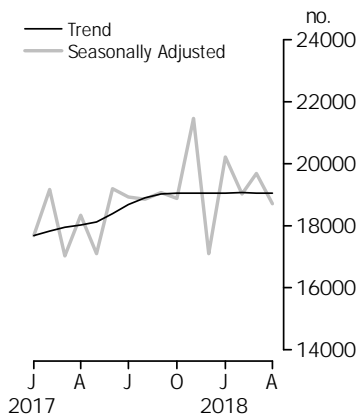


# BUILDING APPROVALS

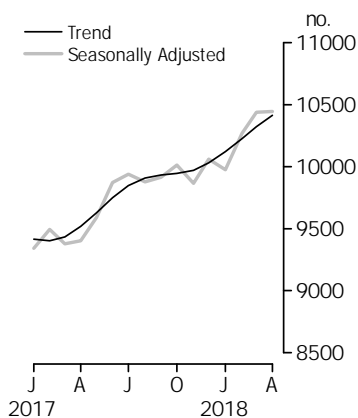
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Dwelling units approved



Private sector houses approved



## INQUIRIES

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## KEY FIGURES

	Apr 18 no.	Mar 18 to Apr 18 % change	Apr 17 to Apr 18 % change
<b>TREND</b>			
<b>Total dwelling units approved</b>	<b>19 038</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>5.7</b>
Private sector houses	10 412	0.9	9.4
Private sector dwellings excluding houses	8 447	-1.1	2.0
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED</b>			
<b>Total dwelling units approved</b>	<b>18 701</b>	<b>-5.0</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Private sector houses	10 446	0.1	11.1
Private sector dwellings excluding houses	8 083	-11.5	-7.5

## KEY POINTS

### TOTAL DWELLING UNITS

- The trend estimate for total dwellings approved fell 0.1% in April.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwellings approved fell 5.0% in April.

### PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES

- The trend estimate for private sector houses approved rose 0.9% in April and has risen for 14 months.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector houses rose 0.1% in April.

### PRIVATE SECTOR DWELLINGS EXCLUDING HOUSES

- The trend estimate for private sector dwellings excluding houses fell 1.1% in April.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for private sector dwellings excluding houses fell 11.5% in April.

### VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED

- The trend estimate of the value of total building approved fell 0.7% in April and has fallen for six months. The value of residential building fell 0.5% and has fallen for three months. The value of non-residential building fell 1.0% and has fallen for eight months.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate of the value of total building approved fell 4.2% in April. The value of residential building fell 4.3%, while the value of non-residential building fell 4.0%.

# NOTES

## FORTHCOMING ISSUES

<i>ISSUE</i>	<i>RELEASE DATE</i>
April 2018 - Additional	6 June 2018
May 2018	3 July 2018
May 2018 - Additional	10 July 2018
June 2018	31 July 2018
June 2018 - Additional	7 August 2018
July 2018	30 August 2018

## DATA NOTES

In this release, revisions are provided for the time period from July 2016 to March 2018 and include revisions resulting from the Building Approvals Annual Review. Further information about the Annual Review and other potential sources of revisions can be found in the feature article released with the January 2016 8731.0 publication - "Revisions to Building Approval Statistics".

Small area data cubes will be made available in an "Additional Information" release five business days after the main publication. The data cubes will be for Statistical Area Level 2 and Local Government Areas. Release dates are published under the "Forthcoming Issues" section of the publication and in ABS Release Advice.

A number of time series spreadsheets contain 'np' (not available for publication) annotations. This is due to confidential data being contained in these series.

## REVISIONS THIS MONTH

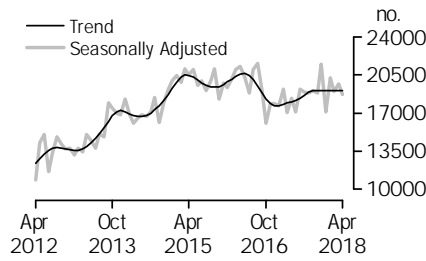
Revisions to the total number of dwelling units approved in this issue are:

<i>Dwellings</i>	<i>2016-17</i>	<i>2017-18</i>
NSW	107	135
Vic.	-84	84
Qld	2	120
SA	-4	9
WA	—	-2
Tas.	15	13
NT	—	—
ACT	-2	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>375</b>

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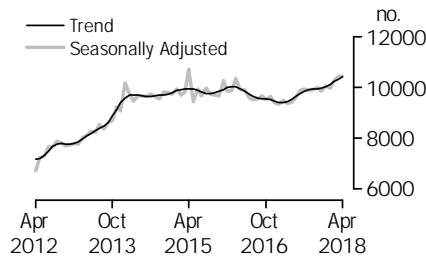
# BUILDING APPROVALS

NUMBER OF TOTAL DWELLING UNITS



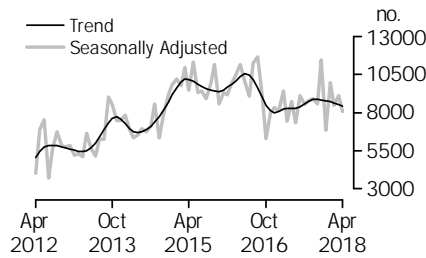
The trend estimate for Australia fell 0.1% in April.

NUMBER OF PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES



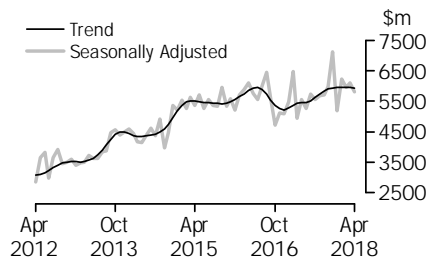
The trend estimate for private sector houses approved rose 0.9% in April.

NUMBER OF PRIVATE SECTOR DWELLINGS EXCLUDING HOUSES



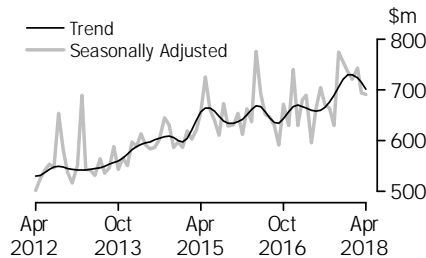
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VALUE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING



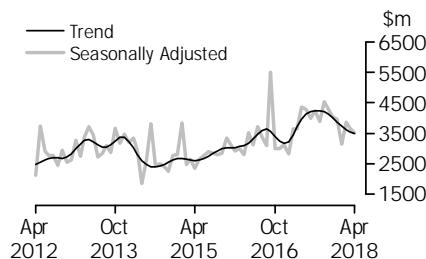
The trend estimate for the value of new residential building approved fell 0.4% in April and has fallen for three months.

VALUE OF ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDING



The trend estimate for the value of alterations and additions to residential building fell 1.9% in April and has fallen for three months.

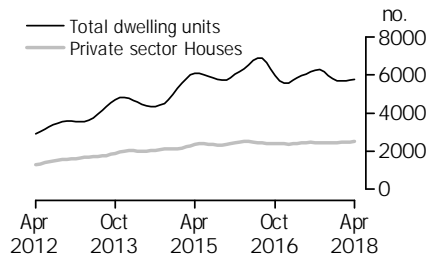
VALUE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING



The trend estimate for the value of non-residential building approved fell 1.0% in April and has fallen for eight months.

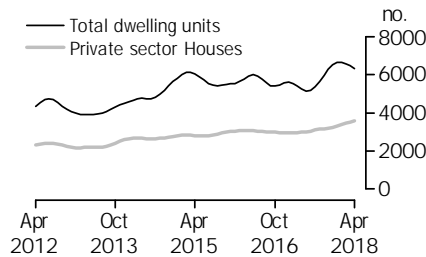
## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED STATE TRENDS

### NEW SOUTH WALES



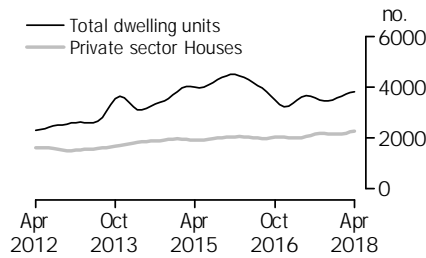
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in New South Wales rose 0.9% in April. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 0.6% in April and has risen for six months.

### VICTORIA



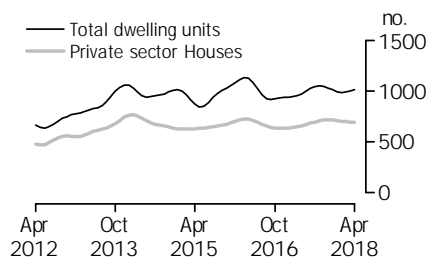
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Victoria fell 2.3% in April. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 1.5% in April and has risen for 15 months.

### QUEENSLAND



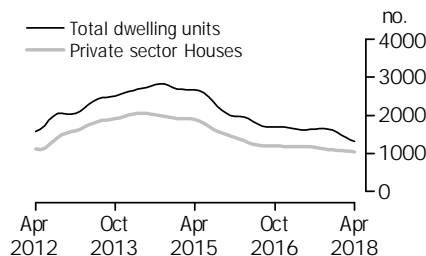
The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Queensland rose 0.7% in April. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses rose 1.6% in April and has risen for four months.

### SOUTH AUSTRALIA



The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in South Australia rose 1.7% in April. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses fell 0.4% in April and has fallen for six months.

### WESTERN AUSTRALIA



The trend estimate for total number of dwelling units approved in Western Australia fell 2.2% in April. The trend estimate for the number of private sector houses fell 0.9% in April and has fallen for 11 months.

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Period	HOUSES		DWELLINGS EXCLUDING HOUSES		TOTAL		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL							
<b>2014-15</b>	117 542	119 346	109 785	111 503	227 327	3 522	<b>230 849</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	118 813	120 219	116 453	118 507	235 266	3 460	<b>238 726</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	114 622	116 324	104 537	105 639	219 159	2 804	<b>221 963</b>
<b>2017</b>							
May	10 929	11 104	7 334	7 360	18 263	201	<b>18 464</b>
June	10 491	10 698	8 627	8 664	19 118	244	<b>19 362</b>
July	10 249	10 412	9 007	9 326	19 256	482	<b>19 738</b>
August	11 231	11 329	8 410	8 509	19 641	197	<b>19 838</b>
September	10 274	10 378	9 795	9 912	20 069	221	<b>20 290</b>
October	10 475	10 618	9 333	9 502	19 808	312	<b>20 120</b>
November	10 619	10 725	12 232	12 285	22 851	159	<b>23 010</b>
December	8 138	8 230	7 565	7 625	15 703	152	<b>15 855</b>
<b>2018</b>							
January	7 655	7 753	8 540	8 693	16 195	251	<b>16 446</b>
February	9 913	10 050	7 639	7 777	17 552	275	<b>17 827</b>
March	10 449	10 536	9 079	9 094	19 528	102	<b>19 630</b>
April	9 493	9 654	7 666	7 666	17 159	161	<b>17 320</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
<b>2017</b>							
May	9 590	9 725	7 337	7 363	16 927	160	<b>17 088</b>
June	9 874	10 040	9 116	9 153	18 990	204	<b>19 193</b>
July	9 940	10 080	8 524	8 843	18 464	459	<b>18 923</b>
August	9 878	9 964	8 784	8 883	18 662	185	<b>18 847</b>
September	9 913	10 043	8 915	9 032	18 827	247	<b>19 075</b>
October	10 009	10 153	8 556	8 725	18 565	314	<b>18 878</b>
November	9 864	9 981	11 433	11 486	21 297	170	<b>21 467</b>
December	10 060	10 169	6 860	6 920	16 920	169	<b>17 089</b>
<b>2018</b>							
January	9 975	10 100	9 968	10 121	19 944	278	<b>20 222</b>
February	10 268	10 396	8 484	8 622	18 752	266	<b>19 018</b>
March	10 435	10 548	9 130	9 145	19 565	128	<b>19 693</b>
April	10 446	10 618	8 083	8 083	18 529	172	<b>18 701</b>
TREND							
<b>2017</b>							
May	9 631	9 774	8 261	8 351	17 891	233	<b>18 124</b>
June	9 749	9 887	8 393	8 500	18 142	245	<b>18 387</b>
July	9 846	9 979	8 575	8 693	18 421	251	<b>18 671</b>
August	9 908	10 036	8 745	8 866	18 654	249	<b>18 903</b>
September	9 934	10 059	8 851	8 969	18 785	243	<b>19 028</b>
October	9 942	10 063	8 872	8 985	18 814	234	<b>19 047</b>
November	9 967	10 086	8 847	8 952	18 814	224	<b>19 038</b>
December	10 029	10 150	8 791	8 889	18 820	219	<b>19 039</b>
<b>2018</b>							
January	10 121	10 244	8 725	8 818	18 846	216	<b>19 062</b>
February	10 223	10 351	8 639	8 719	18 862	208	<b>19 069</b>
March	10 323	10 456	8 543	8 604	18 866	194	<b>19 060</b>
April	10 412	10 551	8 447	8 487	18 859	179	<b>19 038</b>

