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## MARCH KEY FIGURES

|  | Jan 2003 | Feb 2003 | Mar 2003 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Dwelling units approved |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Original | 1659 | 1587 | 1638 |
| Seasonally adjusted | 1858 | 1737 | 1763 |
| Trend | 1714 | 1737 | 1760 |


| \% change <br> Dec 2002 to <br> Jan 2003 | \% change <br> Jan 2003 to <br> Feb 2003 | \% change <br> Feb 2003 to <br> Mar 2003 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 8.4 | -4.3 | 3.2 |
| 17.8 | -6.5 | 1.5 |
| 0.9 | 1.4 | 1.3 |

## MARCH KEY POINTS

## TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved rose in each month of the March 2003 quarter following four months of decline.
- The trend estimate for private sector houses also rose in each month of the March 2003 quarter following four months of decline.


## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwellings rose to 1,763 in March 2003. The estimates for the first three months of 2003 were all more than $2.4 \%$ above the estimates for the same period in 2002.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector houses has fallen for the past two months, following a rise of $25.6 \%$ in January 2003.


## ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- The total number of dwelling units approved in the March 2003 quarter was 4,884 which represented a fall of $3.9 \%$ from the December 2002 quarter.
- The total value of building work approved in the March 2003 quarter was $\$ 1,126.9$ million, $13.3 \%$ higher than in the December 2002 quarter.


## NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

DATA NOTES

ISSUE
June 2003
September 2003
December 2003

## RELEASE DATE

6 August 2003
7 November 2003
10 February 2004

There are no changes in this issue.

A special article 'Work Done on Housing Jobs Each Quarter' was included in the March 2003 issue of 'Building Approvals Australia' (ABS Cat. no. 8731.0). This and other articles are available from the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au. Go to the 'Feature Articles' link on the home page, then select Industry/Construction.

Building Approvals data now includes approvals in the External Territories of Australia (Christmas Island and Cocos-Keeling Islands are included in Western Australia). This has resulted in some minor revisions of data from July 2002. See paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes.

REVISIONS THIS QUARTER The following is a summary of revisions made to total dwelling units since the last issue of this publication.

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\begin{array}{rrrr}
1999-2000 & 2000-01 & 2001-02 & 2002-03 \\
+13 & - & -2 & -35
\end{array}
$$

## VALUE OF BUILDINGS APPROVED

## VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING

VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING

The trend estimate for the value of total building approved has risen for the past four months, following four months of decline.


The trend estimate for the value of residential building approved has risen for the past four months following three months of decline.


The trend estimate for the value of non residential building approved has risen for the past four months following four months of decline.

## D WELLINGSAPPROVED

TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

OTHER DWELLINGS
The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses approved has risen for the past three months, following four months of decline.


The trend estimate for the number of total other dwellings approved has risen for the past three months, following a flat period in December 2001 and falls in the preceding three months.


Readers should exercise care when interpreting trend estimates. The last six trend estimates, in particular, are likely to be revised when new seasonally adjusted estimates become available.

TREND REVISIONS
Generally, the greater the volatility of the original series, the larger the size of the revisions to trend estimates. Analysis of the building approval original series has shown that they can be revised substantially. As a result, some months can elapse before turning points in the trend series are reliably identified.

The graphs and tables which follow present the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates: that the April seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the March estimate by $7 \%$ for the number of private sector houses approved and $7 \%$ for total dwelling units approved; and that the April seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the March estimate by $7 \%$ for the number of private sector houses approved and $7 \%$ for total dwelling units approved. These percentages were chosen because they represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES


|  | TREND AS |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | PUBLISHED |  |
|  | no. | \% change |
| November 2002 | 1375 | -1.3 |
| December 2002 | 1372 | -0.2 |
| January 2003 | 1381 | 0.6 |
| February 2003 | 1395 | 1.0 |
| March 2003 | 1404 | 0.6 |
| April 2003 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |

WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:
rises by 7\% on Mar 2003
no. \% change

1356 -1.3
$1360 \quad 0.3$
13872.0
14252.8
14642.7
15083.0

2
falls by 7\% on Mar 2003
no. \% change

1362 -1.1
$1363 \quad 0.1$
$1379 \quad 1.2$
13991.5
14151.1
14341.3 TOTAL DWELLING UNITS
November 2002
December 2002
January 2003
February 2003
March 2003
April 2003


April 2003

WHAT IF NEXT QUARTER'S SEASONALLY
ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:

TREND AS
PUBLISHED
no. \% change no. \% change
$1702-1.5$
$1698-0.2$
17140.9
17371.4
17601.3
n.y.a. n.y.a.

1
$1703-1.3$
17110.4
$1751 \quad 2.4$
18043.0
18562.9
19052.6

2
falls by 7\% on Mar 2003
no. \% change
$1712-1.0$
17150.2
$1740 \quad 1.5$
$1766 \quad 1.5$
$1785 \quad 1.0$
17970.7

HOUSES $\qquad$

| Private <br> sector | Total |
| :--- | :--- |
| no. | no. |

no.
OTHER DWELLINGS.
.....
Private
sector Total
no.
no. Total no.
.

RIGINAL

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1307 | 1350 | 164 | 185 | 1471 | 1535 |
| February | 1341 | 1392 | 135 | 156 | 1476 | 1548 |
| March | 1173 | 1241 | 125 | 131 | 1298 | 1372 |
| April | 1367 | 1417 | 258 | 301 | 1625 | 1718 |
| May | 1562 | 1595 | 293 | 342 | 1855 | 1937 |
| June | 1330 | 1391 | 237 | 310 | 1567 | 1701 |
| July | 1677 | 1794 | 203 | 325 | 1880 | 2119 |
| August | 1473 | 1511 | 314 | 329 | 1787 | 1840 |
| September | 1430 | 1452 | 170 | 189 | 1600 | 1641 |
| October | 1442 | 1459 | 254 | 300 | 1696 | 1759 |
| November | 1454 | 1514 | 263 | 279 | 1717 | 1793 |
| December | 1197 | 1231 | 299 | 299 | 1496 | 1530 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1356 | 1391 | 262 | 268 | 1618 | 1659 |
| February | 1269 | 1308 | 253 | 279 | 1522 | 1587 |
| March | 1362 | 1388 | 169 | 250 | 1531 | 1638 |

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 1494 | 1563 | n.a. | n.a. | 1594 | 1684 |
| February | 1494 | 1562 | n.a. | n.a. | 1606 | 1695 |
| March | 1400 | 1477 | n.a. | n.a. | 1494 | 1577 |
| April | 1289 | 1390 | n.a. | n.a. | 1467 | 1611 |
| May | 1356 | 1393 | n.a. | n.a. | 1577 | 1663 |
| June | 1377 | 1395 | n.a. | n.a. | 1542 | 1633 |
| July | 1509 | 1705 | n.a. | n.a. | 1705 | 2023 |
| August | 1403 | 1443 | n.a. | n.a. | 1763 | 1818 |
| September | 1520 | 1548 | n.a. | n.a. | 1704 | 1751 |
| October | 1387 | 1402 | n.a. | n.a. | 1610 | 1671 |
| November | 1276 | 1364 | n.a. | n.a. | 1565 | 1669 |
| December | 1235 | 1286 | n.a. | n.a. | 1525 | 1576 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1552 | 1616 | n.a. | n.a. | 1788 | 1858 |
| February | 1417 | 1470 | n.a. | n.a. | 1658 | 1737 |
| March | 1381 | 1410 | n.a. | n.a. | 1653 | 1763 |

## TREND ESTIMATES

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 1430 | 1486 | 167 | 191 | 1597 | 1677 |
| February | 1413 | 1476 | 145 | 170 | 1558 | 1646 |
| March | 1395 | 1465 | 137 | 169 | 1532 | 1634 |
| April | 1383 | 1459 | 150 | 192 | 1533 | 1651 |
| May | 1386 | 1464 | 176 | 230 | 1562 | 1694 |
| June | 1406 | 1482 | 204 | 266 | 1610 | 1748 |
| July | 1422 | 1493 | 228 | 291 | 1650 | 1784 |
| August | 1427 | 1492 | 242 | 296 | 1669 | 1788 |
| September | 1415 | 1474 | 251 | 290 | 1666 | 1764 |
| October | 1393 | 1447 | 257 | 281 | 1650 | 1728 |
| November | 1375 | 1427 | 259 | 275 | 1634 | 1702 |
| December | 1372 | 1423 | 259 | 275 | 1631 | 1698 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1381 | 1433 | 259 | 281 | 1640 | 1714 |
| February | 1395 | 1448 | 257 | 289 | 1652 | 1737 |
| March | 1404 | 1454 | 265 | 306 | 1669 | 1760 |

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage Change


HOUSES.


