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COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS
CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA

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BUILDING APPROVALS : AUSTRALIA, JULY, 1964

Statistics of building approvals have been compiled from (a) permits issued by local government authorities in the areas subject to building control by these authorities, and (b) contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorized by governmental authorities. They relate only to approvals for buildings, as distinct from the construction of roads, bridges, railways, earth works, water storage, etc. Values shown represent the estimated cost when completed (excluding cost of land) of new buildings and alterations and additions to existing buildings. Additions of £5,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States, except New South Wales, where they are included in "alterations and additions". Building is classified as "Private" or "Government" according to ownership.

For purposes of comparison, it should be borne in mind that the volume of building approvals is affected from month to month by the number of large projects such as blocks of flats and multi-storey office buildings approved in particular months and also by the administrative arrangements of local government and semi-governmental authorities.

The following tables show details of building approvals for July, 1964, and the three months ended July, 1964 in comparison with details for earlier periods.

TABLE 1. - BUILDING APPROVALS : AUSTRALIA

Period	Private			Government			Total		
	1962	1963	1964	1962	1963	1964	1962	1963	1964

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA
(Individual living units)

January	4,842	5,457	6,637	517	468	830	5,359	5,925	7,467
February	5,551	6,208	7,539	921	1,209	1,209	6,472	7,417	8,748
March	6,474	6,807	8,588	1,005	1,140	1,164	7,479	7,947	9,752
April	5,781	6,594	9,453	1,443	1,703	1,506	7,224	8,297	10,959
May	6,723	7,867	8,542	1,772	1,319	1,284	8,495	9,186	9,826
June	6,094	6,852	9,430	1,404	1,615	3,745	7,498	8,467	13,175
July	7,167	7,656	9,458	1,106	1,809	1,223	8,273	9,465	10,681
Three months ended July	19,984	22,375	27,430	4,282	4,743	6,252	24,266	27,118	33,682
August	7,338	8,120		920	1,421		8,258	9,541	
September	6,631	8,161		2,354	2,123		8,985	10,284	
October	7,076	8,758		1,200	1,264		8,276	10,022	
November	6,697	8,123		1,187	1,133		7,884	9,256	
December	4,780	6,518		694	1,411		5,474	7,929	
Year ended December	75,154	87,121		14,523	16,615		89,677	103,736	

VALUE OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA
(£'000)

January	16,360	19,109	22,785	1,604	1,334	2,437	17,964	20,443	25,222
February	18,855	21,248	26,734	2,536	3,595	3,604	21,391	24,843	30,338
March	21,870	23,231	30,199	2,836	3,310	3,535	24,706	26,541	33,734
April	19,465	22,723	32,874	4,011	5,428	3,835	23,476	28,151	36,709
May	22,964	27,441	30,238	4,541	3,870	4,107	27,505	31,311	34,345
June	20,838	23,517	33,132	3,909	4,705	10,804	24,747	28,222	43,936
July	24,542	27,041	33,514	3,018	5,674	3,666	27,560	32,715	37,180
Three months ended July	68,344	77,999	96,884	11,468	14,249	18,577	79,812	92,248	115,461
August	25,917	28,524		2,532	4,159		28,449	32,683	
September	22,759	28,711		5,361	6,314		28,120	35,025	
October	24,197	29,937		3,361	3,764		27,558	33,701	
November	22,974	28,759		3,507	3,232		26,481	31,991	
December	16,684	22,661		2,003	4,197		18,687	26,858	
Year ended December	257,425	302,902		39,219	49,582		296,644	352,484	



TABLE 1. - BUILDING APPROVALS : AUSTRALIA (continued)

