98.8	101.4
Household furnishings, supplies, and services	118.1	115.7	117.9	117.1	117.8	119.5	119.0
Health	175.1	170.9	171.9	172.8	177.8	177.7	177.9
Transportation	136.2	131.2	134.5	135.6	136.2	138.6	135.6
Communication	104.5	98.5	105.4	104.6	104.3	103.7	103.5
Recreation	126.6	122.4	127.8	127.4	126.1	125.1	125.7
Education	183.7	179.4	179.7	179.8	187.6	187.6	187.7
Miscellaneous	159.7	153.4	159.3	159.4	160.2	159.9	161.4
All groups	131.6	125.6	130.4	130.8	132.2	133.0	133.6
Weighted average of eight capital cities — all groups	132.2	126.2	130.9	131.3	132.7	133.8	134.2

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

Source: Consumer Price Index, Australia (Cat. no. 6401.0) (quarterly).

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PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING—MELBOURNE

Group	2000-01						Weighted average of six state capital cities— Sep qtr 2001
	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	Mar qtr	Jun qtr	Sept qtr	
House building							
All groups	118.0	121.7	123.1	122.8	123.1	124.3	124.7
Other than house building							
Structural timber	116.2	118.5	122.9	122.0	119.7	122.0	131.2
Clay bricks	119.6	123.8	130.6	130.7	130.6	130.8	127.9
Ready mix concrete	112.9	110.8	108.1	107.1	107.2	106.4	97.2
Precast concrete products	123.9	130.9	144.1	146.6	149.2	151.9	135.0
Steel decking and cladding	108.0	109.3	112.9	113.7	111.9	111.5	118.5
Structural steel	104.9	101.3	100.8	100.2	102.0	101.1	113.6
Reinforcing steel bar, mesh, etc.	99.5	93.8	89.2	90.3	88.4	88.6	103.6
Aluminium windows	100.4	105.1	113.1	113.3	114.5	114.5	121.4
Fabricated steel products	124.7	125.6	125.5	126.1	126.0	126.8	120.3
Builders' hardware	122.7	127.6	135.5	134.2	138.4	136.0	139.5
Sand and aggregate	120.5	120.6	122.0	125.5	125.5	126.2	126.1
Carpet	100.1	98.9	94.4	96.1	93.7	91.7	96.9
Paint and other coatings	153.8	162.4	167.5	167.3	169.0	177.3	153.3
Non-ferrous pipes and fittings	111.2	116.6	127.8	131.1	131.5	133.0	139.6
All groups excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	112.3	113.0	115.3	115.7	116.2	116.4	117.7
All electrical materials	112.4	116.8	116.2	117.1	118.8	118.3	121.3
All mechanical services	118.2	120.6	117.0	117.3	118.1	119.7	116.4
All plumbing materials	122.8	127.7	130.9	131.2	132.9	134.9	132.4
All groups	113.2	114.4	115.4	115.7	116.4	116.8	117.5

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

Source: Producer Price Indexes, Australia (Cat. no. 6427.0) (quarterly).

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1998-99	1 751.3	714.4	3 079.6	6 699.4	1 572.8
1999-2000	1 523.8	678.5	3 816.0	7 144.5	1 443.7
2000-01	1 492.8	608.9	4 089.8	7 965.7	1 065.6
2000					
August	127.6	189.8	304.9	704.1	103.4
September	114.5	111.8	288.5	624.8	80.1
October	129.5	51.9	347.2	735.5	84.2
November	135.4	13.8	370.7	765.0	90.4
December	121.0	5.7	282.0	632.7	86.8
2001					
January	134.4	6.0	382.4	675.9	84.7
February	135.6	5.2	406.4	654.8	83.6
March	131.8	14.0	418.6	672.1	90.5
April	110.1	19.4	307.0	592.3	87.3
May	136.9	46.8	397.8	705.8	95.9
June	107.3	61.7	312.2	582.6	84.8
July	111.2	77.8	307.6	537.7	88.6
August	112.8	165.1	265.1	582.5	95.9
September	100.8	104.4	250.1	521.0	82.5
October	128.2	52.4	368.2	641.4	94.2
November	126.9	18.3	379.7	670.3	93.5

Source: ABS data available on request, Monthly Livestock Collection.

