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POPULATION, QUEENSLAND

| Period | Estimated resident population | Natural increase (a) | Net migration | | | Increase during period | | Mean population for period |
|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|----------|-------|------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| | | | Interstate | Overseas | Total | Number | Proportion (b) | |
| | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | % | '000 |
| 1992-93 | 3 109.8 | 26.1 | 49.2 | 3.7 | 52.9 | (c) 79.8 | 2.6 | 3 070.5 |
| 1993-94 | 3 187.1 | 26.2 | 44.9 | 5.2 | 50.2 | (c) 77.3 | 2.5 | 3 149.9 |
| 1994-95 | 3 265.1 | 26.0 | 40.2 | 10.6 | 50.8 | (c) 78.0 | 2.5 | 3 225.1 |
| 1995-96 | 3 338.7 | 25.3 | 32.6 | 13.1 | 45.7 | (c) 73.6 | 2.3 | 3 303.5 |
| 1996-97 | 3 397.1 | 25.6 | 20.4 | 12.6 | 32.8 | 58.4 | 1.8 | 3 371.8 |
| 1997-98 | 3 456.3 | 24.4 | 18.0 | 16.9 | 34.9 | 59.3 | 1.7 | 3 427.3 |
| 1992 | 3 067.3 | 25.9 | 40.4 | 6.3 | 46.7 | (c) 73.5 | 2.5 | 3 031.8 |
| 1993 | 3 148.1 | 26.8 | 48.8 | 4.2 | 53.0 | (c) 80.8 | 2.6 | 3 111.1 |
| 1994 | 3 223.0 | 25.4 | 41.8 | 6.7 | 48.5 | (c) 74.9 | 2.4 | 3 187.7 |
| 1995 | 3 303.4 | 26.3 | 39.5 | 13.7 | 52.2 | (c) 80.4 | 2.5 | 3 264.4 |
| 1996 | 3 369.2 | 24.5 | 29.4 | 12.9 | 42.2 | (c) 68.1 | 2.1 | 3 303.9 |
| 1997 | 3 425.7 | 25.0 | 20.2 | 13.7 | 33.9 | 58.9 | 1.7 | 3 405.2 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | |
| June qtr | 3 397.1 | 7.4 | 4.5 | 1.4 | 5.9 | 13.2 | 0.4 | .. |
| September qtr | 3 414.0 | 6.2 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 10.8 | 16.9 | 0.5 | .. |
| December qtr | 3 425.7 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 1.3 | 6.5 | 11.7 | 0.3 | .. |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 3 441.8 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 7.1 | 10.2 | 16.1 | 0.5 | .. |
| June qtr | 3 456.3 | 7.0 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 7.6 | 14.5 | 0.4 | .. |
| September qtr | 3 471.5 | 6.2 | 3.8 | 5.2 | 9.0 | 15.1 | 0.4 | .. |

(a) Excess of births over deaths. (b) The rates represent the increase during the period, expressed as a proportion of the population at the beginning of the period. (c) Discrepancies between the sum of natural increase and net migration figures and the total increase figures are due to inter-censal adjustment.

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION (a) AT 30 JUNE

| Period | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 ^p |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 |
| Brisbane SD | 1 422.8 | 1 455.2 | 1 486.7 | 1 520.0 | 1 546.2 | 1 574.6 |
| Moreton SD | 538.9 | 566.0 | 596.0 | 618.2 | 638.4 | 657.3 |
| Wide Bay-Burnett SD | 207.1 | 214.0 | 219.5 | 224.3 | 227.6 | 230.6 |
| Darling Downs SD | 197.8 | 198.8 | 199.0 | 199.9 | 200.1 | 200.8 |
| South-West SD | 28.3 | 27.6 | 26.9 | 26.5 | 26.1 | 25.9 |
| Fitzroy SD | 172.5 | 174.5 | 176.2 | 178.0 | 179.3 | 180.5 |
| Central-West SD | 13.0 | 12.9 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.3 |
| Mackay SD | 113.4 | 115.1 | 117.3 | 120.3 | 122.5 | 124.3 |
| Northern SD | 186.5 | 188.3 | 190.3 | 192.2 | 193.3 | 195.0 |
| Far North SD | 192.0 | 197.8 | 204.5 | 210.8 | 215.2 | 219.3 |
| North-West SD | 37.4 | 36.8 | 36.1 | 35.9 | 35.8 | 35.8 |
| Queensland (b) | 3 109.8 | 3 187.1 | 3 265.1 | 3 338.7 | 3 397.1 | 3 456.3 |

(a) Estimates use 1998 edition of the ASGC. (b) Including off-shore and migratory.

VITAL STATISTICS, QUEENSLAND

| Period | Annual rate (b) | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|--------|-----------|-------------------|------------|------------|---------------|----------------------|
| | Births | Deaths | Marriages | Infant deaths (a) | Births (c) | Deaths (c) | Marriages (c) | Infant mortality (d) |
| 1992-93 | 46 285 | 20 260 | 20 428 | 340 | 14.9 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 7.3 |
| 1993-94 | 46 623 | 20 610 | 20 997 | 300 | 14.6 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.4 |
| 1994-95 | 46 731 | 21 364 | 20 425 | 309 | 14.3 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 6.6 |
| 1995-96 | 47 356 | 21 485 | 20 876 | 295 | 14.2 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.2 |
| 1996-97 | 47 009 | 21 983 | 20 822 | 280 | 13.8 | 6.5 | 6.1 | 6.0 |
| 1997-98 | 47 047 | 22 493 | 21 262 | 302 | 13.6 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.4 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | |
| September qtr | 12 571 | 6 335 | 5 249 | 71 | 14.7 | 7.4 | 6.1 | 5.6 |
| December qtr | 10 423 | 5 143 | 5 863 | 64 | 12.2 | 6.0 | 6.8 | 6.1 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 11 769 | 5 692 | 4 814 | 93 | 13.7 | 6.6 | 5.6 | 7.9 |
| June qtr | 12 284 | 5 323 | 5 336 | 74 | 14.2 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.0 |
| September qtr | 12 569 | 6 384 | 5 727 | 73 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | 5.8 |
| December qtr | 10 377 | 4 929 | n.y.a. | 59 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | 5.7 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | |
| July | 4 322 | 2 088 | 1 380 | 26 | .. | .. | .. | 6.0 |
| August | 4 039 | 2 106 | 1 434 | 22 | .. | .. | .. | 5.4 |
| September | 4 208 | 2 190 | 2 913 | 25 | .. | .. | .. | 5.9 |
| October | 3 976 | 1 940 | 2 489 | 23 | .. | .. | .. | 5.8 |
| November | 3 839 | 1 671 | 1 911 | 16 | .. | .. | .. | 4.2 |
| December | 2 562 | 1 318 | n.y.a. | 20 | .. | .. | .. | 7.8 |

(a) Deaths of children aged under 1 year. (b) For quarterly periods, an equivalent annual rate for each quarter. (c) Per 1,000 mean estimated resident population. (d) Infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, QUEENSLAND

| Particulars | 1998 | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 1997 | 1998 | July | August | September | October | November | December |
| Arrivals | | | | | | | | |
| Permanent and long-term | 42 541 | 41 973 | 4 353 | 3 070 | 2 895 | 2 962 | 2 784 | 3 722 |
| Total permanent | 14 785 | 15 615 | 1 357 | 1 301 | 1 164 | 1 318 | 1 249 | 1 452 |
| Residents long-term | 13 576 | 11 730 | 897 | 774 | 829 | 694 | 828 | 1 544 |
| Visitors long-term | 14 180 | 14 628 | 2 099 | 995 | 902 | 950 | 707 | 726 |
| Residents short-term | 432 506 | 461 068 | 39 885 | 33 674 | 52 535 | 47 434 | 35 924 | 32 652 |
| Visitors short-term | 1 331 402 | 1 233 137 | 117 252 | 109 969 | 100 838 | 103 141 | 101 036 | 122 588 |
| All arrivals | 1 806 449 | 1 736 178 | 161 490 | 146 713 | 156 268 | 153 537 | 139 744 | 158 962 |
| Departures | | | | | | | | |
| Permanent and long-term | 28 880 | 29 152 | 2 238 | 2 329 | 1 812 | 2 115 | 2 185 | 2 829 |
| Residents long-term | 13 139 | 14 127 | 1 037 | 1 338 | 932 | 1 116 | 999 | 1 170 |
| Visitors long-term | 9 521 | 8 693 | 766 | 471 | 485 | 501 | 729 | 1 080 |
| Former and other | 6 220 | 6 332 | 435 | 520 | 395 | 498 | 457 | 579 |
| Former settlers | 2 892 | 1 638 | 95 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Other residents | 3 328 | 4 694 | 340 | 520 | 395 | 498 | 457 | 579 |
| Residents short-term | 435 804 | 461 806 | 31 438 | 37 600 | 50 761 | 37 228 | 39 653 | 49 909 |
| Visitors short-term | 1 247 231 | 1 197 910 | 105 108 | 126 493 | 96 646 | 102 751 | 105 367 | 97 108 |
| All departures | 1 711 915 | 1 688 868 | 138 785 | 166 422 | 149 219 | 142 095 | 147 205 | 149 846 |

LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a), QUEENSLAND

| Month | Employed | | | Unemployed | | Total labour force | | Not in labour force | Civilian population aged 15 years and over |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| | Full-time | Part-time | Total | Number | Unemployment rate | Number | Participation rate | | |
| | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | % | '000 | % | | |
| MALES | | | | | | | | | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 785.8 | 107.5 | 893.3 | 98.0 | 9.9 | 991.3 | 74.8 | 334.7 | 1 326.0 |
| February | 785.4 | 111.8 | 897.2 | 100.2 | 10.0 | 997.4 | 75.1 | 330.7 | 1 328.1 |
| March | 782.2 | 115.2 | 897.4 | 91.5 | 9.3 | 988.9 | 74.3 | 341.3 | 1 330.2 |
| April | 786.1 | 108.8 | 894.9 | 87.5 | 8.9 | 982.5 | 73.7 | 349.8 | 1 332.2 |
| May | 776.2 | 118.9 | 895.1 | 85.9 | 8.8 | 981.0 | 73.5 | 353.3 | 1 334.3 |
| June | 784.1 | 120.4 | 904.5 | 85.7 | 8.7 | 990.2 | 74.1 | 346.1 | 1 336.3 |
| July | 792.3 | 110.2 | 902.5 | 90.4 | 9.1 | 992.9 | 74.2 | 345.3 | 1 338.3 |
| August | 783.8 | 112.3 | 896.0 | 88.3 | 9.0 | 984.3 | 73.4 | 356.0 | 1 340.2 |
| September | 794.8 | 122.0 | 916.7 | 92.1 | 9.1 | 1 008.8 | 75.2 | 333.4 | 1 342.2 |
| October | 807.1 | 117.6 | 924.7 | 83.3 | 8.3 | 1 008.1 | 75.0 | 336.4 | 1 344.5 |
| November | 809.3 | 113.2 | 922.5 | 79.6 | 7.9 | 1 002.1 | 74.4 | 344.6 | 1 346.7 |
| December | 811.1 | 123.6 | 934.6 | 82.6 | 8.1 | 1 017.2 | 75.4 | 331.8 | 1 349.0 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 805.6 | 114.4 | 920.0 | 85.1 | 8.5 | 1 005.1 | 74.4 | 346.3 | 1 351.4 |
| February | 806.1 | 112.8 | 918.9 | 90.4 | 9.0 | 1 009.3 | 74.6 | 336.6 | 1 353.7 |
| March | 802.8 | 119.6 | 922.4 | 77.5 | 7.8 | 999.9 | 73.7 | 356.2 | 1 356.1 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 383.4 | 282.3 | 665.7 | 65.6 | 9.0 | 731.3 | 54.2 | 619.1 | 1 350.4 |
| February | 387.4 | 305.6 | 693.0 | 74.5 | 9.7 | 767.5 | 56.7 | 585.0 | 1 352.6 |
| March | 379.1 | 312.0 | 691.1 | 64.8 | 8.6 | 755.9 | 55.8 | 598.8 | 1 354.7 |
| April | 387.8 | 311.6 | 699.4 | 64.5 | 8.4 | 763.9 | 56.3 | 592.9 | 1 356.8 |
| May | 384.8 | 316.0 | 700.8 | 59.7 | 7.9 | 760.6 | 56.0 | 598.3 | 1 358.8 |
| June | 384.9 | 318.3 | 703.1 | 64.8 | 8.4 | 768.0 | 56.4 | 592.9 | 1 360.8 |
| July | 388.6 | 310.7 | 699.3 | 59.1 | 7.8 | 758.4 | 55.6 | 604.5 | 1 362.9 |
| August | 377.9 | 315.8 | 693.7 | 57.3 | 7.6 | 751.0 | 55.0 | 613.9 | 1 364.9 |
| September | 387.9 | 314.1 | 702.1 | 63.1 | 8.3 | 765.2 | 56.0 | 601.7 | 1 366.9 |
| October | 381.6 | 322.0 | 703.6 | 62.9 | 8.2 | 766.4 | 56.0 | 602.7 | 1 369.2 |
| November | 393.4 | 318.2 | 711.6 | 59.3 | 7.7 | 771.0 | 56.2 | 600.5 | 1 371.5 |
| December | 400.1 | 308.6 | 708.8 | 63.4 | 8.2 | 772.2 | 56.2 | 601.6 | 1 373.8 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 396.8 | 289.3 | 686.1 | 67.7 | 9.0 | 753.9 | 54.8 | 622.3 | 1 376.2 |
| February | 385.6 | 312.5 | 698.1 | 68.2 | 8.9 | 766.3 | 55.6 | 612.4 | 1 378.7 |
| March | 390.1 | 313.8 | 703.9 | 67.5 | 8.7 | 771.4 | 55.9 | 609.8 | 1 381.2 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 169.3 | 389.7 | 1 559.0 | 163.6 | 9.5 | 1 722.6 | 64.4 | 953.8 | 2 676.4 |
| February | 1 172.8 | 417.5 | 1 590.2 | 174.7 | 9.9 | 1 764.9 | 65.8 | 915.7 | 2 680.7 |
| March | 1 161.3 | 427.2 | 1 588.5 | 156.3 | 9.0 | 1 744.8 | 65.0 | 940.2 | 2 685.0 |
| April | 1 173.9 | 420.4 | 1 594.3 | 152.0 | 8.7 | 1 746.3 | 64.9 | 942.7 | 2 689.0 |
| May | 1 161.0 | 434.9 | 1 595.9 | 145.6 | 8.4 | 1 741.5 | 64.7 | 951.5 | 2 693.1 |
| June | 1 168.9 | 438.7 | 1 607.6 | 150.5 | 8.6 | 1 758.2 | 65.2 | 939.0 | 2 697.1 |
| July | 1 180.9 | 421.0 | 1 601.9 | 149.5 | 8.5 | 1 751.3 | 64.8 | 949.8 | 2 701.1 |
| August | 1 161.6 | 428.1 | 1 589.7 | 145.6 | 8.4 | 1 735.3 | 64.1 | 969.9 | 2 705.1 |
| September | 1 182.7 | 436.1 | 1 618.8 | 155.2 | 8.8 | 1 774.0 | 65.5 | 935.1 | 2 709.2 |
| October | 1 188.7 | 439.6 | 1 628.3 | 146.2 | 8.2 | 1 774.6 | 65.4 | 939.1 | 2 713.7 |
| November | 1 202.7 | 431.4 | 1 634.1 | 138.9 | 7.8 | 1 773.1 | 65.2 | 945.2 | 2 718.2 |
| December | 1 211.2 | 432.2 | 1 643.4 | 146.0 | 8.2 | 1 789.4 | 65.7 | 933.4 | 2 722.8 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 202.4 | 403.8 | 1 606.2 | 152.8 | 8.7 | 1 759.0 | 64.5 | 968.6 | 2 727.6 |
| February | 1 191.7 | 425.4 | 1 617.1 | 158.6 | 8.9 | 1 775.6 | 65.0 | 956.8 | 2 732.4 |
| March | 1 192.9 | 433.4 | 1 626.3 | 145.0 | 8.2 | 1 771.3 | 64.7 | 966.0 | 2 737.3 |