Period	Private			Government			Total		
	1962	1963	1964	1962	1963	1964	1962	1963	1964
VALUE OF OTHER NEW BUILDINGS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA (£'000)									
January	8,295	11,438	8,609	6,548	13,055	15,759	14,843	24,493	24,368
February	11,693	9,365	9,651	6,115	6,492	6,558	17,808	15,857	16,209
March	11,908	11,997	14,408	9,313	7,052	10,815	21,221	19,049	25,223
April	11,525	11,416	13,124	8,514	11,240	25,186	20,039	22,656	38,310
May	15,663	13,864	12,765	5,220	11,517	7,877	20,883	25,381	20,642
June	8,873	12,502	15,540	7,585	9,384	14,673	16,458	21,886	23,213
July	16,610	12,557	14,858	10,995	7,245	8,726	27,605	19,802	23,584
Three months ended July	41,146	38,923	43,163	23,800	28,146	31,276	64,946	67,069	74,439
August	14,844	15,720		4,699	12,875		19,543	28,595	
September	9,977	15,265		9,827	13,607		19,804	28,872	
October	14,745	13,191		7,942	11,628		22,687	24,819	
November	11,964	14,059		8,831	6,322		20,795	20,381	
December	10,829	10,170		5,096	8,874		15,925	19,044	
Year ended December	146,926	151,544		90,685	119,291		237,611	270,835	

VALUE OF ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA
(£'000)

January	4,682	5,052	5,694	1,148	675	583	5,830	5,727	6,277
February	5,178	5,454	6,594	457	553	676	5,635	6,007	7,270
March	7,041	6,167	7,197	907	705	581	7,948	6,872	7,778
April	5,418	6,548	7,329	583	417	620	6,001	6,965	7,949
May	6,344	7,446	7,326	908	641	1,145	7,252	8,087	8,471
June	5,513	6,492	7,950	1,287	818	1,802	6,800	7,310	8,752
July	6,627	7,104	7,502	746	533	1,166	7,373	7,637	8,668
Three months ended July	18,484	21,042	22,778	2,941	1,992	3,113	21,425	23,034	25,891
August	7,426	7,456		386	679		7,812	8,135	
September	7,580	6,542		944	555		8,524	7,097	
October	7,850	8,258		566	523		8,416	8,781	
November	6,739	7,180		597	749		7,336	7,929	
December	4,881	5,498		818	497		5,699	5,995	
Year ended December	75,279	79,197		9,347	7,345		84,626	86,542	

TOTAL VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED : AUSTRALIA
(£'000)

January	29,337	35,599	37,088	9,300	15,064	18,779	38,637	50,663	55,867
February	35,726	36,067	42,979	9,108	10,640	10,838	44,834	46,707	53,817
March	40,819	41,395	51,804	13,056	11,067	14,931	53,875	52,462	66,735
April	36,408	40,687	53,327	13,108	17,085	29,641	49,516	57,772	82,968
May	44,971	48,751	50,329	10,669	16,028	13,129	55,640	64,779	63,458
June	35,224	42,511	56,622	12,781	14,907	26,279	48,005	57,418	82,901
July	47,779	46,702	55,874	14,759	13,452	13,558	62,538	60,154	69,432
Three months ended July	127,974	137,964	162,825	38,209	44,387	52,966	166,183	182,351	215,791
August	48,187	51,700		7,617	17,713		55,804	69,413	
September	40,316	50,518		16,132	20,476		56,448	70,994	
October	46,792	51,386		11,869	15,915		58,661	67,301	
November	41,677	49,998		12,935	10,303		54,612	60,301	
December	32,394	38,329		7,917	13,568		40,311	51,897	
Year ended December	479,630	533,643		139,251	176,218		618,881	709,861	

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TABLE 2. - BUILDING APPROVALS : STATES

