



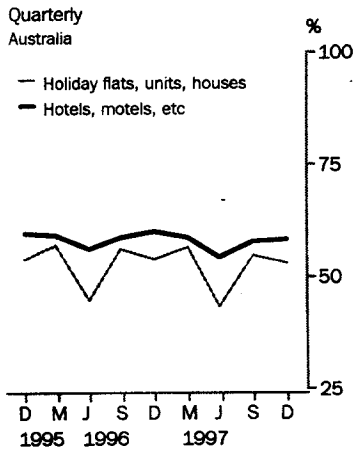
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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

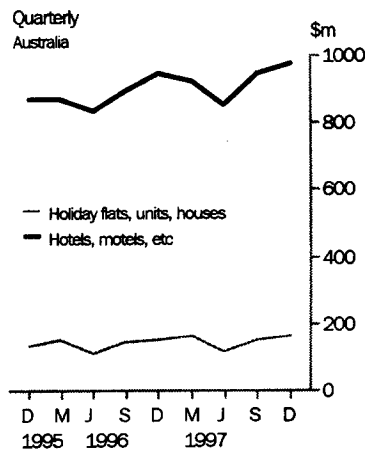
AUSTRALIA

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Occupancy rates



Accommodation takings



DECEMBER QTR KEY FIGURES

	Dec Qtr 96	Dec Qtr 97	change
Hotels, motels and guest houses			
Rooms available (no.)	173 876	180 797	4.0 %
Room occupancy rate (%)	59.9	58.2	-1.7 pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	946 110	979 184	3.5 %
Holiday flats, units and houses			
Units, etc. available (no.)	42 186	43 883	4.0 %
Unit occupancy rate (%)	54.0	53.2	-0.8 pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	152 936	165 040	7.9 %
Caravan parks			
Sites, cabins, etc. available (no.)	287 848	286 740	-0.4 %
Site occupancy rate (%)	43.4	43.7	0.3 pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	128 390	134 099	4.4 %
Visitor hostels			
Bed spaces available (no.)	30 208	32 504	7.6 %
Bed occupancy rate (%)	46.4	48.3	1.9 pts
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	17 791	20 911	17.5 %

DECEMBER QTR KEY POINTS

CAPACITY INCREASES OUTPACE DEMAND

- Rooms available in hotels, motels and guest houses increased by 4.0% in December quarter 1997 compared with December quarter 1996, while demand in terms of room nights occupied rose by 0.9%. The room occupancy rate fell by 1.7 percentage points to 58.2%. Similarly, supply of holiday flats, units and houses increased by 4.0% while demand in terms of unit nights occupied rose by 2.5%, resulting in a 0.8 percentage point fall in the unit occupancy rate to 53.2%.

VISITOR HOSTEL OCCUPANCY UP

- Bed spaces available in visitor hostels rose by 7.6% while guest nights rose by 13.0%. The bed occupancy rate increased by 1.9 percentage points to 48.3%. For caravan parks, capacity decreased slightly and the site occupancy rate rose slightly to 43.7%.

ACCOMMODATION TAKINGS INCREASE

- Accommodation takings increased for each accommodation type in December quarter 1997 compared with December quarter 1996. Average takings increased for hotels, motels and guest houses from \$99 to \$102 per room night occupied and for holiday flats, units and houses from \$73 to \$77 per unit night occupied.

INQUIRIES

- For further information about these and related statistics, contact Vern Wills on 07 3222 6215, or any ABS Office.

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

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CHANGES TO THE SURVEY AND CESSATION OF STATE PUBLICATIONS

As a result of budget cuts to the ABS, the Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) will be significantly cut back from the March quarter 1998. The State and Territory *Tourist Accommodation* publications (Catalogue Nos. 8635.1 to 8635.8) will be discontinued because of the changes to the Survey of Tourist Accommodation which will be implemented from the March quarter 1998. The December quarter 1997 issues will be the last. There will also be changes to the publication *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Catalogue No. 8635.0) which will no longer contain data on caravan parks, holiday flats, units and houses and visitor hostels. However, it will include serviced apartments as a separate category and will contain State and some regional data.

The ABS has consulted with a number of interested users to determine the future form of the STA. As a result, the future collection strategy for the STA will consist of three major components.

The first component of the STA strategy is an ongoing quarterly survey with a scope of hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities in most rooms, and serviced apartments. Establishments with fewer than 15 rooms or units will be excluded. The first release of this data will be in *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (8635.0) in June 1998 representing data for the March quarter of that year. This publication will contain some regional data as well as data for States, Territories and Australia. Further small geographic area data may be available on request. A charge may be made for this information.

The second component of the strategy is a triennial limited scope collection of significant caravan parks, visitor hostels and remaining holiday flats, units and houses, commencing with a year 2000 reference year.

The third STA component is the compilation and dissemination of annual accommodation counts of number of establishments and capacity data in respect of the current scope of the STA which is:

- hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities with 5 or more rooms,
- holiday flats, units and houses which are operated by owners, managers or real estate agents who have sole letting rights to at least 5 flats, units or houses for short term letting,
- caravan parks, and
- visitor hostels.

The counts are expected to be published in the December quarter issue of *Tourism Indicators, Australia* (Catalogue No. 8634.0).

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TABLE 1 — SUMMARY OF HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		September 1996	December 1996	March 1997	June 1997	September 1997	December 1997	December 1996	December 1997
LICENSED HOTELS WITH FACILITIES									
Establishments	no.	1,135	1,140	1,145	1,149	1,163	1,170	..	..
Guest rooms	no.	69,782	71,106	71,810	72,339	73,784	74,946	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	187,114	191,113	192,481	194,630	198,304	202,855	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	69,175	70,591	69,698	r 76,768	r 78,046	82,646	..	..
Room nights occupied	'000	4,032.1	4,266.4	4,096.0	3,859.7	4,182.3	4,316.1	16,176.4	16,454.1
Room occupancy rate	per cent	62.9	65.5	63.6	58.8	62.0	63.2	63.4	61.9
Guest nights	'000	6,703.8	7,134.5	6,905.3	6,161.3	6,988.3	7,134.2	26,821.0	27,189.1
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	39.0	40.7	40.0	34.9	38.5	38.6	39.2	38.0
Guest arrivals	'000	2,789.9	2,955.4	2,832.2	2,635.3	2,929.7	3,086.6	11,358.9	11,483.7
Average length of stay	days	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	496,715	545,699	527,267	486,847	531,603	566,090	2,013,023	2,111,808
MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES									
Establishments	no.	3,748	3,763	3,768	3,778	3,877	3,871	..	..
Guest rooms	no.	102,639	102,770	102,860	103,508	105,249	105,851	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	312,684	313,010	313,751	316,107	321,585	323,315	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	39,095	38,913	38,708	38,707	39,631	39,641	..	..
Room nights occupied	'000	5,265.5	5,285.1	5,097.5	4,839.8	5,338.8	5,324.7	20,604.1	20,600.9
Room occupancy rate	per cent	55.9	56.0	55.2	51.6	55.2	54.7	55.1	54.2
Guest nights	'000	9,531.2	9,614.7	9,510.0	8,515.9	9,674.8	9,729.6	37,306.5	37,430.1
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	33.2	33.4	33.7	29.7	32.7	32.7	32.8	32.2
Guest arrivals	'000	5,099.9	5,136.4	4,978.3	4,642.9	5,236.9	5,198.8	19,862.0	20,056.9
Average length of stay	days	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	400,402	400,410	396,126	366,339	418,076	413,093	1,539,468	1,593,634
TOTAL HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES									
Establishments	no.	4,883	4,903	4,913	4,927	5,040	5,041	..	..
Guest rooms	no.	172,421	173,876	174,670	175,847	179,033	180,797	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	499,798	504,123	506,232	510,737	519,889	526,170	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	108,270	109,504	108,406	r 115,475	r 117,677	122,287	..	..
Room nights occupied	'000	9,297.6	9,551.6	9,193.5	8,699.4	9,521.2	9,640.8	36,780.6	37,054.9
Room occupancy rate	per cent	58.8	59.9	58.6	54.6	58.0	58.2	58.4	57.4
Guest nights	'000	16,235.0	16,749.2	16,415.3	14,677.2	16,663.0	16,863.8	64,127.5	64,619.2
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	35.4	36.2	36.1	31.7	34.9	35.0	35.2	34.4
Guest arrivals	'000	7,889.9	8,091.8	7,810.5	7,278.2	8,166.5	8,285.4	31,220.9	31,540.6
Average length of stay	days	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	897,117	946,110	923,394	853,186	949,679	979,184	3,552,492	3,705,442