OTHER DWELLINGS. $\qquad$
sector Total sector

TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

Private

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\% change from preceding month)

| January | 11.1 | 13.5 | n.a. | n.a. | -2.3 | -1.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| February | 0.0 | -0.1 | n.a. | n.a. | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| March | -6.3 | -5.4 | n.a. | n.a. | -7.0 | -7.0 |
| April | -7.9 | -5.9 | n.a. | n.a. | -1.8 | 2.1 |
| May | 5.2 | 0.2 | n.a. | n.a. | 7.5 | 3.3 |
| June | 1.5 | 0.1 | n.a. | n.a. | -2.2 | -1.8 |
| July | 9.6 | 22.2 | n.a. | n.a. | 10.6 | 23.9 |
| August | -7.0 | -15.4 | n.a. | n.a. | 3.4 | -10.1 |
| September | 8.3 | 7.3 | n.a. | n.a. | -3.3 | -3.7 |
| October | -8.7 | -9.4 | n.a. | n.a. | -5.5 | -4.6 |
| November | -8.0 | -2.7 | n.a. | n.a. | -2.8 | -0.1 |
| December | -3.2 | -5.7 | n.a. | n.a. | -2.6 | -5.6 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 25.6 | 25.7 | n.a. | n.a. | 17.2 | 17.8 |
| February | -8.7 | -9.0 | n.a. | n.a. | -7.3 | -6.5 |
| March | -2.5 | -4.1 | n.a. | n.a. | -0.3 | 1.5 |

TREND ESTIMATES (\% change from preceding month)

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | -0.9 | -0.4 | -15.2 | -13.6 | -2.6 | -2.1 |
| February | -1.2 | -0.7 | -13.2 | -11.0 | -2.4 | -1.8 |
| March | -1.3 | -0.7 | -5.5 | -0.6 | -1.7 | -0.7 |
| April | -0.9 | -0.4 | 9.5 | 13.6 | 0.1 | 1.0 |
| May | 0.2 | 0.3 | 17.3 | 19.8 | 1.9 | 2.6 |
| June | 1.4 | 1.2 | 15.9 | 15.7 | 3.1 | 3.2 |
| July | 1.2 | 0.7 | 11.8 | 9.4 | 2.5 | 2.0 |
| August | 0.3 | -0.1 | 6.1 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 0.3 |
| September | -0.8 | -1.2 | 3.7 | -2.0 | -0.2 | -1.3 |
| October | -1.6 | -1.8 | 2.4 | -3.1 | -1.0 | -2.1 |
| November | -1.3 | -1.4 | 0.8 | -2.1 | -1.0 | -1.5 |
| December | -0.2 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.2 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| February | 1.0 | 1.0 | -0.8 | 2.8 | 0.7 | 1.4 |
| March | 0.6 | 0.4 | 3.1 | 5.9 | 1.0 | 1.3 |


|  | Alterations and |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| additions to |  |
| residential |  |
| buildings(a) |  |$\quad$|  | Total <br> residential <br> residential <br> building | $\$ m$ | building |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

ORIGINAL

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 197.2 | 17.2 | 214.3 | 88.2 | 302.6 |
| February | 205.2 | 17.5 | 222.7 | 62.5 | 285.2 |
| March | 190.8 | 18.4 | 209.3 | 47.6 | 256.8 |
| April | 238.5 | 18.5 | 257.1 | 95.2 | 352.2 |
| May | 245.6 | 26.7 | 272.4 | 125.9 | 398.3 |
| June | 219.6 | 31.2 | 250.7 | 78.6 | 329.4 |
| July | 284.4 | 25.9 | 310.2 | 152.6 | 462.8 |
| August | 253.2 | 24.0 | 277.1 | 346.9 | 624.0 |
| September | 226.8 | 20.3 | 247.1 | 71.5 | 318.6 |
| October | 237.6 | 25.1 | 262.7 | 94.6 | 357.3 |
| November | 235.8 | 24.1 | 259.9 | 79.8 | 339.7 |
| December | 211.8 | 20.3 | 232.1 | 65.8 | 298.0 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 235.2 | 27.3 | 262.5 | 220.5 | 483.0 |
| February | 218.8 | 20.8 | 239.6 | 60.0 | 299.7 |
| March | 229.5 | 25.1 | 254.7 | 89.5 | 344.2 |

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

| 2002 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| January | 217.5 |
| February | 210.6 |
| March | 218.6 |
| April | 229.2 |
| May | 213.0 |
| June | 217.1 |
| July | 262.3 |
| August | 254.1 |
| September | 242.5 |
| October | 232.8 |
| November | 216.3 |
| December | 210.1 |
| 2003 |  |
| January | 269.2 |
| February | 223.2 |
| March | 264.6 |


| 17.5 | 235.0 | n.a. | 330.8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 18.2 | 228.8 | n.a. | 314.3 |
| 19.9 | 238.5 | n.a. | 298.1 |
| 17.6 | 246.8 | n.a. | 317.6 |
| 22.9 | 235.9 | n.a. | 335.0 |
| 40.2 | 257.3 | n.a. | 346.6 |
| 21.3 | 283.6 | n.a. | 417.5 |
| 22.0 | 276.0 | n.a. | 607.5 |
| 22.8 | 265.3 | n.a. | 335.5 |
| 23.0 | 255.8 | n.a. | 314.3 |
| 22.0 | 238.4 | n.a. | 317.4 |
| 23.7 | 233.7 | n.a. | 334.8 |
| 29.9 |  |  |  |
| 21.6 | 299.1 | n.a. | 532.1 |
| 23.5 | 284.9 | n.a. | 328.6 |

TREND ESTIMATES

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 213.9 | 18.5 | 232.4 | 84.0 | 316.4 |
| February | 213.6 | 18.5 | 232.1 | 78.7 | 310.8 |
| March | 215.5 | 20.1 | 235.6 | 77.3 | 312.9 |
| April | 220.3 | 22.4 | 242.7 | 84.6 | 327.4 |
| May | 227.4 | 24.6 | 252.0 | 99.4 | 351.4 |
| June | 235.3 | 25.8 | 261.1 | 114.9 | 376.0 |
| July | 240.2 | 25.7 | 265.9 | 121.2 | 387.2 |
| August | 241.6 | 24.8 | 266.4 | 119.6 | 386.1 |
| September | 239.1 | 23.7 | 262.9 | 114.2 | 377.1 |
| October | 234.9 | 23.1 | 258.0 | 109.2 | 367.3 |
| November | 231.7 | 23.3 | 255.0 | 108.3 | 363.3 |
| December | 231.9 | 24.1 | 256.0 | 111.8 | 367.7 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 235.9 | 24.5 | 260.4 | 116.9 | 377.3 |
| February | 241.6 | 24.6 | 266.1 | 119.0 | 385.2 |
| March | 247.9 | 24.5 | 272.4 | 125.3 | 397.7 |

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 16.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, Percentage Change

| Month | New residential building | Alterations and additions to residential buildings(a) | Total residential building | Nonresidential building | Total building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ORIGINAL (\% change from preceding month) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 8.0 | 13.4 | 8.4 | 55.3 | 18.9 |
| February | 4.1 | 1.9 | 3.9 | -29.1 | -5.7 |
| March | -7.0 | 5.4 | -6.0 | -23.9 | -10.0 |
| April | 25.0 | 0.6 | 22.8 | 100.0 | 37.1 |
| May | 3.0 | 44.1 | 6.0 | 32.3 | 13.1 |
| June | -10.6 | 16.6 | -7.9 | -37.5 | -17.3 |
| July | 29.5 | -17.0 | 23.7 | 94.1 | 40.5 |
| August | -11.0 | -7.4 | -10.7 | 127.3 | 34.8 |
| September | -10.4 | -15.3 | -10.8 | -79.4 | -48.9 |
| October | 4.8 | 23.7 | 6.3 | 32.3 | 12.2 |
| November | -0.8 | -4.1 | -1.1 | -15.6 | -4.9 |
| December | -10.2 | -15.6 | -10.7 | -17.5 | -12.3 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 11.0 | 34.6 | 13.1 | 234.8 | 62.1 |
| February | -6.9 | -23.9 | -8.7 | -72.8 | -37.9 |
| March | 4.9 | 20.7 | 6.3 | 49.1 | 14.9 |

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\% change from preceding month)

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 6.1 | -6.0 | 5.1 | n.a. | 6.4 |
| February | -3.1 | 3.8 | -2.6 | n.a. | -5.0 |
| March | 3.8 | 9.4 | 4.2 | n.a. | -5.2 |
| April | 4.9 | -11.3 | 3.5 | n.a. | 6.6 |
| May | -7.1 | 29.6 | -4.4 | n.a. | 5.5 |
| June | 1.9 | 76.0 | 9.1 | n.a. | 3.5 |
| July | 20.8 | -47.1 | 10.2 | n.a. | 20.4 |
| August | -3.1 | 3.2 | -2.7 | n.a. | 45.5 |
| September | -4.5 | 3.8 | -3.9 | n.a. | -44.8 |
| October | -4.0 | 1.1 | -3.6 | n.a. | -6.3 |
| November | -7.1 | -4.4 | -6.8 | n.a. | 1.0 |
| December | -2.9 | 7.4 | -1.9 | n.a. | 5.5 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 28.1 | 26.4 | 28.0 | n.a. | 58.9 |
| February | -17.1 | -27.7 | -18.1 | n.a. | -38.3 |
| March | 18.5 | 8.6 | 17.7 | n.a. | 13.5 |

TREND ESTIMATES (\% change from preceding month)

| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | -0.9 | -6.1 | -1.3 | -2.2 | -1.5 |
| February | -0.2 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -6.4 | -1.8 |
| March | 0.9 | 8.3 | 1.5 | -1.7 | 0.7 |
| April | 2.2 | 11.7 | 3.0 | 9.4 | 4.6 |
| May | 3.2 | 9.8 | 3.8 | 17.5 | 7.4 |
| June | 3.4 | 5.1 | 3.6 | 15.5 | 7.0 |
| July | 2.1 | -0.3 | 1.9 | 5.5 | 3.0 |
| August | 0.6 | -3.6 | 0.2 | -1.3 | -0.3 |
| September | -1.0 | -4.3 | -1.3 | -4.5 | -2.3 |
| October | -1.8 | -2.7 | -1.8 | -4.4 | -2.6 |
| November | -1.4 | 0.8 | -1.2 | -0.8 | -1.1 |
| December | 0.1 | 3.3 | 0.4 | 3.2 | 1.2 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 4.6 | 2.6 |
| February | 2.4 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 2.1 |
| March | 2.6 | -0.4 | 2.3 | 5.2 | 3.2 |

(a) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 16.

|  |  | Alterations |  |  | Non- |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | New other | and additions |  | Total <br> residential | dwelling <br> units |


| PRIVATE SECTOR (Number) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1999-2000 | 18262 | 3308 | 69 | 51 | 43 | 21733 |
| 2000-01 | 11894 | 2006 | 74 | 243 | 42 | 14259 |
| 2001-02 | 16838 | 2290 | 48 | 67 | 66 | 19309 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 1173 | 125 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1298 |
| April | 1365 | 257 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1625 |
| May | 1561 | 227 | 9 | 0 | 58 | 1855 |
| June | 1327 | 177 | 2 | 61 | 0 | 1567 |
| July | 1676 | 203 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1880 |
| August | 1473 | 312 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1787 |
| September | 1430 | 161 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 1600 |
| October | 1439 | 245 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 1696 |
| November | 1452 | 260 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1717 |
| December | 1197 | 299 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1496 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1356 | 235 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 1618 |
| February | 1269 | 249 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1522 |
| March | 1361 | 167 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1531 |