(Private and Government)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED (Individual living units)									
Year - 1962	33,449	23,931	10,596	9,996	6,864	2,551	528	1,762	89,677
1963	38,400	28,390	11,763	11,195	8,749	2,815	473	1,954	103,736
1962 - June	2,711	2,077	1,222	602	486	215	43	142	7,498
July	3,211	2,306	898	763	616	237	10	232	8,273
August	3,318	2,108	960	802	552	210	70	198	8,258
September	2,862	2,115	786	2,239	583	234	23	143	8,985
October	2,829	2,639	948	695	765	222	93	85	8,276
November	2,963	2,417	852	690	489	229	23	221	7,884
December	2,137	1,602	604	447	428	141	28	87	5,474
1963 - January	2,355	1,552	658	561	489	202	6	102	5,925
February	2,734	1,938	938	681	602	229	39	256	7,417
March	2,720	2,191	1,091	730	682	303	29	201	7,947
April	3,059	2,623	828	741	735	183	21	107	8,297
May	3,400	2,581	997	969	755	258	32	194	9,186
June	3,112	1,950	868	1,458	730	196	49	104	8,467
July	3,108	2,390	1,001	1,690	716	206	112	242	9,465
August	3,607	2,473	1,333	799	875	222	49	183	9,541
September	3,995	2,913	1,125	998	854	253	47	99	10,284
October	3,464	3,056	1,119	835	1,000	298	17	233	10,022
November	3,884	2,490	962	808	680	255	41	136	9,256
December	2,962	2,233	843	925	628	210	31	97	7,929
1964 - January	3,229	1,807	816	695	535	166	99	120	7,467
February	3,230	2,627	979	735	705	219	56	197	8,748
March	3,628	2,965	984	1,146	697	250	20	62	9,752
April	4,256	3,188	1,121	1,164	858	229	19	124	10,959
May	3,886	2,806	1,062	765	771	264	104	168	9,826
June	4,235	3,094	1,238	3,184	958	241	17	208	13,175
July	4,371	3,102	1,220	800	731	223	46	188	10,681

VALUE OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED
(£'000)

Year - 1962	106,938	84,514	33,239	31,161	22,082	8,226	2,260	8,224	296,644
1963	125,171	102,104	38,403	37,860	28,255	9,600	2,138	8,953	352,484
1962 - June	8,483	7,068	3,721	2,205	1,638	717	213	702	24,747
July	10,385	8,247	2,892	2,498	1,985	729	49	775	27,560
August	10,702	7,809	3,086	2,833	2,060	707	294	958	28,449
September	9,167	7,607	2,513	5,327	1,903	787	106	710	28,120
October	8,971	9,097	3,056	2,407	2,367	772	386	502	27,558
November	9,444	8,482	2,706	2,434	1,615	690	115	995	26,481
December	7,098	5,660	1,905	1,560	1,423	444	139	458	18,687
1963 - January	8,033	5,608	2,178	1,843	1,587	656	31	507	20,443
February	8,735	7,033	2,950	2,331	1,859	758	147	1,030	24,843
March	8,641	7,815	3,459	2,552	2,027	943	132	972	26,541
April	9,652	9,612	2,688	2,541	2,389	626	127	516	28,151
May	11,134	9,173	3,316	3,232	2,523	877	151	905	31,311
June	10,023	6,991	2,886	4,477	2,364	689	235	557	28,222
July	10,453	8,531	3,376	5,764	2,400	720	393	1,078	32,715
August	11,802	9,048	4,292	2,854	2,766	822	231	868	32,683
September	12,841	10,486	3,685	3,455	2,850	876	278	554	35,025
October	11,277	10,780	3,600	2,947	3,137	1,004	74	882	33,701
November	13,020	9,090	3,160	2,766	2,249	917	187	602	31,991
December	9,560	7,937	2,813	3,098	2,104	712	152	482	26,858
1964 - January	10,217	6,551	2,336	2,276	1,703	590	448	601	25,222
February	10,846	9,266	3,252	2,627	2,403	743	322	879	30,338
March	12,084	10,593	3,364	3,915	2,443	841	97	397	33,734
April	13,614	11,160	3,744	3,513	3,140	865	87	586	36,709
May	12,917	10,109	3,751	2,655	2,708	941	435	829	34,345
June	13,827	11,185	4,321	9,424	3,140	834	102	1,103	43,936
July	14,557	10,802	4,345	2,827	2,584	827	240	998	37,180

TABLE 2. - BUILDING APPROVALS : STATES (continued)