TABLE 2 — SUMMARY OF CARAVAN PARKS, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		September 1996	December 1996	March 1997	June 1997	September 1997	December 1997	December 1996	December 1997
SHORT-TERM CARAVAN PARKS									
Establishments	no.	1,690	1,691	1,694	1,690	1,753	1,746	..	..
Capacity									
On-site vans	no.	8,999	8,946	8,971	8,743	9,156	9,128	..	..
Other powered sites	no.	124,921	124,911	125,373	124,999	127,873	127,719	..	..
Unpowered sites	no.	51,766	51,559	51,612	51,417	52,117	51,772	..	..
Cabins, etc.	no.	10,746	11,141	11,256	11,356	12,135	12,357	..	..
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>196,432</i>	<i>196,557</i>	<i>197,212</i>	<i>196,515</i>	<i>201,281</i>	<i>200,976</i>	..	..
Sites occupied by long-term guests	no.	10,276	10,182	10,388	10,283	10,993	10,815	..	..
Other sites permanently reserved	no.	42,879	43,490	43,792	43,432	43,685	43,923	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	6,532	6,869	6,764	6,634	7,003	7,298	..	..
Site nights occupied	'000	7,411.6	7,287.1	7,955.2	7,099.9	7,652.6	7,500.9	29,680.8	30,208.6
Site occupancy rate	per cent	41.0	40.4	44.8	39.7	41.4	40.6	41.3	41.6
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	71,295	78,416	89,488	66,047	79,315	85,602	296,838	320,452
LONG-TERM CARAVAN PARKS									
Establishments	no.	1,017	1,010	1,007	1,003	939	939	..	..
Capacity									
On-site vans	no.	11,509	11,539	11,505	11,426	10,926	10,896	..	..
Other powered sites	no.	57,728	57,500	57,282	57,106	54,179	54,010	..	..
Unpowered sites	no.	14,811	14,766	14,645	14,893	13,379	13,352	..	..
Cabins, etc.	no.	7,362	7,486	7,582	7,677	7,356	7,506	..	..
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>91,410</i>	<i>91,291</i>	<i>91,014</i>	<i>91,102</i>	<i>85,840</i>	<i>85,764</i>	..	..
Sites occupied by long-term guests	no.	36,337	35,070	35,339	34,843	34,322	33,604	..	..
Other sites permanently reserved	no.	2,304	2,321	2,290	2,389	2,137	2,207	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	3,641	3,625	3,620	3,627	3,418	3,445	..	..
Site nights occupied	'000	4,350.7	4,197.4	4,186.9	4,163.6	4,162.2	4,031.9	16,757.7	16,544.5
Site occupancy rate	per cent	51.7	50.0	51.1	50.2	52.7	51.1	50.2	51.3
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	49,628	49,974	49,677	48,930	49,918	48,497	191,836	197,022
TOTAL CARAVAN PARKS									
Establishments	no.	2,707	2,701	2,701	2,693	2,692	2,685	..	..
Capacity									
On-site vans	no.	20,508	20,485	20,476	20,169	20,082	20,024	..	..
Other powered sites	no.	182,649	182,411	182,655	182,105	182,052	181,729	..	..
Unpowered sites	no.	66,577	66,325	66,257	66,310	65,496	65,124	..	..
Cabins, etc.	no.	18,108	18,627	18,838	19,033	19,491	19,863	..	..
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>287,842</i>	<i>287,848</i>	<i>288,226</i>	<i>287,617</i>	<i>287,121</i>	<i>286,740</i>	..	..
Sites occupied by long-term guests	no.	46,613	45,252	45,727	45,126	45,315	44,419	..	..
Other sites permanently reserved	no.	45,183	45,811	46,082	45,821	45,822	46,130	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	10,173	10,494	10,384	10,261	10,421	10,743	..	..
Site nights occupied	'000	11,762.3	11,484.5	12,142.0	11,263.5	11,814.8	11,532.8	46,438.5	46,753.1
Site occupancy rate	per cent	44.4	43.4	46.8	43.0	44.8	43.7	44.1	44.6
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	120,923	128,390	139,165	114,977	129,234	134,099	488,674	517,474

TABLE 3 — SUMMARY OF HOLIDAY FLATS, UNITS AND HOUSES, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		September 1996	December 1996	March 1997	June 1997	September 1997	December 1997	December 1996	December 1997
Letting entities	no.	1,665	1,689	1,683	1,683	1,703	1,709	..	..
Flats, units and houses									
Single bedroom	no.	8,921	9,116	9,188	9,318	9,476	9,909	..	..
Multiple bedroom	no.	31,740	33,070	33,009	32,445	32,720	33,974	..	..
<i>Total flats, units and houses</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>40,661</i>	<i>42,186</i>	<i>42,197</i>	<i>41,763</i>	<i>42,196</i>	<i>43,883</i>	<i>..</i>	<i>..</i>
Bed spaces	no.	177,346	184,963	185,017	182,807	184,819	192,700	..	..
Employment (persons) (a)	no.	6,333	6,572	6,521	6,369	6,612	6,700	..	..
Unit nights occupied	'000	2,091.2	2,092.5	2,138.9	1,643.4	2,131.7	2,143.8	7,887.3	8,057.8
Unit occupancy rate	per cent	56.0	54.0	56.4	43.4	54.9	53.2	53.0	52.0
Unit lettings	'000	380.3	426.4	411.8	348.2	398.7	437.3	1,533.1	1,596.0
Average length of stay	days	5.5	4.9	5.2	4.7	5.3	4.9	5.1	5.0
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	143,671	152,936	163,742	114,893	150,104	165,040	555,267	593,779

(a) Employment numbers exclude real estate agents and their employees.

TABLE 4 — SUMMARY OF VISITOR HOSTELS, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Unit	Quarter ended				Year ended			
		September 1996	December 1996	March 1997	June 1997	September 1997	December 1997	December 1996	December 1997
Establishments	no.	476	479	494	494	499	500	..	..
Bed spaces	no.	29,551	30,208	32,161	31,797	32,065	32,504	..	..
Employment (persons)	no.	1,945	2,015	2,095	2,144	2,240	2,238	..	..
Guest nights	'000	1,216.3	1,269.7	1,365.5	1,278.9	1,354.6	1,434.6	4,852.6	5,433.6
Bed occupancy rate	per cent	45.0	46.4	47.8	44.4	46.1	48.3	46.1	46.6
Guest arrivals	'000	480.1	477.6	516.8	484.3	544.1	560.4	1,866.8	2,105.6
Average length of stay	days	2.5	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6
Takings from accommodation	\$'000	16,647	17,791	19,178	18,204	19,748	20,911	66,508	78,041

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING
NEW SOUTH WALES

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	263	1,469	61	423	868	126	15	239	1,732
Guest rooms	19,245	38,337	1,199	8,043	26,285	12,202	3,649	6,204	57,582
Bed spaces	47,784	118,690	4,191	24,514	78,708	33,699	8,081	17,281	166,474
Employment (persons)	16,232	14,830	480	3,240	10,514	9,379	3,870	3,579	31,062
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	272	1,499	69	380	858	138	14	312	1,771
Guest rooms	20,825	38,837	1,454	7,815	25,494	12,198	3,602	9,099	59,662
Bed spaces	52,400	120,584	5,093	23,573	76,717	33,731	8,053	25,817	172,984
Employment (persons)	21,958	14,790	572	3,204	10,153	8,785	4,196	9,838	36,748
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	1,255.3	1,966.4	32.9	344.6	1,442.8	868.9	267.9	264.6	3,221.7
<i>1997—</i>									
October	443.8	726.2	15.7	128.1	506.9	289.8	90.0	139.5	1,170.0
November	442.7	637.1	14.2	108.8	451.6	281.4	91.3	132.6	1,079.8
December	379.8	590.6	13.7	103.3	411.4	238.8	78.7	124.5	970.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	1,266.3	1,953.9	43.5	340.2	1,369.9	810.0	260.0	396.6	3,220.2
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	71.0	55.8	29.9	46.7	59.7	77.6	79.8	46.6	60.9
<i>1997—</i>									
October	70.3	60.4	34.7	52.9	64.2	76.6	80.6	52.3	63.8
November	72.2	54.7	32.5	46.4	59.1	76.9	84.5	50.8	60.8
December	58.8	49.1	30.5	42.7	52.1	63.3	70.5	44.1	52.5
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	67.0	54.7	32.6	47.3	58.5	72.2	78.5	49.0	59.0
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2,021.2	3,678.1	57.1	639.5	2,643.8	1,474.5	426.7	457.7	5,699.3
<i>1997—</i>									
October	685.0	1,369.7	26.5	241.6	926.7	470.2	132.3	257.4	2,054.8
November	672.6	1,130.1	23.7	193.3	776.3	440.2	133.9	235.3	1,802.7
December	621.9	1,165.7	23.0	200.6	782.6	419.3	118.5	243.5	1,787.6
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	1,979.6	3,665.5	73.3	635.5	2,485.6	1,329.8	384.8	736.2	5,645.1
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	46.0	33.7	14.8	28.4	36.5	47.7	57.4	28.9	37.3
<i>1997—</i>									
October	43.4	36.7	16.8	33.1	39.0	45.0	53.0	34.2	38.7
November	43.8	31.3	15.5	27.3	33.8	43.5	55.4	31.9	35.0
December	38.3	31.2	14.6	27.5	32.9	40.2	47.5	30.4	33.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	41.8	33.1	15.6	29.3	35.2	42.9	51.9	32.2	35.7
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	820.9	2,092.5	32.8	402.2	1,493.5	626.1	164.9	193.9	2,913.5
<i>1997—</i>									
October	309.3	787.4	14.8	154.6	531.8	230.6	59.9	104.9	1,096.7
November	303.1	643.4	13.1	123.0	438.5	216.5	60.2	95.1	946.4
December	283.8	665.8	11.7	126.7	445.0	208.8	56.5	100.9	949.7
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	896.2	2,096.6	39.6	404.3	1,415.3	655.9	176.7	301.0	2,992.8
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2.5	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.8	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.0
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2.2	1.7	1.9	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.4	1.9
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	179,598	153,896	1,327	18,392	116,103	110,461	56,839	30,372	333,494
<i>1997—</i>									
October	66,097	57,292	677	7,373	40,751	38,053	20,139	16,397	123,389
November	66,193	50,498	629	6,243	36,443	37,248	20,363	15,766	116,691
December	56,550	49,106	645	6,184	34,238	31,607	17,799	15,184	105,657
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	188,841	156,896	1,950	19,800	111,432	106,908	58,301	47,347	345,737