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, Percentage change

Period	HOUSES		DWELLINGS EXCLUDING HOUSES		TOTAL DWELLING UNITS		
	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Public	Total
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL							
<b>2014-15</b>	6.6	6.5	27.5	27.3	15.7	8.1	<b>15.6</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	1.1	0.7	6.1	6.3	3.5	-1.8	<b>3.4</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	-3.5	-3.2	-10.2	-10.9	-6.8	-19.0	<b>-7.0</b>
<b>2017</b>							
May	38.8	38.8	-14.1	-14.5	11.3	3.6	<b>11.2</b>
June	-4.0	-3.7	17.6	17.7	4.7	21.4	<b>4.9</b>
July	-2.3	-2.7	4.4	7.6	0.7	97.5	<b>1.9</b>
August	9.6	8.8	-6.6	-8.8	2.0	-59.1	<b>0.5</b>
September	-8.5	-8.4	16.5	16.5	2.2	12.2	<b>2.3</b>
October	2.0	2.3	-4.7	-4.1	-1.3	41.2	<b>-0.8</b>
November	1.4	1.0	31.1	29.3	15.4	-49.0	<b>14.4</b>
December	-23.4	-23.3	-38.2	-37.9	-31.3	-4.4	<b>-31.1</b>
<b>2018</b>							
January	-5.9	-5.8	12.9	14.0	3.1	65.1	<b>3.7</b>
February	29.5	29.6	-10.6	-10.5	8.4	9.6	<b>8.4</b>
March	5.4	4.8	18.9	16.9	11.3	-62.9	<b>10.1</b>
April	-9.1	-8.4	-15.6	-15.7	-12.1	57.8	<b>-11.8</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							
<b>2017</b>							
May	2.0	1.9	-16.0	-16.4	-6.7	-23.0	<b>-6.9</b>
June	3.0	3.2	24.2	24.3	12.2	26.9	<b>12.3</b>
July	0.7	0.4	-6.5	-3.4	-2.8	125.6	<b>-1.4</b>
August	-0.6	-1.2	3.1	0.5	1.1	-59.7	<b>-0.4</b>
September	0.4	0.8	1.5	1.7	0.9	33.8	<b>1.2</b>
October	1.0	1.1	-4.0	-3.4	-1.4	26.7	<b>-1.0</b>
November	-1.4	-1.7	33.6	31.6	14.7	-45.8	<b>13.7</b>
December	2.0	1.9	-40.0	-39.8	-20.6	-0.4	<b>-20.4</b>
<b>2018</b>							
January	-0.8	-0.7	45.3	46.3	17.9	64.1	<b>18.3</b>
February	2.9	2.9	-14.9	-14.8	-6.0	-4.2	<b>-6.0</b>
March	1.6	1.5	7.6	6.1	4.3	-52.0	<b>3.5</b>
April	0.1	0.7	-11.5	-11.6	-5.3	34.8	<b>-5.0</b>
TREND							
<b>2017</b>							
May	1.2	1.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.5	6.4	<b>0.6</b>
June	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.8	1.4	5.1	<b>1.5</b>
July	1.0	0.9	2.2	2.3	1.5	2.3	<b>1.5</b>
August	0.6	0.6	2.0	2.0	1.3	-0.6	<b>1.2</b>
September	0.3	0.2	1.2	1.2	0.7	-2.5	<b>0.7</b>
October	0.1	—	0.2	0.2	0.2	-3.8	<b>0.1</b>
November	0.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	—	-3.9	<b>—</b>
December	0.6	0.6	-0.6	-0.7	—	-2.4	<b>—</b>
<b>2018</b>							
January	0.9	0.9	-0.8	-0.8	0.1	-1.2	<b>0.1</b>
February	1.0	1.0	-1.0	-1.1	0.1	-4.1	<b>—</b>
March	1.0	1.0	-1.1	-1.3	—	-6.4	<b>—</b>
April	0.9	0.9	-1.1	-1.4	—	-7.9	<b>-0.1</b>

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## TOTAL DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Period	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014-15</b>	63 419	67 672	46 704	11 400	32 707	2 872	1 814	4 261	<b>230 849</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	73 458	68 082	51 106	12 591	24 649	2 427	1 703	4 710	<b>238 726</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	72 932	65 343	43 103	11 543	20 357	2 249	912	5 524	<b>221 963</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	5 364	5 438	3 765	1 445	1 771	268	59	354	<b>18 464</b>
June	6 386	5 219	4 010	1 041	1 873	219	61	553	<b>19 362</b>
July	7 405	5 615	3 439	982	1 631	153	54	459	<b>19 738</b>
August	5 832	5 898	4 339	1 128	1 594	253	97	697	<b>19 838</b>
September	7 203	5 484	3 432	1 255	1 975	251	131	559	<b>20 290</b>
October	6 402	7 118	3 385	1 142	1 578	249	55	191	<b>20 120</b>
November	6 127	9 964	3 544	1 068	1 809	291	41	166	<b>23 010</b>
December	4 833	5 269	3 042	791	1 505	238	27	150	<b>15 855</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	5 044	5 743	3 081	753	1 397	205	57	166	<b>16 446</b>
February	5 457	6 195	3 475	883	1 170	193	57	397	<b>17 827</b>
March	5 467	6 618	3 799	1 047	1 137	205	63	1 294	<b>19 630</b>
April	5 318	5 755	3 477	977	1 279	217	47	250	<b>17 320</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	5 052	5 067	3 527	1 273	1 558	223	na	na	<b>17 088</b>
June	6 594	5 473	3 522	979	1 815	205	na	na	<b>19 193</b>
July	6 795	5 425	3 447	993	1 587	178	na	na	<b>18 923</b>
August	5 970	5 410	3 910	1 046	1 500	236	na	na	<b>18 847</b>
September	6 536	5 371	3 231	1 134	1 842	270	na	na	<b>19 075</b>
October	5 911	6 532	3 344	1 035	1 560	239	na	na	<b>18 878</b>
November	5 917	9 048	3 452	1 024	1 561	268	na	na	<b>21 467</b>
December	4 706	5 831	3 532	931	1 634	254	na	na	<b>17 089</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	6 079	7 188	3 869	935	1 647	248	na	na	<b>20 222</b>
February	6 208	6 130	3 710	1 041	1 244	213	na	na	<b>19 018</b>
March	5 481	6 704	3 729	1 004	1 207	200	na	na	<b>19 693</b>
April	5 763	6 142	3 773	1 046	1 461	212	na	na	<b>18 701</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	6 050	5 114	3 662	999	1 612	203	63	423	<b>18 124</b>
June	6 170	5 164	3 650	1 027	1 626	207	66	479	<b>18 387</b>
July	6 264	5 356	3 584	1 044	1 637	216	69	504	<b>18 671</b>
August	6 279	5 644	3 503	1 051	1 649	229	70	479	<b>18 903</b>
September	6 177	5 981	3 454	1 045	1 656	243	67	404	<b>19 028</b>
October	5 981	6 306	3 453	1 031	1 643	253	62	317	<b>19 047</b>
November	5 800	6 544	3 504	1 012	1 605	255	57	260	<b>19 038</b>
December	5 700	6 660	3 570	995	1 551	249	52	260	<b>19 039</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	5 691	6 654	3 650	987	1 484	238	50	309	<b>19 062</b>
February	5 708	6 576	3 721	991	1 417	226	52	378	<b>19 069</b>
March	5 726	6 482	3 781	1 001	1 358	215	54	445	<b>19 060</b>
April	5 774	6 334	3 809	1 018	1 328	207	57	511	<b>19 038</b>

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## TOTAL DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories—Percentage change

<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014–15</b>	17.2	23.4	18.9	-2.2	5.9	31.5	-15.2	-8.1	<b>15.6</b>
<b>2015–16</b>	15.8	0.6	9.4	10.4	-24.6	-15.5	-6.1	10.5	<b>3.4</b>
<b>2016–17</b>	-0.7	-4.0	-15.7	-8.3	-17.4	-7.3	-46.4	17.3	<b>-7.0</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	-1.8	24.0	-7.3	58.8	43.3	55.8	-20.3	18.0	<b>11.2</b>
June	19.1	-4.0	6.5	-28.0	5.8	-18.3	3.4	56.2	<b>4.9</b>
July	16.0	7.6	-14.2	-5.7	-12.9	-30.1	-11.5	-17.0	<b>1.9</b>
August	-21.2	5.0	26.2	14.9	-2.3	65.4	79.6	51.9	<b>0.5</b>
September	23.5	-7.0	-20.9	11.3	23.9	-0.8	35.1	-19.8	<b>2.3</b>
October	-11.1	29.8	-1.4	-9.0	-20.1	-0.8	-58.0	-65.8	<b>-0.8</b>
November	-4.3	40.0	4.7	-6.5	14.6	16.9	-25.5	-13.1	<b>14.4</b>
December	-21.1	-47.1	-14.2	-25.9	-16.8	-18.2	-34.1	-9.6	<b>-31.1</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	4.4	9.0	1.3	-4.8	-7.2	-13.9	111.1	10.7	<b>3.7</b>
February	8.2	7.9	12.8	17.3	-16.2	-5.9	—	139.2	<b>8.4</b>
March	0.2	6.8	9.3	18.6	-2.8	6.2	10.5	225.9	<b>10.1</b>
April	-2.7	-13.0	-8.5	-6.7	12.5	5.9	-25.4	-80.7	<b>-11.8</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	-17.1	3.8	-17.2	24.0	3.4	21.0	na	na	<b>-6.9</b>
June	30.5	8.0	-0.1	-23.1	16.5	-8.0	na	na	<b>12.3</b>
July	3.0	-0.9	-2.1	1.4	-12.6	-13.1	na	na	<b>-1.4</b>
August	-12.1	-0.3	13.4	5.3	-5.5	32.2	na	na	<b>-0.4</b>
September	9.5	-0.7	-17.4	8.4	22.9	14.7	na	na	<b>1.2</b>
October	-9.6	21.6	3.5	-8.8	-15.3	-11.6	na	na	<b>-1.0</b>
November	0.1	38.5	3.3	-1.0	0.1	12.4	na	na	<b>13.7</b>
December	-20.5	-35.6	2.3	-9.1	4.7	-5.4	na	na	<b>-20.4</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	29.2	23.3	9.5	0.4	0.8	-2.2	na	na	<b>18.3</b>
February	2.1	-14.7	-4.1	11.4	-24.4	-14.1	na	na	<b>-6.0</b>
March	-11.7	9.4	0.5	-3.5	-3.0	-6.2	na	na	<b>3.5</b>
April	5.1	-8.4	1.2	4.2	21.0	6.0	na	na	<b>-5.0</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	1.5	-2.3	1.5	2.6	0.1	0.1	2.7	15.1	<b>0.6</b>
June	2.0	1.0	-0.3	2.8	0.9	1.9	4.7	13.4	<b>1.5</b>
July	1.5	3.7	-1.8	1.7	0.6	4.4	4.9	5.1	<b>1.5</b>
August	0.2	5.4	-2.2	0.6	0.7	6.0	1.8	-4.9	<b>1.2</b>
September	-1.6	6.0	-1.4	-0.6	0.5	6.1	-4.1	-15.6	<b>0.7</b>
October	-3.2	5.4	—	-1.4	-0.8	4.1	-7.3	-21.6	<b>0.1</b>
November	-3.0	3.8	1.5	-1.8	-2.3	0.8	-9.2	-18.0	<b>—</b>
December	-1.7	1.8	1.9	-1.7	-3.4	-2.4	-8.4	0.1	<b>—</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	-0.2	-0.1	2.2	-0.8	-4.3	-4.6	-2.9	18.6	<b>0.1</b>
February	0.3	-1.2	2.0	0.4	-4.5	-5.0	2.6	22.6	<b>—</b>
March	0.3	-1.4	1.6	1.0	-4.2	-4.8	3.9	17.7	<b>—</b>
April	0.9	-2.3	0.7	1.7	-2.2	-3.7	6.7	14.8	<b>-0.1</b>