PUBLIC SECTOR (Number)

| 1999-2000 | 394 | 770 | 28 | 0 | 4 | 1196 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000-01 | 200 | 631 | 74 | 101 | 0 | 1006 |
| 2001-02 | 514 | 446 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 966 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 68 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 74 |
| April | 50 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 93 |
| May | 33 | 49 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 82 |
| June | 61 | 73 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 134 |
| July | 117 | 122 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 239 |
| August | 38 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 53 |
| September | 22 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 |
| October | 17 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 63 |
| November | 60 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 76 |
| December | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 34 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 35 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 |
| February | 39 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 65 |
| March | 26 | 81 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 107 |

TOTAL (Number)

| 1999-2000 | 18656 | 4078 | 97 | 51 | 47 | 22929 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000-01 | 12094 | 2637 | 148 | 344 | 42 | 15265 |
| 2001-02 | 17352 | 2736 | 54 | 67 | 66 | 20275 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 1241 | 130 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1372 |
| April | 1415 | 300 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1718 |
| May | 1594 | 276 | 9 | 0 | 58 | 1937 |
| June | 1388 | 250 | 2 | 61 | 0 | 1701 |
| July | 1793 | 325 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2119 |
| August | 1511 | 327 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1840 |
| September | 1452 | 180 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 1641 |
| October | 1456 | 291 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 1759 |
| November | 1512 | 276 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1793 |
| December | 1231 | 299 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1530 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1391 | 241 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 1659 |
| February | 1308 | 275 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1587 |
| March | 1387 | 248 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1638 |


| Period | New houses | New other residential building | Alterations and additions creating dwellings | Alterations and additions not creating dwellings | Conversion | Total residential building | Nonresidential building | Total building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PRIVATE SECTOR (\$ million) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999-2000 | 2130.5 | 448.6 | 6.3 | 219.1 | 13.0 | 2817.3 | 667.4 | 3484.9 |
| 2000-01 | 1530.2 | 255.4 | 10.6 | 202.1 | 32.5 | 2031.0 | 1035.6 | 3066.3 |
| 2001-02 | 2201.6 | 299.1 | 4.5 | 232.5 | 13.6 | 2751.6 | 732.6 | 3484.4 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 158.0 | 27.6 | 0.0 | 17.6 | 0.0 | 203.2 | 39.6 | 242.9 |
| April | 190.0 | 37.3 | 0.1 | 18.4 | 0.0 | 245.8 | 64.0 | 309.8 |
| May | 212.9 | 23.6 | 0.5 | 25.6 | 0.0 | 262.7 | 111.1 | 373.8 |
| June | 181.6 | 23.5 | 0.2 | 17.7 | 13.2 | 236.2 | 53.5 | 289.7 |
| July | 229.8 | 26.6 | 0.1 | 24.8 | 0.0 | 281.3 | 122.7 | 404.0 |
| August | 201.3 | 45.8 | 0.1 | 23.8 | 0.0 | 270.9 | 226.7 | 497.6 |
| September | 194.5 | 26.7 | 0.0 | 20.2 | 0.0 | 241.3 | 62.4 | 303.8 |
| October | 204.0 | 28.1 | 0.8 | 23.7 | 0.0 | 256.7 | 88.1 | 344.8 |
| November | 202.9 | 24.7 | 0.2 | 23.2 | 0.2 | 251.3 | 66.5 | 317.8 |
| December | 171.6 | 35.5 | 0.0 | 18.7 | 0.0 | 225.7 | 57.2 | 282.9 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 194.0 | 36.5 | 3.7 | 22.8 | 0.0 | 257.0 | 153.4 | 410.4 |
| February | 179.5 | 31.0 | 0.5 | 20.1 | 0.0 | 231.1 | 50.9 | 282.1 |
| March | 194.6 | 20.4 | 0.2 | 24.7 | 0.1 | 240.0 | 48.4 | 288.4 |

PUBLIC SECTOR (\$ million)

| 1999-2000 | 43.6 | 65.5 | 1.2 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 114.9 | 535.0 | 649.7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000-01 | 24.8 | 58.7 | 4.0 | 7.3 | 13.6 | 108.6 | 247.6 | 355.8 |
| 2001-02 | 61.1 | 41.2 | 0.2 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 110.1 | 244.0 | 353.9 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 4.8 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 14.0 |
| April | 6.6 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 11.2 | 31.2 | 42.5 |
| May | 4.1 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 9.7 | 14.8 | 24.5 |
| June | 8.0 | 6.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 14.6 | 25.1 | 39.7 |
| July | 17.1 | 10.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 28.9 | 29.9 | 58.8 |
| August | 4.6 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 6.2 | 120.2 | 126.4 |
| September | 3.9 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 5.7 | 9.1 | 14.8 |
| October | 1.7 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 6.5 | 12.5 |
| November | 6.2 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 13.3 | 21.9 |
| December | 4.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 6.4 | 8.7 | 15.0 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 4.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 5.5 | 67.0 | 72.5 |
| February | 5.7 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 8.5 | 9.1 | 17.6 |
| March | 2.3 | 12.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 14.7 | 41.1 | 55.8 |

TOTAL (\$ million)

| 1999-2000 | 2174.0 | 513.9 | 7.4 | 224.0 | 13.0 | 2932.4 | 1202.5 | 4134.6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000-01 | 1555.3 | 314.3 | 14.6 | 209.3 | 46.1 | 2139.3 | 1282.8 | 3422.1 |
| 2001-02 | 2263.0 | 340.5 | 4.7 | 239.7 | 13.6 | 2861.7 | 976.4 | 3838.0 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 162.8 | 28.0 | 0.1 | 18.3 | 0.0 | 209.3 | 47.6 | 256.8 |
| April | 196.6 | 41.9 | 0.1 | 18.4 | 0.0 | 257.1 | 95.2 | 352.2 |
| May | 217.1 | 28.6 | 0.5 | 26.2 | 0.0 | 272.4 | 125.9 | 398.3 |
| June | 189.7 | 29.9 | 0.2 | 17.8 | 13.2 | 250.7 | 78.6 | 329.4 |
| July | 246.9 | 37.4 | 0.1 | 25.8 | 0.0 | 310.2 | 152.6 | 462.8 |
| August | 205.9 | 47.2 | 0.1 | 23.9 | 0.0 | 277.1 | 346.9 | 624.0 |
| September | 198.3 | 28.5 | 0.0 | 20.3 | 0.0 | 247.1 | 71.5 | 318.6 |
| October | 205.7 | 31.9 | 0.8 | 24.3 | 0.0 | 262.7 | 94.6 | 357.3 |
| November | 209.2 | 26.7 | 0.2 | 23.6 | 0.2 | 259.9 | 79.8 | 339.7 |
| December | 176.3 | 35.5 | 0.0 | 20.3 | 0.0 | 232.1 | 65.8 | 298.0 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 198.1 | 37.0 | 3.7 | 23.6 | 0.0 | 262.5 | 220.5 | 483.0 |
| February | 185.2 | 33.6 | 0.5 | 20.3 | 0.0 | 239.6 | 60.0 | 299.7 |
| March | 196.9 | 32.6 | 0.2 | 24.9 | 0.1 | 254.7 | 89.5 | 344.2 |

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED IN NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING(a): Original

NEW OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDING $\qquad$

|  | New houses | Semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, etc of. |  |  | Flats, units or apartments in a building of................ |  |  |  | Total | Total new residential building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period |  | One storey | Two or more storeys | Total | One or two storeys | Three storeys | Four or more storeys | Total |  |  |
| NUMBER OF DWELLINGS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999-2000 | 18656 | 1549 | 649 | 2198 | 716 | 251 | 913 | 1880 | 4078 | 22734 |
| 2000-01 | 12094 | 1228 | 473 | 1701 | 162 | 157 | 617 | 936 | 2637 | 14731 |
| 2001-02 | 17352 | 1447 | 458 | 1905 | 255 | 293 | 283 | 831 | 2736 | 20088 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1350 | 86 | 34 | 120 | 48 | 17 | 0 | 65 | 185 | 1535 |
| February | 1389 | 58 | 25 | 83 | 4 | 34 | 31 | 69 | 152 | 1541 |
| March | 1241 | 68 | 12 | 80 | 3 | 7 | 40 | 50 | 130 | 1371 |
| April | 1415 | 147 | 84 | 231 | 4 | 46 | 19 | 69 | 300 | 1715 |
| May | 1594 | 128 | 62 | 190 | 33 | 0 | 53 | 86 | 276 | 1870 |
| June | 1388 | 145 | 57 | 202 | 31 | 6 | 11 | 48 | 250 | 1638 |
| July | 1793 | 173 | 117 | 290 | 15 | 4 | 16 | 35 | 325 | 2118 |
| August | 1511 | 91 | 48 | 139 | 10 | 123 | 55 | 188 | 327 | 1838 |
| September | 1452 | 80 | 25 | 105 | 46 | 29 | 0 | 75 | 180 | 1632 |
| October | 1456 | 139 | 18 | 157 | 24 | 31 | 79 | 134 | 291 | 1747 |
| November | 1512 | 75 | 34 | 109 | 104 | 37 | 26 | 167 | 276 | 1788 |
| December | 1231 | 83 | 38 | 121 | 80 | 0 | 98 | 178 | 299 | 1530 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1391 | 84 | 31 | 115 | 18 | 12 | 96 | 126 | 241 | 1632 |
| February | 1308 | 66 | 114 | 180 | 0 | 39 | 56 | 95 | 275 | 1583 |
| March | 1387 | 107 | 42 | 149 | 2 | 34 | 63 | 99 | 248 | 1635 |
| VALUE (\$ million) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999-2000 | 2174.0 | 122.7 | 78.3 | 201.0 | 62.1 | 25.5 | 225.5 | 313.1 | 514.1 | 2688.1 |
| 2000-01 | 1555.1 | 99.9 | 61.3 | 161.3 | 22.3 | 23.5 | 107.1 | 152.9 | 314.1 | 1869.2 |
| 2001-02 | 2262.9 | 129.5 | 61.8 | 191.2 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 82.7 | 149.3 | 340.6 | 2603.5 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 175.4 | 7.8 | 4.1 | 11.9 | 7.7 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 9.8 | 21.7 | 197.2 |
| February | 184.9 | 4.7 | 3.9 | 8.6 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 7.3 | 11.7 | 20.3 | 205.2 |
| March | 162.8 | 6.0 | 1.4 | 7.4 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 19.5 | 20.7 | 28.0 | 190.8 |
| April | 196.6 | 14.2 | 10.8 | 25.0 | 1.8 | 6.0 | 9.1 | 16.9 | 41.9 | 238.5 |
| May | 217.1 | 11.7 | 7.1 | 18.8 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 6.3 | 9.8 | 28.6 | 245.6 |
| June | 189.7 | 12.3 | 8.5 | 20.8 | 4.2 | 0.9 | 4.0 | 9.1 | 29.9 | 219.6 |
| July | 246.9 | 16.4 | 14.2 | 30.6 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 4.0 | 6.8 | 37.4 | 284.4 |
| August | 205.9 | 8.4 | 5.8 | 14.2 | 0.7 | 16.5 | 15.8 | 33.0 | 47.2 | 253.2 |
| September | 198.3 | 8.7 | 3.9 | 12.6 | 9.0 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 15.8 | 28.5 | 226.8 |
| October | 205.7 | 11.2 | 2.4 | 13.5 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 11.8 | 18.4 | 31.9 | 237.6 |
| November | 209.2 | 8.4 | 4.9 | 13.3 | 7.9 | 4.3 | 1.2 | 13.3 | 26.7 | 235.8 |
| December | 176.3 | 8.1 | 5.9 | 14.0 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 13.8 | 21.5 | 35.5 | 211.8 |
| 2003 (1) 21.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 198.1 | 7.5 | 4.0 | 11.6 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 20.8 | 25.5 | 37.0 | 235.2 |
| February | 185.2 | 6.6 | 18.1 | 24.7 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 6.2 | 8.9 | 33.6 | 218.8 |
| March | 196.9 | 10.2 | 6.7 | 16.9 | 0.3 | 3.8 | 11.6 | 15.7 | 32.6 | 229.5 |