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—*continued*
VICTORIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	193	820	13	247	522	106	9	116	1,013
Guest rooms	10,046	19,872	171	4,393	12,725	7,166	2,474	2,989	29,918
Bed spaces	24,801	58,478	452	12,429	37,344	18,707	5,415	8,932	83,279
Employment (persons)	10,096	6,892	149	2,444	4,857	4,770	3,250	1,518	16,988
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	197	843	10	231	553	125	11	110	1,040
Guest rooms	10,568	20,336	147	4,001	13,688	7,996	2,996	2,076	30,904
Bed spaces	26,605	58,976	406	11,394	39,937	20,492	7,410	5,942	85,581
Employment (persons)	16,399	7,268	107	1,997	5,105	5,371	9,783	1,304	23,667
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	628.2	914.2	3.6	164.1	598.1	462.1	184.3	130.3	1,542.4
<i>1997—</i>									
October	227.7	341.2	1.0	54.5	239.4	176.4	74.5	23.1	568.9
November	230.3	326.2	1.0	51.7	225.6	179.6	75.9	22.6	556.5
December	193.5	276.6	1.0	46.5	197.3	142.7	64.3	18.4	470.1
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	651.5	944.0	3.0	152.6	662.3	498.7	214.7	64.2	1,595.5
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	68.0	50.0	22.7	40.6	51.1	70.1	81.0	47.4	56.0
<i>1997—</i>									
October	69.5	54.1	21.5	43.9	56.4	71.2	80.3	36.0	59.4
November	72.7	53.5	23.6	43.1	54.9	74.9	84.5	36.3	60.0
December	59.1	43.9	22.1	37.6	46.5	57.6	69.2	28.7	49.1
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	67.0	50.5	22.4	41.5	52.6	67.8	77.9	33.6	56.1
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	975.2	1,598.3	4.9	295.7	1,055.0	719.1	260.7	238.1	2,573.5
<i>1997—</i>									
October	346.4	589.7	1.3	98.1	417.8	275.1	105.8	38.0	936.1
November	349.4	557.0	1.3	92.5	388.3	280.0	107.9	36.4	906.4
December	316.2	503.6	1.4	88.0	360.1	241.4	98.2	30.8	819.8
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	1,012.1	1,650.3	4.0	278.6	1,166.1	796.5	311.9	105.2	2,662.3
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	42.7	29.7	11.9	25.9	30.7	41.8	52.3	29.0	33.6
<i>1997—</i>									
October	42.0	32.3	10.3	27.8	33.7	43.3	46.1	20.6	35.3
November	43.8	31.5	10.9	27.1	32.4	45.5	48.5	20.4	35.3
December	38.4	27.6	11.2	25.0	29.1	38.0	42.7	16.7	30.9
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	41.4	30.4	10.8	26.6	31.7	42.2	45.8	19.2	33.8
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	448.7	918.2	2.9	173.5	614.7	348.5	108.1	119.3	1,366.9
<i>1997—</i>									
October	162.2	342.9	0.7	58.9	242.7	138.7	43.1	21.1	505.1
November	162.1	320.0	0.8	55.2	223.3	137.9	43.8	21.2	482.1
December	149.7	293.7	0.9	53.3	209.7	119.6	42.2	17.8	443.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	474.0	956.7	2.3	167.3	675.7	396.2	129.1	60.0	1,430.7
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2.2	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.1	2.4	2.0	1.9
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.4	1.8	1.9
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	82,793	69,818	95	9,213	43,122	55,405	33,807	10,969	152,611
<i>1997—</i>									
October	32,745	25,699	30	3,188	17,394	21,486	14,720	1,627	58,445
November	34,784	26,189	31	3,039	16,883	23,547	15,901	1,573	60,973
December	27,063	21,780	35	2,789	14,716	17,644	12,394	1,264	48,842
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	94,591	73,668	96	9,016	48,993	62,677	43,015	4,464	168,260

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued
QUEENSLAND

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	270	867	25	372	461	89	16	174	1,137
Guest rooms	20,770	23,603	377	6,960	16,662	11,709	3,837	4,828	44,373
Bed spaces	64,096	73,082	993	21,204	51,281	38,430	11,458	13,812	137,178
Employment (persons)	24,123	8,721	148	2,831	7,928	11,230	7,283	3,424	32,844
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	277	899	33	320	487	122	19	195	1,176
Guest rooms	22,011	25,097	531	5,889	16,243	13,828	4,438	6,179	47,108
Bed spaces	67,635	79,136	1,428	18,174	50,498	44,632	13,771	18,268	146,771
Employment (persons)	24,536	9,235	245	2,328	7,695	12,172	7,898	3,433	33,771
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	1,254.2	1,302.6	14.3	327.6	961.7	759.8	255.4	237.9	2,556.8
<i>1997—</i>									
October	447.5	483.8	7.7	94.9	327.5	304.3	100.6	96.3	931.4
November	421.3	430.3	7.1	84.1	287.9	282.6	100.5	89.5	851.6
December	379.4	396.9	6.6	82.9	265.6	251.7	84.7	84.9	776.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	1,248.2	1,311.0	21.4	261.9	881.0	838.6	285.7	270.6	2,559.3
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	65.7	60.0	41.3	51.2	62.8	70.5	72.4	54.0	62.7
<i>1997—</i>									
October	67.2	62.2	46.9	52.0	65.0	71.0	73.1	54.8	64.5
November	65.0	57.2	44.4	47.6	59.1	68.2	75.5	51.7	60.8
December	56.0	51.1	40.0	45.5	52.7	58.8	61.6	45.6	53.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	62.7	56.8	43.8	48.4	59.0	66.0	70.0	50.6	59.5
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2,363.5	2,378.0	24.2	570.6	1,814.5	1,407.1	473.6	451.6	4,741.5
<i>1997—</i>									
October	849.1	878.8	13.3	167.1	611.1	573.3	185.3	177.9	1,727.9
November	753.6	760.5	11.6	144.0	508.2	508.5	179.2	162.6	1,514.1
December	749.7	782.3	11.4	152.8	530.6	500.0	166.3	170.8	1,532.0
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2,352.4	2,421.6	36.3	463.9	1,649.9	1,581.8	530.8	511.3	4,774.1
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	40.1	35.4	26.4	29.3	38.5	39.8	44.9	35.8	37.6
<i>1997—</i>									
October	41.2	35.8	29.9	29.7	39.0	41.4	43.4	33.6	38.3
November	37.7	32.0	27.1	26.4	33.5	38.0	43.4	31.3	34.6
December	36.0	31.9	25.9	27.2	33.9	36.2	39.0	30.8	33.8
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	38.3	33.3	27.6	27.8	35.5	38.6	41.9	31.9	35.6
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	824.9	1,128.5	12.2	310.7	819.2	514.4	138.6	158.2	1,953.3
<i>1997—</i>									
October	310.0	413.3	6.4	96.2	274.7	223.8	52.6	69.8	723.4
November	290.3	358.9	5.6	82.6	237.1	211.1	50.6	62.2	649.3
December	276.0	365.5	5.4	88.4	239.3	200.3	44.7	63.4	641.5
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	876.4	1,137.8	17.4	267.2	751.0	635.2	147.9	195.5	2,014.1
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2.9	2.1	2.0	1.8	2.2	2.7	3.4	2.9	2.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2.7	2.1	2.1	1.7	2.2	2.5	3.6	2.6	2.4
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	166,843	95,748	527	17,484	76,728	88,747	55,327	23,778	262,591
<i>1997—</i>									
October	58,185	35,964	270	5,215	25,207	34,766	20,477	8,214	94,149
November	54,414	31,889	242	4,544	21,653	31,958	20,209	7,699	86,304
December	51,074	30,205	254	4,798	21,191	29,053	18,316	7,666	81,278
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	163,673	98,059	766	14,557	68,051	95,776	59,002	23,579	261,732