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## PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Period	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014-15</b>	26 565	32 938	22 851	7 760	22 989	2 403	761	1 275	<b>117 542</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	29 093	35 901	24 393	8 270	17 337	1 981	745	1 093	<b>118 813</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	29 131	35 769	24 288	7 757	14 287	1 807	552	1 031	<b>114 622</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	2 825	3 406	2 264	763	1 337	207	49	78	<b>10 929</b>
June	2 708	3 100	2 516	680	1 194	181	40	72	<b>10 491</b>
July	2 597	3 209	2 158	741	1 276	121	44	103	<b>10 249</b>
August	2 618	3 545	2 640	795	1 291	198	58	86	<b>11 231</b>
September	2 552	3 229	2 271	762	1 156	164	44	96	<b>10 274</b>
October	2 391	3 555	2 337	712	1 134	191	51	104	<b>10 475</b>
November	2 592	3 506	2 274	826	1 063	220	35	103	<b>10 619</b>
December	2 097	2 416	1 757	553	1 044	175	21	75	<b>8 138</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	1 915	2 497	1 504	517	962	160	52	48	<b>7 655</b>
February	2 374	3 464	2 109	657	997	175	51	86	<b>9 913</b>
March	2 417	3 656	2 343	755	892	191	49	146	<b>10 449</b>
April	2 337	3 370	1 919	645	958	145	33	86	<b>9 493</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	2 431	2 992	2 062	661	1 172	na	na	na	<b>9 590</b>
June	2 524	3 047	2 213	653	1 166	na	na	na	<b>9 874</b>
July	2 510	3 139	2 084	712	1 216	na	na	na	<b>9 940</b>
August	2 400	3 086	2 228	709	1 158	na	na	na	<b>9 878</b>
September	2 478	3 114	2 171	731	1 113	na	na	na	<b>9 913</b>
October	2 320	3 342	2 206	703	1 089	na	na	na	<b>10 009</b>
November	2 397	3 293	2 137	741	962	na	na	na	<b>9 864</b>
December	2 514	3 086	2 271	676	1 209	na	na	na	<b>10 060</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	2 521	3 421	1 878	702	1 126	na	na	na	<b>9 975</b>
February	2 458	3 467	2 221	711	1 064	na	na	na	<b>10 268</b>
March	2 402	3 606	2 397	717	922	na	na	na	<b>10 435</b>
April	2 547	3 572	2 267	671	1 103	na	na	na	<b>10 446</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	2 457	3 000	2 057	672	1 185	na	na	na	<b>9 631</b>
June	2 465	3 044	2 102	685	1 179	na	na	na	<b>9 749</b>
July	2 456	3 092	2 151	697	1 161	na	na	na	<b>9 846</b>
August	2 441	3 134	2 185	708	1 140	na	na	na	<b>9 908</b>
September	2 432	3 168	2 188	713	1 122	na	na	na	<b>9 934</b>
October	2 426	3 203	2 170	716	1 107	na	na	na	<b>9 942</b>
November	2 430	3 248	2 153	714	1 093	na	na	na	<b>9 967</b>
December	2 446	3 306	2 151	709	1 084	na	na	na	<b>10 029</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	2 464	3 375	2 165	704	1 075	na	na	na	<b>10 121</b>
February	2 477	3 448	2 195	701	1 065	na	na	na	<b>10 223</b>
March	2 486	3 518	2 232	697	1 052	na	na	na	<b>10 323</b>
April	2 500	3 572	2 269	694	1 043	na	na	na	<b>10 412</b>

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## PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES APPROVED, States and territories—Percentage change

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<b><i>Aust.</i></b>
<i>Period</i>	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014–15</b>	15.7	10.0	8.2	-7.4	-2.8	33.5	1.2	-25.6	<b>6.6</b>
<b>2015–16</b>	9.5	9.0	6.7	6.6	-24.6	-17.6	-2.1	-14.3	<b>1.1</b>
<b>2016–17</b>	0.1	-0.4	-0.4	-6.2	-17.6	-8.8	-25.9	-5.7	<b>-3.5</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	46.4	30.6	45.9	21.9	44.9	60.5	4.3	25.8	<b>38.8</b>
June	-4.1	-9.0	11.1	-10.9	-10.7	-12.6	-18.4	-7.7	<b>-4.0</b>
July	-4.1	3.5	-14.2	9.0	6.9	-33.1	10.0	43.1	<b>-2.3</b>
August	0.8	10.5	22.3	7.3	1.2	63.6	31.8	-16.5	<b>9.6</b>
September	-2.5	-8.9	-14.0	-4.2	-10.5	-17.2	-24.1	11.6	<b>-8.5</b>
October	-6.3	10.1	2.9	-6.6	-1.9	16.5	15.9	8.3	<b>2.0</b>
November	8.4	-1.4	-2.7	16.0	-6.3	15.2	-31.4	-1.0	<b>1.4</b>
December	-19.1	-31.1	-22.7	-33.1	-1.8	-20.5	-40.0	-27.2	<b>-23.4</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	-8.7	3.4	-14.4	-6.5	-7.9	-8.6	147.6	-36.0	<b>-5.9</b>
February	24.0	38.7	40.2	27.1	3.6	9.4	-1.9	79.2	<b>29.5</b>
March	1.8	5.5	11.1	14.9	-10.5	9.1	-3.9	69.8	<b>5.4</b>
April	-3.3	-7.8	-18.1	-14.6	7.4	-24.1	-32.7	-41.1	<b>-9.1</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	2.8	-0.2	5.9	-4.6	3.7	na	na	na	<b>2.0</b>
June	3.8	1.8	7.3	-1.3	-0.5	na	na	na	<b>3.0</b>
July	-0.6	3.0	-5.8	9.1	4.3	na	na	na	<b>0.7</b>
August	-4.4	-1.7	6.9	-0.5	-4.8	na	na	na	<b>-0.6</b>
September	3.3	0.9	-2.5	3.2	-3.9	na	na	na	<b>0.4</b>
October	-6.4	7.3	1.6	-3.9	-2.2	na	na	na	<b>1.0</b>
November	3.3	-1.5	-3.2	5.4	-11.7	na	na	na	<b>-1.4</b>
December	4.9	-6.3	6.3	-8.8	25.7	na	na	na	<b>2.0</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	0.3	10.9	-17.3	3.8	-6.9	na	na	na	<b>-0.8</b>
February	-2.5	1.4	18.2	1.4	-5.5	na	na	na	<b>2.9</b>
March	-2.3	4.0	7.9	0.8	-13.3	na	na	na	<b>1.6</b>
April	6.1	-0.9	-5.4	-6.3	19.7	na	na	na	<b>0.1</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	1.0	0.9	1.9	1.8	0.2	na	na	na	<b>1.2</b>
June	0.3	1.5	2.2	1.9	-0.5	na	na	na	<b>1.2</b>
July	-0.4	1.6	2.3	1.8	-1.5	na	na	na	<b>1.0</b>
August	-0.6	1.4	1.6	1.4	-1.9	na	na	na	<b>0.6</b>
September	-0.4	1.1	0.2	0.8	-1.6	na	na	na	<b>0.3</b>
October	-0.2	1.1	-0.8	0.4	-1.4	na	na	na	<b>0.1</b>
November	0.2	1.4	-0.8	-0.3	-1.2	na	na	na	<b>0.2</b>
December	0.6	1.8	-0.1	-0.7	-0.9	na	na	na	<b>0.6</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	0.7	2.1	0.7	-0.6	-0.8	na	na	na	<b>0.9</b>
February	0.5	2.2	1.4	-0.5	-1.0	na	na	na	<b>1.0</b>
March	0.4	2.0	1.7	-0.6	-1.1	na	na	na	<b>1.0</b>
April	0.6	1.5	1.6	-0.4	-0.9	na	na	na	<b>0.9</b>

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DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, States and territories: Original

<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW</i> no.	<i>Vic.</i> no.	<i>Qld</i> no.	<i>SA</i> no.	<i>WA</i> no.	<i>Tas.</i> no.	<i>NT</i> no.	<i>ACT</i> no.	<i>Aust.</i> no.
HOUSES									
<b>2014-15</b>	26 707	33 221	23 166	7 958	23 668	2 412	907	1 307	<b>119 346</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	29 447	35 995	24 602	8 439	17 749	1 989	901	1 097	<b>120 219</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	29 281	35 941	24 664	7 849	14 989	1 819	727	1 054	<b>116 324</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	2 829	3 443	2 348	779	1 361	209	57	78	<b>11 104</b>
June	2 730	3 101	2 620	687	1 249	183	56	72	<b>10 698</b>
July	2 628	3 255	2 202	746	1 305	123	50	103	<b>10 412</b>
August	2 618	3 546	2 660	802	1 355	204	58	86	<b>11 329</b>
September	2 558	3 232	2 292	769	1 181	167	83	96	<b>10 378</b>
October	2 392	3 577	2 387	714	1 195	196	52	105	<b>10 618</b>
November	2 594	3 561	2 280	827	1 102	222	36	103	<b>10 725</b>
December	2 107	2 442	1 775	557	1 069	178	27	75	<b>8 230</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	1 918	2 532	1 505	518	1 008	167	57	48	<b>7 753</b>
February	2 422	3 485	2 117	664	1 037	178	53	94	<b>10 050</b>
March	2 418	3 671	2 350	755	934	194	50	164	<b>10 536</b>
April	2 363	3 385	1 936	645	1 045	147	40	93	<b>9 654</b>
DWELLINGS EXCLUDING HOUSES									
<b>2014-15</b>	36 712	34 451	23 538	3 442	9 039	460	907	2 954	<b>111 503</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	44 011	32 087	26 504	4 152	6 900	438	802	3 613	<b>118 507</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	43 651	29 402	18 439	3 694	5 368	430	185	4 470	<b>105 639</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	2 535	1 995	1 417	666	410	59	2	276	<b>7 360</b>
June	3 656	2 118	1 390	354	624	36	5	481	<b>8 664</b>
July	4 777	2 360	1 237	236	326	30	4	356	<b>9 326</b>
August	3 214	2 352	1 679	326	239	49	39	611	<b>8 509</b>
September	4 645	2 252	1 140	486	794	84	48	463	<b>9 912</b>
October	4 010	3 541	998	428	383	53	3	86	<b>9 502</b>
November	3 533	6 403	1 264	241	707	69	5	63	<b>12 285</b>
December	2 726	2 827	1 267	234	436	60	—	75	<b>7 625</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	3 126	3 211	1 576	235	389	38	—	118	<b>8 693</b>
February	3 035	2 710	1 358	219	133	15	4	303	<b>7 777</b>
March	3 049	2 947	1 449	292	203	11	13	1 130	<b>9 094</b>
April	2 955	2 370	1 541	332	234	70	7	157	<b>7 666</b>
TOTAL DWELLING UNITS									
<b>2014-15</b>	63 419	67 672	46 704	11 400	32 707	2 872	1 814	4 261	<b>230 849</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	73 458	68 082	51 106	12 591	24 649	2 427	1 703	4 710	<b>238 726</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	72 932	65 343	43 103	11 543	20 357	2 249	912	5 524	<b>221 963</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	5 364	5 438	3 765	1 445	1 771	268	59	354	<b>18 464</b>
June	6 386	5 219	4 010	1 041	1 873	219	61	553	<b>19 362</b>
July	7 405	5 615	3 439	982	1 631	153	54	459	<b>19 738</b>
August	5 832	5 898	4 339	1 128	1 594	253	97	697	<b>19 838</b>
September	7 203	5 484	3 432	1 255	1 975	251	131	559	<b>20 290</b>
October	6 402	7 118	3 385	1 142	1 578	249	55	191	<b>20 120</b>
November	6 127	9 964	3 544	1 068	1 809	291	41	166	<b>23 010</b>
December	4 833	5 269	3 042	791	1 505	238	27	150	<b>15 855</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	5 044	5 743	3 081	753	1 397	205	57	166	<b>16 446</b>
February	5 457	6 195	3 475	883	1 170	193	57	397	<b>17 827</b>
March	5 467	6 618	3 799	1 047	1 137	205	63	1 294	<b>19 630</b>
April	5 318	5 755	3 477	977	1 279	217	47	250	<b>17 320</b>

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## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By Greater Capital City Statistical Area(a): Original

	Greater Sydney	Greater Melbourne	Greater Brisbane	Greater Adelaide	Greater Perth	Greater Hobart	Greater Darwin	Australian Capital Territory
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
HOUSES								
<b>2014-15</b>	15 633	23 206	11 280	5 784	19 854	1 056	830	1 307
<b>2015-16</b>	17 623	25 925	11 835	6 478	14 718	798	710	1 097
<b>2016-17</b>	17 973	26 448	12 220	6 177	12 400	803	528	1 054
<b>2017</b>								
May	1 716	2 545	1 132	618	1 030	101	46	78
June	1 666	2 323	1 414	524	963	73	36	72
July	1 666	2 335	1 164	579	1 076	45	42	103
August	1 607	2 576	1 371	661	1 063	107	48	86
September	1 640	2 284	1 294	639	973	60	38	96
October	1 546	2 581	1 339	568	1 035	83	46	105
November	1 654	2 578	1 364	666	894	121	32	103
December	1 273	1 792	1 026	433	878	78	17	75
<b>2018</b>								
January	1 045	1 815	728	419	828	78	43	48
February	1 497	2 545	1 218	515	851	71	42	94
March	1 507	2 669	1 189	614	756	91	46	164
April	1 428	2 374	1 091	518	839	75	29	93
DWELLINGS EXCLUDING HOUSES								
<b>2014-15</b>	32 563	33 496	18 345	3 372	8 655	211	830	2 954
<b>2015-16</b>	39 055	31 303	19 555	4 080	6 626	203	716	3 613
<b>2016-17</b>	39 552	28 693	12 561	3 639	5 222	242	140	4 470
<b>2017</b>								
May	1 938	1 834	1 057	662	396	28	2	276
June	3 154	2 050	1 005	342	622	21	—	481
July	4 226	2 277	913	232	305	17	—	356
August	2 795	2 297	1 117	322	223	35	36	611
September	3 748	2 213	530	480	786	55	2	463
October	3 687	3 459	756	424	380	25	2	86
November	3 065	6 304	860	233	681	32	—	63
December	2 387	2 772	945	233	427	43	—	75
<b>2018</b>								
January	2 550	3 117	949	234	356	34	—	118
February	2 525	2 309	975	219	125	5	—	303
March	2 737	2 896	1 009	292	201	11	6	1 130
April	2 473	2 215	783	332	227	57	—	157
TOTAL								
<b>2014-15</b>	48 196	56 702	29 625	9 156	28 509	1 267	1 660	4 261
<b>2015-16</b>	56 678	57 228	31 390	10 558	21 344	1 001	1 426	4 710
<b>2016-17</b>	57 525	55 141	24 781	9 816	17 622	1 045	668	5 524
<b>2017</b>								
May	3 654	4 379	2 189	1 280	1 426	129	48	354
June	4 820	4 373	2 419	866	1 585	94	36	553
July	5 892	4 612	2 077	811	1 381	62	42	459
August	4 402	4 873	2 488	983	1 286	142	84	697
September	5 388	4 497	1 824	1 119	1 759	115	40	559
October	5 233	6 040	2 095	992	1 415	108	48	191
November	4 719	8 882	2 224	899	1 575	153	32	166
December	3 660	4 564	1 971	666	1 305	121	17	150
<b>2018</b>								
January	3 595	4 932	1 677	653	1 184	112	43	166
February	4 022	4 854	2 193	734	976	76	42	397
March	4 244	5 565	2 198	906	957	102	52	1 294
April	3 901	4 589	1 874	850	1 066	132	29	250