(a) See Explanatory Notes in ABS publication *Labour Force* (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a), QUEENSLAND

| Month | Employed persons | | | Unemployed persons | Labour force | Unemployment rate | Participation rate |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------|---------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | Full-time | Part-time | Total | | | | |
| | '000 | '000 | '000 | | | | |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES (a) | | | | | | | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| February | 1 172.1 | 423.7 | 1 595.8 | 155.6 | 1 751.4 | 8.9 | 65.3 |
| March | 1 171.9 | 422.1 | 1 594.0 | 148.3 | 1 742.3 | 8.5 | 64.9 |
| April | 1 182.9 | 415.0 | 1 597.9 | 149.6 | 1 747.5 | 8.6 | 65.0 |
| May | 1 169.5 | 432.5 | 1 602.0 | 148.2 | 1 750.3 | 8.5 | 65.0 |
| June | 1 172.2 | 429.1 | 1 601.3 | 156.0 | 1 757.3 | 8.9 | 65.2 |
| July | 1 174.7 | 421.0 | 1 595.7 | 159.2 | 1 755.0 | 9.1 | 65.0 |
| August | 1 170.0 | 434.3 | 1 604.3 | 149.4 | 1 753.7 | 8.5 | 64.8 |
| September | 1 175.4 | 427.0 | 1 602.4 | 158.1 | 1 760.6 | 9.0 | 65.0 |
| October | 1 183.1 | 433.2 | 1 616.3 | 154.5 | 1 770.9 | 8.7 | 65.3 |
| November | 1 199.7 | 426.9 | 1 626.6 | 145.4 | 1 772.0 | 8.2 | 65.2 |
| December | 1 193.1 | 432.7 | 1 625.8 | 147.5 | 1 773.2 | 8.3 | 65.1 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 203.4 | 433.1 | 1 636.5 | 142.9 | 1 779.3 | 8.0 | 65.2 |
| February | 1 190.5 | 431.9 | 1 622.4 | 141.2 | 1 763.6 | 8.0 | 64.5 |
| March | 1 204.0 | 428.3 | 1 632.3 | 137.8 | 1 770.1 | 7.8 | 64.7 |
| TREND ESTIMATES (a) | | | | | | | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| February | 1 173.0 | 418.8 | 1 591.8 | 152.3 | 1 744.1 | 8.7 | 65.1 |
| March | 1 174.6 | 421.1 | 1 595.7 | 151.1 | 1 746.8 | 8.6 | 65.1 |
| April | 1 174.6 | 423.5 | 1 598.1 | 150.8 | 1 749.0 | 8.6 | 65.0 |
| May | 1 173.5 | 425.6 | 1 599.1 | 151.8 | 1 750.8 | 8.7 | 65.0 |
| June | 1 172.5 | 427.0 | 1 599.5 | 153.3 | 1 752.7 | 8.7 | 65.0 |
| July | 1 172.7 | 428.0 | 1 600.7 | 154.6 | 1 755.3 | 8.8 | 65.0 |
| August | 1 174.9 | 429.0 | 1 603.9 | 155.0 | 1 758.9 | 8.8 | 65.0 |
| September | 1 179.2 | 429.8 | 1 609.0 | 154.2 | 1 763.2 | 8.7 | 65.1 |
| October | 1 184.7 | 430.4 | 1 615.1 | 152.1 | 1 767.2 | 8.6 | 65.1 |
| November | 1 190.2 | 430.8 | 1 621.0 | 149.2 | 1 770.3 | 8.4 | 65.1 |
| December | 1 194.5 | 431.3 | 1 625.8 | 146.3 | 1 772.1 | 8.3 | 65.1 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 197.8 | 431.2 | 1 629.0 | 143.5 | 1 772.6 | 8.1 | 65.0 |
| February | 1 200.2 | 431.0 | 1 631.2 | 141.1 | 1 772.3 | 8.0 | 64.9 |
| March | 1 201.6 | 431.0 | 1 632.6 | 138.6 | 1 771.3 | 7.8 | 64.7 |

(a) See Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Labour Force* (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, QUEENSLAND ('000)

| Month | Private sector (a) | Government sector | | | Total | All employed wage and salary earners |
|----------|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Commonwealth | State | Local | | |
| 1995— | | | | | | |
| August | 864.1 | 44.1 | 198.5 | 33.7 | 276.3 | 1 140.4 |
| November | 909.4 | 45.1 | 191.3 | 33.4 | 269.8 | 1 179.3 |
| 1996— | | | | | | |
| February | 896.1 | 45.8 | 188.9 | 34.9 | 269.5 | 1 165.6 |
| May | 897.9 | 45.3 | 206.5 | 34.8 | 286.6 | 1 184.5 |
| August | 884.3 | 39.8 | 208.1 | 34.7 | 282.6 | 1 166.8 |
| November | 891.7 | 39.3 | 208.1 | 36.5 | 283.9 | 1 175.6 |
| 1997— | | | | | | |
| February | 872.7 | 38.8 | 203.4 | 36.5 | 278.8 | 1 151.4 |
| May | 884.2 | 37.2 | 209.2 | 38.8 | 285.1 | 1 169.3 |
| August | 900.8 | 37.3 | 211.7 | 37.5 | 286.4 | 1 187.2 |
| November | 898.0 | 35.2 | 213.2 | 36.4 | 284.9 | 1 182.9 |
| 1998— | | | | | | |
| February | 898.6 | 34.3 | 207.2 | 35.8 | 277.3 | 1 175.9 |
| May | 925.9 | 34.1 | 211.4 | 35.7 | 281.2 | 1 207.1 |
| August | 990.4 | 33.2 | 211.3 | 36.5 | 281.0 | 1 271.3 |

(a) Estimates are based on a sample survey and subject to sampling variability. See Explanatory Notes in the publication *Wage and Salary Earners, Australia* (6248.0).

DURATION (a) OF UNEMPLOYMENT (b), QUEENSLAND

| Period | Number of persons unemployed for | | | | | | Total | Median duration weeks |
|-----------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------|--------------------------|
| | Less than 4 weeks | 4 and under 8 weeks | 8 and under 13 weeks | 13 and under 26 weeks | 26 and under 52 weeks | 52 weeks or more | | |
| | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | | |
| June— | | | | | | | | |
| 1993 | 23.4 | 15.4 | 11.5 | 28.6 | 32.5 | 45.2 | 156.7 | 24 |
| 1994 | 22.6 | 14.9 | 11.2 | 28.6 | 25.2 | 41.0 | 143.5 | 22 |
| 1995 | 23.2 | 17.6 | 11.4 | 31.7 | 26.1 | 34.8 | 144.9 | 21 |
| 1996 | 31.3 | 18.4 | 13.4 | 28.7 | 26.2 | 37.0 | 155.0 | 18 |
| 1997 | 24.9 | 12.2 | 18.0 | 31.7 | 26.3 | 36.5 | 149.5 | 21 |
| 1998 | 24.4 | 17.7 | 12.8 | 33.3 | 23.8 | 40.1 | 152.2 | 22 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | |
| January | 32.4 | 28.5 | 20.6 | 20.5 | 19.9 | 43.3 | 165.2 | 12 |
| February | 32.9 | 26.9 | 24.7 | 23.6 | 20.8 | 47.6 | 176.5 | 13 |
| March | 26.2 | 24.5 | 19.9 | 24.2 | 20.0 | 42.8 | 157.5 | 15 |
| April | 25.0 | 16.6 | 20.0 | 30.7 | 20.4 | 40.7 | 153.5 | 16 |
| May | 24.5 | 13.9 | 13.0 | 29.7 | 22.1 | 44.2 | 147.3 | 20 |
| June | 24.4 | 17.7 | 12.8 | 33.3 | 23.8 | 40.1 | 152.2 | 22 |
| July | 26.2 | 13.7 | 14.0 | 22.5 | 29.3 | 45.4 | 151.2 | 25 |
| August | 26.8 | 15.4 | 13.4 | 20.7 | 30.9 | 40.3 | 147.5 | 23 |
| September | 27.1 | 17.6 | 16.7 | 23.3 | 28.0 | 44.5 | 157.1 | 21 |
| October | 25.4 | 13.3 | 16.2 | 17.8 | 30.3 | 44.6 | 147.7 | 26 |
| November | 25.3 | 14.0 | 10.0 | 18.0 | 34.0 | 39.0 | 140.4 | 26 |
| December | 34.1 | 19.5 | 11.6 | 15.9 | 25.8 | 40.2 | 147.2 | 17 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | |
| January | 37.6 | 22.4 | 13.9 | 14.8 | 23.6 | 42.2 | 154.5 | 13 |
| February | 34.3 | 23.7 | 19.1 | 17.6 | 19.7 | 44.2 | 158.6 | 13 |

(a) Period from the time the person began looking for work or was stood down, to the end of survey week. (b) See the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Labour Force* (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

JOB VACANCIES AND OVERTIME, QUEENSLAND

| Month | Number of job vacancies | | | Job vacancy rate (a) | Average weekly overtime hours per employee | | Proportion of employees in the survey working overtime |
|----------|-------------------------|------------|--------|-------------------------|---|---------------------|--|
| | Sector | | Total | | In the survey | Working overtime | |
| | Private | Government | | | | | |
| | '000 | '000 | '000 | % | No. | No. | % |
| 1997— | | | | | | | |
| November | * 13.7 | 1.9 | * 15.7 | * 1.24 | 0.96 | 6.03 | 15.98 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| February | * 12.4 | 1.6 | 14.0 | 1.10 | 0.83 | 5.93 | 13.94 |
| May | * 14.0 | 1.5 | * 15.4 | 1.21 | 1.00 | 6.35 | 15.81 |
| August | * 14.0 | 1.7 | 15.7 | 1.26 | 1.02 | 5.87 | 17.44 |
| November | 9.6 | 2.1 | 11.7 | 0.95 | 1.05 | 6.20 | 16.90 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| February | 12.6 | 1.9 | 14.5 | 1.16 | 0.94 | 6.01 | 15.66 |

(a) The number of job vacancies as a proportion of the number of employees plus vacancies.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY INDUSTRY DIVISION, QUEENSLAND ('000)

| ANZSIC industry division | 1997 | | | 1998 | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | May | August | November | February | August |
| Manufacturing | 130.2 | 136.6 | 138.7 | 143.3 | 138.0 |
| Construction | 71.1 | 63.2 | 59.6 | 66.0 | 69.9 |
| Wholesale trade | 79.7 | 81.6 | 77.2 | 70.9 | 90.5 |
| Retail trade | 184.1 | 190.5 | 179.3 | 187.7 | 190.9 |
| Transport and storage | 54.9 | 52.5 | 52.0 | 48.2 | 51.8 |
| Property and business services | 87.3 | 93.7 | 96.8 | 99.7 | 98.0 |
| Health and community services | 135.9 | 136.4 | 134.7 | 132.9 | 131.3 |
| Other (a) | 426.1 | 432.7 | 444.4 | 427.3 | 436.5 |
| Total | 1 169.3 | 1 187.2 | 1 182.9 | 1 175.9 | 1 207.1 |