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—*continued*
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	114	238	14	119	160	28	3	28	352
Guest rooms	4,356	6,595	165	2,368	4,944	1,819	1,081	574	10,951
Bed spaces	11,106	20,160	391	6,666	14,435	6,008	2,171	1,595	31,266
Employment (persons)	5,223	2,788	170	1,837	2,912	1,377	1,086	629	8,011
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	110	237	13	116	160	29	3	26	347
Guest rooms	4,342	6,555	155	2,379	4,911	1,890	1,083	479	10,897
Bed spaces	11,023	20,183	377	6,719	14,398	6,118	2,188	1,406	31,206
Employment (persons)	5,191	2,747	164	1,766	2,793	1,533	1,082	600	7,938
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	224.6	328.5	3.7	92.8	246.2	116.6	74.2	19.6	553.1
<i>1997—</i>									
October	88.3	132.6	1.6	37.2	101.1	45.3	28.8	6.9	220.8
November	83.3	116.6	1.5	31.6	88.7	44.0	28.3	5.7	199.9
December	66.9	96.5	1.5	27.7	72.1	34.4	21.5	6.2	163.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	238.5	345.6	4.6	96.6	261.9	123.6	78.6	18.8	584.1
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	56.0	54.1	24.1	42.6	54.1	69.7	74.6	37.2	54.9
<i>1997—</i>									
October	65.6	65.2	32.4	50.5	66.4	77.2	85.8	46.7	65.4
November	64.0	59.5	33.2	44.7	60.2	77.6	87.1	39.4	61.3
December	49.7	47.6	30.3	37.9	47.3	58.7	64.1	41.6	48.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	59.7	57.4	32.0	44.4	58.0	71.1	78.9	42.6	58.3
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	340.4	569.9	5.2	159.1	423.9	185.4	103.6	33.2	910.3
<i>1997—</i>									
October	132.9	232.6	2.5	65.4	171.7	75.6	38.3	11.9	365.5
November	120.8	192.3	2.2	52.0	141.6	69.5	38.2	9.5	313.1
December	105.8	174.1	2.2	49.1	127.1	61.5	30.0	9.9	279.9
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	359.5	599.0	7.0	166.5	440.5	206.7	106.6	31.3	958.5
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	33.3	30.7	14.4	25.9	31.9	33.5	51.8	22.6	31.6
<i>1997—</i>									
October	38.9	37.2	21.5	31.4	38.5	39.9	56.5	27.4	37.8
November	36.5	31.9	19.7	26.0	32.8	37.9	58.2	22.6	33.5
December	31.0	27.9	19.2	23.8	28.5	32.5	44.3	22.6	29.0
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	35.5	32.3	20.1	27.1	33.3	36.7	52.9	24.2	33.4
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	166.4	313.1	3.1	92.5	241.7	80.5	42.8	19.0	479.6
<i>1997—</i>									
October	62.4	124.9	1.9	37.8	93.1	32.0	14.8	7.6	187.3
November	56.1	105.4	1.4	29.6	78.8	31.0	14.8	5.9	161.5
December	51.9	98.3	1.3	29.4	73.3	27.9	12.0	6.3	150.2
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	170.5	328.5	4.6	96.8	245.2	90.9	41.6	19.8	499.0
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	2.3	2.4	1.7	1.9
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2.1	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.8	2.3	2.6	1.6	1.9
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	20,745	22,521	129	4,250	16,472	11,969	9,505	941	43,266
<i>1997—</i>									
October	8,556	9,591	58	1,816	7,053	4,886	3,960	374	18,147
November	8,392	8,398	47	1,464	6,138	4,842	3,987	313	16,790
December	6,232	6,906	43	1,309	5,037	3,747	2,700	302	13,138
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	23,181	24,895	148	4,589	18,228	13,475	10,646	989	48,075

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	163	174	12	108	149	21	6	41	337
Guest rooms	9,346	6,650	206	2,728	7,587	2,316	1,867	1,292	15,996
Bed spaces	22,891	18,689	410	6,620	20,837	5,763	4,867	3,083	41,580
Employment (persons)	7,600	2,717	138	1,822	3,709	1,834	2,197	617	10,317
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	167	177	11	85	146	20	8	74	344
Guest rooms	9,528	6,768	179	2,086	7,403	1,965	1,937	2,726	16,296
Bed spaces	23,813	18,896	352	5,021	20,141	5,115	5,134	6,946	42,709
Employment (persons)	7,371	2,577	76	1,262	3,356	1,500	2,086	1,668	9,948
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	507.5	363.9	4.6	129.8	419.0	134.8	136.5	46.7	871.4
<i>1997—</i>									
October	187.8	137.3	1.5	33.4	151.5	43.0	45.3	50.4	325.0
November	175.4	114.4	1.3	30.3	128.3	39.7	45.1	45.2	289.8
December	155.5	107.9	0.9	27.9	116.9	37.2	41.6	39.0	263.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	518.7	359.5	3.6	91.6	396.7	119.8	131.9	134.6	878.2
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	60.9	59.5	24.6	51.7	60.1	69.5	79.5	41.4	60.3
<i>1997—</i>									
October	63.6	65.4	27.3	51.6	66.0	70.5	75.4	59.7	64.3
November	61.7	56.3	23.3	48.5	57.8	67.3	77.5	56.4	59.5
December	53.0	51.4	15.4	43.1	50.9	61.1	69.3	47.1	52.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	59.4	57.7	22.0	47.7	58.2	66.3	74.0	54.4	58.7
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	797.4	647.4	5.5	206.8	736.6	210.5	208.6	76.8	1,444.8
<i>1997—</i>									
October	289.2	246.9	1.9	53.1	262.8	69.5	71.5	77.4	536.1
November	262.0	199.6	1.8	46.7	213.9	62.7	71.0	65.5	461.6
December	250.3	204.5	1.3	46.4	211.6	63.2	71.1	61.3	454.8
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	801.5	651.0	4.9	146.2	688.3	195.4	213.6	204.1	1,452.5
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	38.9	37.7	15.1	34.0	38.5	43.2	46.6	28.1	38.3
<i>1997—</i>									
October	39.2	42.2	17.2	34.1	42.1	43.8	44.9	35.9	40.5
November	36.9	35.2	16.7	31.0	35.4	40.8	46.1	32.1	36.2
December	34.1	34.9	11.6	29.8	33.9	39.9	44.7	29.1	34.5
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	36.7	37.4	15.1	31.6	37.1	41.5	45.2	32.4	37.1
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	336.5	283.1	2.5	100.0	311.8	98.7	73.7	32.9	619.6
<i>1997—</i>									
October	117.6	110.9	1.0	26.9	121.2	24.3	22.4	32.6	228.4
November	104.7	88.5	0.9	22.4	94.6	20.4	27.0	28.0	193.3
December	104.4	90.0	0.7	22.4	95.5	21.1	26.5	28.1	194.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	326.7	289.4	2.6	71.7	311.3	65.8	75.9	88.7	616.1
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2.5	2.2	1.9	2.0	2.2	3.0	2.8	2.3	2.4
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	54,543	27,452	140	6,898	31,744	16,884	22,229	4,100	81,995
<i>1997—</i>									
October	19,739	10,682	59	1,838	11,665	5,292	6,955	4,612	30,421
November	18,361	8,561	51	1,637	9,603	4,720	6,772	4,139	26,922
December	16,103	8,245	39	1,506	9,015	4,332	6,028	3,428	24,348
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	54,203	27,488	149	4,981	30,284	14,344	19,755	12,178	81,691

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued
TASMANIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading			Total
			1, 2 and ungraded	3	4 and 5	
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT						
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>						
Establishments	91	96	74	74	39	187
Guest rooms	3,532	2,072	1,456	2,409	1,739	5,604
Bed spaces	9,860	6,335	4,096	7,205	4,894	16,195
Employment (persons)	3,671	949	1,331	1,361	1,928	4,620
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>						
Establishments	98	115	75	80	58	213
Guest rooms	3,519	2,402	1,325	2,416	2,180	5,921
Bed spaces	9,834	7,161	3,595	7,255	6,145	16,995
Employment (persons)	3,585	1,036	917	1,313	2,391	4,621
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	175.4	107.4	56.7	117.6	108.4	282.8
<i>1997—</i>						
October	58.7	38.8	14.8	39.1	43.7	97.6
November	60.3	39.4	15.2	39.6	44.9	99.7
December	56.4	36.2	14.6	34.4	43.6	92.6
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	175.5	114.4	44.6	113.0	132.2	289.9
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	54.0	56.3	42.4	53.1	67.8	54.8
<i>1997—</i>						
October	53.8	52.1	36.0	52.1	64.7	53.2
November	57.2	54.7	38.3	54.6	68.7	56.1
December	51.7	48.6	35.5	45.9	64.5	50.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	54.2	51.8	36.6	50.9	65.9	53.2
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	290.6	198.7	101.9	214.4	173.0	489.3
<i>1997—</i>						
October	94.4	70.1	25.5	70.7	68.4	164.5
November	95.9	70.7	25.6	69.6	71.4	166.5
December	99.0	69.8	26.0	66.5	76.2	168.7
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	289.2	210.6	77.0	206.8	216.0	499.8
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	32.0	34.1	27.0	32.3	38.4	32.8
<i>1997—</i>						
October	31.0	31.6	22.8	31.4	35.9	31.2
November	32.5	32.9	23.7	32.0	38.7	32.7
December	32.5	31.4	23.3	29.6	40.0	32.0
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	32.0	32.0	23.3	31.0	38.2	32.0
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	156.6	123.2	60.1	132.9	86.8	279.8
<i>1997—</i>						
October	51.2	40.7	15.8	43.0	33.2	92.0
November	57.7	42.9	15.8	45.0	39.7	100.6
December	53.1	40.1	15.8	40.7	36.8	93.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	162.0	123.8	47.5	128.7	109.6	285.8
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.6	2.0	1.7
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	14,941	7,614	4,096	7,750	10,710	22,556
<i>1997—</i>						
October	5,171	2,883	957	2,628	4,468	8,053
November	5,095	2,978	970	2,577	4,525	8,073
December	5,025	2,842	1,061	2,412	4,394	7,867
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	15,291	8,703	2,988	7,618	13,387	23,993

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—*continued*
NORTHERN TERRITORY