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MEAT PRODUCTION

	Meat (carcass weight)				
	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
1998-99	398 815	14 225	61 646	128 380	114 582
1999-2000	351 273	13 370	76 719	140 215	106 690
2000-01	347 920	11 842	81 965	155 540	78 954
2000					
August	29 353	3 638	6 555	14 079	7 875
September	26 829	2 268	5 989	12 304	6 047
October	31 100	991	7 414	14 161	6 174
November	32 630	281	7 827	14 895	6 735
December	27 544	131	5 931	12 171	6 758
2001					
January	31 525	138	7 673	13 000	6 260
February	31 995	115	7 755	12 925	5 975
March	30 517	283	7 699	13 056	6 499
April	24 948	378	5 761	11 309	6 424
May	31 783	900	7 597	13 912	6 846
June	24 515	1 184	5 973	11 419	6 284
July	26 311	1 476	6 010	10 375	6 694
August	26 941	3 169	5 243	11 401	6 838
September	24 264	1 999	5 027	10 069	6 093
October	30 885	1 006	7 395	12 344	6 725
November	30 804	440	7 634	12 855	6 448

Source: ABS data available on request, *Monthly Livestock Collection*.

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NEW HOUSES AND OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS

Period	New houses				New other residential buildings			
	Approved	Commenced	Under	Completed	Approved	Commenced	Under	Completed
			construction(a)				construction(a)	
no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1998-99	29 245	29 165	14 455	26 926	8 861	8 307	6 198	7 029
1999-2000	36 474	34 716	17 861	31 231	12 045	11 725	9 715	8 105
2000-01	24 507	24 170	13 085	28 858	9 737	9 724	10 286	9 028
2000								
March qtr	9 839	8 975	18 128	6 569	3 883	2 856	9 509	2 220
June qtr	7 548	8 769	17 861	9 004	2 384	2 835	9 715	2 617
September qtr	5 558	6 138	15 780	8 224	2 433	2 430	9 555	2 516
December qtr	5 628	5 903	13 821	7 826	2 340	1 746	9 197	2 066
2001								
March qtr	6 176	5 511	13 148	6 132	2 816	2 856	10 068	1 972
June qtr	7 145	6 618	13 085	6 676	2 148	2 692	10 286	2 474

(a) Under construction at the end of the period.

Source: *Building Activity, Victoria* (Cat. no. 8752.2) (quarterly); *Building Approvals, Victoria* (Cat. no. 8731.2) (quarterly).

