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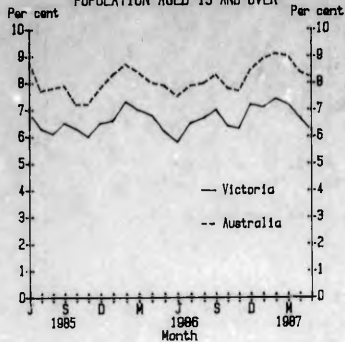
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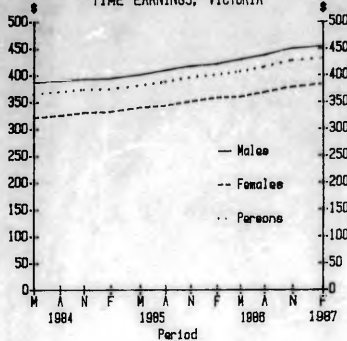
Indicator	Latest period	Latest figure	Figures for preceding three periods			Figure one year ago	Change over year per cent	Latest figure	Change over year per cent	
			One period	Two periods	Three periods					
LABOUR FORCE (a)										
Employed persons - full-time	'000	May 87	1,548.5	1,540.4	1,552.0	1,547.5	1,505.0	2.9	5,680.4	1.2
- total	'000	May 87	1,929.3	1,919.3	1,928.5	1,887.4	1,856.3	3.9	7,084.3	2.0
Unemployed persons looking for work - full-time	'000	May 87	103.1	106.4	115.1	119.8	91.8	12.3	530.0	9.7
- total	'000	May 87	1,279.9	1,369.9	1,503.0	1,500.0	1,233.3	3.7	634.4	7.1
Labour force	'000	May 87	2,057.2	2,056.2	2,078.7	2,037.4	1,979.7	3.9	7,118.7	2.4
Participation rate	per cent	May 87	62.9	63.0	65.8	62.6	61.7	1.9	62.0	0.0
Unemployment rate	per cent	May 87	6.2	6.7	7.2	7.4	6.2	0.0	6.2	3.8
Job vacancies	'000	Feb 87	18.0	12.8	12.9	16.8	17.0	5.9	62.7	6.3
Overtime worked per employee	hours	Feb 87	1.38	1.40	1.22	1.41	1.44	-4.2	1.19	-4.8
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS										
Full-time adult ordinary time earnings -	\$	Feb 87	432.50	427.70	415.60	407.20	401.20	7.8	429.90	6.3
- Males	\$	Feb 87	454.60	450.30	437.50	429.70	421.50	7.9	454.80	6.5
- Females	\$	Feb 87	384.10	378.30	368.30	359.80	358.40	7.2	375.70	6.5
All employees total earnings	\$	Feb 87	391.70	388.50	374.80	374.80	370.10	5.9	381.80	5.8
- Males	\$	Feb 87	447.80	446.70	429.50	425.70	423.50	5.7	445.30	4.3
- Females	\$	Feb 87	307.90	301.00	294.50	297.10	290.50	6.0	291.10	5.3
CONSUMER PRICES (b)										
Consumer Price Index, Melbourne (1980-81=100) -										
Food	index	Mar qr 87	160.2	158.9	156.1	152.0	147.2	8.8	157.7	7.9
Clothing	index	Mar qr 87	151.8	151.3	145.9	144.6	132.1	9.9	151.1	10.1
Housing	index	Mar 87	176.9	173.9	171.3	168.6	164.8	7.3	166.2	7.0
Household equipment & operation	index	Mar qr 87	163.0	161.3	156.8	153.7	152.3	7.0	162.1	6.6
Transportation	index	Mar qr 87	169.9	164.5	156.8	149.6	153.8	10.5	176.8	11.2
Tobacco & alcohol	index	Mar qr 87	181.2	176.8	171.8	168.1	165.1	9.8	185.2	10.6
Health & personal care	index	Mar qr 87	168.5	164.1	151.4	147.4	142.4	18.3	158.7	18.9
Recreation & education (Mar qr 1982=100)	index	Mar qr 87	146.8	142.1	139.8	136.8	134.1	9.5	143.8	9.6
All groups	index	Mar qr 87	166.0	162.9	158.2	154.2	151.8	9.4	164.7	9.4
RETAIL SALES (excl. motor vehicles, etc)										
	\$m	Mar 87	1,234.6	1,146.4	1,231.6	1,714.0	1,106.0	11.6	4,541.6	9.1
PRODUCTION										
Manufacturing -										
Clay bricks	million	Mar 87	44	36	21	33	35	25.7	171	3.0
Ready mixed concrete	'000 cu.m	Mar 87	295	276	188	236	243	21.4	1,185	3.9
Plastics & synthetic resins (c)	tonnes	Mar 87	33,608	34,967	24,886	32,573	51,568	-34.8	50,678	-6.9
Textile floor coverings	'000 sq.m	Mar 87	2,954	2,755	1,124	3,505	2,611	13.1	3,362	-5.6
Cars & station wagons	'000	Mar 87	14.9	15.5	2	13.4	17.0	-12.4	25.3	-14.2
Yarns - Cotton	tonnes	Mar 87	983	901	282	617	832	18.1	1,958	12.0
- Wool	tonnes	Mar 87	1,459	1,367	583	1,262	1,393	4.7	1,949	-2.0
Woven fabric - Cotton	'000 sq.m	Mar 87	1,644	1,635	346	1,401	1,696	-3.1	3,284	-0.1
- Woolen	'000 sq.m	Mar 87	328	349	209	255	350	-6.3	978	-3.0