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4 and 5			
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	31	67	13	30	31	6	18	98	
Guest rooms	2,046	3,598	266	1,337	2,559	1,063	419	5,644	
Bed spaces	5,811	10,918	806	3,980	7,878	2,850	1,215	16,729	
Employment (persons)	2,042	1,266	146	615	1,131	1,254	162	3,308	
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	34	68	7	26	30	8	31	102	
Guest rooms	2,391	3,746	98	1,162	2,393	1,118	1,366	6,137	
Bed spaces	6,940	11,332	283	3,435	7,504	3,021	4,029	18,272	
Employment (persons)	1,982	1,276	72	530	1,028	1,139	489	3,258	
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	113.6	188.9	8.8	57.8	160.1	58.6	17.1	302.5	
<i>1997—</i>									
October	45.0	72.9	1.0	18.1	54.5	22.2	22.1	117.9	
November	38.3	60.5	0.8	13.4	45.6	19.4	19.6	98.8	
December	28.5	43.2	0.7	11.4	31.6	13.8	14.2	71.7	
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	111.8	176.5	2.5	43.0	131.6	55.3	55.8	288.3	
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	60.4	57.4	36.1	47.6	68.0	59.9	45.0	58.5	
<i>1997—</i>									
October	60.7	62.8	32.5	50.3	73.4	64.0	52.1	61.9	
November	53.4	53.8	28.2	38.5	63.5	57.8	47.7	53.7	
December	38.4	37.2	22.7	31.8	42.5	39.7	33.6	37.7	
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	50.8	51.2	27.8	40.2	59.8	53.8	44.4	51.1	
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	181.6	327.0	15.1	104.6	273.4	90.3	25.3	508.6	
<i>1997—</i>									
October	74.1	126.1	1.6	30.7	94.9	36.8	36.2	200.2	
November	59.8	97.2	1.3	21.8	74.5	30.9	28.4	157.0	
December	46.9	73.9	1.1	19.8	54.8	23.0	22.1	120.9	
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	180.8	297.3	4.0	72.4	224.2	90.7	86.8	478.1	
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	34.0	32.7	20.3	28.9	37.7	34.4	22.9	33.2	
<i>1997—</i>									
October	34.4	35.9	17.9	28.9	40.8	39.3	29.0	35.3	
November	28.7	28.6	15.8	21.2	33.1	34.1	23.5	28.6	
December	21.8	21.0	12.8	18.6	23.6	24.6	17.7	21.3	
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	28.3	28.5	15.5	22.9	32.5	32.6	23.4	28.4	
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	107.1	169.2	10.4	49.6	144.5	55.5	16.2	276.2	
<i>1997—</i>									
October	40.9	63.5	1.0	18.7	48.0	19.8	17.1	104.5	
November	34.5	52.6	0.9	13.5	40.8	18.2	13.7	87.1	
December	26.6	39.3	0.8	11.2	30.4	12.1	11.4	65.9	
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	102.0	155.4	2.7	43.4	119.1	50.0	42.2	257.5	
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	1.7	1.9	1.4	2.1	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.8	
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	1.8	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.8	2.1	1.9	
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	13,881	15,000	464	3,650	15,369	8,454	943	28,881	
<i>1997—</i>									
October	5,711	6,087	40	1,191	5,625	3,085	1,857	11,798	
November	4,860	4,996	35	818	4,668	2,765	1,570	9,855	
December	3,246	3,322	28	677	3,102	1,779	982	6,568	
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	13,817	14,404	102	2,686	13,395	7,630	4,409	28,222	

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—*continued*
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading			Total
			1, 2 and ungraded	3	4 and 5	
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT						
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>						
Establishments	15	32	14	24	9	47
Guest rooms	1,765	2,043	681	2,144	983	3,808
Bed spaces	4,764	6,658	2,397	6,355	2,670	11,422
Employment (persons)	1,604	750	202	1,127	1,025	2,354
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>						
Establishments	15	33	14	24	10	48
Guest rooms	1,762	2,110	657	2,022	1,193	3,872
Bed spaces	4,605	7,047	2,415	5,831	3,406	11,652
Employment (persons)	1,624	712	209	1,063	1,064	2,336
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	107.7	113.3	32.6	123.0	65.4	221.0
<i>1997—</i>						
October	44.3	51.0	15.4	49.0	30.9	95.3
November	34.9	38.5	10.7	38.1	24.6	73.4
December	26.3	30.3	8.1	30.6	18.0	56.6
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	105.5	119.8	34.2	117.7	73.4	225.4
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	66.3	60.3	52.0	62.4	72.3	63.1
<i>1997—</i>						
October	81.1	78.0	75.8	78.1	83.5	79.4
November	66.1	60.8	54.3	62.9	68.7	63.2
December	48.2	46.3	39.6	48.8	48.6	47.2
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	65.1	61.7	56.6	63.3	66.9	63.3
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	164.6	217.2	78.1	205.3	98.4	381.8
<i>1997—</i>						
October	68.1	101.0	34.6	85.8	48.7	169.1
November	48.7	72.2	21.8	62.7	36.4	120.9
December	42.3	61.2	17.8	55.8	29.8	103.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	159.1	234.4	74.2	204.3	114.9	393.4
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	37.5	35.5	35.4	35.1	40.1	36.3
<i>1997—</i>						
October	47.7	46.2	46.2	47.5	46.1	46.8
November	35.3	34.1	30.0	35.9	35.6	34.6
December	29.6	28.0	23.8	30.8	28.2	28.6
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	37.5	36.1	33.4	38.1	36.7	36.7
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	94.3	108.6	32.2	119.2	51.6	202.9
<i>1997—</i>						
October	31.8	45.6	14.2	39.4	23.9	77.5
November	24.7	35.0	9.7	30.2	19.7	59.6
December	22.3	30.1	8.1	27.6	16.7	52.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	78.8	110.7	32.0	97.2	60.3	189.5
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	1.7	2.0	2.4	1.7	1.9	1.9
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.1	1.9	2.1
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)						
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	12,354	8,363	2,245	10,032	8,440	20,717
<i>1997—</i>						
October	5,328	3,843	1,099	4,241	3,831	9,171
November	4,185	2,849	753	3,262	3,019	7,034
December	2,980	2,289	652	2,500	2,117	5,268
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	12,493	8,981	2,504	10,003	8,967	21,474

TABLE 5 — HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES BY STAR GRADING—continued
AUSTRALIA

Particulars	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Star grading					Ungraded	Total
			1	2	3	4	5		
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	1,140	3,763	139	1,354	2,289	421	52	648	4,903
Guest rooms	71,106	102,770	2,476	27,100	75,315	38,504	13,401	17,080	173,876
Bed spaces	191,113	313,010	7,796	79,076	224,043	111,846	33,167	48,195	504,123
Employment (persons)	70,591	38,913	1,263	13,492	33,539	32,076	18,407	10,727	109,504
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	1,170	3,871	144	1,207	2,338	507	58	787	5,041
Guest rooms	74,946	105,851	2,654	24,414	74,570	41,876	14,548	22,735	180,797
Bed spaces	202,855	323,315	8,525	71,439	222,281	121,496	37,720	64,709	526,170
Employment (persons)	82,646	39,641	1,264	11,718	32,506	33,236	25,764	17,799	122,287
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	4,266.4	5,285.1	72.7	1,167.2	4,068.5	2,541.3	951.6	750.3	9,551.6
<i>1997—</i>									
October	1,543.1	1,983.8	30.4	383.0	1,468.9	942.7	352.0	349.9	3,526.9
November	1,486.7	1,762.8	27.4	333.1	1,305.5	904.9	352.3	326.4	3,249.5
December	1,286.2	1,578.1	25.5	310.2	1,159.7	770.1	300.7	298.0	2,864.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	4,316.1	5,324.7	83.4	1,026.3	3,934.1	2,617.7	1,005.1	974.3	9,640.8
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	65.5	56.0	32.0	46.9	58.7	72.2	77.2	48.1	59.9
<i>1997—</i>									
October	67.3	60.5	37.0	50.6	63.6	72.6	78.1	51.9	63.3
November	66.9	55.5	34.4	45.5	58.4	72.1	80.7	49.7	60.2
December	55.5	48.1	31.0	41.1	50.2	59.4	66.7	42.7	51.2
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	63.2	54.7	34.1	45.7	57.4	68.0	75.1	48.0	58.2
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	7,134.5	9,614.7	132.3	2,072.1	7,366.9	4,310.9	1,520.5	1,346.5	16,749.2
<i>1997—</i>									
October	2,539.3	3,615.0	54.4	688.1	2,641.5	1,602.5	548.4	619.4	6,154.3
November	2,362.8	3,079.5	47.3	574.0	2,235.1	1,484.1	545.8	556.0	5,442.3
December	2,232.1	3,035.1	44.9	576.0	2,189.0	1,398.7	499.9	558.6	5,267.2
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	7,134.2	9,729.6	146.6	1,838.0	7,065.7	4,485.3	1,594.1	1,734.1	16,863.8
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	40.7	33.4	18.5	28.5	35.7	42.1	49.8	30.6	36.2
<i>1997—</i>									
October	40.9	36.1	20.6	31.1	38.4	42.5	46.9	32.3	37.9
November	39.3	31.8	18.5	26.8	33.5	40.7	48.2	29.7	34.6
December	35.6	30.3	17.0	26.1	31.8	37.2	42.8	28.1	32.3
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	38.6	32.7	18.7	28.0	34.6	40.1	45.9	30.0	35.0
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2,955.4	5,136.4	71.2	1,179.4	3,877.4	1,841.3	548.9	573.5	8,091.8
<i>1997—</i>									
October	1,085.5	1,929.3	28.9	408.8	1,393.9	718.6	200.3	264.3	3,014.9
November	1,033.2	1,646.7	24.7	339.5	1,188.3	687.5	203.5	236.3	2,679.9
December	967.9	1,622.8	22.8	342.5	1,161.4	636.9	188.4	238.7	2,590.7
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	3,086.6	5,198.8	76.4	1,090.8	3,743.6	2,042.9	592.3	739.3	8,285.4
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.3	2.8	2.3	2.1
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	2.3	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.7	2.3	2.0
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	545,699	400,410	2,933	62,786	317,320	306,346	182,431	74,294	946,110
<i>1997—</i>									
October	201,533	152,042	1,211	21,563	114,565	113,944	68,173	34,118	353,575
November	196,284	136,357	1,093	18,471	101,226	110,964	68,891	31,996	332,642
December	168,273	124,694	1,100	17,877	92,211	93,296	58,614	29,869	292,967
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	566,090	413,093	3,405	57,911	308,003	318,204	195,678	95,983	979,184