(a) Including employees of government agencies classified to Agriculture, forestry and fishing.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK, QUEENSLAND

| Period | Number of disputes | | Employees involved | | |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | Commenced in period | Total (a) | Newly involved (b) | Total (a) | Working days lost |
| | No. | No. | '000 | '000 | '000 |
| 1992-93 | 123 | 124 | 65.4 | 65.5 | 80.8 |
| 1993-94 | 110 | 114 | 56.2 | 59.4 | 147.8 |
| 1994-95 | 164 | 164 | 67.4 | 67.4 | 190.5 |
| 1995-96 | 147 | 151 | 78.9 | 79.7 | 168.3 |
| 1996-97 | 121 | 124 | 148.4 | 181.5 | 170.0 |
| 1997-98 | 64 | 66 | 27.7 | 28.1 | 49.7 |
| 1997— | | | | | |
| October | 6 | 7 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.6 |
| November | 4 | 6 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| December | n.p. | 5 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| 1998— | | | | | |
| January | n.p. | n.p. | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| February | 5 | 6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| March | 7 | 8 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.1 |
| April | 5 | 5 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| May | n.p. | n.p. | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.2 |
| June | 5 | 7 | 0.9 | 9.5 | 12.4 |
| July | 7 | 8 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 3.8 |
| August | 5 | 7 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 7.5 |
| September | 7 | 8 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 2.8 |
| October | 3 | 5 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.4 |
| November | 9 | 10 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.4 |
| December | 5 | 6 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 7.1 |

(a) All disputes involving stoppages of 10 working days or more which were in progress during the period. (b) Comprises employees involved in disputes which commenced during the month and additional employees involved in disputes which continued from the previous month.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES, QUEENSLAND (\$)

| Quarter | Males | | | Females | | | Persons | | |
|----------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | Full-time adults | | All males | Full-time adults | | All females | Full-time adults | | All employees |
| | Weekly ordinary time earnings | Weekly total earnings | Weekly total earnings | Weekly ordinary time earnings | Weekly total earnings | Weekly total earnings | Weekly ordinary time earnings | Weekly total earnings | Weekly total earnings |
| 1995— | | | | | | | | | |
| May | 643.50 | 694.80 | 596.40 | 545.40 | 556.30 | 396.20 | 608.90 | 645.80 | 501.20 |
| August | 641.40 | 689.10 | 600.00 | 546.20 | 557.80 | 399.10 | 607.60 | 642.40 | 503.50 |
| November | 653.40 | 697.40 | 602.30 | 551.50 | 564.70 | 399.90 | 617.10 | 650.20 | 505.50 |
| 1996— | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 650.30 | 694.10 | 595.80 | 554.30 | 567.00 | 410.70 | 614.20 | 646.30 | 506.80 |
| May | 662.00 | 707.10 | 602.40 | 553.70 | 566.30 | 409.70 | 621.80 | 654.80 | 509.00 |
| August | 665.60 | 713.80 | 617.50 | 569.80 | 582.60 | 415.00 | 631.20 | 666.70 | 520.80 |
| November | 679.00 | 728.50 | 631.90 | 579.80 | 591.20 | 418.20 | 644.20 | 680.30 | 530.40 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 697.20 | 744.90 | 653.80 | 581.80 | 594.20 | 437.00 | 656.30 | 691.40 | 553.20 |
| May | 697.60 | 753.30 | 662.30 | 591.90 | 605.60 | 447.50 | 659.10 | 699.60 | 561.70 |
| August | 702.60 | 755.70 | 660.00 | 591.20 | 606.40 | 447.80 | 661.70 | 700.90 | 562.80 |
| November | 716.70 | 776.80 | 685.00 | 607.60 | 622.90 | 464.20 | 675.60 | 718.80 | 580.90 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 732.20 | 783.20 | 689.10 | 612.90 | 624.50 | 463.10 | 686.30 | 722.20 | 580.50 |
| May | 738.60 | 789.90 | 703.10 | 616.10 | 628.70 | 458.50 | 693.50 | 730.50 | 586.30 |
| August | 742.90 | 800.90 | 711.30 | 613.50 | 627.00 | 461.50 | 695.60 | 737.40 | 593.30 |
| November | 733.70 | 788.20 | 688.20 | 628.00 | 641.90 | 469.00 | 694.30 | 733.70 | 583.50 |

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, BRISBANE
(Base Of Each Index: Year 1989-90 = 100.0)

| Period | Food | Clothing | Housing | Household equipment and operation | Transport- ation | Alcohol and tobacco | Health and personal care | Recreation and education | All groups |
|---------------|-------|----------|---------|--|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 1995-96 | 116.5 | 105.3 | 112.0 | 112.6 | 120.7 | 150.9 | 135.9 | 118.1 | 119.1 |
| 1996-97 | 118.9 | 105.3 | 107.9 | 115.0 | 123.4 | 159.9 | 142.1 | 120.8 | 121.0 |
| 1997-98 | 121.5 | 105.3 | 100.7 | 115.9 | 123.3 | 165.5 | 149.8 | 124.5 | 121.6 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | |
| June qtr | 119.9 | 105.8 | 103.0 | 115.7 | 123.7 | 162.3 | 146.8 | 122.3 | 121.1 |
| September qtr | 118.7 | 105.3 | 102.4 | 115.6 | 123.7 | 162.9 | 143.8 | 122.8 | 120.7 |
| December qtr | 121.2 | 105.6 | 100.2 | 115.8 | 124.0 | 165.5 | 149.7 | 123.1 | 121.4 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 122.6 | 104.7 | 100.0 | 115.8 | 122.8 | 166.3 | 152.7 | 126.1 | 121.9 |
| June qtr | 123.3 | 105.7 | 100.3 | 116.4 | 122.8 | 167.2 | 152.8 | 125.8 | 122.3 |
| September qtr | 123.9 | 105.2 | 101.0 | 116.3 | 120.9 | 168.1 | 156.0 | 126.1 | 122.5 |
| December qtr | 125.0 | 105.7 | 101.3 | 116.4 | 121.0 | 168.2 | 155.2 | 127.6 | 123.0 |

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED ITEMS (a), BRISBANE
(cents)

| Item | Unit | Quarter ended | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-------|-----------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|
| | | Year | | 1997 | | | 1998 | | |
| | | 1997 | 1998 | June | September | December | June | September | December |
| Dairy products | | | | | | | | | |
| Milk, carton (b) | 1 litre | 117 | 119 | 116 | 117 | 118 | 119 | 119 | 120 |
| Milk, powdered, full cream | 750 g pkt | 468 | 484 | 469 | 467 | 466 | 483 | 478 | 481 |
| Cheese, processed, sliced, wrapped | 500 g pkt | 364 | 368 | 362 | 338 | 367 | 366 | 381 | 357 |
| Butter | 500 g | 175 | 169 | 180 | 173 | 172 | 179 | 162 | 164 |
| Cereal products | | | | | | | | | |
| Bread, white, sliced (b) | 680 g | 194 | 194 | 197 | 191 | 195 | 192 | 195 | 199 |
| Biscuits, dry | 250 g pkt | 160 | 157 | 158 | 161 | 161 | 161 | 157 | 159 |
| Breakfast cereal, corn-based | 550 g pkt | 343 | 329 | 357 | 358 | 357 | 343 | 337 | 299 |
| Flour, self-raising | 2 kg pkt | 267 | 272 | 267 | 267 | 264 | 269 | 271 | 271 |
| Rice, long grain | 1 kg pkt | 141 | 153 | 138 | 139 | 145 | 158 | 153 | 153 |
| Meat and seafoods | | | | | | | | | |
| Beef | | | | | | | | | |
| Silverside roast | 1 kg | (e) (f) 723 | (f) 728 | 781 | (f) 717 | (f) 729 | (f) 725 | (f) 743 | (f) 720 |
| Rump steak | 1 kg | 1 078 | 1 059 | 1 084 | 1 088 | 1 086 | 1 044 | 1 070 | 1 041 |
| T-bone steak, with fillet | 1 kg | 981 | 979 | 950 | 978 | 983 | 990 | 968 | 940 |
| Chuck steak | 1 kg | 601 | 594 | 602 | 617 | 617 | 601 | 588 | 590 |
| Silverside, corned | 1 kg | 574 | 530 | 574 | 587 | 564 | 549 | 508 | 543 |
| Lamb | | | | | | | | | |
| Leg | 1 kg | 589 | 565 | 579 | 616 | 573 | 545 | 601 | 546 |
| Loin chops | 1 kg | 820 | 826 | 802 | 843 | 824 | 812 | 843 | 840 |
| Forequarter chops | 1 kg | 493 | 499 | 477 | 498 | 506 | 501 | 507 | 481 |
| Pork | | | | | | | | | |
| Leg | 1 kg | 617 | 541 | 591 | 630 | 645 | 520 | 504 | 536 |
| Loin chops | 1 kg | 843 | 837 | 809 | 829 | 872 | 838 | 822 | 815 |
| Chicken, frozen | 1 kg | 346 | 313 | 329 | 354 | 359 | 291 | 294 | 338 |
| Bacon, middle rashers | 250 g pkt | 307 | 309 | 316 | 316 | 290 | 332 | 314 | 320 |
| Beef, corned | 340 g can | 297 | 296 | 286 | 308 | 298 | 303 | 294 | 282 |
| Sausages | 1 kg | 339 | 335 | 338 | 350 | 333 | 335 | 327 | 332 |
| Salmon, pink | 210 g can | 225 | 255 | 224 | 222 | 233 | 262 | 266 | 246 |

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED ITEMS (a), BRISBANE—continued
(cents)

| Item | Unit | Quarter ended | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------|------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| | | Year | | 1997 | | | 1998 | | | |
| | | 1997 | 1998 | June | September | December | June | September | December | |
| Fresh fruit and vegetables | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oranges | 1 kg | 141 | 154 | 132 | 136 | 166 | 147 | 158 | 149 | |
| Bananas | 1 kg | 222 | 153 | 266 | 251 | 177 | 142 | 150 | 189 | |
| Potatoes | 1 kg | 110 | 118 | 116 | 117 | 114 | 115 | 114 | 134 | |
| Tomatoes | 1 kg | 208 | 302 | 248 | 176 | 188 | 318 | 276 | 359 | |
| Carrots | 1 kg | 117 | 164 | 117 | 100 | 106 | 178 | 158 | 171 | |
| Onions | 1 kg | 108 | 118 | 99 | 110 | 105 | 107 | 154 | 107 | |
| Processed fruit and vegetables | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peaches | 825 g can | 196 | 196 | 193 | 194 | 197 | 196 | 207 | 191 | |
| Pineapple, sliced | 450 g can | 104 | 109 | 107 | 104 | 104 | 114 | 109 | 110 | |
| Peas, frozen | 500 g pkt | 129 | 128 | 134 | 118 | 128 | 136 | 123 | 119 | |
| Confectionery | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chocolate, milk, block | 250 g | 282 | 288 | 281 | 292 | 285 | 291 | 293 | 272 | |
| Other food | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eggs | 52 g (min.), 1 doz. | 278 | 266 | 289 | 262 | 278 | 299 | 275 | 259 | |
| Sugar, white | 2 kg pkt | 189 | 212 | 177 | 196 | 189 | 212 | 214 | 218 | |
| Jam, strawberry | 500 g jar | 244 | 246 | 242 | 238 | 260 | 249 | 230 | 242 | |
| Tea | 250 g pkt | 196 | 250 | 195 | 189 | 211 | 252 | 259 | 251 | |
| Coffee, instant | 150 g jar | 607 | 627 | 597 | 629 | 656 | 636 | 617 | 600 | |
| Tomato sauce | 600 ml bottle | 188 | 190 | 189 | 189 | 184 | 197 | 192 | 179 | |
| Margarine, polyunsaturated | 500 g tub | 154 | 172 | 165 | 145 | 159 | 169 | 186 | 177 | |
| Baked beans (in tomato sauce) | 425 g can | (c) 101 | (d) (h) 99 | 103 | 100 | (d) (h) 103 | (d) (h) 105 | (d) (h) 95 | (d) (h) 100 | |
| Baby food | 125 g can | (n) 60 | (d) (i) 62 | 61 | (d) (i) 60 | (d) (i) 64 | (d) (i) 62 | (d) (i) 60 | (d) (i) 64 | |
| Household supplies | | | | | | | | | | |
| Laundry detergent | 1 kg | 529 | 494 | 566 | 511 | 487 | 502 | 486 | 491 | |
| Dishwashing detergent | 1 litre | (d, e, j) 350 | (d, j) 342 | 362 | (d) (j) 347 | (d) (j) 352 | (d) (j) 326 | (d) (j) 338 | (d) (j) 345 | |
| Facial tissues | pkt of 224 | 192 | 198 | 188 | 192 | 197 | 197 | 197 | 195 | |
| Toilet paper | 4 x 280 sheet rolls | (c) 350 | (d, k) 351 | 351 | 351 | (d) (k) 362 | (d) (k) 355 | (d) (k) 354 | 339 | |
| Pet food | 410 g can | 100 | (d, g) 102 | 100 | 98 | 106 | (d) (l) 105 | (d) (l) 95 | 106 | |
| Private motoring | | | | | | | | | | |
| Petrol, leaded | 1 litre | 67.3 | 62.9 | 67.1 | 65.8 | 68.1 | 64.4 | 61.4 | 61.8 | |
| Petrol, unleaded | 1 litre | 65.1 | 60.6 | 64.9 | 63.6 | 65.9 | 62.1 | 59.2 | 59.5 | |
| Alcoholic beverages | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beer, low alcohol, unchilled | 24 x 375 ml bottles | 2 333 | 2 332 | 2 339 | 2 303 | 2 336 | 2 359 | 2 282 | 2 341 | |
| Beer, full strength (m), unchilled | 24 x 375 ml bottles | 2 612 | 2 628 | 2 602 | 2 638 | 2 638 | 2 618 | 2 634 | 2 646 | |
| Draught beer, full strength (m), public bar | 285 ml glass | 180 | 184 | 179 | 180 | 182 | 183 | 184 | 185 | |
| Draught beer, low alcohol, public bar | 285 ml glass | 169 | 172 | 169 | 170 | 170 | 171 | 174 | 173 | |
| Scotch, nip, public bar | 30 ml | 254 | 263 | 254 | 255 | 256 | 260 | 264 | 270 | |
| Personal care products | | | | | | | | | | |
| Toilet soap | 4 x 125 g | (e) 293 | 303 | 181 | 283 | 302 | 308 | 301 | 296 | |
| Toothpaste | 140 g tube | 253 | 259 | 244 | 253 | 257 | 260 | 240 | 260 | |

(a) Average prices of specific brands, etc. charged by a number of representative retailers. They do not purport to be the actual averages of all sales of these items. Refer to the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities (6403.0)* for more details. (b) Supermarket sales. (c) Average based on prices for March, June and September quarters. (d) Price not comparable with other periods due to change in size and/or specification. (e) Average based on prices for September and December quarters. (f) Topside roast. (g) Average based on prices for June, September and December quarters. (h) 420 g can. (i) 120 g can. (j) 500 ml. (k) 4 x 270 sheet roll. (l) 400 g can. (m) The alcoholic content of full strength beer is greater than 3.9%. (n) Average based on prices for March and June quarters.

PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, BRISBANE

| Group | 1996-97 | | | 1997-98 | | | | |
|---|---------|---------|-------|-----------|----------|-------|-----------|----------|
| | 1996-97 | 1997-98 | June | September | December | June | September | December |
| HOUSE BUILDING (BASE OF EACH INDEX: YEAR 1989-90 = 100.0) | | | | | | | | |
| All groups | 115.3 | 117.1 | 116.5 | 116.8 | 116.7 | 117.9 | 118.4 | 118.6 |
| BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING (BASE OF EACH INDEX: YEAR 1989-90 = 100.0) | | | | | | | | |
| Selected major building materials | | | | | | | | |
| Structural timber | 109.8 | 113.0 | 110.8 | 111.9 | 110.5 | 114.9 | 114.9 | 122.7 |
| Clay bricks | 104.3 | 106.1 | 106.1 | 107.1 | 105.8 | 105.8 | 106.2 | 106.8 |
| Ready-mixed concrete | 104.2 | 106.6 | 107.3 | 108.8 | 105.4 | 106.4 | 106.3 | 104.5 |
| Precast concrete products | 112.5 | 112.2 | 113.0 | 113.2 | 113.2 | 111.5 | 112.8 | 115.2 |
| Steel decking and cladding | 111.3 | 113.7 | 113.7 | 113.7 | 113.7 | 113.8 | 114.0 | 114.0 |
| Structural steel | 136.7 | 136.6 | 136.1 | 137.8 | 136.5 | 136.0 | 139.1 | 139.3 |
| Reinforcing steel bar, fabric and mesh | 114.8 | 116.0 | 116.0 | 116.8 | 115.9 | 115.6 | 113.6 | 113.6 |
| Aluminium windows | 103.7 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 105.6 | 106.5 |
| Fabricated steel products | 120.1 | 122.9 | 123.1 | 122.8 | 122.8 | 122.5 | 123.5 | 123.4 |
| Builders' hardware | 104.1 | 103.6 | 104.4 | 104.4 | 101.7 | 106.5 | 106.8 | 106.8 |
| Sand and aggregate | 156.6 | 154.4 | 156.6 | 157.4 | 157.3 | 145.5 | 145.6 | 145.6 |
| Carpet | 94.8 | 94.8 | 94.7 | 94.2 | 94.8 | 95.2 | 95.7 | 95.7 |
| Paint and other coatings | 128.3 | 130.3 | 129.3 | 129.9 | 129.8 | 131.6 | 130.5 | 134.3 |
| Nonferrous pipes and fittings | 154.4 | 161.6 | 158.2 | 161.7 | 161.6 | 161.6 | 156.1 | 161.4 |
| Special combinations of building materials | | | | | | | | |
| All electrical materials | 109.7 | 111.7 | 110.6 | 111.2 | 111.0 | 113.0 | 114.0 | 114.5 |
| All mechanical services | 113.9 | 114.1 | 113.9 | 114.2 | 114.0 | 114.3 | 114.5 | 117.0 |
| All plumbing materials | 123.1 | 125.7 | 125.0 | 126.6 | 125.6 | 125.1 | 124.0 | 127.5 |
| All groups, excluding electrical materials and mechanical services | 117.6 | 119.2 | 118.8 | 119.6 | 118.9 | 119.2 | 119.6 | 120.1 |
| All groups | 115.9 | 117.2 | 116.9 | 117.5 | 117.0 | 117.3 | 117.8 | 118.7 |

MANUFACTURING AND FOREIGN TRADE PRICE INDEXES, AUSTRALIA

| Period | Manufacturing price indexes | | | Export price index numbers (a) | | | | Import price index numbers (a) | | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|---|------------|--------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| | Materials used (a) | | Articles produced (b) | Mineral products | Wool and cotton fibres | Base metals and articles of base metals | All groups | Machinery and transport equip. | All groups | |
| | Imported | Domestic | | | | | | | | All materials |
| 1992-93 | 107.8 | 105.7 | 106.4 | 114.3 | 108.2 | 60.9 | 81.0 | 93.5 | 116.8 | 112.1 |
| 1993-94 | 108.8 | 102.5 | 104.7 | 115.5 | 100.9 | 59.0 | 76.3 | 91.8 | 123.1 | 115.6 |
| 1994-95 | 112.7 | 104.9 | 107.6 | 118.1 | 95.0 | 80.8 | 96.8 | 94.7 | 121.1 | 114.8 |
| 1995-96 | 117.6 | 106.0 | 110.1 | 121.1 | 100.9 | 72.7 | 97.0 | 96.1 | 117.4 | 115.0 |
| 1996-97 | 109.4 | 104.2 | 106.0 | 121.8 | 103.0 | 67.6 | 86.1 | 92.4 | 108.5 | 108.6 |
| 1997-98 | 112.2 | 104.1 | 107.0 | 123.4 | 113.7 | 75.8 | 94.1 | 98.9 | 115.5 | 115.4 |
| 1995— | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 119.6 | 108.5 | 112.4 | 120.3 | 100.8 | 88.0 | 104.1 | 99.7 | 126.1 | 119.8 |
| September | 119.9 | 106.6 | 111.3 | 120.9 | 100.7 | 84.4 | 104.7 | 98.5 | 123.0 | 118.6 |
| December | 118.6 | 105.3 | 110.0 | 120.9 | 100.2 | 72.8 | 98.7 | 96.0 | 118.7 | 116.1 |
| 1996— | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 118.1 | 106.7 | 110.7 | 121.5 | 102.1 | 68.6 | 94.5 | 96.5 | 116.4 | 114.8 |
| June | 113.9 | 105.2 | 108.2 | 121.1 | 100.4 | 65.0 | 89.9 | 93.4 | 111.4 | 110.5 |
| September | 110.8 | 103.5 | 106.1 | 121.0 | 100.9 | 67.2 | 84.5 | 93.0 | 110.1 | 109.4 |
| December | 109.6 | 104.2 | 106.1 | 121.5 | 101.7 | 65.5 | 80.7 | 91.1 | 108.5 | 108.5 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 108.9 | 105.1 | 106.3 | 122.2 | 104.3 | 66.7 | 88.2 | 92.0 | 107.9 | 108.4 |
| June | 108.1 | 104.0 | 105.4 | 122.3 | 105.1 | 70.9 | 90.8 | 93.4 | 107.6 | 107.9 |
| September | 109.9 | 104.6 | 106.5 | 122.9 | 107.9 | 77.8 | 96.0 | 95.9 | 110.8 | 110.8 |
| December | 111.9 | 106.3 | 108.2 | 123.7 | 113.7 | 77.2 | 96.8 | 99.2 | 114.9 | 115.4 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 112.5 | 102.6 | 106.2 | 123.3 | 114.5 | 75.9 | 92.7 | 99.4 | 117.6 | 116.7 |
| June | 114.6 | 102.7 | 107.1 | 123.7 | 118.5 | 72.3 | 91.0 | 100.9 | 118.8 | 118.5 |
| September | 116.6 | 102.2 | 107.5 | 124.0 | 122.4 | 67.6 | 93.3 | 102.0 | 123.7 | 122.9 |
| December | 113.6 | 101.3 | 105.8 | 123.2 | 117.8 | 59.2 | 86.1 | 96.9 | 123.9 | 121.7 |

(a) Base: year 1989-90 = 100.0. (b) Base: year 1988-89 = 100.0.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a) AND PRODUCTION OF SELECTED COMMODITIES (b), QUEENSLAND

| Period | Livestock slaughtered | | | | | Meat produced (c) | |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|--------|
| | Cattle | Calves | Sheep | Lambs | Pigs | Beef | Veal |
| | '000 head | '000 head | '000 head | '000 head | '000 head | tonnes | tonnes |
| 1992-93 | 2 851.5 | 153.8 | 1 389.2 | 648.0 | 1 155.3 | 753 477 | 7 179 |
| 1993-94 | 2 781.8 | 148.7 | 856.6 | 669.6 | 1 207.9 | 742 701 | 6 352 |
| 1994-95 | 2 557.8 | 117.1 | 770.9 | 608.7 | 1 154.4 | 697 750 | 4 918 |
| 1995-96 | 2 406.9 | 91.2 | 727.5 | 695.3 | 1 080.0 | 655 664 | 3 854 |
| 1996-97 | 2 517.9 | 120.9 | 977.3 | 785.1 | 1 002.3 | 687 802 | 5 579 |
| 1997-98 | 3 014.6 | 114.8 | 1 277.1 | 765.7 | 1 082.8 | 799 778 | 5 520 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | |
| December | 168.8 | 7.5 | 107.4 | 53.3 | 89.2 | 44 691 | 350 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| January | 155.4 | 10.2 | 131.3 | 66.1 | 87.1 | 39 894 | 496 |
| February | 240.8 | 9.6 | 117.5 | 58.8 | 93.3 | 64 877 | 470 |
| March | 266.8 | 10.5 | 117.3 | 65.2 | 91.5 | 70 467 | 542 |
| April | 263.7 | 10.3 | 109.9 | 68.3 | 88.7 | 68 184 | 533 |
| May | 281.8 | 9.0 | 87.0 | 60.2 | 95.0 | 73 209 | 481 |
| June | 278.5 | 8.4 | 92.4 | 56.3 | 90.3 | 73 494 | 435 |
| July | 304.8 | 9.8 | 117.0 | 68.6 | 103.4 | 82 208 | 517 |
| August | 288.5 | 8.3 | 109.7 | 66.0 | 95.4 | 76 824 | 432 |
| September | 283.5 | 8.3 | 90.4 | 63.2 | 96.9 | 75 856 | 407 |
| October | 292.3 | 8.5 | 137.6 | 70.9 | 94.9 | 80 152 | 428 |
| November | 274.2 | 7.3 | 99.5 | 55.2 | 88.8 | 75 342 | 391 |
| December | 204.8 | 6.3 | 72.5 | 51.7 | 90.3 | 56 599 | 336 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| January | 173.2 | 7.1 | 107.6 | 61.6 | 83.1 | 48 177 | 380 |
| February | 267.7 | 7.9 | 101.4 | 53.0 | 84.4 | 74 924 | 432 |

| Period | Meat produced (c) | | | Dressed weight of chickens slaughtered | Total Factory intake of whole milk (e) | Butter (e) (f) | Cheese, non-processed (e) (f) |
|-----------|-------------------|--------|--------------|--|--|----------------|-------------------------------|
| | Mutton | Lamb | Pigmeats (d) | | | | |
| | tonnes | tonnes | tonnes | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 26 656 | 10 570 | 79 749 | 67 305 | 702 | 5 870 | 12 213 |
| 1993-94 | 21 282 | 12 447 | 84 553 | 72 000 | 764 | 6 774 | 16 502 |
| 1994-95 | 15 308 | 10 621 | 83 143 | 76 337 | 741 | 5 845 | 15 734 |
| 1995-96 | 14 161 | 12 584 | 77 696 | 71 607 | 751 | 7 162 | 19 303 |
| 1996-97 | 19 646 | 14 348 | 73 809 | 80 485 | 797 | 8 683 | 23 464 |
| 1997-98 | 24 553 | 13 948 | 81 171 | 89 458 | 823 | 8 563 | 22 234 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | |
| December | 2 102 | 982 | 6 348 | 7 815 | 72 | 784 | 2 159 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| January | 2 574 | 1 209 | 6 404 | 7 730 | 71 | 796 | 1 812 |
| February | 2 227 | 1 073 | 6 837 | 7 079 | 61 | 631 | 1 637 |
| March | 2 258 | 1 169 | 6 758 | 7 779 | 65 | 622 | 1 746 |
| April | 2 052 | 1 210 | 6 681 | 7 486 | 60 | 465 | 1 419 |
| May | 1 530 | 1 070 | 7 374 | 6 916 | 65 | 594 | 1 546 |
| June | 1 688 | 1 006 | 6 940 | 7 560 | 66 | 829 | 1 830 |
| July | 2 180 | 1 290 | 8 000 | n.y.a. | 70 | 713 | 1 865 |
| August | 2 208 | 1 237 | 7 341 | n.y.a. | 75 | 783 | 1 892 |
| September | 1 828 | 1 185 | 7 348 | n.y.a. | 76 | 956 | 1 822 |
| October | 2 723 | 1 340 | 7 101 | n.y.a. | 78 | 707 | 1 922 |
| November | 2 037 | 1 101 | 6 399 | n.y.a. | 71 | 678 | 1 956 |
| December | 1 499 | 979 | 6 401 | n.y.a. | 73 | 740 | 2 145 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| January | 2 172 | 1 134 | 6 130 | n.y.a. | 72 | 682 | 2 117 |
| February | 1 991 | 975 | 6 185 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |

(a) Including livestock slaughtered on farms. (b) Excluding producers with fewer than four persons employed and minor production from essentially non-manufacturing activities. (c) Dressed carcass weight. Excluding offal. (d) Including quantities used to produce bacon and ham. (e) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (f) Excluding farm production.

ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION, QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

| Particulars | Quarter ended | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|---------|---------|-----------|
| | 1996-97 | 1997-98 | 1997 | | | 1998 | | September |
| | | | June | September | December | March | June | |
| Value of work commenced | 3 605.0 | 4 696.5 | 673.4 | 933.0 | 1 230.2 | 1 252.1 | 1 281.0 | 1 001.0 |
| Value of work done | 3 593.4 | 3 828.0 | 986.9 | 890.0 | 953.0 | 921.4 | 1 072.9 | 985.8 |
| Value of work yet to be done | 1 074.9 | 2 027.1 | 1 074.9 | 1 080.9 | 1 454.9 | 1 783.9 | 2 023.8 | 1 957.7 |

BUILDING ACTIVITY (a), QUEENSLAND

| Period | Dwelling units in new residential buildings | | | Value of building work completed | | | | Value of work done in period |
|---------------|---|-----------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| | Commenced | Completed | Under construction at end of period | New houses | New other residential buildings | Non-residential building | Total (b) | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 46 985 | 45 541 | 14 760 | 2 907.3 | 771.9 | 1 700.4 | 5 608.2 | 5 467.0 |
| 1993-94 | 53 085 | 49 615 | 17 993 | 3 015.8 | 1 007.3 | 1 391.7 | 5 644.9 | 5 993.1 |
| 1994-95 | 46 160 | 48 456 | 15 389 | 3 172.3 | 1 100.1 | 1 834.1 | 6 351.8 | 6 819.9 |
| 1995-96 | 31 125 | 35 103 | 11 125 | 2 372.2 | 994.9 | 2 656.7 | 6 290.7 | 5 791.8 |
| 1996-97 | 31 874 | 30 405 | 12 371 | 2 320.2 | 695.2 | 2 389.1 | 5 681.7 | 5 964.9 |
| 1997-98 | 34 976 | 33 364 | 13 825 | 2 568.5 | 920.3 | 2 409.5 | 6 203.0 | 6 560.7 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | |
| June qtr | 8 174 | 7 707 | 12 371 | 594.8 | 176.1 | 559.7 | 1 403.5 | 1 482.6 |
| September qtr | 8 618 | 8 713 | 12 211 | 640.5 | 241.8 | 531.6 | 1 487.2 | 1 618.9 |
| December qtr | 9 282 | 8 910 | 12 599 | 718.3 | 232.7 | 899.3 | 1 932.7 | 1 702.4 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 8 032 | 7 596 | 13 017 | 582.3 | 256.2 | 465.1 | 1 384.0 | 1 517.6 |
| June qtr | 9 044 | 8 145 | 13 825 | 627.4 | 189.6 | 513.5 | 1 399.1 | 1 721.8 |
| September qtr | 7 717 | 9 054 | 12 367 | 703.4 | 340.3 | 707.8 | 1 830.5 | 1 677.0 |

(a) The scope of building activity includes: (i) all new residential buildings, irrespective of value, and alterations and additions to residential buildings with an approval value of \$10,000 and over and (ii) non-residential building (including alterations and additions to existing buildings) with an approval value of \$50,000 and over.
(b) Including alterations and additions (valued at \$10,000 and over) to residential buildings, which are not shown in the foregoing columns.

BUILDING ACTIVITY: NUMBER OF NEW DWELLING UNITS (a) BY TYPE AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, QUEENSLAND

| Period | Commenced | | | Completed | | | Under construction at end of period | | |
|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| | Houses | Other residential buildings | Total | Houses | Other residential buildings | Total | Houses | Other residential buildings | Total |
| 1992-93 | 33 516 | 13 469 | 46 985 | 33 600 | 11 941 | 45 541 | 8 559 | 6 201 | 14 760 |
| 1993-94 | 35 751 | 17 334 | 53 085 | 34 793 | 14 822 | 49 615 | 9 504 | 8 489 | 17 993 |
| 1994-95 | 31 047 | 15 113 | 46 160 | 33 527 | 14 929 | 48 456 | 6 971 | 8 418 | 15 389 |
| 1995-96 | 23 082 | 8 043 | 31 125 | 23 852 | 11 251 | 35 103 | 6 049 | 5 076 | 11 125 |
| 1996-97 | 22 870 | 9 004 | 31 874 | 22 551 | 7 854 | 30 405 | 6 284 | 6 087 | 12 371 |
| 1997-98 | 23 735 | 11 211 | 34 947 | 23 373 | 9 991 | 33 365 | 6 625 | 7 200 | 13 825 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | |
| June qtr | 5 913 | 2 261 | 8 174 | 5 690 | 2 017 | 7 707 | 6 284 | 6 087 | 12 371 |
| September qtr | 6 132 | 2 486 | 8 618 | 5 908 | 2 805 | 8 714 | 6 486 | 5 725 | 12 211 |
| December qtr | 6 224 | 3 058 | 9 283 | 6 610 | 2 300 | 8 910 | 6 116 | 6 483 | 12 598 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 5 457 | 2 575 | 8 032 | 5 058 | 2 538 | 7 596 | 6 497 | 6 520 | 13 017 |
| June qtr | 5 922 | 3 092 | 9 014 | 5 797 | 2 348 | 8 145 | 6 625 | 7 200 | 13 825 |
| September qtr | 5 281 | 2 492 | 7 773 | 6 043 | 3 011 | 9 054 | 5 859 | 6 508 | 12 367 |

(a) Including new houses and dwelling units in other residential buildings (e.g. flats, home units, etc.) but excluding units offering temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels, etc.) and caretakers' quarters in non-residential buildings.

BUILDING APPROVALS (a), QUEENSLAND

| Period | Dwelling units in new residential buildings | | | | | | Alterations and additions to residential buildings | Non-residential building | | Total value of building |
|-----------|---|---------|---------------|-------|--------|----------------|--|--------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| | Private sector | | Public sector | | Total | Private sector | | Total | | |
| | No. | \$m | No. | \$m | | | | | No. | |
| 1992-93 | 45 992 | 3 700.1 | 1 940 | 129.4 | 47 932 | 3 829.6 | 212.9 | 941.8 | 1 383.9 | 5 426.3 |
| 1993-94 | 53 427 | 4 464.3 | 1 765 | 126.7 | 55 192 | 4 591.0 | 229.2 | 1 348.4 | 1 761.6 | 6 581.8 |
| 1994-95 | 43 596 | 3 856.7 | 1 602 | 144.1 | 45 198 | 4 000.7 | 240.9 | 1 570.9 | 2 063.5 | 6 305.1 |
| 1995-96 | 29 579 | 2 819.5 | 872 | 72.0 | 30 451 | 2 891.4 | 242.9 | 1 807.9 | 2 326.0 | 5 467.4 |
| 1996-97 | 31 853 | 3 083.4 | 1 233 | 108.3 | 33 086 | 3 191.6 | 270.0 | 1 568.0 | 2 241.0 | 5 705.8 |
| 1997-98 | 35 415 | 3 510.5 | 1 064 | 97.8 | 36 479 | 3 608.2 | 289.6 | 1 821.9 | 3 372.7 | 7 270.4 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | | |
| December | 2 772 | 251.8 | 41 | 3.2 | 2 813 | 255.0 | 18.2 | 70.7 | 116.3 | 389.5 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 2 910 | 307.0 | 25 | 2.5 | 2 935 | 309.5 | 19.8 | 114.2 | 200.1 | 529.4 |
| February | 2 718 | 276.4 | 45 | 4.4 | 2 763 | 280.8 | 22.4 | 153.2 | 320.7 | 624.0 |
| March | 2 959 | 296.4 | 105 | 9.4 | 3 064 | 305.8 | 24.0 | 95.6 | 270.5 | 600.3 |
| April | 3 126 | 328.6 | 154 | 12.9 | 3 280 | 341.5 | 25.1 | 133.0 | 305.4 | 671.9 |
| May | 2 814 | 281.8 | 252 | 21.2 | 3 066 | 302.9 | 25.4 | 213.4 | 326.8 | 655.0 |
| June | 2 639 | 253.8 | 167 | 15.7 | 2 806 | 269.5 | 29.9 | 234.7 | 316.9 | 616.3 |
| July | 2 460 | 258.4 | 29 | 3.8 | 2 489 | 262.2 | 26.0 | 125.4 | 149.5 | 437.8 |
| August | 2 547 | 250.2 | 32 | 2.8 | 2 579 | 253.0 | 22.7 | 104.0 | 296.9 | 572.4 |
| September | 2 887 | 284.1 | 98 | 9.9 | 2 985 | 293.9 | 28.8 | 116.5 | 157.8 | 480.5 |
| October | 2 542 | 260.4 | 64 | 5.5 | 2 606 | 265.9 | 26.3 | 113.4 | 154.5 | 446.8 |
| November | 2 413 | 242.3 | 64 | 5.6 | 2 477 | 248.0 | 23.2 | 181.7 | 202.7 | 474.0 |
| December | 2 231 | 212.5 | 20 | 1.9 | 2 251 | 214.4 | 18.4 | 84.0 | 136.0 | 368.7 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 793 | 167.0 | 45 | 5.0 | 1 838 | 172.1 | 16.4 | 144.0 | 202.8 | 391.2 |
| February | 1 969 | 198.1 | 51 | 5.5 | 2 020 | 203.6 | 18.6 | 103.7 | 130.1 | 352.3 |

(a) The scope of building approvals includes: (i) all approved new residential building jobs valued at \$10,000 or more; (ii) all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more and (iii) approved alterations and additions valued at \$10,000 or more to residential buildings.

HOUSING FINANCE FOR OWNER OCCUPATION, QUEENSLAND

Secured housing finance commitments to individuals

| Period | Dwelling units involved | | | | All banks | | | | | Total (b) |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|-------|-----------|
| | For purchase | | | | For purchase of dwellings | | | | | |
| | For construction | Newly erected | Previously established | Refinance (a) | For construction of dwellings | Newly erected | Previously established | Refinance (a) | | |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | | |
| 1992-93 | 24 832 | 3 338 | 55 502 | 12 904 | 1 444 | 203 | 3 499 | 725 | 6 168 | |
| 1993-94 | 25 967 | 4 948 | 58 980 | 18 725 | 1 837 | 359 | 4 142 | 1 154 | 7 950 | |
| 1994-95 | 20 166 | 4 429 | 48 707 | 13 950 | 1 497 | 376 | 3 723 | 892 | 7 089 | |
| 1995-96 | 15 141 | 3 854 | 44 599 | 18 417 | 1 146 | 354 | 3 408 | 1 110 | 6 701 | |
| 1996-97 | 15 097 | 4 038 | 44 378 | 20 449 | 1 262 | 376 | 3 718 | 1 389 | 7 212 | |
| 1997-98 | 15 157 | 4 116 | 43 680 | 16 313 | 1 443 | 398 | 3 932 | 1 135 | 7 246 | |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 1 268 | 340 | 3 739 | 1 382 | 119 | 31 | 340 | 94 | 615 | |
| December | 1 173 | 363 | 3 601 | 1 208 | 114 | 36 | 330 | 85 | 593 | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 936 | 292 | 3 096 | 1 042 | 91 | 30 | 279 | 77 | 497 | |
| February | 1 216 | 301 | 3 693 | 1 152 | 118 | 29 | 328 | 81 | 585 | |
| March | 1 283 | 351 | 3 683 | 1 251 | 125 | 37 | 327 | 85 | 605 | |
| April | 1 213 | 316 | 3 792 | 1 109 | 120 | 33 | 335 | 72 | 582 | |
| May | 1 188 | 323 | 3 722 | 1 164 | 108 | 31 | 319 | 76 | 559 | |
| June | 1 284 | 357 | 3 630 | 1 313 | 130 | 36 | 350 | 105 | 648 | |
| July | 1 135 | 350 | 3 674 | 1 124 | 122 | 34 | 357 | 84 | 620 | |
| August | 1 120 | 345 | 3 220 | 1 100 | 120 | 43 | 343 | 88 | 618 | |
| September | 1 140 | 334 | 3 413 | 1 131 | 119 | 35 | 339 | 89 | 604 | |
| October | 1 099 | 319 | 3 546 | 1 139 | 113 | 36 | 343 | 89 | 602 | |
| November | 1 089 | 320 | 3 818 | 1 109 | 115 | 36 | 388 | 93 | 656 | |
| December | 1 005 | 280 | 3 791 | 1 132 | 106 | 33 | 375 | 91 | 628 | |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 765 | 235 | 3 250 | 900 | 75 | 26 | 318 | 71 | 509 | |

Secured housing finance commitments to individuals— continued

| Period | Permanent building societies | | | | | | | Total (b) |
|-----------|-------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|---|---|-------|-----------|
| | For purchase of dwellings | | | | Finance companies, government and other | | | |
| | For construction of dwellings | Newly erected | Previously established | Refinance (a) | Total (b) | Finance companies, government and other | | |
| | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | |
| 1992-93 | 216 | 67 | 736 | 148 | 1 221 | 367 | 7 755 | |
| 1993-94 | 291 | 85 | 902 | 193 | 1 537 | 241 | 9 728 | |
| 1994-95 | 243 | 57 | 684 | 163 | 1 199 | 232 | 8 520 | |
| 1995-96 | 226 | 30 | 661 | 158 | 1 116 | 662 | 8 480 | |
| 1996-97 | 198 | 12 | 390 | 77 | 701 | 777 | 8 690 | |
| 1997-98 | 167 | 8 | 327 | 82 | 601 | 929 | 8 776 | |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | |
| November | 20 | 1 | 27 | 7 | 57 | 75 | 747 | |
| December | 13 | 1 | 30 | 6 | 52 | 70 | 715 | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | |
| January | 12 | 1 | 23 | 5 | 42 | 59 | 598 | |
| February | 12 | — | 24 | 7 | 44 | 77 | 707 | |
| March | 16 | — | 29 | 7 | 54 | 85 | 744 | |
| April | 12 | 1 | 27 | 7 | 49 | 82 | 713 | |
| May | 12 | — | 28 | 9 | 51 | 82 | 691 | |
| June | 13 | 1 | 27 | 8 | 51 | 78 | 777 | |
| July | 13 | 1 | 27 | 7 | 49 | 70 | 738 | |
| August | 13 | — | 24 | 6 | 44 | 64 | 727 | |
| September | 11 | 1 | 24 | 7 | 43 | 66 | 714 | |
| October | 12 | 1 | 27 | 5 | 46 | 74 | 722 | |
| November | 10 | 2 | 32 | 5 | 50 | 64 | 770 | |
| December | 13 | 1 | 30 | 6 | 50 | 71 | 750 | |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | |
| January | 10 | 1 | 26 | 5 | 42 | 66 | 617 | |

(a) For existing home loans. (b) Including alterations and additions.