- Man-made fibres	'000 sq.m	Mar 87	7,400	7,340	1,577	6,363	7,460	-0.8	15,343	6.8
Electricity	million kWh	Mar 87	2,617	2,413	2,450	2,292	2,272	15.2	10,803	5.2
OVERSEAS TRADE										
Imports	\$m	Apr 87	1,084.7	1,081.4	1,067.2	1,094.2	1,089.7	-0.5	2,896.6	-2.3
Exports (excl. re-exports)	\$m	Apr 87	651.9	694.2	569.9	581.3	442.1	47.5	2,711.8	15.4
BUILDING										
Approvals -										
New houses	No.	Apr 87	2,087	2,322	2,141	1,758	2,515	-17.0	7,324	-11.1
New other residential building	No.	Apr 87	255	375	345	319	391	-34.8	1,890	-9.8
Value of all building	\$m	Apr 87	416.6	410.7	315.0	336.9	368.8	13.0	1,401.2	-5.7
Commencements -										
New houses	No.	Dec qr 86	7,410	6,840	6,750	6,930	8,150	-9.1	23,530	-16.3
Value of new houses	\$m	Dec qr 86	480.1	445.8	426.6	424.8	494.2	-2.9	1,428.2	-9.3
New other residential buildings	No.	Dec qr 86	1,245	1,352	1,150	1,385	1,695	-26.5	6,837	-15.6
Value of new other residential buildings	\$m	Dec qr 86	59.2	57.9	47.9	56.6	68.1	-13.1	339.3	-3.9
Value of non-residential building	\$m	Dec qr 86	358.0	374.1	429.0	496.5	428.1	-16.4	1,974.8	-10.8
Value of all building	\$m	Dec qr 86	991.4	1,459.1	990.5	1,053.0	1,072.5	-7.6	4,023.7	-8.5
Work done in period	\$m	Dec qr 86	1,168.4	1,221.8	1,173.3	980.1	1,116.7	4.6	4,468.4	1.0
PRICE INDEXES OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, MELBOURNE, ALL GROUPS - (d)										
House building (1985-86=100)	index	Mar 87	106.3	106.0	105.7	105.4	101.5	4.7	107.1	5.8
Other than house building (1979-80=100)	index	Mar 87	180.5	178.9	177.6	176.9	168.6	7.1	180.6	7.4
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS										
Cars & station wagons	No.	Apr 87	8,726	11,359	9,535	10,990	14,982	-41.8	32,615	-38.4
Other motor vehicles (excl. motor cycles)	No.	Apr 87	7,448	9,653	8,153	9,419	12,459	-40.2	26,205	-35.1
Motor cycles	No.	Apr 87	1,278	1,706	1,382	1,571	2,523	-49.3	5,810	-49.9
	No.	Apr 87	324	368	486	471	768	-57.8	1,355	-55.3
BANKS										
Savings - Depositors' balances at end of period	\$m	Apr 87	18,616	17,960	17,777	17,579	15,877	17.3	48,953	21.3
Major trading -										
Current deposits	\$m	Apr 87	4,887	5,058	4,647	4,639	4,170	17.2	16,388	16.7
Fixed deposits	\$m	Apr 87	8,203	8,293	8,201	8,018	8,867	-7.5	30,328	-3.7
Advances	\$m	Apr 87	14,022	13,775	13,771	13,337	12,056	16.8	45,599	9.1
Debits to customers' accounts (e)	\$m	Apr 87	27,509	29,758	26,290	23,340	25,301	8.7	121,036	29.1
HOUSING FINANCE FOR OWNER OCCUPATION										
Secured commitments to individuals -	\$m	Mar 87	370.7	384.8	292.7	361.2	231.0	60.5	1,188.4	56.1
Savings banks	\$m	Mar 87	313.8	296.4	250.8	300.5	163.9	91.5	857.7	134.3
Trading banks	\$m	Mar 87	19.7	18.0	15.0	24.1	25.7	-23.3	82.9	-39.8
Permanent building societies	\$m	Mar 87	20.8	16.1	14.5	21.0	20.1	3.5	169.9	9.2
Other lenders	\$m	Mar 87	16.4	14.2	12.4	15.7	21.2	-22.6	77.9	-23.6
ACTUAL NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (f)										
Manufacturing	\$m	Dec qr 86	1,673	1,588	1,435	1,058	1,316	27.1	6,287	22.3
Finance	\$m	Dec qr 86	613	604	535	383	478	28.2	1,675	27.4
New building and structures	\$m	Dec qr 86	620	630	562	524	425	59.2	2,233	17.3
Other new capital equipment	\$m	Dec qr 86	381	432	378	205	333	14	1,889	17.5
	\$m	Dec qr 86	1,292	1,156	1,058	853	314	4	4,238	24.4