TABLE 6 — HOLIDAY FLATS, UNITS AND HOUSES BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
LETTING ENTITIES, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Letting entities	444	219	727	85	128	57	12	17	1,689
Flats, units and houses									
Single bedroom	2,210	1,217	4,013	292	753	240	160	231	9,116
Multiple bedroom	9,799	2,581	16,137	1,178	2,044	621	158	552	33,070
<i>Total flats, units and houses</i>	<i>12,009</i>	<i>3,798</i>	<i>20,150</i>	<i>1,470</i>	<i>2,797</i>	<i>861</i>	<i>318</i>	<i>783</i>	<i>42,186</i>
Bed spaces	57,183	17,168	82,271	7,429	12,916	3,810	1,223	2,963	184,963
Employment (persons) (a)	1,457	812	2,790	300	661	341	70	141	6,572
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Letting entities	444	217	738	86	133	62	13	16	1,709
Flats, units and houses									
Single bedroom	2,399	1,348	4,412	283	777	293	163	234	9,909
Multiple bedroom	9,786	2,897	16,463	1,332	2,211	651	170	464	33,974
<i>Total flats, units and houses</i>	<i>12,185</i>	<i>4,245</i>	<i>20,875</i>	<i>1,615</i>	<i>2,988</i>	<i>944</i>	<i>333</i>	<i>698</i>	<i>43,883</i>
Bed spaces	58,057	19,897	85,523	7,734	13,594	4,051	1,285	2,559	192,700
Employment (persons) (a)	1,394	932	2,730	316	737	370	68	153	6,700
UNIT NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>478.7</i>	<i>152.1</i>	<i>1,141.7</i>	<i>55.1</i>	<i>151.9</i>	<i>41.9</i>	<i>19.9</i>	<i>51.1</i>	<i>2,092.5</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	158.2	56.2	415.2	22.6	58.4	15.0	7.2	19.2	752.0
November	148.9	55.5	345.0	19.3	49.6	14.8	6.2	15.6	655.0
December	185.0	53.1	388.2	23.1	54.7	14.1	5.8	13.0	736.9
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>492.0</i>	<i>164.7</i>	<i>1,148.4</i>	<i>65.0</i>	<i>162.6</i>	<i>43.9</i>	<i>19.2</i>	<i>47.8</i>	<i>2,143.8</i>
UNIT OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
December quarter 1996	43.4	43.5	61.7	40.7	59.0	52.9	68.1	70.9	54.0
<i>1997—</i>									
October	41.9	42.7	64.5	45.1	63.0	51.2	70.1	88.7	55.4
November	40.7	43.6	55.2	40.2	55.3	52.4	62.4	74.3	49.8
December	49.0	40.8	60.0	46.5	59.0	48.1	55.8	60.1	54.3
December quarter 1997	43.9	42.4	59.9	44.0	59.2	50.6	62.8	74.4	53.2
UNIT LETTINGS ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>99.8</i>	<i>37.4</i>	<i>205.8</i>	<i>11.6</i>	<i>37.9</i>	<i>20.9</i>	<i>4.4</i>	<i>8.6</i>	<i>426.4</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	32.4	14.9	74.7	4.7	15.1	7.2	1.5	3.6	154.2
November	30.9	15.0	64.9	4.0	13.0	7.4	1.4	2.6	139.2
December	34.6	13.1	67.4	4.1	13.5	7.2	1.5	2.6	144.0
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>97.9</i>	<i>43.0</i>	<i>206.9</i>	<i>12.8</i>	<i>41.7</i>	<i>21.8</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>8.8</i>	<i>437.3</i>
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)									
December quarter 1996	4.8	4.1	5.5	4.7	4.0	2.0	4.5	5.9	4.9
<i>1997—</i>									
October	4.9	3.8	5.6	4.8	3.9	2.1	4.7	5.3	4.9
November	4.8	3.7	5.3	4.9	3.8	2.0	4.3	6.1	4.7
December	5.3	4.1	5.8	5.6	4.0	2.0	3.7	5.0	5.1
December quarter 1997	5.0	3.8	5.5	5.1	3.9	2.0	4.2	5.4	4.9
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>34,608</i>	<i>12,535</i>	<i>81,633</i>	<i>3,651</i>	<i>11,280</i>	<i>2,990</i>	<i>1,582</i>	<i>4,657</i>	<i>152,936</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	11,609	5,452	28,906	1,511	4,473	1,076	585	1,874	55,486
November	10,479	5,220	23,243	1,261	3,830	1,045	419	1,385	46,883
December	15,689	4,977	32,797	1,777	4,602	1,116	454	1,259	62,671
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>37,777</i>	<i>15,650</i>	<i>84,946</i>	<i>4,550</i>	<i>12,905</i>	<i>3,238</i>	<i>1,458</i>	<i>4,517</i>	<i>165,040</i>

(a) Employment numbers exclude real estate agents and their employees.

TABLE 7 — CARAVAN PARKS BY TYPE AND BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	New South Wales			Victoria			Queensland		
	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	496	296	792	441	155	596	264	362	626
Capacity									
On-site vans	3,393	3,545	6,938	2,062	1,720	3,782	1,179	4,640	5,819
Other powered sites	44,343	18,157	62,500	37,094	7,830	44,924	12,561	19,330	31,891
Unpowered sites	15,305	4,088	19,393	12,553	1,995	14,548	8,852	4,566	13,418
Cabins, flats, etc.	3,568	2,038	5,606	2,681	1,350	4,031	1,657	2,575	4,232
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>66,609</i>	<i>27,828</i>	<i>94,437</i>	<i>54,390</i>	<i>12,895</i>	<i>67,285</i>	<i>24,249</i>	<i>31,111</i>	<i>55,360</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	3,817	11,118	14,935	1,851	4,622	6,473	2,009	12,880	14,889
Other sites permanently reserved	22,031	1,150	23,181	15,571	352	15,923	825	450	1,275
Employment (persons)	2,270	1,123	3,393	1,560	465	2,025	1,020	1,264	2,284
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	510	279	789	443	152	595	286	328	614
Capacity									
On-site vans	3,304	3,422	6,726	1,895	1,761	3,656	1,545	4,204	5,749
Other powered sites	45,173	17,415	62,588	36,829	7,651	44,480	14,291	17,173	31,464
Unpowered sites	15,158	3,961	19,119	12,237	1,922	14,159	9,187	3,647	12,834
Cabins, flats, etc.	4,011	2,025	6,036	2,868	1,351	4,219	1,980	2,497	4,477
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>67,646</i>	<i>26,823</i>	<i>94,469</i>	<i>53,829</i>	<i>12,685</i>	<i>66,514</i>	<i>27,003</i>	<i>27,521</i>	<i>54,524</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	3,904	10,689	14,593	1,850	4,654	6,504	2,393	11,796	14,189
Other sites permanently reserved	22,098	1,144	23,242	15,634	394	16,028	930	350	1,280
Employment (persons)	2,333	1,091	3,424	1,628	449	2,077	1,141	1,155	2,296
SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>3,270.3</i>	<i>1,360.0</i>	<i>4,630.3</i>	<i>2,034.7</i>	<i>549.2</i>	<i>2,583.9</i>	<i>661.1</i>	<i>1,508.7</i>	<i>2,169.8</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	1,084.5	449.4	1,534.0	649.0	186.1	835.1	264.7	475.8	740.5
November	1,022.6	424.6	1,447.3	640.9	179.8	820.7	218.5	443.1	661.6
December	1,183.9	456.2	1,640.1	769.3	185.8	955.1	269.3	452.1	721.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>3,291.1</i>	<i>1,330.3</i>	<i>4,621.4</i>	<i>2,059.2</i>	<i>551.8</i>	<i>2,610.9</i>	<i>752.5</i>	<i>1,371.1</i>	<i>2,123.5</i>
SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>53.6</i>	<i>53.2</i>	<i>53.5</i>	<i>40.7</i>	<i>46.3</i>	<i>41.8</i>	<i>29.6</i>	<i>52.8</i>	<i>42.6</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	51.7	54.1	52.4	38.9	47.3	40.5	31.6	55.8	43.8
November	50.4	52.8	51.1	39.7	47.3	41.1	27.0	53.7	40.4
December	56.5	54.9	56.0	46.1	47.3	46.3	32.2	53.0	42.7
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>52.9</i>	<i>53.9</i>	<i>53.2</i>	<i>41.6</i>	<i>47.3</i>	<i>42.7</i>	<i>30.3</i>	<i>54.2</i>	<i>42.3</i>
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>34,631</i>	<i>16,481</i>	<i>51,112</i>	<i>17,402</i>	<i>6,199</i>	<i>23,601</i>	<i>9,351</i>	<i>16,990</i>	<i>26,341</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	11,575	5,648	17,223	5,793	2,122	7,915	4,167	5,490	9,657
November	10,151	4,927	15,078	5,343	1,951	7,294	3,162	4,824	7,986
December	15,280	5,735	21,015	7,374	2,080	9,454	3,877	5,163	9,040
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>37,006</i>	<i>16,311</i>	<i>53,317</i>	<i>18,510</i>	<i>6,153</i>	<i>24,663</i>	<i>11,206</i>	<i>15,476</i>	<i>26,682</i>