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(a) For further information about the geographic classification refer to the Explanatory Notes.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, By sector: **Original**

Period	New houses	New other residential building	Alterations and additions to residential building creating dwellings	Conversions	Non-residential building	Total dwelling units
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
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PRIVATE SECTOR						
<b>2014-15</b>	117 366	107 497	1 249	1 061	154	<b>227 327</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	118 553	113 963	1 644	1 008	98	<b>235 266</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	114 312	102 875	1 027	817	128	<b>219 159</b>
<b>2017</b>						
May	10 889	7 293	45	28	8	<b>18 263</b>
June	10 455	8 446	179	30	8	<b>19 118</b>
July	10 225	8 968	49	12	2	<b>19 256</b>
August	11 201	8 364	32	22	22	<b>19 641</b>
September	10 236	9 719	66	26	22	<b>20 069</b>
October	10 454	9 198	142	11	3	<b>19 808</b>
November	10 589	12 115	97	40	10	<b>22 851</b>
December	8 111	7 480	79	27	6	<b>15 703</b>
<b>2018</b>						
January	7 629	8 506	42	12	6	<b>16 195</b>
February	9 886	7 579	53	30	4	<b>17 552</b>
March	10 421	9 028	32	43	4	<b>19 528</b>
April	9 465	7 644	28	14	8	<b>17 159</b>
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PUBLIC SECTOR						
<b>2014-15</b>	1 804	1 671	17	20	10	<b>3 522</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	1 406	2 044	4	4	2	<b>3 460</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	1 701	1 092	8	1	2	<b>2 804</b>
<b>2017</b>						
May	175	26	—	—	—	<b>201</b>
June	207	32	5	—	—	<b>244</b>
July	163	296	7	16	—	<b>482</b>
August	98	99	—	—	—	<b>197</b>
September	104	117	—	—	—	<b>221</b>
October	143	165	4	—	—	<b>312</b>
November	106	50	3	—	—	<b>159</b>
December	92	60	—	—	—	<b>152</b>
<b>2018</b>						
January	98	153	—	—	—	<b>251</b>
February	137	138	—	—	—	<b>275</b>
March	87	15	—	—	—	<b>102</b>
April	161	—	—	—	—	<b>161</b>
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TOTAL						
<b>2014-15</b>	119 170	109 168	1 266	1 081	164	<b>230 849</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	119 959	116 007	1 648	1 012	100	<b>238 726</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	116 013	103 967	1 035	818	130	<b>221 963</b>
<b>2017</b>						
May	11 064	7 319	45	28	8	<b>18 464</b>
June	10 662	8 478	184	30	8	<b>19 362</b>
July	10 388	9 264	56	28	2	<b>19 738</b>
August	11 299	8 463	32	22	22	<b>19 838</b>
September	10 340	9 836	66	26	22	<b>20 290</b>
October	10 597	9 363	146	11	3	<b>20 120</b>
November	10 695	12 165	100	40	10	<b>23 010</b>
December	8 203	7 540	79	27	6	<b>15 855</b>
<b>2018</b>						
January	7 727	8 659	42	12	6	<b>16 446</b>
February	10 023	7 717	53	30	4	<b>17 827</b>
March	10 508	9 043	32	43	4	<b>19 630</b>
April	9 626	7 644	28	14	8	<b>17 320</b>

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Period	NEW SEMIDETACHED, ROW OR TERRACE HOUSES, TOWNHOUSES, ETC, OF				NEW FLATS, UNITS OR APARTMENTS IN A BUILDING OF				Total new other residential building	Total new residential(a)
	New houses	One storey	Two or more storeys	Total	One or two storeys	Three storeys	Four or more storeys	Total		
DWELLING UNITS (no.)										
<b>2014-15</b>	119 170	9 172	19 742	28 914	5 111	6 548	68 595	80 254	109 168	<b>228 338</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	119 959	9 005	24 666	33 671	3 995	6 152	72 189	82 336	116 007	<b>235 966</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	116 013	8 999	25 562	34 561	2 466	4 334	62 606	69 406	103 967	<b>219 980</b>
<b>2017</b>										
May	11 064	1 046	2 001	3 047	391	330	3 551	4 272	7 319	<b>18 383</b>
June	10 662	842	2 718	3 560	79	418	4 421	4 918	8 478	<b>19 140</b>
July	10 388	942	2 203	3 145	64	408	5 647	6 119	9 264	<b>19 652</b>
August	11 299	1 008	2 665	3 673	60	623	4 107	4 790	8 463	<b>19 762</b>
September	10 340	1 108	2 191	3 299	233	477	5 827	6 537	9 836	<b>20 176</b>
October	10 597	838	2 604	3 442	72	161	5 688	5 921	9 363	<b>19 960</b>
November	10 695	982	2 224	3 206	79	223	8 657	8 959	12 165	<b>22 860</b>
December	8 203	574	1 794	2 368	103	225	4 844	5 172	7 540	<b>15 743</b>
<b>2018</b>										
January	7 727	662	1 311	1 973	112	345	6 229	6 686	8 659	<b>16 386</b>
February	10 023	989	2 012	3 001	136	425	4 155	4 716	7 717	<b>17 740</b>
March	10 508	694	2 165	2 859	103	222	5 859	6 184	9 043	<b>19 551</b>
April	9 626	578	2 136	2 714	131	319	4 480	4 930	7 644	<b>17 270</b>
VALUE (\$m)										
<b>2014-15</b>	33 458.5	1 728.2	4 582.1	6 310.3	1 009.4	1 517.2	18 521.1	21 047.8	27 358.1	<b>60 816.6</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	35 119.1	1 773.3	5 997.0	7 770.3	824.3	1 522.2	22 251.1	24 597.5	32 367.8	<b>67 487.0</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	35 299.2	1 921.8	6 607.5	8 529.3	561.9	1 276.5	20 810.2	22 648.5	31 177.8	<b>66 477.0</b>
<b>2017</b>										
May	3 398.3	214.1	570.2	784.3	58.5	96.1	1 174.6	1 329.2	2 113.5	<b>5 511.8</b>
June	3 275.5	181.9	696.2	878.1	18.4	138.3	1 408.4	1 565.2	2 443.3	<b>5 718.8</b>
July	3 175.6	211.8	608.9	820.7	14.4	128.1	1 670.5	1 813.0	2 633.8	<b>5 809.3</b>
August	3 465.0	202.2	731.7	933.9	19.4	175.7	1 292.1	1 487.2	2 421.1	<b>5 886.1</b>
September	3 168.3	252.6	679.7	932.3	50.9	138.1	1 934.2	2 123.1	3 055.4	<b>6 223.7</b>
October	3 334.6	182.4	753.1	935.4	17.7	44.2	2 200.9	2 262.8	3 198.2	<b>6 532.8</b>
November	3 375.7	210.7	674.1	884.7	23.7	88.0	2 982.6	3 094.3	3 979.1	<b>7 354.8</b>
December	2 614.3	128.2	498.4	626.5	22.8	60.9	1 548.6	1 632.3	2 258.8	<b>4 873.1</b>
<b>2018</b>										
January	2 438.8	153.8	378.3	532.1	30.2	124.2	2 003.6	2 158.0	2 690.1	<b>5 128.8</b>
February	3 185.8	200.7	567.3	768.0	34.2	121.6	1 339.5	1 495.2	2 263.3	<b>5 449.0</b>
March	3 347.1	148.1	624.3	772.4	22.3	71.2	1 931.7	2 025.2	2 797.7	<b>6 144.8</b>
April	3 063.7	125.6	659.7	785.3	31.4	109.7	1 474.4	1 615.4	2 400.7	<b>5 464.4</b>

(a) Excludes dwellings in non-residential buildings.

Period	New residential building	Alterations and additions including conversions to residential buildings	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL					
<b>2014-15</b>	60 816.6	7 529.2	68 345.8	31 882.1	<b>100 227.9</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	67 487.0	7 920.1	75 407.0	37 079.9	<b>112 486.9</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	66 477.0	7 891.3	74 368.3	43 881.0	<b>118 249.3</b>
<b>2017</b>					
May	5 511.8	729.8	6 241.6	5 026.9	<b>11 268.5</b>
June	5 718.8	765.0	6 483.9	3 912.0	<b>10 395.8</b>
July	5 809.3	677.9	6 487.2	4 231.0	<b>10 718.2</b>
August	5 886.1	709.3	6 595.4	4 021.6	<b>10 616.9</b>
September	6 223.7	672.1	6 895.8	4 673.4	<b>11 569.2</b>
October	6 532.8	806.1	7 338.9	4 325.2	<b>11 664.1</b>
November	7 354.8	811.3	8 166.0	4 321.5	<b>12 487.5</b>
December	4 873.1	602.5	5 475.6	3 999.7	<b>9 475.4</b>
<b>2018</b>					
January	5 128.8	528.1	5 656.9	3 144.9	<b>8 801.8</b>
February	5 449.0	738.2	6 187.2	3 671.9	<b>9 859.2</b>
March	6 144.8	719.7	6 864.5	3 196.2	<b>10 060.7</b>
April	5 464.4	666.3	6 130.8	2 902.5	<b>9 033.3</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
<b>2017</b>					
May	5 275.0	663.1	5 938.1	4 298.8	<b>10 236.8</b>
June	5 744.3	705.2	6 449.5	3 991.0	<b>10 440.5</b>
July	5 571.4	670.7	6 242.1	4 234.4	<b>10 476.6</b>
August	5 685.9	664.9	6 350.8	3 878.6	<b>10 229.4</b>
September	5 706.3	629.9	6 336.2	4 535.9	<b>10 872.1</b>
October	5 974.2	774.3	6 748.6	4 305.5	<b>11 054.1</b>
November	7 116.9	755.4	7 872.2	4 046.6	<b>11 918.9</b>
December	5 180.5	735.2	5 915.7	3 958.2	<b>9 874.0</b>
<b>2018</b>					
January	6 239.6	720.4	6 960.0	3 149.0	<b>10 109.0</b>
February	5 960.1	742.4	6 702.5	3 861.9	<b>10 564.4</b>
March	6 097.3	694.0	6 791.2	3 655.6	<b>10 446.8</b>
April	5 807.1	691.6	6 498.7	3 508.7	<b>10 007.4</b>
TREND					
<b>2017</b>					
May	5 466.9	659.1	6 125.9	4 128.3	<b>10 254.2</b>
June	5 523.6	660.3	6 183.9	4 207.9	<b>10 391.7</b>
July	5 623.1	666.3	6 289.4	4 246.6	<b>10 535.9</b>
August	5 740.9	675.5	6 416.5	4 246.7	<b>10 663.2</b>
September	5 836.3	690.0	6 526.3	4 213.7	<b>10 740.0</b>
October	5 899.4	706.2	6 605.6	4 137.5	<b>10 743.1</b>
November	5 944.4	720.1	6 664.5	4 021.6	<b>10 686.1</b>
December	5 964.5	729.4	6 693.9	3 872.2	<b>10 566.1</b>
<b>2018</b>					
January	5 967.3	729.8	6 697.1	3 730.6	<b>10 427.7</b>
February	5 961.7	723.5	6 685.2	3 622.2	<b>10 307.4</b>
March	5 955.3	715.1	6 670.4	3 540.8	<b>10 211.2</b>
April	5 932.6	701.8	6 634.4	3 504.6	<b>10 139.0</b>