SELECTED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: LOANS OUTSTANDING (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

| Month | Building societies | | Finance companies | | Credit cooperatives (b) | |
|-----------|--------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------|
| | Individuals | Total | Individuals | Total | Individuals | Total |
| 1997— | | | | | | |
| December | 2 262.2 | 2 949.1 | 1 749.5 | 4 900.0 | 1 778.9 | 1 808.5 |
| 1998— | | | | | | |
| January | 2 306.3 | 2 973.7 | 1 795.9 | 4 928.3 | 1 811.1 | 1 840.7 |
| February | 2 331.1 | 3 010.9 | 1 809.7 | 4 901.2 | 1 843.1 | 1 873.3 |
| March | 2 359.8 | 3 051.9 | 1 869.1 | 4 966.0 | 1 881.1 | 1 911.6 |
| April | 2 400.0 | 3 098.2 | 1 874.9 | 4 957.4 | 1 914.8 | 1 946.8 |
| May | 2 429.5 | 3 133.0 | 1 889.0 | 5 153.1 | 1 944.9 | 1 977.0 |
| June | 2 470.0 | 3 187.6 | 1 911.0 | 5 141.5 | 1 983.3 | 2 016.2 |
| July | 2 504.5 | 3 229.3 | 1 932.9 | 5 038.4 | 2 011.4 | 2 045.1 |
| August | 2 545.1 | 3 272.3 | 1 970.0 | 5 086.5 | 2 038.6 | 2 080.4 |
| September | 2 579.5 | 3 317.7 | 2 021.4 | 5 116.7 | 2 069.5 | 2 113.2 |
| October | 2 624.0 | 3 380.2 | 2 060.0 | 5 115.7 | 2 097.7 | 2 141.7 |
| November | 2 661.1 | 3 437.6 | 2 102.9 | 5 170.1 | 2 134.6 | 2 179.7 |
| December | 2 626.0 | 3 457.1 | 2 098.4 | 5 133.9 | 2 156.4 | 2 202.0 |
| 1999— | | | | | | |
| January | 2 656.5 | 3 503.8 | 2 170.7 | 5 138.0 | 2 186.9 | 2 233.4 |

(a) At end of period. (b) Credit cooperatives with assets in Australia exceeding \$5m.

LEASE, COMMERCIAL AND PERSONAL FINANCE, QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

| Month | Lease finance | | Revolving credit limits at end of period | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--|--|----------|------------------|---------|
| | Total finance lease commitments | Commitments not drawn at end of period | Commercial finance | | Personal finance | |
| | | | Total | Used | Total | Used |
| 1997— | | | | | | |
| December | 191.9 | 45.9 | 16 736.5 | 9 960.3 | 10 463.9 | 4 704.9 |
| 1998— | | | | | | |
| January | 145.6 | 41.3 | 16 859.5 | 10 066.2 | 10 624.4 | 4 793.3 |
| February | 162.1 | 39.6 | 17 088.1 | 10 207.3 | 10 799.5 | 4 947.0 |
| March | 184.0 | 41.7 | 16 972.6 | 10 338.8 | 11 030.1 | 5 071.5 |
| April | 176.3 | 41.8 | 17 185.6 | 10 373.6 | 11 235.9 | 5 207.8 |
| May | 172.1 | 43.8 | 17 562.0 | 10 557.5 | 11 450.8 | 5 336.0 |
| June | 283.2 | 43.9 | 17 732.3 | 10 904.7 | 11 739.6 | 5 612.8 |
| July | 216.7 | 35.0 | 17 989.4 | 11 037.4 | 11 495.0 | 5 506.6 |
| August | 155.2 | 30.9 | 17 186.6 | 10 773.4 | 11 728.6 | 5 641.2 |
| September | 170.8 | 31.8 | 17 343.4 | 10 927.0 | 11 964.3 | 5 682.8 |
| October | 153.9 | 29.3 | 17 540.0 | 11 131.7 | 12 215.1 | 5 890.4 |
| November | 155.8 | 27.3 | 17 611.6 | 11 232.3 | 12 474.7 | 6 202.9 |
| December | 185.9 | 30.8 | 17 697.6 | 11 272.8 | 12 760.7 | 6 250.0 |
| 1999— | | | | | | |
| January | 118.3 | 25.3 | 17 785.0 | 11 144.5 | 12 930.3 | 6 246.6 |

SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS (a) BY TYPE OF BORROWER, QUEENSLAND

| Month | First home buyers | | | | Other | | | |
|-----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| | Number of dwellings financed | Number as per cent of total | Value of commitments | Average borrowing size | Number of dwellings financed | Number as per cent of total | Value of commitments | Average borrowing size |
| | No. | % | \$m | \$'000 | No. | % | \$m | \$'000 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | |
| December | 1 449 | 22.8 | 146.1 | 100.8 | 4 896 | 77.2 | 537.2 | 109.7 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 160 | 21.6 | 120.0 | 103.4 | 4 206 | 78.4 | 455.2 | 108.2 |
| February | 1 492 | 23.5 | 154.9 | 103.8 | 4 870 | 76.5 | 519.2 | 106.6 |
| March | 1 514 | 23.1 | 157.7 | 104.1 | 5 054 | 76.9 | 550.8 | 109.0 |
| April | 1 421 | 22.1 | 148.6 | 104.6 | 5 009 | 77.9 | 538.9 | 107.6 |
| May | 1 390 | 21.7 | 143.9 | 103.6 | 5 007 | 78.3 | 520.3 | 103.9 |
| June | 1 393 | 21.2 | 150.9 | 108.3 | 5 191 | 78.8 | 595.5 | 114.7 |
| July | 1 516 | 24.1 | 165.2 | 109.0 | 4 767 | 75.9 | 547.6 | 114.9 |
| August | 1 349 | 23.3 | 161.8 | 120.0 | 4 436 | 76.7 | 537.9 | 121.3 |
| September | 1 407 | 23.4 | 159.5 | 113.4 | 4 611 | 76.6 | 529.5 | 114.8 |
| October | 1 477 | 24.2 | 163.3 | 110.5 | 4 626 | 75.8 | 534.7 | 115.6 |
| November | 1 586 | 25.0 | 178.2 | 112.3 | 4 750 | 75.0 | 565.4 | 119.0 |
| December | 1 587 | 25.6 | 176.7 | 111.4 | 4 621 | 74.4 | 545.9 | 118.2 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 299 | 24.8 | 143.8 | 110.7 | 3 941 | 75.2 | 459.6 | 116.6 |
| February | 1 731 | 26.1 | 194.3 | 112.3 | 4 913 | 73.9 | 596.5 | 121.4 |

(a) Excluding alterations and additions, including refinancing.

ALL BANKS: DEPOSITS AND LENDING
(\$ million)

| Month | Deposits | | | | | Other lending (b) |
|-----------|----------|----------|--------------------|-------|--------|-------------------|
| | Current | Term (a) | Investment savings | Other | Total | |
| 1997— | | | | | | |
| July | 13 550 | 23 619 | 4 918 | 4 405 | 46 491 | 61 040 |
| August | 13 512 | 23 252 | 5 035 | 4 521 | 46 319 | 61 025 |
| September | 13 730 | 22 985 | 5 044 | 4 568 | 46 327 | 61 464 |
| October | 14 356 | 22 896 | 5 045 | 4 653 | 46 951 | 62 557 |
| November | 14 416 | 22 724 | 5 008 | 4 759 | 46 906 | 62 854 |
| December | 14 756 | 23 308 | 4 993 | 4 807 | 47 863 | 63 230 |
| 1998— | | | | | | |
| January | 14 574 | 23 317 | 4 992 | 4 809 | 47 691 | 62 837 |
| February | 14 366 | 23 199 | 4 971 | 4 827 | 47 362 | 63 954 |
| March | 14 163 | 21 858 | 4 952 | 4 783 | 45 756 | 64 221 |
| April | 14 612 | 21 911 | 4 762 | 4 795 | 46 080 | 64 039 |
| May | 14 659 | 22 518 | 4 955 | 4 824 | 46 956 | 64 540 |
| June | 14 834 | 22 346 | 4 930 | 4 810 | 46 919 | 64 815 |
| July | 15 191 | 22 102 | 4 762 | 4 906 | 46 960 | 66 015 |
| August | 15 714 | 22 978 | 4 986 | 5 064 | 48 742 | 66 278 |
| September | 15 868 | 22 821 | 4 973 | 5 071 | 48 733 | 67 446 |

(a) Including certificates of deposit. (b) Excluding public sector securities held by banks and commercial lending through intermediaries.

STATE FINAL DEMAND: CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES, ORIGINAL (a)
(\$ million)

| Period | Final consumption expenditure | | Gross fixed capital formation | | State final demand |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------|--------------------|
| | Household | General government | Private | Public | |
| 1995–96 | 52 667 | 14 694 | 16 002 | 5 143 | 88 432 |
| 1996–97 | 54 083 | 14 676 | 18 272 | 5 660 | 92 681 |
| 1997–98 | 56 977 | 15 613 | 18 708 | 5 594 | 96 892 |
| 1997— | | | | | |
| September qtr | 13 930 | 3 834 | 4 923 | 1 041 | 23 728 |
| December qtr | 14 957 | 4 012 | 4 990 | 1 415 | 25 374 |
| 1998— | | | | | |
| March qtr | 13 678 | 3 636 | 4 025 | 1 114 | 22 453 |
| June qtr | 14 412 | 4 131 | 4 770 | 2 024 | 25 337 |
| September qtr | 14 733 | 4 083 | 4 786 | 1 225 | 24 828 |
| December qtr | 15 820 | 4 363 | 5 015 | 1 504 | 26 701 |

(a) Reference year 1996–97.

NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY GROUP AND TYPE OF ASSET, QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

| Period | Industry group | | | | Type of asset | | |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|-------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Mining | Manufacturing | Other selected industries | Total | New buildings and structures | New capital equipment | Total |
| 1995–96 | 961 | 1 433 | 3 459 | 5 853 | 1 563 | 4 290 | 5 853 |
| 1996–97 | 1 865 | 1 734 | 4 002 | 7 602 | 2 739 | 4 863 | 7 602 |
| 1997–98 | 1 968 | 1 764 | 3 665 | 7 397 | 2 490 | 4 907 | 7 397 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | |
| September qtr | 477 | 574 | 918 | 1 969 | 664 | 1 305 | 1 969 |
| December qtr | 532 | 511 | 986 | 2 029 | 732 | 1 297 | 2 029 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 337 | 285 | 749 | 1 371 | 441 | 931 | 1 371 |
| June qtr | 622 | 394 | 1 012 | 2 029 | 654 | 1 374 | 2 029 |
| September qtr | 484 | 342 | 924 | 1 750 | 573 | 1 177 | 1 750 |
| December qtr | 457 | 351 | 1 117 | 1 925 | 583 | 1 342 | 1 925 |

VALUE OF INTERSTATE EXPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$'000)

(Source: Queensland Government Statistician)

| Period | Total | Selected commodities (b) | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | Meat (c) | Crude materials, inedible (d) | Chemicals and related materials | Manuf. goods class. chiefly by material | Machinery and transport equipment | Miscellaneous manufactured items |
| 1992-93 | 4 235 353 | 180 508 | 743 687 | 178 785 | 857 203 | 656 852 | 252 174 |
| 1993-94 | 4 627 314 | 213 859 | 757 955 | 190 465 | 925 859 | 868 571 | 294 577 |
| 1994-95 | 5 326 975 | 203 049 | 705 341 | 196 411 | 1 130 058 | 1 086 216 | 329 097 |
| 1995-96 | 6 219 976 | 174 819 | 760 638 | 265 811 | 1 318 475 | 974 455 | 397 904 |
| 1996-97 | 6 022 732 | 149 247 | 717 739 | 318 837 | 1 142 478 | 920 284 | 437 023 |
| 1997-98 | 6 368 399 | 236 531 | 653 479 | 424 401 | 1 050 763 | 1 121 902 | 397 724 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | |
| September qtr | 1 742 514 | 53 618 | 181 252 | 98 580 | 280 239 | 297 105 | 112 299 |
| December qtr | 1 672 975 | 59 528 | 164 126 | 94 964 | 267 595 | 291 783 | 121 439 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 1 436 112 | 56 336 | 158 752 | 117 888 | 245 463 | 266 081 | 83 825 |
| June qtr | 1 516 796 | 67 047 | 149 348 | 112 967 | 257 465 | 266 932 | 80 159 |
| September qtr | 1 551 478 | 71 069 | 155 049 | 98 826 | 275 014 | 244 591 | 80 740 |
| December qtr | 1 587 144 | 73 568 | 151 051 | 111 594 | 251 630 | 253 504 | 110 959 |

(a) Interstate exports are compiled using a new classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. (c) All meat and meat products, fresh, frozen, preserved or canned. (d) Including gold ores and concentrates.