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BUILDING APPROVALS—MELBOURNE AND VICTORIA

	New dwelling units(a)										Non-residential building(c)	
	Private sector			Public sector			Total(b)		Alterations, additions and conversions(d)	Non-residential building(c)		
	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	\$m	Private sector	Total	Total all building		
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION												
1998-99	28 615	3 550.4	666	49.6	29 276	3 600.0	800.3	1 918.6	2 642.3	6 376.8		
1999-2000	37 091	5 091.3	611	51.1	37 702	5 142.4	1 019.4	2 223.4	2 650.9	8 812.7		
2000-01	26 229	4 073.5	374	38.0	26 603	4 111.5	990.4	2 656.5	3 470.5	8 572.5		
2000												
July	2 320	395.9	36	3.0	2 356	398.9	114.9	287.3	523.0	1 036.8		
August	1 948	291.2	32	3.1	1 980	294.3	88.9	192.9	227.7	610.9		
September	1 921	273.6	32	3.3	1 953	276.9	57.1	179.3	216.2	550.2		
October	1 380	207.8	68	6.7	1 448	214.5	87.3	147.0	178.3	480.1		
November	2 302	355.4	15	1.1	2 317	356.5	82.8	194.8	237.9	677.2		
December	2 377	393.7	11	1.7	2 388	395.4	63.2	240.2	260.6	719.1		
2001												
January	1 983	310.2	51	4.9	2 034	315.1	59.0	157.9	225.7	599.9		
February	2 490	359.9	25	3.3	2 515	363.2	73.9	183.1	232.7	669.8		
March	2 582	433.4	19	2.9	2 601	436.2	106.7	277.0	434.6	977.5		
April	1 810	285.3	19	2.5	1 829	287.9	63.3	282.1	309.3	660.5		
May	2 729	414.7	15	1.5	2 744	416.2	97.1	370.7	451.1	964.5		
June	2 387	352.4	51	4.1	2 438	356.5	96.2	144.2	173.3	626.0		
July	2 672	402.3	138	16.4	2 810	418.7	92.8	193.1	214.9	726.4		
August	4 485	889.4	41	5.1	4 526	894.5	114.3	208.2	244.3	1 253.2		
September	2 969	449.9	56	8.4	3 025	458.3	113.7	181.4	197.7	769.6		
October	2 987	460.2	47	3.8	3 034	464.0	110.2	327.8	375.2	949.3		
November	2 555	387.6	74	9.0	2 629	396.5	82.6	277.8	320.8	799.8		
TOTAL VICTORIA												
1998-99	37 212	4 484.7	894	67.2	38 106	4 551.9	951.2	2 262.5	3 125.7	8 628.8		
1999-2000	47 732	6 352.9	787	65.1	48 519	6 418.0	1 211.0	2 618.8	3 211.8	10 840.8		
2000-01	33 779	5 062.3	465	48.0	34 244	5 110.2	1 190.8	3 045.1	4 060.6	10 361.8		
2000												
July	2 851	462.1	38	3.1	2 889	465.2	125.7	312.8	562.6	1 153.5		
August	2 512	364.7	59	5.3	2 571	370.0	105.0	218.9	267.6	742.7		
September	2 499	342.8	32	3.3	2 531	346.1	73.0	226.9	292.9	712.0		
October	1 963	284.0	71	7.3	2 034	291.3	108.0	188.6	228.7	628.1		
November	2 964	437.5	15	1.1	2 979	438.5	97.8	226.5	290.4	826.7		
December	2 939	467.5	16	2.5	2 955	470.0	79.4	280.0	311.6	861.1		
2001												
January	2 514	381.4	58	5.9	2 572	387.3	73.2	181.5	266.8	727.3		
February	3 132	446.3	28	4.0	3 160	450.3	89.4	202.7	257.8	797.6		
March	3 237	524.8	23	3.7	3 260	528.5	126.1	323.0	501.5	1 156.2		
April	2 405	362.5	24	3.1	2 429	365.6	78.8	307.1	346.9	791.2		
May	3 604	528.3	36	3.7	3 640	532.0	116.7	404.8	517.2	1 165.9		
June	3 159	460.3	65	5.1	3 224	465.5	117.7	172.2	216.4	799.6		
July	3 547	523.4	170	20.6	3 717	544.0	108.8	230.3	289.2	942.0		
August	5 578	1 040.8	68	8.4	5 646	1 049.2	136.9	245.8	298.9	1 485.0		
September	3 892	575.7	70	10.2	3 962	585.9	130.5	204.0	235.2	951.6		
October	4 091	612.2	70	6.2	4 161	618.4	130.5	357.4	435.7	1 184.6		
November	3 659	536.9	83	10.0	3 742	546.9	101.5	310.0	371.6	1 020.0		

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

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

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

(d) Includes alterations and additions creating dwellings, alterations and additions not creating dwellings and conversions.

Source: Building Approvals, Victoria (Cat. no. 8731.2) (quarterly).

	Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings						
	New	Alterations and additions	Shops	Factories	Offices	Education	Health	Other	Total
			\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
COMMENCED									
1998-99	4 496.3	987.2	444.1	263.6	428.1	485.0	239.9	1 186.0	8 530.2
1999-2000	6 361.5	1 295.6	557.3	386.6	484.5	592.5	316.4	925.9	10 920.3
2000-01	5 380.5	1 136.8	857.3	236.6	674.4	599.9	384.1	1 063.5	10 333.1
2000									
March qtr	1 652.2	327.1	119.9	90.0	115.1	124.2	103.4	251.7	2 783.6
June qtr	1 623.9	384.6	208.0	161.3	109.2	299.0	65.5	244.0	3 095.5
September qtr	1 361.2	268.2	168.5	64.9	119.0	87.7	45.1	337.6	2 452.2
December qtr	1 160.5	301.4	128.7	52.0	173.5	153.9	49.4	242.3	2 261.8
2001									
March qtr	1 343.3	239.8	82.4	64.2	175.9	259.6	166.6	204.9	2 536.8
June qtr	1 515.5	327.4	477.7	55.5	206.0	98.8	122.9	278.5	3 082.3
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1998-99	2 745.1	451.3	420.8	120.9	190.2	485.8	243.5	1 611.2	6 268.8
1999-2000	4 199.8	595.7	473.3	224.7	217.6	711.1	291.8	1 028.7	7 742.4
2000-01	4 275.0	661.8	752.9	188.6	372.6	830.0	413.7	1 023.2	8 517.6
2000									
March qtr	4 063.0	654.0	367.9	136.6	229.7	504.9	283.1	1 104.6	7 343.9
June qtr	4 199.8	595.7	473.3	224.7	217.6	711.1	291.8	1 028.7	7 742.4
September qtr	4 171.4	608.7	626.6	195.2	234.1	593.5	259.2	1 088.6	7 777.3
December qtr	3 951.6	658.7	587.4	183.4	296.5	662.7	267.8	1 029.3	7 637.4
2001									
March qtr	4 140.5	653.6	570.7	193.4	332.7	809.6	402.1	1 022.7	8 125.4
June qtr	4 275.0	661.8	752.9	188.6	372.6	830.0	413.7	1 023.2	8 517.6
COMPLETED									
1998-99	4 068.1	992.4	487.3	294.3	524.9	328.5	305.1	1 110.3	8 111.0
1999-2000	5 049.6	1 193.5	573.2	292.4	462.3	409.0	284.1	1 606.9	9 871.0
2000-01	5 510.6	1 126.6	694.4	280.4	545.3	544.9	255.4	1 154.2	10 111.8
2000									
March qtr	1 114.1	247.4	69.9	65.5	91.9	119.6	40.6	605.8	2 354.8
June qtr	1 541.0	449.9	109.5	75.7	121.8	115.1	68.3	360.5	2 841.8
September qtr	1 490.9	276.7	95.4	91.2	102.1	209.9	73.6	289.5	2 629.3
December qtr	1 401.3	259.6	177.5	70.5	120.3	84.9	56.9	317.8	2 488.7
2001									
March qtr	1 176.3	263.6	103.3	54.8	134.2	134.3	45.4	211.1	2 123.0
June qtr	1 442.2	326.6	318.1	63.9	188.7	115.8	79.5	335.9	2 870.8

Source: Building Activity, Victoria (Cat. no. 8752.2) (quarterly).

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PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, BY SELECTED INDUSTRIES AND TYPE OF ASSET

Period	Selected industries				Type of asset	
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant and machinery
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ACTUAL						
1999–2000	615	3 363	6 999	10 977	2 761	8 217
2000–01	363	r 3 121	r 6 606	r 10 090	r 2 226	r 7 864
2000						
June qtr	151	796	1 819	2 766	656	2 110
September qtr	77	965	1 623	2 665	566	2 099
December qtr	108	771	1 729	2 607	598	2 010
2001						
March qtr	81	575	1 528	2 184	436	1 748
June qtr	97	r 809	r 1 727	r 2 634	r 626	r 2 008
September qtr	147	578	1 633	2 358	360	1 998
EXPECTED						
2000–01	501	3 226	6 593	10 320	2 148	8 172
2001–02	639	2 610	5 159	8 408	1 361	7 047

Source: State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure (Cat. no. 5646.0) (quarterly).

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COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS

	Fixed loan facilities						
	Construction	Purchase of real property	Purchase of plant and equipment	Refinancing(a)	Other	Total	Revolving credit facilities
							\$m
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
2000							
August	176.5	549.2	225.1	390.8	496.4	1 838.0	1 100.3
September	155.5	509.4	225.7	115.8	851.6	1 858.1	1 947.3
October	160.4	523.3	179.2	328.0	727.1	1 918.0	1 203.5
November	181.7	581.8	204.1	109.0	494.2	1 570.8	1 464.4
December	134.6	527.8	223.4	145.3	600.3	1 631.3	2 353.6
2001							
January	115.7	555.7	172.6	196.6	387.6	1 428.1	1 591.2
February	97.1	516.2	196.1	739.4	951.9	2 500.5	1 825.1
March	240.9	660.0	240.7	222.8	1 210.6	2 575.0	1 508.0
April	133.5	617.8	249.9	92.9	394.6	1 488.7	1 369.9
May	74.9	819.3	228.1	518.5	951.5	2 592.2	1 834.2
June	141.1	1 106.1	357.0	535.2	1 284.7	3 424.0	1 885.2
July	193.1	934.7	279.0	167.0	452.0	2 025.9	1 233.8
August	129.5	995.5	280.0	122.3	570.0	2 097.2	1 448.8
September	105.4	861.5	287.8	316.4	r 397.1	r 1 966.8	r 1 278.3
October	109.7	952.4	298.8	148.8	842.3	2 352.0	1 694.9

(a) There has been a change in the aggregations of this series, from September 2001, Wholesale Finances is included in 'Other', while Refinancing is presented separately.