Period	New residential building	Alterations and additions including conversions to residential buildings	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL					
<b>2014-15</b>	17.4	9.4	16.5	-13.8	<b>4.8</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	11.0	5.2	10.3	16.3	<b>12.2</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	-1.5	-0.4	-1.4	18.3	<b>5.1</b>
<b>2017</b>					
May	8.3	37.6	11.0	37.2	<b>21.4</b>
June	3.8	4.8	3.9	-22.2	<b>-7.7</b>
July	1.6	-11.4	0.1	8.2	<b>3.1</b>
August	1.3	4.6	1.7	-5.0	<b>-0.9</b>
September	5.7	-5.2	4.6	16.2	<b>9.0</b>
October	5.0	19.9	6.4	-7.5	<b>0.8</b>
November	12.6	0.6	11.3	-0.1	<b>7.1</b>
December	-33.7	-25.7	-32.9	-7.4	<b>-24.1</b>
<b>2018</b>					
January	5.2	-12.4	3.3	-21.4	<b>-7.1</b>
February	6.2	39.8	9.4	16.8	<b>12.0</b>
March	12.8	-2.5	10.9	-13.0	<b>2.0</b>
April	-11.1	-7.4	-10.7	-9.2	<b>-10.2</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
<b>2017</b>					
May	-5.0	11.2	-3.4	-1.5	<b>-2.6</b>
June	8.9	6.3	8.6	-7.2	<b>2.0</b>
July	-3.0	-4.9	-3.2	6.1	<b>0.3</b>
August	2.1	-0.9	1.7	-8.4	<b>-2.4</b>
September	0.4	-5.3	-0.2	16.9	<b>6.3</b>
October	4.7	22.9	6.5	-5.1	<b>1.7</b>
November	19.1	-2.4	16.7	-6.0	<b>7.8</b>
December	-27.2	-2.7	-24.9	-2.2	<b>-17.2</b>
<b>2018</b>					
January	20.4	-2.0	17.7	-20.4	<b>2.4</b>
February	-4.5	3.1	-3.7	22.6	<b>4.5</b>
March	2.3	-6.5	1.3	-5.3	<b>-1.1</b>
April	-4.8	-0.3	-4.3	-4.0	<b>-4.2</b>
TREND					
<b>2017</b>					
May	—	-0.2	—	3.8	<b>1.5</b>
June	1.0	0.2	0.9	1.9	<b>1.3</b>
July	1.8	0.9	1.7	0.9	<b>1.4</b>
August	2.1	1.4	2.0	—	<b>1.2</b>
September	1.7	2.1	1.7	-0.8	<b>0.7</b>
October	1.1	2.3	1.2	-1.8	<b>—</b>
November	0.8	2.0	0.9	-2.8	<b>-0.5</b>
December	0.3	1.3	0.4	-3.7	<b>-1.1</b>
<b>2018</b>					
January	—	0.1	—	-3.7	<b>-1.3</b>
February	-0.1	-0.9	-0.2	-2.9	<b>-1.2</b>
March	-0.1	-1.2	-0.2	-2.2	<b>-0.9</b>
April	-0.4	-1.9	-0.5	-1.0	<b>-0.7</b>

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## VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014-15</b>	29 115.5	29 264.4	19 147.7	4 348.8	13 641.7	1 248.3	1 529.5	1 932.0	<b>100 227.9</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	35 940.1	31 456.8	22 656.5	5 445.7	11 842.6	1 282.3	1 304.8	2 558.0	<b>112 486.9</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	39 599.6	35 435.7	22 139.5	5 604.8	10 814.6	1 168.2	976.0	2 510.9	<b>118 249.3</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	3 318.0	3 087.1	2 757.4	659.8	933.2	93.6	102.7	316.7	<b>11 268.5</b>
June	3 351.4	3 199.4	1 881.6	463.1	938.7	111.0	77.2	373.4	<b>10 395.8</b>
July	4 241.0	3 432.5	1 582.6	374.0	773.8	72.0	62.8	179.5	<b>10 718.2</b>
August	3 109.5	3 377.9	1 995.3	749.1	896.1	133.1	69.7	286.2	<b>10 616.9</b>
September	3 699.0	3 781.6	1 903.3	473.4	982.0	98.3	100.9	530.7	<b>11 569.2</b>
October	3 858.6	3 889.4	1 779.7	995.9	868.2	113.5	68.8	90.1	<b>11 664.1</b>
November	3 638.4	4 945.2	1 923.9	749.8	884.9	128.0	42.1	175.1	<b>12 487.5</b>
December	3 152.8	3 130.0	1 457.4	362.7	1 177.2	96.4	34.7	64.2	<b>9 475.4</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	3 203.2	2 881.5	1 277.2	527.2	654.2	94.0	62.9	101.7	<b>8 801.8</b>
February	3 147.6	3 446.1	1 621.0	519.2	818.6	108.2	60.4	138.1	<b>9 859.2</b>
March	2 724.2	3 493.2	1 907.5	393.6	591.8	296.5	114.5	539.4	<b>10 060.7</b>
April	2 646.8	2 836.4	2 037.8	468.2	723.6	105.5	108.1	106.9	<b>9 033.3</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	3 155.0	2 969.5	2 686.0	616.4	860.8	na	na	na	<b>10 236.8</b>
June	3 367.4	3 234.8	1 704.0	488.7	960.1	na	na	na	<b>10 440.5</b>
July	3 722.2	3 319.7	1 641.3	389.4	769.1	na	na	na	<b>10 476.6</b>
August	3 211.8	3 224.9	1 788.7	644.9	822.6	na	na	na	<b>10 229.4</b>
September	3 353.2	3 567.6	1 700.3	492.4	956.2	na	na	na	<b>10 872.1</b>
October	3 704.6	3 715.1	1 686.2	878.7	875.4	na	na	na	<b>11 054.1</b>
November	3 452.6	4 727.4	1 851.5	541.1	787.7	na	na	na	<b>11 918.9</b>
December	3 161.9	3 330.3	1 812.7	437.0	1 033.5	na	na	na	<b>9 874.0</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	3 525.6	3 446.0	1 685.3	546.6	770.5	na	na	na	<b>10 109.0</b>
February	3 601.6	3 261.8	1 723.3	605.5	935.9	na	na	na	<b>10 564.4</b>
March	2 859.2	3 548.7	1 888.2	419.7	636.5	na	na	na	<b>10 446.8</b>
April	2 907.1	3 246.6	2 050.8	475.4	818.6	na	na	na	<b>10 007.4</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	3 444.6	3 077.1	1 881.4	473.6	868.1	na	na	na	<b>10 254.2</b>
June	3 448.5	3 168.0	1 853.5	506.0	864.9	na	na	na	<b>10 391.7</b>
July	3 436.6	3 299.8	1 805.9	546.5	864.0	na	na	na	<b>10 535.9</b>
August	3 431.2	3 447.1	1 761.6	575.8	865.1	na	na	na	<b>10 663.2</b>
September	3 440.1	3 574.4	1 734.0	596.3	874.0	na	na	na	<b>10 740.0</b>
October	3 455.7	3 650.1	1 721.0	606.1	883.6	na	na	na	<b>10 743.1</b>
November	3 453.0	3 660.6	1 737.8	598.2	886.1	na	na	na	<b>10 686.1</b>
December	3 416.3	3 604.6	1 761.5	571.8	875.9	na	na	na	<b>10 566.1</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	3 352.9	3 516.5	1 784.6	536.1	852.2	na	na	na	<b>10 427.7</b>
February	3 259.2	3 426.6	1 820.6	506.9	824.0	na	na	na	<b>10 307.4</b>
March	3 150.6	3 350.1	1 866.1	485.3	795.8	na	na	na	<b>10 211.2</b>
April	3 036.1	3 285.7	1 911.9	454.7	776.3	na	na	na	<b>10 139.0</b>

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<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014–15</b>	0.5	13.3	9.3	0.5	-4.7	-2.9	11.3	-4.3	<b>4.8</b>
<b>2015–16</b>	23.4	7.5	18.3	25.2	-13.2	2.7	-14.7	32.4	<b>12.2</b>
<b>2016–17</b>	10.2	12.6	-2.3	2.9	-8.7	-8.9	-25.2	-1.8	<b>5.1</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	1.7	13.7	52.6	49.4	24.0	14.9	39.6	110.2	<b>21.4</b>
June	1.0	3.6	-31.8	-29.8	0.6	18.6	-24.8	17.9	<b>-7.7</b>
July	26.5	7.3	-15.9	-19.2	-17.6	-35.1	-18.6	-51.9	<b>3.1</b>
August	-26.7	-1.6	26.1	100.3	15.8	84.9	10.9	59.4	<b>-0.9</b>
September	19.0	12.0	-4.6	-36.8	9.6	-26.2	44.9	85.5	<b>9.0</b>
October	4.3	2.9	-6.5	110.4	-11.6	15.5	-31.9	-83.0	<b>0.8</b>
November	-5.7	27.1	8.1	-24.7	1.9	12.8	-38.7	94.3	<b>7.1</b>
December	-13.3	-36.7	-24.2	-51.6	33.0	-24.7	-17.6	-63.4	<b>-24.1</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	1.6	-7.9	-12.4	45.4	-44.4	-2.5	81.1	58.6	<b>-7.1</b>
February	-1.7	19.6	26.9	-1.5	25.1	15.1	-3.9	35.7	<b>12.0</b>
March	-13.5	1.4	17.7	-24.2	-27.7	174.0	89.4	290.7	<b>2.0</b>
April	-2.8	-18.8	6.8	19.0	22.3	-64.4	-5.5	-80.2	<b>-10.2</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	-14.2	-8.7	49.3	32.1	-2.4	na	na	na	<b>-2.6</b>
June	6.7	8.9	-36.6	-20.7	11.5	na	na	na	<b>2.0</b>
July	10.5	2.6	-3.7	-20.3	-19.9	na	na	na	<b>0.3</b>
August	-13.7	-2.9	9.0	65.6	7.0	na	na	na	<b>-2.4</b>
September	4.4	10.6	-4.9	-23.7	16.2	na	na	na	<b>6.3</b>
October	10.5	4.1	-0.8	78.5	-8.5	na	na	na	<b>1.7</b>
November	-6.8	27.2	9.8	-38.4	-10.0	na	na	na	<b>7.8</b>
December	-8.4	-29.6	-2.1	-19.3	31.2	na	na	na	<b>-17.2</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	11.5	3.5	-7.0	25.1	-25.4	na	na	na	<b>2.4</b>
February	2.2	-5.3	2.3	10.8	21.5	na	na	na	<b>4.5</b>
March	-20.6	8.8	9.6	-30.7	-32.0	na	na	na	<b>-1.1</b>
April	1.7	-8.5	8.6	13.3	28.6	na	na	na	<b>-4.2</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	1.3	1.2	1.5	2.1	-0.7	na	na	na	<b>1.5</b>
June	0.1	3.0	-1.5	6.8	-0.4	na	na	na	<b>1.3</b>
July	-0.3	4.2	-2.6	8.0	-0.1	na	na	na	<b>1.4</b>
August	-0.2	4.5	-2.5	5.4	0.1	na	na	na	<b>1.2</b>
September	0.3	3.7	-1.6	3.6	1.0	na	na	na	<b>0.7</b>
October	0.5	2.1	-0.8	1.6	1.1	na	na	na	<b>—</b>
November	-0.1	0.3	1.0	-1.3	0.3	na	na	na	<b>-0.5</b>
December	-1.1	-1.5	1.4	-4.4	-1.2	na	na	na	<b>-1.1</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	-1.9	-2.4	1.3	-6.2	-2.7	na	na	na	<b>-1.3</b>
February	-2.8	-2.6	2.0	-5.5	-3.3	na	na	na	<b>-1.2</b>
March	-3.3	-2.2	2.5	-4.2	-3.4	na	na	na	<b>-0.9</b>
April	-3.6	-1.9	2.5	-6.3	-2.5	na	na	na	<b>-0.7</b>

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	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<b><i>Aust.</i></b>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014-15</b>	19 737.9	20 524.5	13 074.9	2 883.3	9 469.6	769.6	645.6	1 240.5	<b>68 345.8</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	24 644.8	22 250.5	15 228.6	3 251.9	7 282.3	722.0	632.6	1 394.3	<b>75 407.0</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	25 277.5	22 975.4	13 993.3	3 158.2	6 250.6	681.8	409.2	1 622.5	<b>74 368.3</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	1 853.3	1 972.1	1 275.4	417.6	509.7	73.9	30.3	109.4	<b>6 241.6</b>
June	2 229.5	1 832.0	1 295.5	280.2	590.3	67.8	29.9	158.6	<b>6 483.9</b>
July	2 451.4	1 978.7	1 087.9	274.6	486.1	45.8	27.4	135.3	<b>6 487.2</b>
August	2 110.7	2 043.3	1 373.5	281.8	483.9	74.0	35.6	192.6	<b>6 595.4</b>
September	2 672.0	1 919.0	1 106.4	371.8	545.4	75.9	58.3	146.9	<b>6 895.8</b>
October	2 670.4	2 580.2	1 080.1	342.8	501.3	71.0	27.2	65.9	<b>7 338.9</b>
November	2 161.3	3 660.8	1 267.2	304.6	594.9	87.8	22.7	66.8	<b>8 166.0</b>
December	1 736.2	1 897.8	985.8	227.1	493.2	67.4	15.3	52.8	<b>5 475.6</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	1 872.2	2 065.8	928.5	228.1	424.0	61.3	26.7	50.2	<b>5 656.9</b>
February	2 057.8	2 205.8	1 093.9	240.4	380.8	64.3	31.4	112.8	<b>6 187.2</b>
March	2 149.1	2 415.5	1 165.3	280.5	364.4	65.8	29.4	394.5	<b>6 864.5</b>
April	1 903.6	2 148.1	1 189.4	279.2	434.8	64.7	24.4	86.6	<b>6 130.8</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	1 839.4	1 832.6	1 230.3	369.3	481.1	na	na	na	<b>5 938.1</b>
June	2 262.2	1 924.8	1 136.2	275.6	615.5	na	na	na	<b>6 449.5</b>
July	2 203.8	1 957.7	1 121.9	283.1	482.4	na	na	na	<b>6 242.1</b>
August	2 191.5	1 930.2	1 254.1	273.6	477.4	na	na	na	<b>6 350.8</b>
September	2 302.6	1 925.4	999.2	348.7	518.0	na	na	na	<b>6 336.2</b>
October	2 403.3	2 321.3	1 060.1	298.7	487.9	na	na	na	<b>6 748.6</b>
November	2 210.6	3 500.3	1 225.5	275.2	486.6	na	na	na	<b>7 872.2</b>
December	1 661.4	2 043.3	1 238.8	277.8	516.1	na	na	na	<b>5 915.7</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	2 290.0	2 508.9	1 184.0	264.0	506.3	na	na	na	<b>6 960.0</b>
February	2 350.7	2 215.0	1 222.4	290.9	404.9	na	na	na	<b>6 702.5</b>
March	2 165.4	2 418.8	1 105.8	268.6	367.8	na	na	na	<b>6 791.2</b>
April	2 070.1	2 300.8	1 156.0	280.5	486.2	na	na	na	<b>6 498.7</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	2 113.3	1 826.5	1 185.2	289.0	500.3	na	na	na	<b>6 125.9</b>
June	2 150.5	1 840.4	1 170.8	298.9	509.4	na	na	na	<b>6 183.9</b>
July	2 194.6	1 916.3	1 148.1	304.0	512.0	na	na	na	<b>6 289.4</b>
August	2 228.3	2 033.2	1 129.9	303.8	510.4	na	na	na	<b>6 416.5</b>
September	2 229.8	2 161.2	1 127.7	299.6	508.0	na	na	na	<b>6 526.3</b>
October	2 201.2	2 279.0	1 138.6	294.1	501.7	na	na	na	<b>6 605.6</b>
November	2 167.5	2 362.9	1 160.6	289.1	492.4	na	na	na	<b>6 664.5</b>
December	2 144.6	2 399.4	1 179.0	283.3	481.3	na	na	na	<b>6 693.9</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	2 141.1	2 394.8	1 187.8	277.5	465.8	na	na	na	<b>6 697.1</b>
February	2 147.4	2 370.3	1 186.4	274.6	449.2	na	na	na	<b>6 685.2</b>
March	2 154.1	2 345.6	1 180.2	273.0	435.4	na	na	na	<b>6 670.4</b>
April	2 159.2	2 304.7	1 163.6	275.5	427.1	na	na	na	<b>6 634.4</b>