TABLE 7 — CARAVAN PARKS BY TYPE AND BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA—continued

Particulars	South Australia			Western Australia			Tasmania		
	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT									
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>									
Establishments	171	44	215	204	115	319	57	16	73
Capacity									
On-site vans	804	258	1,062	1,150	1,001	2,151	229	136	365
Other powered sites	12,109	2,682	14,791	12,972	6,937	19,909	2,872	661	3,533
Unpowered sites	5,820	912	6,732	4,293	1,845	6,138	1,665	437	2,102
Cabins, flats, etc.	1,527	358	1,885	1,071	836	1,907	366	134	500
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>20,260</i>	<i>4,210</i>	<i>24,470</i>	<i>19,486</i>	<i>10,619</i>	<i>30,105</i>	<i>5,132</i>	<i>1,368</i>	<i>6,500</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	688	1,285	1,973	1,331	4,064	5,395	189	228	417
Other sites permanently reserved	1,692	42	1,734	2,291	283	2,574	1,074	33	1,107
Employment (persons)	662	142	804	853	436	1,289	241	64	305
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>									
Establishments	176	39	215	214	104	318	57	16	73
Capacity									
On-site vans	792	224	1,016	1,225	914	2,139	228	136	364
Other powered sites	12,421	2,416	14,837	13,113	6,799	19,912	2,790	662	3,452
Unpowered sites	5,920	692	6,612	4,032	1,774	5,806	1,675	453	2,128
Cabins, flats, etc.	1,602	316	1,918	1,196	973	2,169	392	141	533
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>20,735</i>	<i>3,648</i>	<i>24,383</i>	<i>19,566</i>	<i>10,460</i>	<i>30,026</i>	<i>5,085</i>	<i>1,392</i>	<i>6,477</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	743	1,300	2,043	1,445	4,042	5,487	195	215	410
Other sites permanently reserved	1,822	36	1,858	2,361	235	2,596	1,075	36	1,111
Employment (persons)	716	127	843	945	411	1,356	219	65	284
SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>469.3</i>	<i>155.8</i>	<i>625.1</i>	<i>595.0</i>	<i>473.5</i>	<i>1,068.5</i>	<i>163.8</i>	<i>34.0</i>	<i>197.8</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	181.0	50.5	231.5	215.8	160.0	375.7	50.8	12.7	63.5
November	151.0	47.8	198.8	189.2	153.4	342.6	52.2	12.5	64.7
December	180.2	51.1	231.3	214.8	162.3	377.1	62.5	12.6	75.2
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>512.2</i>	<i>149.4</i>	<i>661.6</i>	<i>619.8</i>	<i>475.7</i>	<i>1,095.5</i>	<i>165.5</i>	<i>37.9</i>	<i>203.3</i>
SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>25.2</i>	<i>40.2</i>	<i>27.8</i>	<i>33.2</i>	<i>48.5</i>	<i>38.6</i>	<i>34.7</i>	<i>27.0</i>	<i>33.1</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	28.4	44.6	30.8	35.6	49.3	40.4	32.2	29.4	31.6
November	24.4	43.7	27.3	32.2	48.9	38.0	34.2	30.0	33.3
December	28.0	45.2	30.6	35.4	50.1	40.5	39.7	29.3	37.4
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>26.9</i>	<i>44.5</i>	<i>29.6</i>	<i>34.4</i>	<i>49.4</i>	<i>39.7</i>	<i>35.4</i>	<i>29.6</i>	<i>34.1</i>
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)									
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>6,340</i>	<i>1,603</i>	<i>7,943</i>	<i>7,641</i>	<i>6,466</i>	<i>14,107</i>	<i>1,499</i>	<i>484</i>	<i>1,983</i>
<i>1997—</i>									
October	2,480	513	2,993	3,002	2,377	5,379	458	164	623
November	1,860	460	2,320	2,470	2,158	4,628	504	167	672
December	2,525	534	3,059	3,161	2,355	5,516	658	186	844
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>6,865</i>	<i>1,507</i>	<i>8,371</i>	<i>8,633</i>	<i>6,890</i>	<i>15,524</i>	<i>1,620</i>	<i>518</i>	<i>2,138</i>

TABLE 7—CARAVAN PARKS BY TYPE AND BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA—continued

Particulars	Northern Territory			Australian Capital Territory	Australia		
	Short-term	Long-term	Total	Total	Short-term	Long-term	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT							
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>							
Establishments	58	17	75	5	1,691	1,010	2,701
Capacity							
On-site vans	129	177	306	62	8,946	11,539	20,485
Other powered sites	2,960	1,418	4,378	485	124,911	57,500	182,411
Unpowered sites	3,071	504	3,575	419	51,559	14,766	66,325
Cabins, flats, etc.	271	101	372	94	11,141	7,486	18,627
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>6,431</i>	<i>2,200</i>	<i>8,631</i>	<i>1,060</i>	<i>196,557</i>	<i>91,291</i>	<i>287,848</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	297	608	905	265	10,182	35,070	45,252
Other sites permanently reserved	6	11	17	—	43,490	2,321	45,811
Employment (persons)	263	94	357	37	6,869	3,625	10,494
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>							
Establishments	60	17	77	4	1,746	939	2,685
Capacity							
On-site vans	139	172	311	63	9,128	10,896	20,024
Other powered sites	3,102	1,435	4,537	459	127,719	54,010	181,729
Unpowered sites	3,563	484	4,047	419	51,772	13,352	65,124
Cabins, flats, etc.	308	109	417	94	12,357	7,506	19,863
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>7,112</i>	<i>2,200</i>	<i>9,312</i>	<i>1,035</i>	<i>200,976</i>	<i>85,764</i>	<i>286,740</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	285	648	933	260	10,815	33,604	44,419
Other sites permanently reserved	3	10	13	2	43,923	2,207	46,130
Employment (persons)	316	88	404	59	7,298	3,445	10,743
SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)							
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>92.8</i>	<i>75.0</i>	<i>167.8</i>	<i>41.2</i>	<i>7,287.1</i>	<i>4,197.4</i>	<i>11,484.5</i>
<i>1997—</i>							
October	46.4	27.4	73.8	15.3	2,492.2	1,377.2	3,869.4
November	30.5	25.0	55.5	13.1	2,304.9	1,299.4	3,604.3
December	23.8	23.4	47.2	11.7	2,703.8	1,355.3	4,059.1
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>100.7</i>	<i>75.9</i>	<i>176.5</i>	<i>40.1</i>	<i>7,500.9</i>	<i>4,031.9</i>	<i>11,532.8</i>
SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)							
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>15.8</i>	<i>37.1</i>	<i>21.2</i>	<i>42.2</i>	<i>40.4</i>	<i>50.0</i>	<i>43.4</i>
<i>1997—</i>							
October	21.0	40.2	25.6	47.6	40.0	51.8	43.6
November	14.3	37.9	19.9	42.2	38.2	50.5	41.9
December	10.8	34.4	16.4	36.5	43.4	51.0	45.7
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>15.4</i>	<i>37.5</i>	<i>20.6</i>	<i>42.1</i>	<i>40.6</i>	<i>51.1</i>	<i>43.7</i>
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)							
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>1,552</i>	<i>824</i>	<i>2,376</i>	<i>927</i>	<i>78,416</i>	<i>49,974</i>	<i>128,390</i>
<i>1997—</i>							
October	815	306	1,122	315	28,290	16,936	45,226
November	506	264	770	255	23,997	15,006	39,003
December	440	239	679	263	33,315	16,555	49,870
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>1,762</i>	<i>809</i>	<i>2,571</i>	<i>832</i>	<i>85,602</i>	<i>48,497</i>	<i>134,099</i>

TABLE 8—VISITOR HOSTELS BY STATE/TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA

Particulars	New South Wales (a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australia
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT								
<i>December quarter 1996—</i>								
Establishments	98	53	143	49	55	47	34	479
Bed spaces	6,492	3,424	9,681	2,358	3,109	2,120	3,024	30,208
Employment (persons)	417	191	760	191	162	143	151	2,015
<i>December quarter 1997—</i>								
Establishments	103	56	149	53	59	46	34	500
Bed spaces	7,263	3,688	10,294	2,689	3,324	2,014	3,232	32,504
Employment (persons)	485	208	879	186	169	142	169	2,238
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)								
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>362.9</i>	<i>122.7</i>	<i>439.9</i>	<i>69.7</i>	<i>115.0</i>	<i>33.8</i>	<i>125.6</i>	<i>1,269.7</i>
<i>1997—</i>								
October	133.8	42.1	172.3	25.8	38.5	10.2	51.8	474.5
November	139.4	45.7	171.4	26.0	39.8	10.7	45.8	478.9
December	154.7	46.0	161.1	26.5	42.7	13.0	37.1	481.1
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>427.9</i>	<i>133.9</i>	<i>504.8</i>	<i>78.4</i>	<i>121.0</i>	<i>33.9</i>	<i>134.7</i>	<i>1,434.6</i>
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)								
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>63.5</i>	<i>39.1</i>	<i>50.0</i>	<i>32.3</i>	<i>40.2</i>	<i>17.6</i>	<i>45.1</i>	<i>46.4</i>
<i>1997—</i>								
October	60.4	37.0	54.2	31.0	37.3	16.4	51.7	47.3
November	65.0	41.5	56.3	32.3	39.9	17.7	47.3	49.5
December	68.8	40.4	51.4	31.8	41.5	20.8	37.0	48.0
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>64.7</i>	<i>39.6</i>	<i>53.9</i>	<i>31.7</i>	<i>39.6</i>	<i>18.3</i>	<i>45.3</i>	<i>48.3</i>
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)								
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>112.4</i>	<i>53.3</i>	<i>158.4</i>	<i>31.0</i>	<i>35.6</i>	<i>22.3</i>	<i>64.7</i>	<i>477.6</i>
<i>1997—</i>								
October	43.9	18.8	63.2	11.5	13.3	6.5	28.7	185.8
November	44.9	22.5	64.2	11.4	14.1	7.2	25.3	189.6
December	49.3	19.8	60.7	12.5	14.9	8.3	19.6	185.0
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>138.1</i>	<i>61.0</i>	<i>188.0</i>	<i>35.4</i>	<i>42.3</i>	<i>22.0</i>	<i>73.6</i>	<i>560.4</i>
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)								
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>3.2</i>	<i>2.3</i>	<i>2.8</i>	<i>2.2</i>	<i>3.2</i>	<i>1.5</i>	<i>1.9</i>	<i>2.7</i>
<i>1997—</i>								
October	3.0	2.2	2.7	2.3	2.9	1.6	1.8	2.6
November	3.1	2.0	2.7	2.3	2.8	1.5	1.8	2.5
December	3.1	2.3	2.7	2.1	2.9	1.6	1.9	2.6
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>3.1</i>	<i>2.2</i>	<i>2.7</i>	<i>2.2</i>	<i>2.9</i>	<i>1.5</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>2.6</i>
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)								
<i>December quarter 1996</i>	<i>5,693</i>	<i>1,815</i>	<i>5,901</i>	<i>806</i>	<i>1,445</i>	<i>409</i>	<i>1,722</i>	<i>17,791</i>
<i>1997—</i>								
October	2,189	591	2,323	314	487	127	772	6,803
November	2,334	649	2,295	343	514	135	652	6,921
December	2,629	674	2,249	346	568	161	561	7,187
<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>7,151</i>	<i>1,913</i>	<i>6,866</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>1,569</i>	<i>424</i>	<i>1,986</i>	<i>20,911</i>

(a) Including Australian Capital Territory establishments.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication contains data, for Australia and each State and Territory, from a quarterly survey of tourist accommodation establishments.

SCOPE

2 Tourist accommodation establishments currently included in the survey comprise two groups:

- Establishments which provide predominantly short-term accommodation (i.e. for periods of less than 2 months) to the general public. These include:
 - *Hotels, motels and guest houses, with facilities* being hotels licensed to operate a public bar and motels, private hotels and guest houses all of which provide a bath (or shower) and toilet in most guest rooms and have breakfast available for guests. NOTE: From December quarter 1993, hotel, motel and guest house establishments with fewer than five rooms have been formally excluded from the scope of this statistical collection.
 - *Holiday flats, units and houses* (excluding establishments predominantly operated on a time share basis) which are operated by owners, managers or real estate agents who have sole letting rights to at least five flats, units or houses for short-term letting. They are mainly self-contained in terms of cooking, bath (or shower) and toilet facilities and do not have breakfast available for guests. Data for holiday flats, units and houses include short-term owner occupation as well as paying guest occupation.
 - *Visitor hostels* which provide accommodation to visitors on a bed basis (rather than by the room). This category does not include establishments providing charity type accommodation (e.g. Salvation Army hostels) nor hotels, motels and guest houses without in-room facilities which provide accommodation on a per room basis.
 - *Caravan parks* which provide either predominantly short-term (i.e. for periods of less than 2 months) or predominantly long-term (i.e. for periods of 2 months or more) accommodation to the general public and which provide powered sites for caravans and toilet, shower and laundry facilities for guests.

3 Data collected and published for each type of establishment (other than holiday flats, units and houses) include both long-term and short-term guests at these establishments.

4 Establishments which provide more than one type of accommodation (e.g. a motel with attached caravan park) are treated as two or more separate establishments. However, self-contained units, flats, cabins, etc. attached to hotels, motels or to caravan parks are included in the capacity for those establishments and not treated as separate holiday flat, unit or house establishments.

UNPUBLISHED STATISTICS

5 The ABS may make available on request certain unpublished tourist accommodation statistics. A charge may be made for this information.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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RELATED PUBLICATIONS

6 Publications for Australia, and each State and Territory, are released by the respective offices of the ABS. Tourist accommodation statistics for past quarters are available on request. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

- *Directory of Tourism Statistics* (1130.0) (irregular: latest issue; 1997)
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EFFECTS OF ROUNDING

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

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

- .. not applicable
- nil or rounded to zero
- n.a. not available
- n.p. not available for publication but included in totals where applicable
- r revised

G L O S S A R Y

Average length of stay	<p>Average length of stay is expressed in numbers of days and calculated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ for hotels, motels and guest houses, by dividing <i>Guest nights</i> by <i>Guest arrivals</i> and ▪ for holiday flats, units and houses, by dividing <i>Unit nights occupied</i> by <i>Unit lettings</i>.
Bed spaces	Three-quarter beds are counted as one bed space; double beds as two bed spaces. Cots are excluded.
Capacity	Capacity in terms of <i>Guest rooms</i> , <i>Bed spaces</i> , <i>Holiday units</i> or <i>Caravan park sites</i> , etc. is the maximum number available to accommodate paying guests during the survey period. Capacity closed temporarily for seasonal reasons is included.
Caravan park capacity	The total number of <i>On-site vans</i> , <i>Other powered sites</i> , <i>Unpowered sites</i> and <i>Cabins</i> , etc.
Employment	The number of persons working at accommodation establishments at the end of the survey period (including working proprietors and those working on other than accommodation activities).
Establishments	For hotels, motels and guest houses, caravan parks and visitor hostels, the number of establishments within the scope of the survey which operated for any part of the survey period, or which closed temporarily for the quarter for seasonal reasons.
Guest arrivals	The total number of paying guests counted only on the first night they stayed at the accommodation establishment.
Letting entities	For holiday flats, units and houses, the number of owners, managers or real estate agents within the scope of the survey who operated for any part of the survey period.
Occupancy	<p>Occupancy in terms of <i>Room nights</i>, <i>Unit nights</i> or <i>Site nights occupied</i> refers to the total number of nights each guest room, holiday unit or caravan park site, etc. was occupied during the survey period. NOTE: From September quarter 1992, caravan park sites, etc. permanently reserved for 2 months or more at the end of the survey period but only casually occupied by their tenants have been recorded continuously as <i>Site nights occupied</i> irrespective of whether the tenants of individual sites were in residence on any particular night.</p> <p>Occupancy in terms of <i>Guest nights</i> refers to the total number of nights each paying guest stayed during the survey period.</p>
Occupancy rates	<p><i>Occupancy rates</i> represent occupancy expressed as a percentage of total capacity available during the survey period, e.g.</p> $\text{Room occupancy rate (\%)} \text{ for the period} = \frac{\text{Room nights occupied}}{(\text{Guest rooms}) \times (\text{No. of days in the period})} \times 100$ <p>providing that, for establishments closing (other than for seasonal reasons) or opening during the survey period, the denominator of the above expression includes only operating periods.</p>

GLOSSARY

- Other sites permanently reserved** The total number of powered and unpowered sites, on-site vans and cabins, etc. continuously let for 2 months or more by the end of the survey period to tenants who occupy the sites only on a casual or sporadic basis. Separate data for this item are available only from September quarter 1992.
- Room nights available** The number of guest rooms available multiplied by the number of days for which they were available during the survey period. For establishment closing (other than seasonal reasons) or opening during this period, operating periods only are included.
- Sites occupied by long-term guests** The total number of sites, etc. occupied at the end of the survey period by guests who have stayed continuously for 2 months or more.
- Star grading** The grading of hotels and motels with facilities based on the classification system used by members of the Australian Automobile Association (AAA). The gradings are allocated according to a points system based on the amenities and facilities available to guests. Details of the grading scheme are contained in the RACV-RAASA members' publication *Accommodation Australia*, or the individual tour guides produced by members of the AAA. For the purpose of classifying establishments to a star grading in this publication, 'half' star gradings are ignored (e.g. a two and a half star grading has been shown as two star).
- Takings from accommodation** Revenue received from the provision of accommodation. Takings from meals are excluded. Takings from accommodation for each month generally represent the takings received during that month. Where payments are received in advance of, or after, the provision of accommodation to guests, the monthly figure for takings from accommodation may not necessarily bear a direct relationship to the number of guests accommodated during the month. Rental and storage fees paid to caravan parks for the keeping of private vans in parks are included in the takings of the month they are received.
- Unit lettings** The total number of times a holiday flat, unit or house was occupied by a new tenant, counted only on the first night it was occupied by the new tenant.



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