Source: ABS data available on request, Lending Finance Collection.

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SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS, DWELLING UNITS

	Original series		Seasonally adjusted		Trend estimates	
	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m
2000						
August	10 911	1 367	r 10 276	r 1 315	r 9 937	r 1 251
September	9 368	1 166	r 9 931	r 1 241	r 10 093	r 1 260
October	10 210	1 252	r 10 058	r 1 239	r 10 237	r 1 275
November	11 282	1 388	r 10 584	r 1 311	r 10 323	r 1 295
December	10 153	1 330	r 10 814	r 1 384	r 10 349	r 1 318
2001						
January	9 104	1 231	r 10 335	r 1 354	r 10 335	r 1 344
February	9 349	1 230	r 9 751	r 1 296	r 10 416	r 1 387
March	11 278	1 561	r 10 724	r 1 462	r 10 633	r 1 449
April	10 197	1 412	r 10 759	r 1 510	r 11 005	r 1 530
May	13 146	1 821	r 11 642	r 1 632	r 11 485	r 1 623
June	12 149	1 744	r 12 018	r 1 723	r 11 962	r 1 715
July	12 705	1 847	r 12 696	r 1 853	r 12 332	r 1 792
August	13 286	1 919	r 12 621	r 1 842	r 12 587	r 1 852
September	11 424	1 696	r 12 761	r 1 906	r 12 755	r 1 898
October	13 419	2 031	12 541	1 901	12 866	1 932

Source: *Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia* (Cat. no. 5609.0) (monthly).

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

	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
2000								
September	1 216.2	245.9	193.9	341.3	130.7	311.2	408.4	2 847.6
October	1 253.7	264.7	202.4	353.7	124.5	354.3	418.4	2 971.6
November	1 296.2	302.9	240.8	385.8	136.9	375.1	425.2	3 163.0
December	1 515.4	543.4	350.2	481.6	207.5	504.7	480.6	4 083.3
2001								
January	1 309.7	240.0	212.4	366.5	141.2	312.4	428.0	3 010.1
February	1 228.9	202.0	182.3	336.7	117.2	317.8	411.2	2 796.0
March	1 365.9	261.7	228.7	361.7	130.3	341.8	475.0	3 165.1
April	1 299.1	259.1	227.7	358.2	119.8	333.6	456.3	3 053.8
May	1 301.8	269.0	231.4	389.6	131.7	374.6	461.8	3 159.9
June	1 261.3	256.4	222.4	421.3	133.2	357.5	466.7	3 118.7
July	1 284.7	270.6	216.2	417.7	134.3	387.1	488.0	3 198.5
August	1 338.9	227.1	205.2	425.7	138.3	395.3	492.6	3 223.1
September	1 292.6	245.8	208.3	419.3	131.1	378.9	459.2	3 135.1
October	1 362.9	274.3	235.5	471.5	144.2	399.9	500.5	3 388.9
November	1 399.8	322.5	240.4	477.5	153.7	422.9	507.7	3 524.4

Source: *Retail Trade, Australia* (Cat. no. 8501.0) (monthly).

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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, BY SECTIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN EXPORT AND IMPORT CLASSIFICATIONS(a)

	2000–01		Five months ending November 2001	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals chiefly for food(b)(c)	1 430	5 772	642	2 781
1 Beverages and tobacco(b)(c)	211	228	110	109
2 Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)(b)(c)	677	2 164	269	829
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials(c)	2 309	1 393	870	576
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(b)(c)	96	108	42	42
5 Chemicals and related products, n.e.c.(b)(c)	3 855	1 258	1 642	596
6 Manufacturing goods classified chiefly by material(b)(c)	4 773	2 901	2 160	1 197
7 Machinery and transport equipment(b)(c)	15 435	4 079	6 894	1 783
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)(c)	6 205	1 403	2 922	589
9 Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, n.e.c.(d)	1 494	3 200	652	1 108
Total	36 485	22 506	16 203	9 609

(a) Any discrepancies between sums of the component items and totals are due to rounding.