Total new residential building
(a) See Glossary for definition.

| Period | New houses | New other residential building | New residential building | Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b) | Total residential building | Nonresidential building | Total building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ORIGINAL (\$ million) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999-2000 | 2437.4 | 557.2 | 2996.4 | 273.8 | 3271.0 | 1213.7 | 4437.4 |
| 2000-01 | 1555.1 | 314.1 | 1869.2 | 270.1 | 2139.4 | 1282.9 | 3422.3 |
| 2001-02 | 2218.7 | 331.0 | 2549.7 | 253.0 | 2802.7 | 952.6 | 3755.3 |
| 2001 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| September | 557.8 | 90.0 | 647.8 | 63.5 | 711.3 | 214.7 | 926.0 |
| December | 562.4 | 76.8 | 639.1 | 63.2 | 702.3 | 255.6 | 958.0 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 511.1 | 67.8 | 578.9 | 51.9 | 630.7 | 192.8 | 823.6 |
| June | 587.5 | 96.5 | 683.9 | 74.4 | 758.3 | 289.4 | 1047.7 |
| September | 631.0 | 107.9 | 738.9 | 68.0 | 806.9 | 548.4 | 1355.2 |
| December | 567.5 | 89.0 | 656.4 | 66.7 | 723.2 | 228.7 | 951.8 |
| ORIGINAL (\% change from preceding quarter) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2001 l |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| September | 16.7 | -5.0 | 13.1 | -27.3 | 7.8 | -60.4 | -23.4 |
| December | 0.8 | -14.6 | -1.3 | -0.6 | -1.3 | 19.1 | 3.4 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | -9.1 | -11.7 | -9.4 | -17.9 | -10.2 | -24.6 | -14.0 |
| June | 14.9 | 42.3 | 18.1 | 43.5 | 20.2 | 50.1 | 27.2 |
| September | 7.4 | 11.9 | 8.0 | -8.7 | 6.4 | 89.5 | 29.3 |
| December | -10.1 | -17.6 | -11.2 | -1.8 | -10.4 | -58.3 | -29.8 |

[^0]|  | Hotels, motels and other short term accommodation |  | Shops............. |  | Factories............ |  | Offices. | \$m | Other business premises........... |  | Educational.......... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period | no. | \$m | no. | \$m | no. | \$m | no. |  | no. | \$m | no. | \$m |
| Value-\$50,000-\$199,999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 5 | 0.4 | 24 | 2.4 | 11 | 1.2 | 11 | 1.1 | 13 | 1.3 | 4 | 0.5 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 21 | 2.4 | 3 | 0.4 | 18 | 1.9 | 16 | 1.6 | 5 | 0.5 |
| March | 12 | 1.3 | 31 | 3.0 | 7 | 0.9 | 15 | 1.9 | 15 | 1.6 | 6 | 0.6 |
| Value-\$200,000-\$499,999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0 | 0.0 | 6 | 1.6 | 4 | 1.3 | 5 | 1.6 | 5 | 1.6 | 3 | 0.8 |
| February | 1 | 0.3 | 6 | 1.5 | 5 | 1.8 | 5 | 1.5 | 9 | 2.8 | 2 | 0.4 |
| March | 1 | 0.5 | 5 | 1.3 | 5 | 1.4 | 7 | 2.0 | 1 | 0.2 | 3 | 1.1 |
| Value-\$500,000-\$999,999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 3 | 2.2 | 4 | 2.7 | 1 | 0.6 | 2 | 1.6 | 4 | 2.8 | 3 | 1.8 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 4 | 2.9 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 1.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 1.3 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 2.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 1.4 |
| Value-\$1,000,000-\$4,999,999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 2 | 8.4 | 2 | 2.4 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 5.3 | 2 | 3.3 | 4 | 10.1 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 3.6 | 1 | 1.5 | 1 | 1.3 | 2 | 4.7 | 0 | 0.0 |
| March | 1 | 2.1 | 2 | 4.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 2.6 | 2 | 4.1 | 1 | 2.2 |
| 2003 Value-\$5,000,000 and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 (0.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 36.9 | 1 | 32.7 | 1 | 33.0 | 1 | 20.0 | 2 | 19.5 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 7.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 7.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 10.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 12.9 |
| Value-Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999-2000 | 107 | 51.3 | 548 | 156.1 | 292 | 96.7 | 302 | 116.5 | 338 | 140.3 | 182 | 304.7 |
| 2000-01 | 58 | 79.7 | 509 | 207.2 | 217 | 76.2 | 311 | 353.4 | 276 | 105.2 | 151 | 176.0 |
| 2001-02 | 99 | 52.2 | 464 | 152.5 | 163 | 71.7 | 294 | 169.3 | 286 | 142.9 | 149 | 188.0 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 10 | 11.1 | 37 | 46.0 | 17 | 35.7 | 22 | 42.6 | 25 | 29.0 | 16 | 32.7 |
| February | 1 | 0.3 | 33 | 10.4 | 11 | 11.3 | 26 | 6.2 | 27 | 9.1 | 9 | 2.3 |
| March | 14 | 3.9 | 42 | 17.8 | 12 | 2.3 | 26 | 17.7 | 18 | 5.9 | 14 | 18.2 |

[^1]|  | Religious............. |  | Health................. |  | Entertainment and recreational. $\qquad$ |  | Miscellaneous............ |  | Total non-residential building. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period | no. | \$m | no. | \$m | no. | \$m | no. | \$m | no. | \$m |
|  |  |  |  | lue- | 00- | 999 |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 2 | 0.2 | 3 | 0.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.1 | 74 | 7.4 |
| February | 2 | 0.1 | 2 | 0.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 11 | 1.2 | 78 | 8.4 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.1 | 4 | 0.4 | 6 | 0.6 | 97 | 10.4 |
| Value-\$200,000-\$499,999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0 | 0.0 | 7 | 2.2 | 2 | 0.6 | 1 | 0.5 | 33 | 10.0 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 4 | 1.4 | 2 | 0.9 | 34 | 10.6 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.2 | 3 | 0.8 | 3 | 1.1 | 29 | 8.6 |
| Value-\$500,000-\$999,999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 1.0 | 1 | 0.8 | 1 | 1.0 | 20 | 14.4 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.9 | 2 | 1.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 12 | 8.4 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 1.4 | 1 | 0.8 | 1 | 0.8 | 10 | 7.3 |
| Value-\$1,000,000-\$4,999,999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 7.4 | 1 | 1.1 | 1 | 1.2 | 18 | 39.3 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 4.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 8 | 15.4 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 3.9 | 2 | 2.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 11 | 21.7 |
| Value-\$5,000,000 and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003 (0) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 7.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 7 | 149.3 |
| February | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 10.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 17.4 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 11.0 | 5 | 41.6 |
| Value-Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999-2000 | 43 | 22.6 | 75 | 113.2 | 79 | 52.7 | 130 | 148.1 | 2096 | 1202.4 |
| 2000-01 | 19 | 5.3 | 63 | 57.2 | 93 | 130.7 | 118 | 92.0 | 1815 | 1282.9 |
| 2001-02 | 24 | 9.4 | 58 | 48.4 | 80 | 100.3 | 102 | 41.7 | 1719 | 976.5 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 2 | 0.2 | 15 | 18.1 | 4 | 2.5 | 4 | 2.7 | 152 | 220.5 |
| February | 2 | 0.1 | 4 | 11.3 | 8 | 6.9 | 13 | 2.1 | 134 | 60.0 |
| March | 0 | 0.0 | 5 | 5.6 | 10 | 4.6 | 11 | 13.5 | 152 | 89.5 |