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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ORIGINAL									
<b>2014-15</b>	9 377.7	8 739.9	6 072.9	1 465.5	4 172.1	478.7	883.9	691.5	<b>31 882.1</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	11 295.3	9 206.3	7 427.8	2 193.8	4 560.4	560.4	672.1	1 163.7	<b>37 079.9</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	14 322.1	12 460.3	8 146.3	2 446.6	4 564.0	486.5	566.9	888.4	<b>43 881.0</b>
<b>2017</b>									
May	1 464.7	1 115.0	1 482.0	242.2	423.6	19.7	72.4	207.3	<b>5 026.9</b>
June	1 121.9	1 367.4	586.1	182.9	348.4	43.2	47.3	214.9	<b>3 912.0</b>
July	1 789.6	1 453.8	494.7	99.4	287.7	26.2	35.4	44.2	<b>4 231.0</b>
August	998.8	1 334.6	621.8	467.4	412.2	59.1	34.1	93.6	<b>4 021.6</b>
September	1 026.9	1 862.6	797.0	101.6	436.5	22.3	42.6	383.8	<b>4 673.4</b>
October	1 188.1	1 309.2	699.7	653.1	366.9	42.5	41.6	24.2	<b>4 325.2</b>
November	1 477.2	1 284.4	656.8	445.2	290.0	40.2	19.4	108.3	<b>4 321.5</b>
December	1 416.6	1 232.2	471.6	135.6	684.0	29.0	19.5	11.4	<b>3 999.7</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	1 331.0	815.7	348.7	299.1	230.2	32.7	36.2	51.5	<b>3 144.9</b>
February	1 089.8	1 240.3	527.0	278.8	437.7	43.9	29.0	25.3	<b>3 671.9</b>
March	575.1	1 077.7	742.2	113.1	227.5	230.7	85.1	144.9	<b>3 196.2</b>
April	743.2	688.3	848.4	189.0	288.7	40.8	83.8	20.3	<b>2 902.5</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>2017</b>									
May	1 315.5	1 136.9	1 455.7	247.0	379.7	na	na	na	<b>4 298.8</b>
June	1 105.2	1 310.0	567.8	213.1	344.6	na	na	na	<b>3 991.0</b>
July	1 518.3	1 362.0	519.4	106.4	286.7	na	na	na	<b>4 234.4</b>
August	1 020.3	1 294.7	534.5	371.3	345.3	na	na	na	<b>3 878.6</b>
September	1 050.7	1 642.2	701.1	143.7	438.1	na	na	na	<b>4 535.9</b>
October	1 301.3	1 393.9	626.0	580.0	387.4	na	na	na	<b>4 305.5</b>
November	1 242.1	1 227.0	625.9	266.0	301.1	na	na	na	<b>4 046.6</b>
December	1 500.5	1 287.0	573.9	159.1	517.4	na	na	na	<b>3 958.2</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	1 235.6	937.2	501.3	282.6	264.3	na	na	na	<b>3 149.0</b>
February	1 250.8	1 046.8	500.8	314.6	531.0	na	na	na	<b>3 861.9</b>
March	693.9	1 129.9	782.4	151.1	268.7	na	na	na	<b>3 655.6</b>
April	837.0	945.9	894.9	194.9	332.5	na	na	na	<b>3 508.7</b>
TREND									
<b>2017</b>									
May	1 331.2	1 250.6	696.2	184.6	367.8	na	na	na	<b>4 128.3</b>
June	1 298.1	1 327.6	682.7	207.2	355.4	na	na	na	<b>4 207.9</b>
July	1 242.0	1 383.4	657.8	242.5	352.0	na	na	na	<b>4 246.6</b>
August	1 202.9	1 413.9	631.7	272.0	354.8	na	na	na	<b>4 246.7</b>
September	1 210.3	1 413.2	606.3	296.8	365.9	na	na	na	<b>4 213.7</b>
October	1 254.5	1 371.1	582.4	312.0	381.9	na	na	na	<b>4 137.5</b>
November	1 285.6	1 297.7	577.1	309.1	393.7	na	na	na	<b>4 021.6</b>
December	1 271.7	1 205.1	582.4	288.4	394.6	na	na	na	<b>3 872.2</b>
<b>2018</b>									
January	1 211.8	1 121.7	596.8	258.6	386.4	na	na	na	<b>3 730.6</b>
February	1 111.8	1 056.3	634.2	232.3	374.7	na	na	na	<b>3 622.2</b>
March	996.4	1 004.5	685.8	212.4	360.4	na	na	na	<b>3 540.8</b>
April	876.9	981.1	748.4	179.2	349.2	na	na	na	<b>3 504.6</b>

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## VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, By sector: Original

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential</i>	<i>Alterations and additions creating dwellings</i>	<i>Alterations and additions not creating dwellings</i>	<i>Conversions</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
<i>Period</i>	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
PRIVATE SECTOR								
<b>2014-15</b>	32 971.8	26 937.4	212.4	6 910.8	272.6	67 305.0	25 106.6	<b>92 411.6</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	34 722.8	31 837.6	313.0	7 181.9	295.5	74 350.9	27 304.5	<b>101 655.3</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	34 822.2	30 901.7	215.7	7 312.3	171.7	73 423.7	33 935.4	<b>107 359.1</b>
<b>2017</b>								
May	3 342.8	2 106.8	4.1	696.8	4.1	6 154.5	3 803.4	<b>9 957.9</b>
June	3 206.4	2 431.9	53.0	697.9	5.9	6 395.1	3 252.6	<b>9 647.7</b>
July	3 141.7	2 553.5	5.5	658.6	4.6	6 363.8	3 215.4	<b>9 579.3</b>
August	3 431.6	2 396.0	5.0	696.2	1.9	6 530.7	2 871.2	<b>9 401.9</b>
September	3 130.6	3 024.4	12.3	641.0	3.9	6 812.2	3 578.9	<b>10 391.1</b>
October	3 292.7	3 126.3	68.5	723.4	1.3	7 212.1	3 367.7	<b>10 579.8</b>
November	3 347.2	3 966.8	21.3	755.3	9.6	8 100.3	3 251.4	<b>11 351.7</b>
December	2 572.7	2 240.0	36.8	533.6	10.3	5 393.4	2 606.7	<b>8 000.1</b>
<b>2018</b>								
January	2 415.0	2 655.0	7.8	498.3	1.7	5 577.7	2 080.3	<b>7 658.0</b>
February	3 149.8	2 216.9	16.3	687.1	3.8	6 074.0	2 415.7	<b>8 489.7</b>
March	3 325.2	2 793.9	5.8	689.9	5.0	6 819.8	2 310.2	<b>9 130.0</b>
April	3 011.4	2 400.7	2.2	643.3	0.6	6 058.2	1 765.7	<b>7 823.9</b>
PUBLIC SECTOR								
<b>2014-15</b>	486.7	420.7	7.5	123.8	2.1	1 040.8	6 775.5	<b>7 816.3</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	396.4	530.2	0.4	128.8	0.5	1 056.2	9 775.4	<b>10 831.6</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	477.0	276.1	0.2	191.1	0.2	944.6	9 945.7	<b>10 890.3</b>
<b>2017</b>								
May	55.5	6.8	—	24.9	—	87.1	1 223.5	<b>1 310.6</b>
June	69.2	11.4	0.2	8.0	—	88.8	659.3	<b>748.1</b>
July	33.9	80.3	0.4	6.1	2.7	123.4	1 015.6	<b>1 139.0</b>
August	33.4	25.0	—	6.2	—	64.7	1 150.3	<b>1 215.0</b>
September	37.6	31.0	—	14.9	—	83.5	1 094.6	<b>1 178.1</b>
October	41.8	72.0	0.1	12.9	—	126.8	957.5	<b>1 084.3</b>
November	28.4	12.3	0.1	24.9	—	65.7	1 070.1	<b>1 135.8</b>
December	41.6	18.8	—	21.8	—	82.2	1 393.1	<b>1 475.3</b>
<b>2018</b>								
January	23.8	35.1	—	20.3	—	79.2	1 064.6	<b>1 143.8</b>
February	36.0	46.3	—	30.9	—	113.2	1 256.2	<b>1 369.5</b>
March	21.9	3.7	—	19.0	—	44.7	886.1	<b>930.8</b>
April	52.4	—	—	20.2	—	72.6	1 136.8	<b>1 209.4</b>
TOTAL								
<b>2014-15</b>	33 458.5	27 358.1	219.9	7 034.7	274.7	68 345.8	31 882.1	<b>100 227.9</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	35 119.1	32 367.8	313.3	7 310.7	296.0	75 407.0	37 079.9	<b>112 486.9</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	35 299.2	31 177.8	215.9	7 503.4	171.9	74 368.3	43 881.0	<b>118 249.3</b>
<b>2017</b>								
May	3 398.3	2 113.5	4.1	721.7	4.1	6 241.6	5 026.9	<b>11 268.5</b>
June	3 275.5	2 443.3	53.2	705.9	5.9	6 483.9	3 912.0	<b>10 395.8</b>
July	3 175.6	2 633.8	5.9	664.7	7.3	6 487.2	4 231.0	<b>10 718.2</b>
August	3 465.0	2 421.1	5.0	702.4	1.9	6 595.4	4 021.6	<b>10 616.9</b>
September	3 168.3	3 055.4	12.3	655.9	3.9	6 895.8	4 673.4	<b>11 569.2</b>
October	3 334.6	3 198.2	68.6	736.3	1.3	7 338.9	4 325.2	<b>11 664.1</b>
November	3 375.7	3 979.1	21.4	780.2	9.6	8 166.0	4 321.5	<b>12 487.5</b>
December	2 614.3	2 258.8	36.8	555.4	10.3	5 475.6	3 999.7	<b>9 475.4</b>
<b>2018</b>								
January	2 438.8	2 690.1	7.8	518.6	1.7	5 656.9	3 144.9	<b>8 801.8</b>
February	3 185.8	2 263.3	16.3	718.0	3.8	6 187.2	3 671.9	<b>9 859.2</b>
March	3 347.1	2 797.7	5.8	708.9	5.0	6 864.5	3 196.2	<b>10 060.7</b>
April	3 063.7	2 400.7	2.2	663.6	0.6	6 130.8	2 902.5	<b>9 033.3</b>