(b) Excludes export commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 9.

(c) Excludes imports commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 9.

(d) Includes export and import commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction.

Source: ABS data available on request, International Merchandise Trade.

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OVERSEAS TRADE, MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS(a)

Country	1999–2000		2000–01		Five months ending November 2001	
	Imports \$m	Exports \$m	Imports \$m	Exports \$m	Imports \$m	Exports \$m
Belgium–Luxembourg	258	110	275	168	110	46
Brazil	105	46	123	70	56	23
Canada	445	135	412	195	145	82
China	3 029	1 124	3 891	1 430	1 978	622
Fiji	194	286	142	361	64	125
Finland	187	9	227	10	96	5
France	622	136	748	156	359	68
Germany	2 402	397	2 585	507	1 233	169
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	403	945	408	1 062	222	486
India	262	193	291	220	150	107
Indonesia	893	295	1 049	391	515	229
Italy	1 036	332	1 028	464	470	176
Japan	4 416	1 860	4 828	2 247	2 218	893
Korea, Republic of	870	1 236	1 065	1 305	391	503
Malaysia	1 118	514	1 037	531	453	240
Mexico	111	74	130	157	52	71
Netherlands	318	105	302	150	171	48
New Zealand	1 491	2 297	1 535	1 876	803	888
Pakistan	85	56	112	76	40	17
Papua New Guinea	67	139	22	145	6	53
Philippines	163	385	175	474	74	223
Saudi Arabia	221	704	314	1 206	68	637
Singapore	632	1 475	685	1 518	327	520
South Africa	166	229	208	204	109	99
Sweden	607	29	541	28	175	15
Switzerland	319	40	342	47	161	19
Taiwan	922	835	959	816	419	264
Thailand	673	439	802	491	351	233
United Kingdom	1 793	694	1 842	696	813	221
United States of America	7 701	1 630	7 377	2 073	3 018	984
Other and unknown	2 208	2 285	3 030	3 432	1 156	1 543
Total	33 717	19 034	36 485	22 506	16 203	9 609

(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.

Source: ABS data available upon request, International Merchandise Trade.

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VALUE OF OVERSEAS TRADE—VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA

Period	Victoria		Australia		
	Imports \$m	Exports \$m	Imports \$m	Exports (including re-exports) \$m	Excess of exports \$m
1999–2000	33 717	19 034	110 078	97 286	-12 792
2000–01	36 485	22 506	r 118 318	r 119 539	r 1 221
2000					
September	3 041	1 852	9 852	9 779	-73
October	3 442	2 205	11 154	10 551	-603
November	3 443	1 949	11 006	10 431	-575
December	2 819	1 836	9 250	10 294	1 044
2001					
January	2 882	1 485	r 9 267	8 327	r -940
February	2 711	1 903	8 322	9 223	901
March	3 074	2 073	9 930	10 571	641
April	2 954	1 835	9 574	10 306	r 732
May	3 073	1 986	9 979	10 696	r 717
June	2 818	1 980	r 9 511	r 10 621	r 1 110
July	2 972	r 1 895	r 9 720	r 10 590	r 870
August	r 3 419	r 2 002	r 10 615	r 10 510	r -105
September	2 956	r 1 933	r 9 694	r 10 626	r 932
October	r 3 517	r 2 110	r 11 530	r 10 833	r -697
November	3 339	1 668	10 485	10 159	-326

Source: ABS data available on request, International Merchandise Trade.

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

Quarter ended	Hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments(a)						
	Establishments	Guest rooms	Bed spaces	Room nights occupied	Room occupancy rate	Persons employed	Takings from accommodation
	no.	no.	no.	'000	%	no.	\$'000
1999							
December	705	31 317	86 058	1 672.7	58.1	21 633	191 644
2000							
March	707	31 332	86 134	1 773.4	62.3	21 498	212 986
June	705	31 384	86 372	1 628.9	57.1	21 586	185 332
September	703	31 158	85 719	1 608.7	56.2	21 784	207 430
December	701	31 155	85 238	1 698.9	59.4	21 700	217 263
2001							
March	706	32 023	87 185	1 787.2	62.1	21 890	241 401
June	705	32 295	87 866	1 619.6	55.1	22 008	202 556
September	707	32 274	87 398	1 649.2	55.5	22 011	214 141

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units.

Source: Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0) (quarterly).

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