PRIVATE SECTOR (\$ million)

| 1999-2000 | 50.5 | 152.9 | 91.0 | 78.2 | 124.9 | 57.0 | 22.8 | 39.2 | 31.1 | 20.2 | 667.4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000-01 | 79.4 | 205.8 | 73.7 | 311.2 | 97.7 | 98.2 | 5.4 | 37.9 | 71.3 | 54.9 | 1035.6 |
| 2001-02 | 51.6 | 150.8 | 67.8 | 134.3 | 137.2 | 62.9 | 9.4 | 38.9 | 58.7 | 20.7 | 732.6 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 0.9 | 8.6 | 2.2 | 8.4 | 6.9 | 3.9 | 0.1 | 6.2 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 39.6 |
| April | 2.0 | 10.9 | 1.4 | 15.5 | 21.4 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 9.3 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 64.0 |
| May | 18.3 | 18.5 | 6.5 | 19.1 | 24.2 | 9.8 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 12.1 | 0.6 | 111.1 |
| June | 1.0 | 11.1 | 6.0 | 10.6 | 10.6 | 4.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 8.5 | 1.1 | 53.5 |
| July | 1.9 | 78.0 | 3.8 | 7.6 | 8.9 | 6.4 | 1.0 | 9.4 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 122.7 |
| August | 1.5 | 31.3 | 7.6 | 155.4 | 4.8 | 5.5 | 1.8 | 6.4 | 5.2 | 7.3 | 226.7 |
| September | 1.8 | 23.3 | 7.2 | 6.6 | 14.0 | 4.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 2.8 | 62.4 |
| October | 5.4 | 19.8 | 17.8 | 16.8 | 5.7 | 6.4 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 12.6 | 0.9 | 88.1 |
| November | 0.7 | 15.4 | 12.7 | 15.2 | 9.7 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 66.5 |
| December | 0.4 | 9.9 | 3.9 | 10.7 | 14.4 | 11.4 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 57.2 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 10.5 | 45.8 | 35.4 | 39.9 | 8.9 | 2.3 | 0.2 | 6.9 | 2.2 | 1.2 | 153.4 |
| February | 0.3 | 10.3 | 11.3 | 3.9 | 9.0 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 11.2 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 50.9 |
| March | 3.9 | 17.8 | 2.3 | 4.5 | 5.8 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 48.4 |


| 1999-2000 | 0.6 | 3.4 | 5.8 | 38.4 | 15.5 | 247.6 | 0.0 | 74.0 | 21.6 | 128.0 | 535.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000-01 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 42.3 | 7.7 | 77.9 | 0.0 | 19.1 | 59.2 | 37.3 | 247.6 |
| 2001-02 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 4.0 | 35.0 | 5.6 | 125.0 | 0.0 | 9.5 | 41.5 | 20.9 | 244.0 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 8.0 |
| April | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 2.8 | 23.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 31.2 |
| May | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 14.8 |
| June | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 15.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 25.1 |
| July | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.3 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 16.9 | 29.9 |
| August | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 113.0 | 1.5 | 120.2 |
| September | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 9.1 |
| October | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 6.5 |
| November | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 5.5 | 0.6 | 13.3 |
| December | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 8.7 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.6 | 20.1 | 30.4 | 0.0 | 11.2 | 0.3 | 1.5 | 67.0 |
| February | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 9.1 |
| March | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 13.3 | 0.1 | 14.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 11.4 | 41.1 |


| TOTAL (\$ million) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1999-2000 | 51.2 | 156.2 | 96.7 | 116.7 | 140.3 | 304.8 | 22.8 | 113.3 | 52.8 | 148.0 | 1202.5 |
| 2000-01 | 79.6 | 207.1 | 76.1 | 353.5 | 105.2 | 176.1 | 5.4 | 57.2 | 130.7 | 92.1 | 1282.8 |
| 2001-02 | 52.2 | 152.7 | 71.9 | 169.4 | 142.7 | 188.1 | 9.4 | 48.3 | 100.4 | 41.6 | 976.4 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 1.1 | 9.0 | 2.2 | 9.4 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 0.1 | 7.3 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 47.6 |
| April | 2.0 | 10.9 | 1.4 | 16.3 | 24.2 | 24.3 | 0.0 | 9.3 | 1.3 | 5.4 | 95.2 |
| May | 18.3 | 18.8 | 6.6 | 19.8 | 24.3 | 13.5 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 16.1 | 5.3 | 125.9 |
| June | 1.0 | 11.1 | 6.0 | 13.1 | 11.3 | 19.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 11.8 | 4.1 | 78.6 |
| July | 1.9 | 78.0 | 3.8 | 13.9 | 8.9 | 11.4 | 1.0 | 10.3 | 4.0 | 19.5 | 152.6 |
| August | 1.5 | 31.6 | 7.6 | 155.9 | 4.8 | 5.9 | 1.8 | 10.9 | 118.2 | 8.8 | 346.9 |
| September | 1.8 | 23.3 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 17.5 | 7.9 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 3.7 | 71.5 |
| October | 5.4 | 19.9 | 17.8 | 17.3 | 5.7 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 4.7 | 13.0 | 2.8 | 94.6 |
| November | 1.2 | 15.4 | 12.7 | 17.1 | 9.7 | 3.9 | 1.7 | 4.9 | 8.9 | 4.4 | 79.8 |
| December | 0.7 | 9.9 | 3.9 | 11.9 | 14.4 | 16.9 | 1.4 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 65.8 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 11.1 | 46.0 | 35.7 | 42.6 | 29.0 | 32.7 | 0.2 | 18.1 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 220.5 |
| February | 0.3 | 10.4 | 11.3 | 6.2 | 9.1 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 11.3 | 6.9 | 2.1 | 60.0 |
| March | 3.9 | 17.8 | 2.3 | 17.7 | 5.9 | 18.2 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 4.6 | 13.5 | 89.5 |

DWELLINGS (no.)................. VALUE (\$'000) $\qquad$

|  |  |  |  |  | New | Alterations |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | New houses | New other residential building | Total dwellings(a) | New houses | other residential building | and additions to residential building(b) | Total residential building | Nonresidential building | Total building |
| Period |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

PRIVATE SECTOR

| 2000-01 | 8603 | 1775 | 10700 | 1106121 | 230892 | 199804 | 1536816 | 860546 | 2397363 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2001-02 | 12440 | 1914 | 14515 | 1634202 | 261992 | 205201 | 2101395 | 540645 | 2642040 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 845 | 120 | 965 | 115115 | 27162 | 13497 | 155774 | 24423 | 180197 |
| April | 950 | 211 | 1163 | 135653 | 32365 | 15380 | 183397 | 44411 | 227808 |
| May | 1138 | 209 | 1410 | 156003 | 21721 | 21666 | 199390 | 81644 | 281034 |
| June | 974 | 134 | 1169 | 135693 | 17246 | 27661 | 180600 | 38575 | 219175 |
| July | 1235 | 149 | 1385 | 171285 | 18771 | 19584 | 209640 | 102127 | 311767 |
| August | 1087 | 250 | 1338 | 147179 | 38925 | 19681 | 205784 | 203197 | 408981 |
| September | 1117 | 123 | 1249 | 151443 | 20176 | 16753 | 188371 | 43731 | 232102 |
| October | 1096 | 197 | 1304 | 156199 | 22238 | 20658 | 199095 | 68005 | 267099 |
| November | 1040 | 147 | 1190 | 143701 | 15199 | 18895 | 177795 | 47072 | 224867 |
| December | 904 | 198 | 1102 | 129813 | 24885 | 13750 | 168448 | 42025 | 210473 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1034 | 202 | 1251 | 148406 | 32144 | 20206 | 200756 | 140369 | 341124 |
| February | 957 | 189 | 1150 | 136278 | 19873 | 16108 | 172260 | 41439 | 213699 |
| March | 964 | 137 | 1103 | 137314 | 16574 | 20109 | 173997 | 22203 | 196199 |

PUBLIC SECTOR

| 2000-01 | 86 | 438 | 689 | 8363 | 38726 | 20000 | 67089 | 157609 | 224698 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2001-02 | 261 | 290 | 557 | 21238 | 23613 | 5288 | 50140 | 186571 | 236711 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 54 | 5 | 60 | 3513 | 387 | 366 | 4265 | 5000 | 9265 |
| April | 10 | 15 | 25 | 959 | 1201 | 16 | 2176 | 11616 | 13791 |
| May | 18 | 29 | 47 | 1516 | 2076 | 558 | 4150 | 7863 | 12013 |
| June | 25 | 54 | 79 | 2569 | 4209 | 15 | 6792 | 20989 | 27782 |
| July | 57 | 65 | 122 | 6805 | 5344 | 90 | 12239 | 3139 | 15378 |
| August | 26 | 7 | 33 | 1942 | 480 | 22 | 2445 | 118034 | 120479 |
| September | 6 | 16 | 22 | 586 | 1354 | 64 | 2004 | 7146 | 9150 |
| October | 12 | 15 | 27 | 1035 | 1271 | 511 | 2817 | 1919 | 4737 |
| November | 37 | 10 | 47 | 3739 | 1050 | 438 | 5227 | 5382 | 10608 |
| December | 18 | 0 | 18 | 1727 | 0 | 1531 | 3258 | 3969 | 7227 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 22 | 6 | 28 | 2029 | 527 | 180 | 2735 | 53283 | 56018 |
| February | 11 | 4 | 15 | 1111 | 342 | 261 | 1714 | 4656 | 6370 |
| March | 25 | 81 | 106 | 2143 | 12241 | 88 | 14472 | 28657 | 43129 |

TOTAL

| 2000-01 | 8689 | 2213 | 11389 | 1114484 | 269617 | 219804 | 1603905 | 1018155 | 2622060 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2001-02 | 12701 | 2204 | 15072 | 1655441 | 285605 | 210489 | 2151535 | 727216 | 2878751 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March | 899 | 125 | 1025 | 118627 | 27548 | 13863 | 160039 | 29423 | 189462 |
| April | 960 | 226 | 1188 | 136612 | 33565 | 15396 | 185573 | 56026 | 241599 |
| May | 1156 | 238 | 1457 | 157519 | 23798 | 22224 | 203540 | 89507 | 293047 |
| June | 999 | 188 | 1248 | 138262 | 21455 | 27676 | 187393 | 59564 | 246957 |
| July | 1292 | 214 | 1507 | 178090 | 24115 | 19674 | 221879 | 105265 | 327144 |
| August | 1113 | 257 | 1371 | 149121 | 39405 | 19703 | 208229 | 321231 | 529459 |
| September | 1123 | 139 | 1271 | 152028 | 21530 | 16817 | 190375 | 50877 | 241252 |
| October | 1108 | 212 | 1331 | 157235 | 23509 | 21169 | 201912 | 69924 | 271836 |
| November | 1077 | 157 | 1237 | 147440 | 16249 | 19333 | 183022 | 52454 | 235475 |
| December | 922 | 198 | 1120 | 131540 | 24885 | 15281 | 171706 | 45993 | 217699 |
| 2003 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1056 | 208 | 1279 | 150435 | 32670 | 20386 | 203491 | 193652 | 397142 |
| February | 968 | 193 | 1165 | 137389 | 20215 | 16369 | 173974 | 46095 | 220068 |
| March | 989 | 218 | 1209 | 139457 | 28815 | 20197 | 188469 | 50860 | 239328 |

(a) Refer to footnote (a) in Table 12.
(b) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 16.