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

<i>Period</i>	<i>New houses</i>	<i>New other residential building</i>	<i>New residential building</i>	<i>Alterations and additions including conversions to residential buildings</i>	<i>Total residential building</i>	<i>Non-residential building</i>	<i>Total building</i>
ORIGINAL (\$m)							
<b>2014-15</b>	34 459.3	28 049.4	62 500.0	7 784.5	70 282.0	32 389.8	<b>102 654.1</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	35 119.1	32 367.8	67 487.0	7 920.1	75 407.0	37 079.9	<b>112 486.9</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	34 391.1	30 487.4	64 878.5	7 668.7	72 547.3	43 050.5	<b>115 597.7</b>
<b>2016</b>							
December Qtr	8 471.7	6 560.3	15 032.0	1 940.4	16 972.4	9 173.3	<b>26 145.8</b>
<b>2017</b>							
March Qtr	7 955.8	7 195.1	15 151.0	1 821.3	16 972.3	9 360.1	<b>26 332.3</b>
June Qtr	8 756.0	6 919.7	15 675.7	1 937.1	17 612.8	12 226.0	<b>29 838.9</b>
September Qtr	9 319.7	7 791.4	17 111.2	1 950.3	19 061.5	12 570.2	<b>31 631.7</b>
December Qtr	8 772.4	9 177.4	17 949.9	2 084.1	20 033.9	12 252.2	<b>32 286.2</b>
<b>2018</b>							
March Qtr	8 364.7	7 452.2	15 817.0	1 847.0	17 663.9	9 657.7	<b>27 321.7</b>
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$m)							
<b>2016</b>							
December Qtr	8 587.9	5 858.4	14 446.4	1 951.4	16 397.7	8 943.4	<b>25 341.2</b>
<b>2017</b>							
March Qtr	8 505.1	7 940.2	16 445.3	1 973.7	18 419.1	9 883.3	<b>28 302.4</b>
June Qtr	8 654.9	7 180.5	15 835.4	1 867.8	17 703.2	12 256.7	<b>29 959.9</b>
September Qtr	8 749.8	7 563.1	16 312.9	1 871.8	18 184.7	12 244.8	<b>30 429.6</b>
December Qtr	8 889.0	8 236.3	17 125.4	2 094.1	19 219.5	11 934.9	<b>31 154.4</b>
<b>2018</b>							
March Qtr	9 083.2	8 219.1	17 302.2	2 005.8	19 308.1	10 422.1	<b>29 730.2</b>
TREND (\$m)							
<b>2016</b>							
December Qtr	8 565.6	7 494.8	16 060.4	1 946.9	18 007.2	10 139.6	<b>28 147.1</b>
<b>2017</b>							
March Qtr	8 557.3	7 148.4	15 705.9	1 909.0	17 614.9	10 455.1	<b>28 069.8</b>
June Qtr	8 624.2	7 302.6	15 926.8	1 909.7	17 836.5	11 467.4	<b>29 303.9</b>
September Qtr	8 756.6	7 744.1	16 494.9	1 936.4	18 431.2	12 114.2	<b>30 549.2</b>
December Qtr	8 906.2	7 981.0	16 886.1	1 995.2	18 881.1	11 717.6	<b>30 600.8</b>
<b>2018</b>							
March Qtr	9 049.0	8 306.0	17 405.0	2 053.6	19 462.6	11 004.2	<b>30 350.6</b>
TREND (% change from previous quarter)							
<b>2016</b>							
December Qtr	-1.2	-7.6	-4.3	-1.4	-4.0	-1.2	<b>-3.0</b>
<b>2017</b>							
March Qtr	-0.1	-4.6	-2.2	-2.0	-2.2	3.1	<b>-0.3</b>
June Qtr	0.8	2.2	1.4	—	1.3	9.7	<b>4.4</b>
September Qtr	1.5	6.0	3.6	1.4	3.3	5.6	<b>4.2</b>
December Qtr	1.7	3.1	2.4	3.0	2.4	-3.3	<b>0.2</b>
<b>2018</b>							
March Qtr	1.6	4.1	3.1	2.9	3.1	-6.1	<b>-0.8</b>

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(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2015-16.

VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, States and territories—Chain volume measures(a):  
Original

<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>Aust.</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
<b>2014-15</b>	20 550.0	20 980.7	13 543.3	2 925.4	9 458.3	811.9	646.5	1 255.3	<b>70 282.0</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	24 644.8	22 250.5	15 228.6	3 251.9	7 282.3	722.0	632.6	1 394.3	<b>75 407.0</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	24 482.0	22 558.7	13 392.7	3 124.1	6 327.9	666.8	409.7	1 585.2	<b>72 547.3</b>
<b>2016</b>									
December Qtr	5 519.1	5 525.7	2 799.9	781.8	1 705.0	160.5	117.8	362.7	<b>16 972.4</b>
<b>2017</b>									
March Qtr	5 466.5	5 591.9	3 303.5	664.6	1 368.6	161.8	81.2	334.1	<b>16 972.3</b>
June Qtr	5 734.0	5 209.4	3 586.4	934.3	1 511.9	190.9	96.3	349.6	<b>17 612.8</b>
September Qtr	6 803.4	5 671.5	3 366.0	911.7	1 543.3	189.2	121.2	455.1	<b>19 061.5</b>
December Qtr	6 144.2	7 848.8	3 111.0	850.6	1 620.9	217.1	64.8	176.5	<b>20 033.9</b>
<b>2018</b>									
March Qtr	5 622.5	6 358.9	2 953.4	717.3	1 214.1	184.2	87.0	526.4	<b>17 663.9</b>
NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING									
<b>2014-15</b>	9 660.9	8 728.9	6 278.8	1 469.4	4 160.9	490.5	876.4	701.6	<b>32 389.8</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	11 295.3	9 206.3	7 427.8	2 193.8	4 560.4	560.4	672.1	1 163.7	<b>37 079.9</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	13 808.2	12 587.1	7 749.4	2 414.4	4 583.4	466.2	577.9	863.8	<b>43 050.5</b>
<b>2016</b>									
December Qtr	2 180.7	2 574.8	2 061.1	780.7	1 207.1	103.5	129.1	136.4	<b>9 173.3</b>
<b>2017</b>									
March Qtr	3 233.0	2 731.6	1 503.6	445.0	1 032.2	157.3	85.4	171.9	<b>9 360.1</b>
June Qtr	3 667.1	3 648.6	2 457.1	607.0	1 140.3	83.8	158.2	463.9	<b>12 226.0</b>
September Qtr	3 567.2	4 700.7	1 788.6	655.1	1 146.9	99.8	112.8	499.0	<b>12 570.2</b>
December Qtr	3 799.8	3 866.7	1 710.2	1 202.5	1 353.2	102.3	80.8	136.7	<b>12 252.2</b>
<b>2018</b>									
March Qtr	2 774.3	3 157.8	1 511.0	668.4	905.4	280.5	150.9	209.4	<b>9 657.7</b>
TOTAL BUILDING									
<b>2014-15</b>	30 212.6	29 710.4	19 821.6	4 391.3	13 617.6	1 300.1	1 523.8	1 957.3	<b>102 654.1</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	35 940.1	31 456.8	22 656.5	5 445.7	11 842.6	1 282.3	1 304.8	2 558.0	<b>112 486.9</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	38 290.3	35 145.9	21 142.1	5 538.6	10 911.3	1 133.0	987.6	2 449.0	<b>115 597.7</b>
<b>2016</b>									
December Qtr	7 699.7	8 100.4	4 861.0	1 562.5	2 912.1	264.1	246.9	499.1	<b>26 145.8</b>
<b>2017</b>									
March Qtr	8 699.5	8 323.5	4 807.1	1 109.6	2 400.9	319.1	166.6	506.0	<b>26 332.3</b>
June Qtr	9 401.1	8 858.0	6 043.5	1 541.3	2 652.2	274.7	254.6	813.6	<b>29 838.9</b>
September Qtr	10 370.7	10 372.2	5 154.6	1 566.8	2 690.2	289.0	234.0	954.2	<b>31 631.7</b>
December Qtr	9 944.0	11 715.5	4 821.3	2 053.1	2 974.1	319.4	145.6	313.2	<b>32 286.2</b>
<b>2018</b>									
March Qtr	8 396.8	9 516.7	4 464.5	1 385.7	2 119.6	464.7	237.9	735.8	<b>27 321.7</b>

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2015-16.



## WHAT IF...? REVISIONS TO TREND ESTIMATES

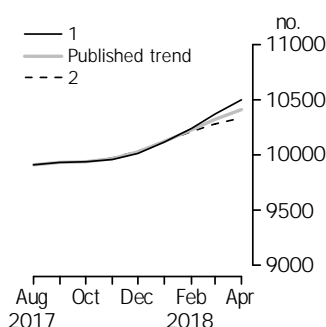
### EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

#### TREND REVISIONS

Recent seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are likely to be revised when original estimates for subsequent months become available. The approximate effect of possible scenarios on trend estimates are presented below. 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.

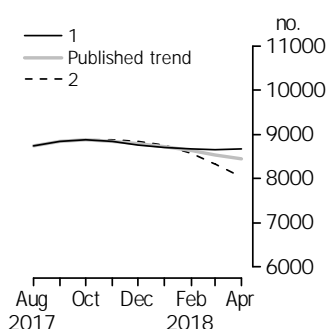
The graphs and tables which follow present the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates: that the May seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the April estimate by 2.5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 15.2% for private sector dwellings excluding houses approved; and that the May seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the April estimate by 2.5% for the number of private sector houses approved and 15.2% for private sector dwellings excluding houses approved. These percentages represent the average absolute monthly percentage change for these series over the last ten years.

#### APPROVED PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSES



	Trend as published		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:			
	no.	% change	(1) rises by 2.5% on Apr 2018		(2) falls by 2.5% on Apr 2018	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
<b>2017</b>						
November	9 967	0.2	9 960	0.2	9 971	0.3
December	10 029	0.6	10 017	0.6	10 037	0.7
<b>2018</b>						
January	10 121	0.9	10 115	1.0	10 125	0.9
February	10 223	1.0	10 238	1.2	10 211	0.9
March	10 323	1.0	10 370	1.3	10 283	0.7
April	10 412	0.9	10 497	1.2	10 333	0.5

#### APPROVED PRIVATE SECTOR DWELLINGS EXCLUDING HOUSES



	Trend as published		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE:			
	no.	% change	(1) rises by 15.2% on Apr 2018		(2) falls by 15.2% on Apr 2018	
	no.	% change	no.	% change	no.	% change
<b>2017</b>						
November	8 847	-0.3	8 838	-0.4	8 882	0.1
December	8 791	-0.6	8 766	-0.8	8 843	-0.4
<b>2018</b>						
January	8 725	-0.8	8 713	-0.6	8 751	-1.0
February	8 639	-1.0	8 673	-0.5	8 572	-2.1
March	8 543	-1.1	8 662	-0.1	8 327	-2.9
April	8 447	-1.1	8 674	0.1	8 043	-3.4

# EXPLANATORY NOTES

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## INTRODUCTION

1 This publication presents details of building work approved.

## SCOPE AND COVERAGE

2 Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:

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

3 The scope of the collection comprises the following:

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

4 Construction activity not defined as building (e.g. roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.) are excluded. Statistics for this activity can be found in Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8762.0).

5 The coverage of these statistics has changed over time:

- From July 1990, the statistics include all approved residential building valued at \$10,000 or more and all approved non-residential building valued at \$50,000 or more.
- From July 1988 to June 1990, the statistics include all approved residential building valued at \$10,000 or more and all approved non-residential building valued at \$30,000 or more.
- From July 1975 to June 1988, the statistics include all approved residential and non-residential building valued at \$10,000 or more.
- Up to June 1975, the statistics include all approved new building, and alterations and additions involving a structural change or floor area expansion.

## ROUNDING AND AGGREGATION

6 Estimates in this publication are rounded and this may result in discrepancies between the sums of component items and their totals. Rounding may also cause differences between the movements (e.g. percentage changes) shown in this publication and the movements calculated by users from unrounded data. Where a discrepancy occurs, the published movement will be more accurate.

7 In some series relating to the number of dwellings, there are discrepancies between the sums of component items (state/territory) and their totals (Australia). This affects data in some months from July 1983 to July 1985, where original unit record data is no longer available to correct the aggregation. Where a discrepancy occurs, the state/territory-level data will be more accurate.

## REVISIONS TO ORIGINAL DATA

8 The information provided to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and included in estimates for any month may be revised or corrected in later months. This can occur as a result of corrections made by a provider of data, the late provision of approval records and, occasionally, by approvals being identified after construction work has commenced. Where revisions or corrections are made to the original data for prior months, the aggregate impact on dwelling approval estimates are provided on page 2 under 'REVISIONS THIS MONTH'.

## VALUE DATA

9 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 building approval authorities. Conceptually these value data should exclude the value of land and landscaping but include site preparation costs associated with building activity. These estimates are

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### VALUE DATA *continued*

usually a reliable indicator of the completed value of 'houses'. However, for other buildings they can differ significantly from the completed value of the building as final costs and contracts have often not been established before council approval is sought and gained.

**10** 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 data providers do not use the value on approval documents, instead deriving a value based on floor area and type of structure.

**11** From July 2000, value data includes the Goods and Services Tax (GST) for residential and non-residential building approvals.

### BUILDING JOB DATA

**12** In these statistics a 'building job' is a construction project comprising work to one or more buildings. Building jobs data are based on the building approval records within the scope of the collection received each month.

### OWNERSHIP

**13** Building ownership is classified as either public or private sector and is based on the sector of the 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.

### BUILDING CLASSIFICATIONS

**14** Building approvals are classified by Type of Building (e.g. 'residential', 'non-residential') and by Type of Work.

**15** Type of Building is the building's intended predominant function according to the ABS Functional Classification of Buildings 1999 (Revision 2011) (cat. no. 1268.0.55.001).