VALUE OF INTERSTATE IMPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$'000)

(Source: Queensland Government Statistician)

| Period | Total | Selected commodities (b) | | | | | |
|---------------|------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|----------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | Food and live animals | Mineral fuels and lubricants | Chemicals | Iron and steel | Machinery and transport equipment | Miscellaneous manufactured items |
| 1992-93 | 9 768 709 | 1 438 186 | 598 897 | 1 257 271 | 645 807 | 2 844 247 | 1 273 387 |
| 1993-94 | 11 426 272 | 1 781 351 | 728 036 | 1 387 728 | 752 374 | 3 368 671 | 1 559 800 |
| 1994-95 | 12 496 497 | 1 948 425 | 754 779 | 1 472 191 | 796 620 | 3 794 489 | 1 737 118 |
| 1995-96 | 13 381 379 | 1 823 107 | 1 543 589 | 1 601 163 | 830 520 | 3 869 286 | 1 680 581 |
| 1996-97 | 13 486 288 | 1 809 836 | 1 438 294 | 1 710 559 | 782 342 | 3 913 782 | 1 815 744 |
| 1997-98 | 14 303 616 | 2 017 014 | 1 422 408 | 1 838 664 | 766 908 | 4 211 380 | 1 919 678 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | |
| September qtr | 3 630 364 | 505 672 | 379 312 | 462 433 | 206 060 | 1 016 964 | 508 369 |
| December qtr | 3 830 797 | 531 574 | 362 474 | 475 539 | 190 572 | 1 094 076 | 579 637 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 3 314 122 | 515 612 | 328 570 | 423 006 | 189 561 | 977 293 | 416 195 |
| June qtr | 3 528 331 | 464 155 | 352 050 | 477 684 | 180 714 | 1 123 044 | 415 476 |
| September qtr | 3 659 879 | 442 159 | 322 602 | 499 521 | 212 286 | 1 042 541 | 486 069 |
| December qtr | 3 772 022 | 491 671 | 290 765 | 516 032 | 188 022 | 1 033 476 | 607 625 |

(a) Interstate imports are compiled using a new classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown.

**VALUE OF FOREIGN EXPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$'000)**

| Period | Total (b) | Selected commodities (c) | | | | | |
|-----------|------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|
| | | Meat (d) | Sugar (e) | Wool (f) | Coal | Cereal grains | Nonferrous metals |
| 1992-93 | 12 026 653 | 1 780 254 | 986 462 | 154 362 | 4 379 206 | 146 213 | 934 754 |
| 1993-94 | 12 273 966 | 1 857 278 | 1 231 094 | 119 220 | 4 143 343 | 183 977 | 860 105 |
| 1994-95 | 12 747 169 | 1 597 302 | 1 619 577 | 170 231 | 4 124 509 | 83 496 | 836 778 |
| 1995-96 | 13 924 591 | 1 404 938 | 1 535 485 | 114 619 | 4 481 771 | 210 687 | 930 166 |
| 1996-97 | 13 879 798 | 1 218 811 | 1 523 516 | 113 654 | 4 557 376 | 544 259 | 779 231 |
| 1997-98 | 16 608 874 | 1 624 007 | n.y.a. | 110 290 | 5 532 560 | 370 610 | 1 298 544 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | |
| December | 1 270 784 | 136 469 | 68 806 | 9 306 | 494 631 | 29 768 | 104 877 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 163 546 | 63 683 | n.y.a. | 2 891 | 509 811 | 29 772 | 104 403 |
| February | 1 130 549 | 117 727 | n.y.a. | 7 142 | 445 315 | 22 241 | 85 298 |
| March | 1 295 169 | 139 624 | n.y.a. | 5 193 | 411 299 | 11 745 | 141 700 |
| April | 1 412 063 | 117 921 | n.y.a. | 7 889 | 469 675 | 8 599 | 94 295 |
| May | 1 536 434 | 168 385 | n.y.a. | 6 985 | 504 313 | 22 365 | 130 767 |
| June | 1 581 094 | 163 780 | n.y.a. | 6 696 | 497 012 | 39 472 | 121 315 |
| July | 1 506 904 | 177 127 | n.y.a. | 8 373 | 486 393 | 16 981 | 125 984 |
| August | 1 531 865 | 160 953 | n.y.a. | 6 203 | 483 765 | 31 840 | 123 245 |
| September | 1 558 953 | 185 004 | n.y.a. | 7 381 | 561 723 | 13 762 | 107 032 |
| October | 1 450 463 | 175 237 | n.y.a. | 6 848 | 455 332 | 12 946 | 104 997 |
| November | 1 422 041 | 156 944 | n.y.a. | 5 786 | 430 489 | 40 614 | 112 486 |
| December | 1 372 333 | 165 888 | n.y.a. | 5 323 | 478 659 | 38 959 | 121 931 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 062 703 | 68 738 | n.y.a. | 1 829 | 448 739 | 22 911 | 125 462 |
| February | 1 151 308 | 142 306 | n.y.a. | 4 941 | 462 120 | 15 452 | 120 908 |

(a) Foreign export data are compiled on the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDCS), not the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3).

(b) Excluding non-merchandise trade; including re-exports. (c) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. (d) All meats and meat products, fresh, frozen or canned. (e) Raw or refined. (f) Greasy or scoured.

**VALUE OF FOREIGN IMPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND
(\$'000)**

| Period | Total (b) | Selected commodity groups (c) | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| | | Live animals, food, beverages and tobacco | Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc. | Chemicals | Machinery and transport equipment | | Other manufactured goods (d) |
| | | | | | Road motor vehicles | Other | |
| 1992-93 | 6 334 175 | 225 394 | 699 920 | 387 065 | 1 144 443 | 1 395 816 | 1 258 354 |
| 1993-94 | 6 869 158 | 262 200 | 781 510 | 414 511 | 1 285 946 | 1 543 129 | 1 433 298 |
| 1994-95 | 7 771 035 | 336 535 | 809 042 | 476 033 | 1 647 337 | 1 891 645 | 1 610 273 |
| 1995-96 | 8 052 202 | 311 775 | 1 107 635 | 586 291 | 1 499 924 | 1 924 300 | 1 682 702 |
| 1996-97 | 8 636 792 | 321 815 | 1 223 676 | 698 279 | 1 629 122 | 2 255 045 | 1 731 143 |
| 1997-98 | 9 750 957 | 393 123 | 1 162 980 | 801 915 | 2 255 137 | 2 337 907 | 2 116 550 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| January | 818 926 | 35 088 | 149 857 | 52 940 | 177 174 | 173 924 | 177 389 |
| February | 761 000 | 30 006 | 101 269 | 69 048 | 177 944 | 174 141 | 165 364 |
| March | 854 035 | 35 027 | 110 987 | 77 212 | 208 795 | 183 600 | 176 621 |
| April | 756 943 | 28 625 | 51 839 | 75 124 | 212 110 | 170 842 | 167 441 |
| May | 853 861 | 30 867 | 91 978 | 48 450 | 180 636 | 249 897 | 177 392 |
| June | 884 197 | 31 290 | 78 616 | 70 894 | 236 030 | 228 162 | 176 012 |
| July | 978 533 | 33 853 | 86 947 | 77 227 | 217 604 | 265 382 | 229 274 |
| August | 829 945 | 30 270 | 71 880 | 68 985 | 178 359 | 207 126 | 201 577 |
| September | 986 501 | 37 170 | 98 934 | 73 580 | 189 676 | 319 080 | 208 021 |
| October | 988 278 | 33 887 | 75 867 | 92 287 | 217 386 | 281 298 | 205 651 |
| November | 958 792 | 39 717 | 99 043 | 74 457 | 153 782 | 321 181 | 208 738 |
| December | 924 918 | 37 842 | 77 945 | 79 708 | 162 545 | 305 475 | 186 648 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| January | 781 215 | 31 536 | 65 877 | 73 661 | 143 722 | 226 433 | 174 632 |
| February | 795 441 | 37 684 | 105 483 | 57 832 | 189 833 | 179 259 | 165 764 |

(a) Imports relate to the State in which the import entry was lodged with the Australian Customs Service. Foreign import data are compiled on the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDCS), not the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) Excluding non-merchandise trade. (c) These are selected major groups only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. Imports are recorded statistically in the calendar month in which the import entries are both finalised by the Australian Customs Service and passed to the ABS for further processing. (d) Manufactured goods not included in the other selected commodity groups listed in this table.

RETAIL TRADE (a): TURNOVER BY INDUSTRY, QUEENSLAND
(\$ million)

| Industry | 1997-98 | | | | | 1998-99 | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 1997-98 | November | December | January | February | November | December | January | February |
| Food retailing | 9 945.6 | 802.8 | 900.3 | 877.7 | 784.4 | 857.4 | 975.3 | 928.3 | 837.2 |
| Department stores | 1 970.1 | 182.4 | 309.6 | 153.2 | 116.1 | 187.5 | 324.3 | 160.2 | 122.8 |
| Clothing and soft goods retailing | 1 801.4 | 154.8 | 204.0 | 157.6 | 125.3 | 162.0 | 222.6 | 165.3 | 136.3 |
| Household goods retailing | 2 216.2 | 196.6 | 249.2 | 188.0 | 168.7 | 206.0 | 259.1 | 229.1 | 208.3 |
| Recreational goods retailing | 1 489.0 | 125.3 | 174.6 | 125.1 | 103.5 | 142.4 | 202.0 | 149.6 | 129.7 |
| Other retailing | 2 714.5 | 228.6 | 306.5 | 208.0 | 196.9 | 230.8 | 314.1 | 218.2 | 195.2 |
| Hospitality and services | 4 810.1 | 408.8 | 480.6 | 400.7 | 345.6 | 434.9 | 497.0 | 424.9 | 369.6 |
| Total | 24 946.9 | 2 099.4 | 2 624.8 | 2 110.4 | 1 840.3 | 2 221.0 | 2 794.5 | 2 275.8 | 1 999.1 |

(a) Excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.

TRANSPORT SERVICES: QUEENSLAND RAILWAYS AND BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL

| Period | Queensland Railways (a) | | | | | | | Brisbane City Council bus passenger earnings (d) | |
|-----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|--------------------|---------|----------------|--|--------------------------|
| | Traffic (b) train-kilometres | Passenger journeys sold (c) | Paying freight | | Passenger earnings | | Total earnings | | Total operating expenses |
| | | | Tonnes carried | Tonne-kms | Suburban | Country | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 28 925 | 40 392 | 90 303 | 24 613 660 | 48 703 | 36 037 | 1 360 464 | 1 346 544 | 42 558 |
| 1993-94 | 29 187 | 39 340 | 92 092 | 25 174 858 | 52 522 | 42 175 | 1 359 128 | 1 362 059 | 44 218 |
| 1994-95 | 30 273 | 37 921 | 96 808 | 26 497 560 | 53 695 | 40 027 | 1 473 567 | 1 517 777 | 49 078 |
| 1995-96 | 30 935 | 39 809 | 96 236 | 26 446 776 | 54 830 | 44 116 | 1 803 728 | 1 481 009 | 50 810 |
| 1996-97 | 33 931 | 42 320 | 104 926 | 28 726 992 | 63 644 | 44 823 | 1 903 603 | 1 589 969 | 53 623 |
| 1997-98 | 34 760 | 40 080 | 110 391 | 30 196 092 | 68 491 | 45 243 | 1 899 158 | 1 590 901 | 54 086 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | |
| December | n.a. | 2 864 | 8 361 | 2 258 678 | 5 441 | 3 595 | 142 273 | n.a. | 3 628 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | n.a. | 2 615 | 9 198 | 2 427 203 | 4 996 | 3 841 | 152 622 | n.a. | 4 048 |
| February | n.a. | 3 313 | 8 093 | 2 190 753 | 5 487 | 2 233 | 149 409 | n.a. | 6 304 |
| March | n.a. | 3 736 | 9 991 | 2 714 626 | 6 224 | 2 711 | 166 183 | n.a. | 4 868 |
| April | n.a. | 3 310 | 9 120 | 2 508 270 | 5 623 | 3 581 | 145 066 | n.a. | 4 153 |
| May | n.a. | 3 424 | 9 269 | 2 474 809 | 5 626 | 3 442 | 154 157 | n.a. | 4 098 |
| June | n.a. | 3 390 | 9 455 | 2 773 941 | 5 898 | 4 068 | 202 007 | n.a. | 4 348 |
| July | n.a. | 3 639 | 9 628 | 2 572 974 | 6 016 | 4 962 | 151 385 | n.a. | 5 101 |
| August | n.a. | 3 817 | 10 083 | 2 619 730 | 6 921 | 4 346 | 156 645 | n.a. | 4 049 |
| September | n.a. | 3 986 | 9 812 | 2 598 231 | 5 436 | 4 567 | 149 879 | n.a. | 3 968 |
| October | n.a. | 3 727 | 9 981 | 2 648 876 | 6 045 | 4 568 | 159 927 | n.a. | 5 014 |
| November | n.a. | 3 449 | 10 003 | 2 602 440 | 5 800 | 4 129 | 153 255 | n.a. | 3 912 |
| December | n.a. | 2 990 | 9 333 | 2 503 114 | 5 540 | 4 310 | 162 628 | n.a. | 3 436 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | |
| January | n.a. | 2 678 | 9 920 | 2 578 126 | 4 974 | 4 126 | 152 551 | n.a. | n.y.a. |
| February | n.a. | 3 301 | 9 116 | 2 330 052 | 6 011 | 2 329 | 143 110 | n.a. | n.y.a. |

(a) Source: Queensland Rail. (b) Comprising goods and passenger. (c) Based on ticket sales. All season ticket journeys counted in month of sale. (d) Source: Brisbane City Council.