(a) Labour force figures from January 1985 have been adjusted to allow comparison with published data from April 1986. (b) The Australian figures for the CPI are the weighted average of eight capital cities figures. (c) For moulding, extrusion, laminating and calendaring only. (d) The Australian figures for the Price Index of Materials used in Building are the weighted average of six state capital cities figures. (e) All trading banks, and excluding debits to Commonwealth and State Government accounts at branches in the City of Melbourne. (f) By private enterprise.

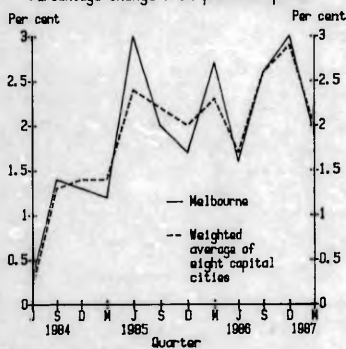
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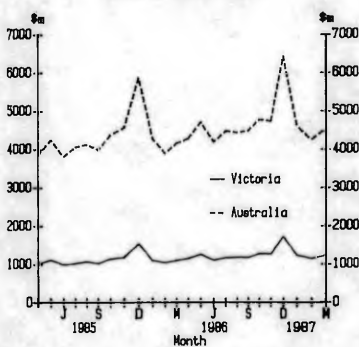
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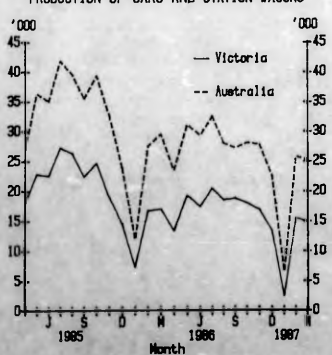
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Percentage change from previous quarter



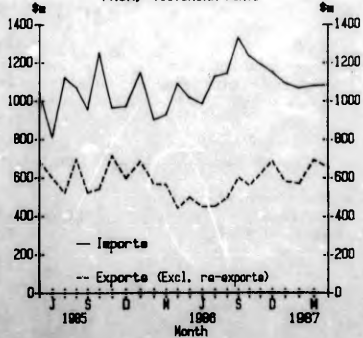
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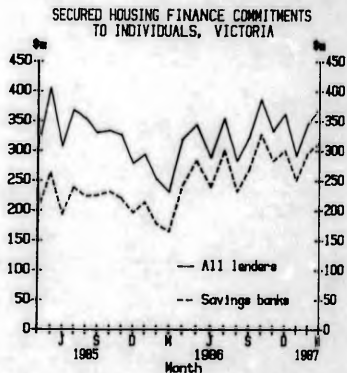
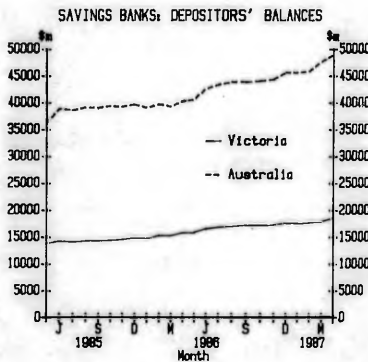
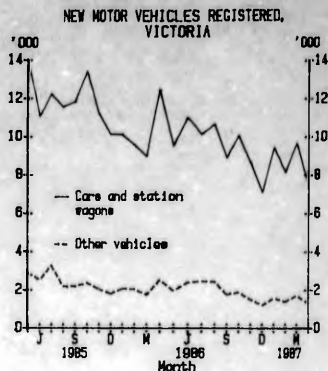
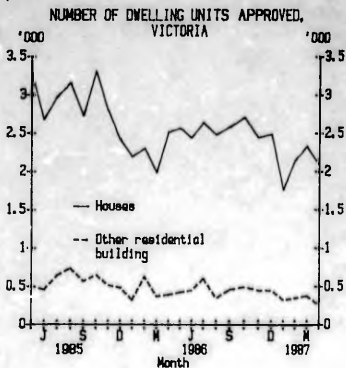


PRODUCTION OF CARS AND STATION WAGONS



VALUE OF IMPORTS INTO, AND EXPORTS
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