- Except where specified in the Functional Classification of Buildings, a building which is ancillary to other buildings, or forms a part of a group of related buildings, is classified to the function of the building and not to the function of the group as a whole. For example, in the case of a factory complex, a detached administration building would be classified to Offices, a detached cafeteria building to Retail/wholesale trade, while factory buildings would be classified to Factories. An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings where, for example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to Educational.
- For a significant 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. Where this is not possible because separate details cannot be obtained, the building is classified to the predominant function of the building.

**16** Type of Work consists of 'new', 'alterations and additions', and 'conversions'. Conversions are 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 January 1998 issue. Prior to that issue, conversions were published as part of the 'Conversions, etc.' category or included elsewhere within a table.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT AND TREND ESTIMATES

**17** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of seasonal and calendar related variation from a series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised. It does not remove the effect of irregular or other influences (e.g. the approval of large projects or a change in the administrative arrangements of approving authorities).

**18** State/territory series are seasonally adjusted independently of the Australian series. In general, the sum of the state/territory estimates are reconciled to equal the Australian total estimates.

**19** Seasonally adjusted estimates are produced by a seasonal adjustment method which takes account of the latest available original estimates. A detailed review of seasonal factors is conducted annually, generally prior to the release of data for May. The timing of this review may vary and when appropriate will be notified in the 'Data Notes' section of this publication.

**20** The ABS produces trend estimates to best represent the underlying behaviour in a series. Trend estimates are created by smoothing seasonally adjusted series to reduce the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series. Abnormally high or low values (outliers) are discounted or excluded from the trend estimates.

**21** Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates may be revised as new periods of data become available. Generally, revisions become smaller over time. Revisions to original data may also lead to revisions to seasonally adjusted and trend estimates.

**22** Care should be exercised when using the seasonally adjusted value of non-residential building jobs at the state level, due to the difficulties in estimating the seasonal pattern for these data series.

**23** Further information on seasonally adjusted and trend estimates can be found in the ABS Information papers An Introductory Course on Time Series Analysis - Electronic Delivery, January 2005 (cat. no. 1346.0.55.001) and A Guide to Interpreting Time Series - Monitoring Trends, 2003 (cat. no. 1349.0).

### CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

**24** Chain volume estimates reflect changes in the volume of building work approved after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated. The chain volume measures appearing in this publication are annually reweighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year.

**25** Chain volume measures are released quarterly in the April, July, October and January issues. The reference year is updated annually in the October issue.

**26** Chain volume measures do not, in general, sum exactly to the extrapolated total value of the components. Further information on the nature and concepts of chain volume measures is contained in the ABS Information Paper Australian National Accounts, Introduction of Chain Volume Measures and Price Indexes, September 1997 (cat. no. 5248.0).

### GEOGRAPHIC CLASSIFICATION

**27** Building approvals are classified to the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS), 2016 Edition (cat. no. 1270.0.55.001), effective from July 2011. Data from July 2001 to June 2011 is classified according to the 2011 edition of the ASGS.

**28** From 1 July 2002, approvals in the Territories of Jervis Bay, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands are included in these statistics. Jervis Bay is included in New South Wales, while Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands are included in Western Australia. This differs to their treatment in the ASGS, where these Territories are included in 'Other Territories'.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### RELATED PUBLICATIONS

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

Building Activity, Australia (cat. No. 8752.0)  
Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary (cat. no. 8755.0)  
Engineering Construction Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8762.0)  
Residential Property Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities (cat. no. 6416.0)  
Housing Finance, Australia (cat. no. 5609.0)  
Producer Price Indexes, Australia (cat. no. 6427.0)  
Construction Activity: Chain Volume Measures, Australia (cat. no. 8782.0.65.001)

### ABS DATA AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

**30** 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 1300 135 070. The ABS Privacy Policy outlines how the ABS will handle any personal information that you provide to us.

### ABBREVIATIONS

\$m million dollars  
ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics  
ACT Australian Capital Territory  
ASGC Australian Standard Geographical Classification  
ASGS Australian Statistical Geography Standard  
Aust. Australia  
FYTD Financial Year to Date  
GST goods and services tax  
n.e.c. not elsewhere classified  
no. number  
NSW New South Wales  
NT Northern Territory  
Qld Queensland  
SA South Australia  
Tas. Tasmania  
Vic. Victoria  
WA Western Australia

## APPENDIX LIST OF ELECTRONIC TABLES

### ELECTRONIC TABLES

The following tables are available electronically via the ABS web site.

Note: not all series in the table go back to the earliest start date.

### DWELLING UNITS

<i>Columns from sheet</i>	<i>Publication table no.</i>	<i>Electronic table no.</i>	<i>Start date</i>
Dwelling units approved, New South Wales	na	1	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Victoria	na	2	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Queensland	na	3	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, South Australia	na	4	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, Western Australia	na	5	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, all series, Australia	1	6	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, percentage change, Australia	2	na	..
Total dwelling units approved, state and territories, number	3	7	July 1983
Total dwelling units approved, states and territories, percentage change	4	na	..
Private sector houses approved, states and territories	5	8	July 1983
Private sector houses approved, states and territories, percentage change	6	na	..
Dwelling units approved, states and territories, by type	7	9	July 1983
Dwelling units approved, by Greater Capital City Statistical Areas, Original	8	10	July 2001
Dwelling units approved, by sector, original, Australia	9	11	January 1956
Dwelling units approved, by sector, New South Wales	na	12	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Victoria	na	13	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Queensland	na	14	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, South Australia	na	15	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Western Australia	na	16	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Tasmania	na	17	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Northern Territory	na	18	July 1970
Dwelling units approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	na	19	July 1970
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	10	20	January 1956
Value of dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, original	10	21	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, New South Wales	na	22	January 1965
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Victoria	na	23	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Queensland	na	24	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, South Australia	na	25	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Western Australia	na	26	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Tasmania	na	27	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Northern Territory	na	28	January 1956
Dwelling units approved in new residential buildings, number and value, Australian Capital Territory	na	29	January 1965

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### VALUE

	<i>Publication table no.(a)</i>	<i>Electronic table no.(a)</i>	<i>Start date(b)</i>
Value of building approved, New South Wales	na	30	July 1970
Value of building approved, Victoria	na	31	July 1970
Value of building approved, Queensland	na	32	July 1970
Value of building approved, South Australia	na	33	July 1970
Value of building approved, Western Australia	na	34	July 1970
Value of building approved, Tasmania	na	35	July 1970
Value of building approved, Northern Territory	na	36	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australian Capital Territory	na	37	July 1970
Value of building approved, Australia	11	38	January 1956
Value of building approved, Australia, percentage change	12	na	..
Value of total building approved, states and territories	13	39	July 1973
Value of total building approved, states and territories, percentage change	14	na	..
Value of total residential building approved, states and territories	15	40	July 1973
Value of non-residential building approved, states and territories	16	41	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector	17	42	January 1961
Value of building approved, by sector, New South Wales	na	43	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Victoria	na	44	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Queensland	na	45	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, South Australia	na	46	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Western Australia	na	47	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Tasmania	na	48	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	na	49	July 1970
Value of building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	na	50	July 1970
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australia	na	51	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, New South Wales	na	52	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Victoria	na	53	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Queensland	na	54	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, South Australia	na	55	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Western Australia	na	56	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Tasmania	na	57	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Northern Territory	na	58	July 2000
Value of non-residential building approved, by sector, Australian Capital Territory	na	59	July 2000
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	60	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Victoria	na	61	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Queensland	na	62	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, South Australia	na	63	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	64	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	65	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Northern Territory	na	66	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Australian Capital Territory	na	67	July 2001
Number of non-residential building jobs approved, by value range, Australia	na	68	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, New South Wales	na	69	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Victoria	na	70	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Queensland	na	71	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, South Australia	na	72	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Western Australia	na	73	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Tasmania	na	74	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Northern Territory	na	75	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Australian Capital Territory	na	76	July 2001
Value of non-residential building approved, by value range, Australia	na	77	July 2001

(a) na not available

(b) .. not applicable

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### CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

	<i>Publication table no.</i>	<i>Electronic table no.</i>	<i>Start date</i>
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australia	18	78	September 1970
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, New South Wales	19	79	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Victoria	19	80	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Queensland	19	81	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, South Australia	19	82	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Western Australia	19	83	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Tasmania	19	84	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Northern Territory	19	85	September 1985
Value of building approved, chain volume measures, Australian Capital Territory	19	86	September 1985

### DATA CUBES

	<i>SuperTABLE format</i>	<i>Excel Format</i>
Statistical Area 2, New South Wales, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, New South Wales, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Statistical Area 2, Victoria, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, Victoria, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Statistical Area 2, Queensland, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, Queensland, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Statistical Area 2, South Australia, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, South Australia, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Statistical Area 2, Western Australia, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, Western Australia, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Statistical Area 2, Tasmania, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, Tasmania, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Statistical Area 2, Northern Territory, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, Northern Territory, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Statistical Area 2, Australian Capital Territory, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Local Government Area, Australian Capital Territory, 2016–2017 to 2017–2018 FYTD	available	available
Number and value (\$m) of approvals, states and territories	available	not available
Building Approvals, Data Items Available by Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS)	not available	available



## GLOSSARY

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<b>Accommodation</b>	Buildings primarily providing short-term or temporary accommodation on a commercial basis. Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Self-contained, short-term apartments (e.g. serviced apartments);</li><li>■ Hotels (predominantly accommodation), motels, boarding houses, cabins; and</li><li>■ Other short-term accommodation n.e.c. (e.g. migrant hostels, youth hostels, lodges).</li></ul>
<b>Aged care facilities</b>	Building used in the provision or support of aged care facilities, excluding dwellings (e.g. retirement villages). Includes aged care facilities with and without medical care.
<b>Agriculture/aquaculture</b>	Buildings associated with agriculture and aquaculture activities, including bulk storage of produce (e.g. shearing shed, hay shed, shearers' quarters).
<b>Alterations and additions</b>	Building activity carried out on existing buildings. Includes alterations and additions to floor area, the structural design of a building, and affixing rigid components which are integral to the functioning of the building.
<b>Building</b>	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.
<b>Building job</b>	A building job is a construction project comprising work to one or more buildings.
<b>Commercial</b>	Buildings primarily occupied with or engaged in commercial trade or work intended for commercial trade, including buildings used primarily in wholesale and retail trades, office and transport activities.
<b>Conversion</b>	Building activity which converts a non-residential building to a residential building (e.g. conversion of a warehouse to residential apartments).
<b>Dwelling</b>	A dwelling is a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities, intended for long-term residential use. A dwelling may comprise part of a building or the whole of a building. Regardless of whether they are self-contained or not, rooms within buildings offering institutional care (e.g. hospitals) or temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels and holiday apartments) are not defined as dwellings. Such rooms are included in the appropriate category of non-residential building approvals. Dwellings 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.
<b>Dwellings excluding houses</b>	Dwellings in other residential buildings and dwellings created in non-residential buildings.
<b>Educational</b>	Buildings used in the provision or support of educational services, including group accommodation buildings (e.g. classrooms, school canteens, dormitories).
<b>Entertainment and recreation</b>	Buildings used in the provision of entertainment and recreational facilities or services (e.g. libraries, museums, casinos, sporting facilities).
<b>Factories</b>	Buildings housing, or associated with, production and assembly processes of intermediate and final goods.
<b>Flats, units or apartments</b>	Dwellings not having their own private grounds and usually sharing a common entrance, foyer or stairwell.
<b>Health</b>	Buildings used in the provision of non-aged care medical services (e.g. nursing quarters, laboratories, clinics).
<b>House</b>	A detached building primarily used for long term residential purposes consisting of one dwelling unit. Includes detached residences associated with a non-residential building, and kit and transportable homes.

## GLOSSARY *continued*

<b>Industrial</b>	Buildings used for warehousing and the production and assembly activities of industrial establishments, including factories and plants.
<b>New</b>	Building activity which will result in the creation of a building which previously did not exist.
<b>Non-residential building</b>	Buildings primarily intended for purposes other than long term residence.
<b>Offices</b>	Buildings primarily used in the provision of professional services or public administration (e.g. offices, insurance or finance buildings).
<b>Other residential building</b>	Buildings other than houses which are primarily used for long-term residential purposes. Other residential buildings includes: semidetached, row or terrace houses or townhouses; and flats, units or apartments.
<b>Religious</b>	Buildings used for or associated with worship or in support of programs sponsored by religious bodies (e.g. church, temple, church hall, religious dormitories).
<b>Residential building</b>	Buildings primarily used for long-term residential purposes. Residential buildings are categorised as houses or other residential buildings.
<b>Retail/wholesale trade</b>	Buildings primarily used in the sale of goods to intermediate and end users.
<b>Semidetached, row or terrace houses, townhouses</b>	Dwellings having their own private grounds with no other dwellings above or below.
<b>Total residential building</b>	Total residential building is comprised of houses and other residential building. It does not include dwellings in non-residential buildings.
<b>Transport</b>	Buildings primarily used in the provision of transport services. Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Passenger transport buildings (e.g. passenger terminals);</li><li>■ Non-passenger transport buildings (e.g. freight terminals);</li><li>■ Commercial car parks (excluded are those built as part of, and intended to service, other distinct building developments); and</li><li>■ Other transport buildings n.e.c.</li></ul>
<b>Warehouses</b>	Buildings primarily used for storage of goods, excluding produce storage.



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