DWELLINGS (no.)............ VALUE (\$'000).

| Statistical Area | New houses | New other residential building | Total dwellings(a) | New houses | New other residential building | Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b) | Total residential building | Nonresidential building | Total building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WESTERN AUSTRALIA(c) | 4086 | 764 | 4884 | 580279 | 103221 | 73279 | 756778 | 370046 | 1126824 |
| Perth (SD) | 3013 | 619 | 3653 | 427281 | 81700 | 56953 | 565933 | 290606 | 856539 |
| Central Metropolitan (SSD) | 151 | 202 | 356 | 46654 | 32043 | 16008 | 94705 | 119269 | 213974 |
| Cambridge (T) | 20 | 2 | 22 | 7625 | 308 | 2936 | 10869 | 530 | 11399 |
| Claremont (T) | 11 | 0 | 11 | 3463 | 0 | 1797 | 5260 | 750 | 6010 |
| Cottesloe (T) | 15 | 0 | 15 | 5992 | 0 | 2220 | 8212 | 0 | 8212 |
| Mosman Park (T) | 9 | 2 | 11 | 2969 | 300 | 1036 | 4305 | 0 | 4305 |
| Nedlands (C) | 26 | 2 | 28 | 11326 | 655 | 3723 | 15703 | 8261 | 23964 |
| Peppermint Grove (S) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 3219 | 0 | 305 | 3524 | 0 | 3524 |
| Perth (C)-Inner | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 80 | 80 | 36846 | 36926 |
| Perth (C)-Remainder | 1 | 89 | 90 | 330 | 17000 | 187 | 17517 | 68591 | 86108 |
| Subiaco (C) | 17 | 104 | 121 | 3893 | 13460 | 656 | 18009 | 430 | 18439 |
| Vincent (T) | 48 | 3 | 54 | 7836 | 320 | 3070 | 11226 | 3860 | 15086 |
| East Metropolitan (SSD) | 414 | 65 | 479 | 49437 | 6356 | 5916 | 61709 | 17028 | 78737 |
| Bassendean (T) | 10 | 0 | 10 | 1170 | 0 | 500 | 1669 | 560 | 2229 |
| Bayswater (C) | 59 | 55 | 114 | 8119 | 5520 | 1790 | 15429 | 1703 | 17132 |
| Kalamunda (S) | 83 | 2 | 85 | 9451 | 190 | 1439 | 11080 | 3294 | 14374 |
| Mundaring (S) | 36 | 0 | 36 | 4857 | 0 | 729 | 5586 | 204 | 5791 |
| Swan (C) | 226 | 8 | 234 | 25841 | 646 | 1458 | 27944 | 11267 | 39211 |
| North Metropolitan (SSD) | 1002 | 174 | 1186 | 135712 | 18259 | 15746 | 169717 | 23271 | 192988 |
| Joondalup (C)-North | 67 | 88 | 162 | 10758 | 9716 | 2012 | 22486 | 2702 | 25188 |
| Joondalup (C)-South | 29 | 0 | 30 | 8475 | 0 | 4092 | 12566 | 5341 | 17908 |
| Stirling (C)-Central | 191 | 42 | 233 | 25757 | 3877 | 2116 | 31750 | 3122 | 34871 |
| Stirling (C)-Coastal | 133 | 37 | 172 | 21231 | 3926 | 3677 | 28834 | 2985 | 31819 |
| Stirling (C)-South-Eastern | 13 | 7 | 20 | 3210 | 740 | 2626 | 6576 | 2440 | 9016 |
| Wanneroo (C)-North-East | 181 | 0 | 181 | 21029 | 0 | 322 | 21351 | 138 | 21489 |
| Wanneroo (C)-North-West | 257 | 0 | 257 | 28985 | 0 | 533 | 29518 | 160 | 29678 |
| Wanneroo (C)-South | 131 | 0 | 131 | 16268 | 0 | 367 | 16635 | 6384 | 23019 |
| South West Metropolitan (SSD) | 723 | 44 | 775 | 99437 | 6998 | 9786 | 116220 | 73147 | 189367 |
| Cockburn (C) | 199 | 29 | 235 | 23818 | 3528 | 1877 | 29222 | 15678 | 44900 |
| East Fremantle (T) | 7 | 4 | 11 | 1694 | 1515 | 1831 | 5040 | 84 | 5124 |
| Fremantle (C)-Inner | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 226 | 226 |
| Fremantle (C)-Remainder | 10 | 3 | 13 | 2142 | 375 | 1211 | 3728 | 8068 | 11796 |
| Kwinana (T) | 66 | 0 | 66 | 6600 | 0 | 451 | 7050 | 42564 | 49614 |
| Melville (C) | 142 | 8 | 150 | 28432 | 1580 | 3467 | 33479 | 4802 | 38281 |
| Rockingham (C) | 299 | 0 | 300 | 36752 | 0 | 949 | 37701 | 1726 | 39427 |
| South East Metropolitan (SSD) | 723 | 134 | 857 | 96040 | 18045 | 9497 | 123582 | 57890 | 181473 |
| Armadale (C) | 41 | 16 | 57 | 5689 | 1348 | 1229 | 8265 | 2174 | 10439 |
| Belmont (C) | 48 | 53 | 101 | 5594 | 10460 | 384 | 16438 | 1559 | 17997 |
| Canning (C) | 182 | 13 | 195 | 24657 | 830 | 1750 | 27236 | 13980 | 41217 |
| Gosnells (C) | 305 | 4 | 309 | 34781 | 550 | 774 | 36105 | 26527 | 62632 |
| Serpentine-Jarrahdale (S) | 36 | 0 | 36 | 4839 | 0 | 266 | 5105 | 60 | 5165 |
| South Perth (C) | 68 | 12 | 80 | 15650 | 1479 | 3766 | 20896 | 77 | 20973 |
| Victoria Park (T) | 43 | 36 | 79 | 4831 | 3378 | 1329 | 9537 | 13512 | 23049 |
| South West (SD) | 717 | 120 | 849 | 103894 | 18944 | 8718 | 131556 | 40072 | 171629 |
| Mandurah (SSD) | 373 | 108 | 493 | 54967 | 16594 | 3974 | 75536 | 6651 | 82187 |
| Mandurah (C) | 325 | 108 | 445 | 49322 | 16594 | 3492 | 69408 | 6651 | 76059 |
| Murray (S) | 48 | 0 | 48 | 5646 | 0 | 482 | 6128 | 0 | 6128 |
| Bunbury (SSD) | 112 | 5 | 117 | 15345 | 1077 | 998 | 17421 | 3109 | 20530 |
| Bunbury (C) | 31 | 3 | 34 | 4924 | 715 | 552 | 6192 | 2221 | 8413 |
| Capel (S)-Pt A | 45 | 0 | 45 | 5981 | 0 | 76 | 6057 | 70 | 6127 |
| Dardanup (S)-Pt A | 16 | 0 | 16 | 1875 | 0 | 196 | 2072 | 818 | 2890 |
| Harvey (S)-Pt A | 20 | 2 | 22 | 2565 | 362 | 173 | 3101 | 0 | 3101 |