REGISTRATION OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR VEHICLES ON REGISTER, QUEENSLAND

| Period | New motor vehicles registered | | | | | | | | Seasonally adjusted series | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|------------------|--------------------------|-------|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Original series (a) | | | | | | | Pass- enger vehicles | | Total motor vehicles (b) |
| | Pass- enger vehicles | Light comm- ercial vehicles | Trucks | | | Buses | Motor cycles | | | |
| | | | Rigid | Artic- ulated | Non-freight- carrying | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 81 656 | 18 916 | 2 316 | 524 | 91 | 899 | 3 865 | .. | .. | |
| 1993-94 | 86 045 | 20 489 | 2 488 | 739 | 144 | 778 | 3 522 | .. | .. | |
| 1994-95 | 92 586 | 21 605 | 2 743 | 1 047 | 190 | 1 019 | 3 954 | .. | .. | |
| 1995-96 | 98 610 | 21 292 | 2 200 | 594 | 122 | 993 | 4 297 | .. | .. | |
| 1996-97 | 100 546 | 21 416 | 2 143 | 715 | 206 | 938 | 4 323 | .. | .. | |
| 1997-98 | 118 316 | 23 793 | 2 494 | 829 | 480 | 817 | 4 779 | .. | .. | |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | | |
| December | 10 787 | 1 989 | 188 | 70 | 33 | 86 | 403 | 9 687 | 11 951 | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 8 106 | 1 551 | 134 | 37 | 8 | 48 | 400 | 9 866 | 12 235 | |
| February | 8 926 | 1 911 | 206 | 60 | 16 | 57 | 382 | 9 732 | 12 212 | |
| March | 10 204 | 2 073 | 219 | 68 | 25 | 57 | 444 | 10 147 | 12 526 | |
| April | 9 429 | 1 970 | 227 | 53 | 24 | 57 | 412 | 9 721 | 12 117 | |
| May | 9 010 | 2 093 | 216 | 72 | 15 | 83 | 350 | 9 430 | 11 832 | |
| June | 14 615 | 3 438 | 294 | 92 | 33 | 80 | 534 | 12 425 | 15 194 | |
| July | 11 378 | 1 973 | 248 | 100 | 26 | 75 | 455 | 10 119 | 12 371 | |
| August | 9 961 | 1 684 | 226 | 69 | 21 | 57 | 419 | 10 329 | 12 695 | |
| September | 10 003 | 1 999 | 278 | 75 | 21 | 58 | 472 | 9 693 | 12 139 | |
| October | 9 718 | 1 920 | 222 | 100 | 25 | 63 | 469 | 9 564 | 11 940 | |
| November | 9 891 | 2 358 | 239 | 74 | 22 | 74 | 528 | 11 154 | 14 123 | |
| December | 11 367 | 2 093 | 306 | 59 | 30 | 79 | 471 | 10 361 | 12 946 | |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 7 595 | 1 602 | 153 | 39 | 11 | 49 | 417 | 9 351 | 11 825 | |
| February | 9 025 | 1 980 | 250 | 44 | 14 | 58 | 499 | 9 831 | 12 409 | |

(a) Source: Queensland Department of Transport and Commonwealth Department of Administrative Services. (b) Excluding motor cycles, plant, equipment and trailers.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS (a), QUEENSLAND

| Period | Persons killed (b) | | | Persons injured (c) | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| | Brisbane Statistical Division | Rest of State | Total | Brisbane Statistical Division | Rest of State | Total |
| | 1993 | 111 | 285 | 396 | 3 998 | 5 930 |
| 1994 | 129 | 293 | 422 | 4 449 | 6 356 | 10 805 |
| 1995 | 113 | 343 | 456 | 4 744 | 6 584 | 11 328 |
| 1996 | 93 | 292 | 385 | 4 421 | 6 892 | 11 313 |
| 1997 | 79 | 282 | 361 | 4 127 | 6 497 | 10 624 |
| 1998 | 66 | 213 | 279 | 4 195 | 6 352 | 10 547 |
| 1998— | | | | | | |
| January | 4 | 16 | 20 | 281 | 452 | 733 |
| February | 6 | 11 | 17 | 322 | 475 | 797 |
| March | 3 | 18 | 21 | 380 | 482 | 862 |
| April | 2 | 17 | 19 | 326 | 511 | 837 |
| May | 6 | 8 | 14 | 376 | 564 | 940 |
| June | 11 | 14 | 25 | 354 | 571 | 925 |
| July | 6 | 27 | 33 | 376 | 556 | 932 |
| August | 2 | 23 | 25 | 408 | 587 | 995 |
| September | 8 | 16 | 24 | 329 | 512 | 841 |
| October | 6 | 14 | 20 | 363 | 571 | 934 |
| November | 7 | 26 | 33 | 372 | 599 | 971 |
| December | 5 | 23 | 28 | 308 | 472 | 780 |
| 1999— | | | | | | |
| January | 8 | 16 | 24 | 237 | 467 | 704 |
| February | 4 | 8 | 12 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| March | 2 | 25 | 27 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |

(a) Source: Queensland Department of Transport. (b) Killed instantly or died within 30 days of receiving injuries. (c) Injured to an extent requiring medical treatment.

OIL INDUSTRY: SALES OF MAIN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, QUEENSLAND (a)

(Source: Department of Primary Industries and Energy)

(million litres)

| Period | Aviation gasoline | Automotive gasoline (b) | Aviation turbine fuel | Lighting and power kerosene (c) | Liquid petroleum gas | Auto-motive diesel oil (d) | Industrial and marine diesel fuel | | Fuel oil | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|------------|---------|
| | | | | | | | Inland | Bunkers | Inland (e) | Bunkers |
| 1992-93 | 24.0 | 3 278.0 | 813.0 | 27.1 | 306.2 | 2 562.2 | — | 2.6 | 70.8 | 73.2 |
| 1993-94 | 24.6 | 3 430.5 | 900.6 | 16.5 | 414.5 | 2 704.5 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 92.5 | 78.3 |
| 1994-95 | 26.4 | 3 515.1 | 1 054.0 | 13.4 | 439.9 | 2 856.1 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 111.8 | 205.9 |
| 1995-96 | 27.3 | 3 606.0 | 1 072.6 | 8.5 | 407.5 | 3 012.0 | 9.0 | 1.0 | 91.5 | 119.4 |
| 1996-97 | 26.8 | 3 633.7 | 1 102.8 | 18.4 | 366.0 | 3 164.6 | 25.9 | 9.8 | 59.3 | 123.4 |
| 1997-98 | 17.7 | 3 564.9 | 1 049.1 | 18.6 | 393.2 | 3 303.2 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 44.3 | 115.5 |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 2.2 | 283.8 | 91.4 | 1.1 | 25.5 | 264.3 | — | 0.3 | 3.9 | 5.2 |
| December | 2.0 | 318.7 | 92.7 | 1.4 | 26.3 | 267.4 | — | 0.2 | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1.8 | 286.9 | 86.0 | 1.3 | 29.3 | 227.9 | — | 0.1 | 3.0 | 6.9 |
| February | 1.9 | 272.5 | 76.4 | 2.2 | 30.1 | 251.2 | — | — | 1.7 | 5.9 |
| March | 2.5 | 298.8 | 82.7 | 1.1 | 33.1 | 286.9 | 0.7 | 5.8 | 2.0 | 44.0 |
| April | 2.4 | 290.8 | 78.7 | 1.4 | 38.7 | 262.3 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 2.4 | 4.0 |
| May | 2.1 | 286.1 | 84.7 | 1.4 | 39.2 | 257.0 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 3.5 | 4.6 |
| June | 2.5 | 291.1 | 90.2 | 2.1 | 35.2 | 288.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 5.8 | 8.7 |
| July | 2.7 | 300.6 | 87.1 | 2.7 | 35.6 | 289.2 | — | 0.1 | 5.4 | 3.3 |
| August | 2.4 | 297.8 | 88.0 | 2.1 | 20.6 | 280.2 | — | 0.2 | 3.1 | 5.4 |
| September | 2.7 | 294.4 | 85.7 | 0.8 | 36.4 | 287.9 | — | 0.2 | 5.1 | 8.2 |
| October | 2.8 | 313.0 | 86.4 | 1.3 | 28.5 | 335.0 | — | 0.1 | 6.0 | 4.7 |
| November | 2.2 | 302.3 | 89.2 | 5.0 | 30.3 | 303.7 | — | 0.2 | 6.5 | 4.6 |
| December | 2.3 | 320.8 | 87.5 | 11.4 | 28.3 | 289.4 | — | 0.3 | 4.9 | 7.7 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 2.1 | 297.4 | 84.1 | 3.2 | 23.4 | 236.8 | — | 0.1 | 1.9 | 6.0 |

(a) The State marketing area also includes the Murwillumbah district of New South Wales. (b) Including leaded and unleaded petrol. (c) Including heating oil (674,000 litres in January 1999). (d) Including a small quantity of bunker sales. (e) Excluding refinery fuel.

LICENSED HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS (a), QUEENSLAND

| Period | Estab-lishments | Guest rooms | Bed spaces | Room nights occupied | Room occupancy rate | Guest nights | Bed occupancy rate | Guest arrivals | Takings | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------|------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------|---------|
| | | | | | | | | | from accom-modation | | |
| | No. | No. | No. | '000 | % | '000 | % | '000 | \$'000 | | |
| 1997 | .. | .. | .. | 10 034.9 | 60.5 | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | 1 012 127 | | |
| 1998 | .. | .. | .. | 10 317.9 | 58.2 | 19 896.8 | 35.4 | 7 590.0 | 1 015 007 | | |
| 1997— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | } | 887 | 47 302 | 150 890 | { | 958.7 | 66.2 | n.a. | n.a. | 97 878 | |
| November | | | | | | 869.8 | 61.9 | n.a. | n.a. | 89 117 | |
| December | | | | | | 799.6 | 54.8 | n.a. | n.a. | 85 958 | |
| 1998— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | } | 887 | 47 314 | 150 153 | { | 837.1 | 57.3 | 1 783.8 | 38.5 | 623.7 | 91 147 |
| February | | | | | | 697.8 | 53.0 | 1 255.3 | 30.0 | 508.5 | 68 531 |
| March | | | | | | 767.2 | 52.5 | 1 370.5 | 29.6 | 560.8 | 74 884 |
| April | | | | | | 792.5 | 55.2 | 1 553.5 | 34.0 | 601.4 | 78 238 |
| May | | | | | | 767.5 | 51.5 | 1 387.2 | 29.3 | 575.8 | 71 202 |
| June | | | | | | 812.2 | 55.8 | 1 545.6 | 33.5 | 620.6 | 72 848 |
| July | | | | | | 942.1 | 62.3 | 1 861.1 | 38.9 | 694.6 | 88 122 |
| August | } | 903 | 49 019 | 155 077 | { | 969.4 | 64.2 | 1 852.5 | 38.8 | 684.8 | 93 357 |
| September | | | | | | 938.9 | 64.2 | 1 828.7 | 39.5 | 693.8 | 92 171 |
| October | | | | | | 1 024.2 | 66.2 | 1 984.4 | 40.2 | 724.1 | 105 173 |
| November | | | | | | 917.9 | 61.1 | 1 712.4 | 35.7 | 647.4 | 90 784 |
| December | 851.0 | 54.7 | 1 761.9 | 35.5 | 654.5 | 88 550 | | | | | |

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units, according to revised scope criteria from March quarter 1998 and retabulated data for comparison purposes for 1997. See *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (8635.0).

METEOROLOGY, BRISBANE

(Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

| Period | Rainfall | | | Shade temperature | | | |
|-----------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | Total | Wet days (a) | Average (b) | Absolute maximum | Absolute minimum | Mean maximum | Mean minimum |
| | <i>mm</i> | No. | <i>mm</i> | <i>deg. C</i> | <i>deg. C</i> | <i>deg. C</i> | <i>deg. C</i> |
| 1993 | 726 | 117 | 1178 | 36.3 | 4.2 | 25.3 | 15.8 |
| 1994 | 838 | 113 | | 37.5 | 0.6 | 25.2 | 14.7 |
| 1995 | 1 128 | 116 | | 37.6 | 1.3 | 25.2 | 15.4 |
| 1996 | 1 478 | 111 | | 34.5 | 1.8 | 25.3 | 15.2 |
| 1997 | 845 | 101 | | 33.2 | 1.2 | 25.2 | 15.4 |
| 1998 | 1032 | 121 | | 34.4 | 3.9 | 25.7 | 16.2 |
| 1998— | | | | | | | |
| January | 72 | 14 | 158 | 34.4 | 18.4 | 29.8 | 21.6 |
| February | 78 | 12 | 171 | 33.8 | 18.2 | 30.4 | 21.7 |
| March | 53 | 6 | 138 | 32.3 | 16.0 | 29.8 | 19.5 |
| April | 173 | 14 | 89 | 30.1 | 10.2 | 26.0 | 17.4 |
| May | 157 | 10 | 98 | 26.9 | 6.9 | 23.9 | 13.7 |
| June | 12 | 7 | 70 | 24.9 | 3.9 | 21.5 | 10.7 |
| July | 30 | 9 | 62 | 25.8 | 4.3 | 20.8 | 10.8 |
| August | 123 | 10 | 41 | 24.4 | 6.0 | 21.7 | 12.3 |
| September | 104 | 12 | 33 | 26.6 | 9.7 | 23.5 | 14.5 |
| October | 31 | 6 | 93 | 33.1 | 8.9 | 26.1 | 15.5 |
| November | 109 | 8 | 97 | 28.0 | 12.5 | 26.0 | 16.6 |
| December | 88 | 12 | 126 | 33.5 | 13.3 | 28.5 | 19.5 |
| 1999— | | | | | | | |
| January | 244 | 15 | 158 | 33.3 | 19.1 | 28.9 | 21.1 |
| February | 332 | 19 | 173 | 31.3 | 18.6 | 28.0 | 20.6 |
| March | 159 | 15 | 140 | 30.9 | 17.5 | 27.8 | 20.1 |

(a) Days on which 0.1 millimetres or more of rain fell. (b) Average of all years of record.

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