DWELLINGS (no.).............. VALUE (\$'000). $\qquad$

| Statistical Area | New houses | New other residential building | Total dwellings(a) | New houses | New other residential building | Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b) | Total residential building | Nonresidential buildings | Total building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Preston (SSD) | 53 | 0 | 53 | 5428 | 0 | 814 | 6242 | 783 | 7025 |
| Boddington (C) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 418 | 0 | 61 | 479 | 0 | 479 |
| Capel (S)-Pt B | 9 | 0 | 9 | 1214 | 0 | 34 | 1247 | 64 | 1311 |
| Collie (S) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 324 | 0 | 232 | 556 | 64 | 620 |
| Dardanup (S)-Pt B | 3 | 0 | 3 | 326 | 0 | 0 | 326 | 95 | 420 |
| Donnybrook-Balingup (S) | 11 | 0 | 11 | 1055 | 0 | 222 | 1277 | 0 | 1277 |
| Harvey (S)-Pt B | 18 | 0 | 18 | 1536 | 0 | 155 | 1691 | 560 | 2251 |
| Waroona(S) | 6 | 0 | 6 | 556 | 0 | 111 | 667 | 0 | 667 |
| Vasse (SSD) | 155 | 7 | 162 | 25122 | 1273 | 2246 | 28640 | 28272 | 56913 |
| Augusta-Margaret River (S) | 49 | 0 | 49 | 7462 | 0 | 824 | 8286 | 8213 | 16500 |
| Busselton (S) | 106 | 7 | 113 | 17660 | 1273 | 1421 | 20354 | 20059 | 40413 |
| Blackwood (SSD) | 24 | 0 | 24 | 3031 | 0 | 686 | 3717 | 1257 | 4974 |
| Boyup Brook (S) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 425 | 0 | 214 | 638 | 726 | 1364 |
| Bridgetown-Greenbushes (S) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 538 | 0 | 116 | 653 | 140 | 793 |
| Manjimup (S) | 11 | 0 | 11 | 1065 | 0 | 326 | 1391 | 391 | 1782 |
| Nannup (S) | 5 | 0 | 5 | 1004 | 0 | 31 | 1035 | 0 | 1035 |
| Lower Great Southern (SD) | 90 | 2 | 92 | 11451 | 162 | 1689 | 13303 | 713 | 14016 |
| Pallinup (SSD) | 8 | 0 | 8 | 901 | 0 | 456 | 1357 | 0 | 1357 |
| Broomehill (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gnowangerup (S) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 452 | 0 | 49 | 501 | 0 | 501 |
| Jerramungup (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Katanning (S) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 151 | 0 | 304 | 455 | 0 | 455 |
| Kent (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kojonup (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 150 | 0 | 103 | 253 | 0 | 253 |
| Tambellup (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 148 | 0 | 0 | 148 | 0 | 148 |
| Woodanilling (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| King (SSD) | 82 | 2 | 84 | 10550 | 162 | 1233 | 11946 | 713 | 12658 |
| Albany (C)-Central | 25 | 0 | 25 | 3442 | 0 | 545 | 3987 | 122 | 4109 |
| Albany (C)-Bal | 29 | 2 | 31 | 4031 | 162 | 414 | 4607 | 89 | 4696 |
| Cranbrook (S) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 302 | 0 | 26 | 328 | 0 | 328 |
| Denmark (S) | 17 | 0 | 17 | 2024 | 0 | 203 | 2228 | 394 | 2622 |
| Plantagenet (S) | 8 | 0 | 8 | 752 | 0 | 45 | 797 | 108 | 905 |
| Upper Great Southern (SD) | 25 | 0 | 25 | 3161 | 0 | 566 | 3727 | 8877 | 12603 |
| Hotham (SSD) | 25 | 0 | 25 | 3161 | 0 | 499 | 3660 | 8877 | 12537 |
| Brookton (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 130 | 0 | 80 | 210 | 1495 | 1704 |
| Cuballing (S) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 242 | 0 | 11 | 253 | 0 | 253 |
| Dumbleyung (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 196 | 0 | 33 | 229 | 0 | 229 |
| Narrogin (T) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 764 | 0 | 51 | 815 | 7222 | 8037 |
| Narrogin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 165 | 165 | 0 | 165 |
| Pingelly (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 25 | 0 | 25 |
| Wagin (S) | 11 | 0 | 11 | 1105 | 0 | 134 | 1239 | 160 | 1399 |
| Wandering (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| West Arthur (S) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 215 | 0 | 0 | 215 | 0 | 215 |
| Wickepin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Williams (S) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 510 | 0 | 0 | 510 | 0 | 510 |
| Lakes (SSD) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 67 | 0 | 67 |
| Corrigin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kondinin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kulin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Lake Grace (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 67 | 0 | 67 |
| Midlands (SD) | 66 | 7 | 73 | 7372 | 649 | 1035 | 9056 | 2058 | 11114 |
| Moore (SSD) | 42 | 0 | 42 | 4758 | 0 | 600 | 5358 | 0 | 5358 |
| Chittering (S) | 16 | 0 | 16 | 1991 | 0 | 40 | 2031 | 0 | 2031 |
| Dandaragan (S) | 8 | 0 | 8 | 816 | 0 | 173 | 989 | 0 | 989 |
| Gingin (S) | 17 | 0 | 17 | 1775 | 0 | 307 | 2082 | 0 | 2082 |
| Moora (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 50 | 0 | 50 |
| Victoria Plains (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 176 | 0 | 30 | 206 | 0 | 206 |

DWELLINGS (no.)........... VALUE (\$'000) $\qquad$

| Statistical Area | New houses | New other residential building | Total dwellings(a) | New houses | New other residential building | Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b) | Total residential building | Nonresidential building | Total building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Avon (SSD) | 21 | 7 | 28 | 2326 | 649 | 340 | 3315 | 2058 | 5373 |
| Beverley (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 55 |
| Cunderdin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dalwallinu (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 281 | 281 |
| Dowerin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 30 | 0 | 30 |
| Goomalling (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Koorda (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 123 | 123 |
| Northam (T) | 2 | 7 | 9 | 302 | 649 | 34 | 985 | 849 | 1834 |
| Northam (S) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 129 | 0 | 26 | 154 | 510 | 664 |
| Quairading (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 75 | 0 | 0 | 75 | 0 | 75 |
| Tammin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Toodyay (S) | 9 | 0 | 9 | 1127 | 0 | 134 | 1261 | 240 | 1501 |
| Wongan-Ballidu (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wyalkatchem (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| York (S) | 7 | 0 | 7 | 694 | 0 | 116 | 810 | 0 | 810 |
| Campion (SSD) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 288 | 0 | 95 | 384 | 0 | 384 |
| Bruce Rock (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 35 | 0 | 35 |
| Kellerberrin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| Merredin (S) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 288 | 0 | 50 | 338 | 0 | 338 |
| Mount Marshall (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mukinbudin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Narembeen (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nungarin (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Trayning (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Westonia (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Yilgarn (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| South Eastern (SD) | 38 | 12 | 50 | 5467 | 1302 | 1147 | 7916 | 2144 | 10060 |
| Kalgoorlie/Boulder City Part A (SSD) | 13 | 9 | 22 | 2111 | 1002 | 853 | 3966 | 772 | 4738 |
| Kalgoorlie/Boulder (C)-Pt A | 13 | 9 | 22 | 2111 | 1002 | 853 | 3966 | 772 | 4738 |
| Lefroy (SSD) | 6 | 0 | 6 | 1080 | 0 | 0 | 1080 | 813 | 1893 |
| Coolgardie (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kalgoorlie/Boulder (C)-Pt B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Laverton (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Leonora (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 643 | 643 |
| Menzies (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ngaanyatjarraku (S) | 6 | 0 | 6 | 1080 | 0 | 0 | 1080 | 170 | 1250 |
| Johnston (SSD) | 19 | 3 | 22 | 2276 | 300 | 294 | 2870 | 559 | 3430 |
| Dundas (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Esperance (S) | 18 | 3 | 21 | 2147 | 300 | 269 | 2716 | 559 | 3276 |
| Ravensthorpe (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 129 | 0 | 25 | 154 | 0 | 154 |
| Central (SD) | 78 | 0 | 79 | 11598 | 0 | 1681 | 13279 | 6476 | 19755 |
| Geraldton (SSD) | 33 | 0 | 33 | 4735 | 0 | 813 | 5549 | 2098 | 7647 |
| Geraldton (C) | 10 | 0 | 10 | 1535 | 0 | 222 | 1757 | 2098 | 3855 |
| Greenough (S)-Pt A | 23 | 0 | 23 | 3200 | 0 | 591 | 3791 | 0 | 3791 |
| Gascoyne (SSD) | 15 | 0 | 16 | 2786 | 0 | 257 | 3043 | 4173 | 7216 |
| Carnarvon (S) | 9 | 0 | 10 | 1807 | 0 | 187 | 1994 | 3559 | 5553 |
| Exmouth (S) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 743 | 0 | 34 | 777 | 514 | 1291 |
| Shark Bay (S) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 236 | 0 | 36 | 272 | 100 | 372 |
| Upper Gascoyne (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Carnegie (SSD) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 137 | 0 | 10 | 147 | 80 | 227 |
| Cue (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Meekatharra (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 80 | 90 |
| Mount Magnet (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Murchison (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sandstone (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wiluna (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 137 | 0 | 0 | 137 | 0 | 137 |
| Yalgoo (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

DWELLINGS (no.)............ VALUE (\$'000) $\qquad$

| Statistical Area | New houses | New other residential building | Total dwellings(a) | New houses | New other residential building | Alterations and additions to residential buildings(b) | Total residential building | Nonresidential building | Total building |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Greenough River (SSD) | 29 | 0 | 29 | 3939 | 0 | 601 | 4540 | 125 | 4665 |
| Carnamah (S) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 264 | 0 | 0 | 264 | 0 | 264 |
| Chapman Valley (S) | 6 | 0 | 6 | 894 | 0 | 25 | 919 | 0 | 919 |
| Coorow (S) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 569 | 0 | 97 | 666 | 0 | 666 |
| Greenough (S)-Pt B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| Irwin (S) | 5 | 0 | 5 | 666 | 0 | 243 | 909 | 0 | 909 |
| Mingenew (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Morawa (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 125 | 125 |
| Mullewa (S) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 78 | 0 | 37 | 115 | 0 | 115 |
| Northampton (S) | 11 | 0 | 11 | 1468 | 0 | 188 | 1656 | 0 | 1656 |
| Perenjori (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Three Springs (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pilbara (SD) | 14 | 0 | 14 | 2665 | 0 | 514 | 3179 | 13 | 16437 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 258 |  |
| De Grey (SSD) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 530 | 0 | 125 | 655 | 4807 | 5462 |
| East Pilbara (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 21 | 4718 | 4739 |
| Port Hedland (T) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 530 | 0 | 104 | 634 | 89 | 723 |
| Fortescue (SSD) | 11 | 0 | 11 | 2134 | 0 | 389 | 2524 | 8451 | 10975 |
| Ashburton (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 20 | 366 | 386 |
| Roebourne (S) | 11 | 0 | 11 | 2134 | 0 | 369 | 2504 | 8085 | 10589 |
| Kimberley (SD) | 45 | 4 | 49 | 7390 | 464 | 976 | 8829 | 5842 | 14671 |
| Ord (SSD) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 280 | 0 | 81 | 361 | 3013 | 3374 |
| Halls Creek (S) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wyndham-East Kimberley (S) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 280 | 0 | 81 | 361 | 3013 | 3374 |
| Fitzroy (SSD) | 43 | 4 | 47 | 7110 | 464 | 894 | 8468 | 2828 | 11297 |
| Broome (S) | 38 | 0 | 38 | 6602 | 0 | 846 | 7448 | 2748 | 10197 |
| Derby-West Kimberley (S) | 5 | 4 | 9 | 507 | 464 | 49 | 1020 | 80 | 1100 |


| STATISTICAL DISTRICTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mandurah | 373 | 108 | 493 | 54967 | 16594 | 3974 | 75536 | 6651 | 82187 |
| Bunbury | 112 | 5 | 117 | 15345 | 1077 | 998 | 17421 | 3109 | 20530 |
| Kalgoorlie/Boulder | 13 | 9 | 22 | 2111 | 1002 | 853 | 3966 | 772 | 4738 |
| Geraldton | 33 | 0 | 33 | 4735 | 0 | 813 | 5549 | 2098 | 7647 |

(a) Includes conversions and dwelling units approved as part of alterations and additions or the construction of non-residential buildings.
(c) Western Australian total includes building approved in off-shore areas not included in the above Statistical Areas.
(b) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 16.

## EXPLANATORYNOTES

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

1 This publication presents monthly details of building work approved.

2 Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:

- permits issued by local government authorities and other principal certifying authorities
- approvals issued by the Rural Housing Authority in areas not subject to building control by local government authorities
- contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, state, semi-government and local government authorities
- major building approvals in areas not subject to normal administrative approval e.g. building on remote mine sites.

3 The scope of the survey comprises the following activities:

- construction of new buildings
- alterations and additions to existing buildings
- approved non-structural renovation and refurbishment work
- approved installation of integral building fixtures.

4 From July 1990, the statistics include:

- all approved new residential building valued at $\$ 10,000$ or more
- approved alterations and additions to residential building valued at $\$ 10,000$ or more
- all approved non-residential building jobs valued at $\$ 50,000$ or more.

5 Excluded from the statistics is construction activity not defined as building (e.g. roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.). Statistics for this activity can be found in Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8762.0).

6 Statistics on the value of building work approved are derived by aggregating the estimated 'value of building work when completed' as reported on building approval documents provided to local councils or other approval authorities. Conceptually these data should exclude the value of land and landscaping but include site preparation costs. These estimates are usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of 'houses'. However, for 'other residential buildings' and 'non-residential buildings', they can differ significantly from the completed value of the building as final costs and contracts have not been established before council approval is sought and gained.

7 The ABS generally accepts values provided by approving bodies. Every effort is made to ensure data are provided on a consistent basis, however, there may be instances where value reported does not reflect the building completion value. For example, the reported value for most project homes is the contract price, which may include the cost of site preparation and landscaping. In other cases where a builder is contracted to construct a dwelling based on the owner's plans, the value may only be the builder's costs. Some councils do not use the value on approval documents, instead deriving a value based on floor area and type of structure.

8 From July 2000, value data includes the Goods and Services Tax (GST) for residential and non-residential building approvals. The ABS has consulted with councils and other approving authorities to ensure that approval values are reported inclusive of GST. Where it was identified by a council or other approving authority that approvals submitted from its jurisdiction were on a GST-exclusive basis, the ABS has made adjustments to the data to ensure that values were consistent with other data collected and were inclusive of GST.

BUILDING CLASSIFICATIONS

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

9 Building ownership is classified as either public or private sector and is based on the sector of intended owner of the completed building at the time of approval. Residential buildings constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes are classified as public sector when the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the building on or before completion.

10 Building approvals are classified both by the Type of Building (e.g. 'house', 'factory') and by the Type of Work involved (e.g. 'new', 'alterations and additions' and 'conversions'). These classifications are often used in conjunction with each other in this publication and are defined in the Glossary.
11 The Type of Building classification refers to the intended major function of a building. A building which is ancillary to other buildings or forms a part of a group of related buildings is classified to the function of the specific building, not to the function of the group as a whole.

12 An example of this rule is the treatment of work approved for a factory complex. For instance, a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Shops, while the factory buildings would be classified Factories.

13 An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings. For example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Education.

14 In the case of a large multi-function building, which at the time of approval is intended to have more than one purpose (e.g. a hotel/shops/casino project), the ABS endeavours to split the approval details according to each main function.

15 Where this is not possible because separate details cannot be obtained, the building is classified to the predominant function of the building on the basis of the function which represents the highest proportion of the total value of the project.

16 The Type of Work classification refers to the building activity carried out. Conversion jobs are shown separately in tables 5 and 6 . However, in other tables they are included within existing categories, as follows: in tables $1,2,11$ and 12 they are included in the appropriate Type of Building category, and in tables 3, 4, 11 and 12 they are included in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category.

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

18 In the seasonal adjustment of series, account has been taken of both normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month. Adjustment has also been made for the influence of Easter which may affect the March and April estimates differently.

19 Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular or non-seasonal influences (e.g. the approval of large projects or a change in the administrative arrangements of approving authorities).

20 Some of the component series have been seasonally adjusted independently. Therefore, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals.

21 As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. The timing of this review may vary and when appropriate will be notified in the 'Data Notes' section of this publication.

22 Smoothing seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series and creates trend estimates. For monthly series, these trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all months of the seasonally adjusted series except the last six months. Trend series are created for the last six months by applying surrogates of the Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. For further information, see Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series-Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview (cat. no. 1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra 0262526076

23 While the smoothing techniques described in paragraph 22 enable trend estimates to be produced for the latest few periods, they do result in revisions to the trend estimates as new data becomes available. Generally, revisions become smaller over time and, after three months, usually have a negligible impact on the series. Revisions to the original data and re-analysis of seasonal factors may also lead to revisions to the trend.

24 The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually re-weighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year. The reference year will be updated annually in the September publication. While current price estimates reflect both price and volume changes, chain volume estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated and therefore only reflect volume changes. The direct impact of the GST is a price change, and hence is removed from the chain volume estimates.

25 Further information on the nature and concepts of chain volume measures is contained in the ABS publication Information Paper: Introduction of Chain Volume Measures in the Australian National Accounts (cat. no. 5248.0).

26 Area statistics are now being classified to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), 2002 Edition (cat. no. 1216.0), effective from July 2002. Building work approved before July 2002 was classified according to the current editions of the ASGC at that time, and is presented in this publication unrevised, in the original geographical area that applied at the time of approval.

27 From 1 July 2002, approvals in the External Territories of Australia are included in these statistics. Christmas Island and Cocos-Keeling Islands are included in Western Australia.

28 As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant data available on request. Inquiries should be made to the National Information and Referral Service on 1300135070.

## EXPLANATORYNOTES

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

ROUNDING

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

29 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:

- Building Activity, Australia, cat. no. 8752.0
- Building Activity, Australia: Dwelling Unit Commencements, cat. no. 8750.0
- Building Activity, Western Australia, cat. no. 8752.5
- Building Approvals, Australia, cat. no. 8731.0
- Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary, cat. no. 8755.0
- Engineering Construction Activity, Australia, cat. no. 8762.0
- House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities, cat. no. 6416.0
- Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia, cat. no. 5609.0
- Producer Price Indexes, Australia, cat. no. 6427.0

30 While building approvals value series are shown inclusive of GST, this is different to the value series shown in the Building Activity publications (Cat. nos 8752.0, 8752.5 and 8755.0), in which residential work will be published inclusive of GST and non-residential work exclusive of GST. In the Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8762.0) all values will exclude GST.

31 When figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.
n.a. not available
n.y.a. not yet available

C City
S Shire
SD Statistical Division
SSD Statistical Subdivison
T Town

## Alterations and additions <br> Alterations and additions to residential buildings

Building activity carried out on existing buildings. Includes adding to or diminishing floor area, altering the structural design of a building and affixing rigid components which are integral to the functioning of the building.

Alterations and additions carried out on existing residential buildings, which may result in the creation of new dwelling units. See also Explanatory Notes paragraph 16.

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

## Conversion

Building activity which converts a non-residential building to a residential building, e.g. conversion of a warehouse to residential apartments. Conversion is considered to be a special type of alteration, and these jobs have been separately identified as such from the July 1996 reference month, though they have only appeared separately in this publication from the May 1998 issue. Prior to that issue, conversions were published as part of the 'Conversions, etc.' category or included elsewhere within a table. Prior to July 1996, table 5 includes the number of Conversions in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings' category while table 6 includes the value of Conversions in the 'Alterations and additions to residential buildings, creating dwellings' category. See also Explanatory Notes paragraph 16.

Dwelling unit
A dwelling unit is a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long-term residential use. Regardless of whether they are self-contained or not, units within buildings offering institutional care (e.g. hospitals) or temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments) are not defined as dwelling units. Such units are included in the appropriate category of non-residential building approvals. Dwelling units can be created in one of four ways: through new work to create a residential building; through alteration/addition work to an existing residential building; through either new or alteration/addition work on non-residential building or through conversion of a non-residential building to a residential building.

## Educational

Entertainment and recreational

Factories
Flats, units or apartments

Health

Hotels, motels and other short term accommodation

House A house is a detached building primarily used for long term residential purposes. It consists of one dwelling unit. For instance, detached 'granny flats' and detached dwelling units (e.g. caretaker's residences) associated with a non-residential building are defined as houses.

| Miscellaneous | Includes justice and defence buildings, welfare and charitable homes, prisons and <br> reformatories, maintenance camps, farming and livestock buildings, veterinary <br> clinics, child-minding centres, police stations and public toilets. |
| ---: | :--- |
| New building work | Building activity which will result in the creation of a building which previously <br> did not exist. |
| New other residential |  |
| buildings | Building activity which will result in the creation of a residential building other <br> than a house, which previously did not exist. |
| New residential | Building activity which will result in the creation of any residential building <br> (house or other residential) which previously did not exist. |
| Non-residential building | A non-residential building is primarily intended for purposes other than long <br> term residential purposes. Note that, on occasions, one or more dwelling units <br> may be created through non-residential building activity. Prior to the May 1998 |
| issue of this publication, they have been included in the 'Conversions, etc.' |  |
| column in tables showing dwelling units approved. They are now identified |  |
| separately (e.g. see table 5). However, the value of these dwelling units cannot be |  |

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[^0]:    (a) Reference year for chain volume measures is
    (b) Refer to Explanatory Notes paragraph 16. 2000-2001. Refer to Explanatory Notes
    Paragraph 24-25.

[^1]:    14

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