(Private and Government)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
VALUE OF OTHER NEW BUILDINGS APPROVED (£'000)									
(Excluding Alterations and Additions)									
Year - 1962	82,311	72,210	25,202	23,813	13,654	8,003	1,685	10,733	237,611
1963	86,639	70,208	40,244	25,953	23,195	8,104	2,880	13,612	270,835
1962 - June	4,401	5,479	2,093	1,414	1,539	494	230	808	16,458
July	11,906	6,306	2,899	3,452	2,056	762	10	214	27,605
August	5,091	8,012	2,432	1,276	1,309	895	113	415	19,543
September	7,296	6,716	1,675	2,360	938	513	186	120	19,804
October	8,107	5,697	2,202	3,856	1,266	509	31	1,019	22,687
November	9,602	4,358	1,546	1,316	869	516	218	2,370	20,795
December	6,068	4,524	1,645	1,132	1,205	634	316	401	15,925
1963 - January	12,134	4,548	3,196	1,845	715	664	70	1,321	24,493
February	3,788	4,984	2,309	1,381	1,077	624	715	979	15,857
March	4,320	6,505	2,819	2,234	1,930	695	125	421	19,049
April	6,533	5,896	3,537	1,498	1,307	1,511	90	2,284	22,656
May	6,581	9,071	3,895	1,263	1,178	939	265	2,189	25,381
June	8,206	4,420	2,554	1,914	1,106	936	576	2,174	21,886
July	6,528	5,484	3,038	1,728	1,291	502	33	1,198	19,802
August	12,030	7,102	3,022	903	4,238	733	23	544	28,595
September	9,709	7,369	5,756	2,432	2,496	333	255	522	28,872
October	6,534	5,938	2,905	4,306	4,174	531	93	338	24,819
November	5,011	4,985	3,983	3,557	1,073	261	368	1,143	20,381
December	5,265	3,906	3,230	2,892	2,610	375	267	499	19,044
1964 - January	7,601	6,612	2,509	4,877	1,514	603	147	505	24,368
February	3,849	5,054	2,071	1,652	1,067	482	376	1,658	16,209
March	7,249	7,519	2,231	3,084	3,783	489	215	653	25,223
April	12,662	10,818	5,762	2,166	1,653	831	60	4,358	38,310
May	6,618	6,118	2,708	3,137	1,248	355	338	120	20,642
June	19,458	10,823	4,212	1,659	1,670	589	513	1,289	130,213
July	6,838	8,369	2,229	1,896	2,585	880	519	268	23,584

TOTAL VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED (£'000)

(Including Alterations and Additions)

Year - 1962	232,545	176,054	67,643	61,991	39,459	17,202	4,182	19,805	618,881
1963	255,492	192,756	87,164	71,465	55,487	18,643	5,313	23,541	709,861
1962 - June	16,140	14,410	6,531	4,171	3,451	1,286	481	1,535	48,005
July	26,078	16,326	6,572	6,523	4,359	1,556	72	1,052	62,538
August	19,784	17,652	6,408	4,647	3,779	1,685	429	1,420	55,804
September	21,246	15,991	5,039	8,372	3,172	1,378	301	949	56,448
October	21,401	16,818	6,182	6,860	4,017	1,373	439	1,571	58,661
November	22,780	14,483	5,116	4,358	2,781	1,289	352	3,453	54,612
December	16,383	11,321	4,083	3,117	2,886	1,117	470	934	40,311
1963 - January	22,968	11,523	5,970	4,177	2,596	1,380	113	1,936	50,663
February	15,283	13,515	5,913	4,289	3,257	1,449	870	2,131	46,707
March	16,008	16,156	7,011	5,611	4,262	1,701	278	1,435	52,462
April	19,276	17,694	6,921	4,589	4,032	2,188	224	2,848	57,772
May	21,942	20,144	7,912	5,155	4,051	1,906	435	3,234	64,779
June	22,294	12,822	6,111	7,042	3,842	1,685	847	2,775	57,418
July	20,911	15,787	7,146	8,164	4,056	1,290	455	2,345	60,154
August	28,431	17,808	8,016	4,413	7,304	1,666	278	1,497	69,413
September	25,741	19,561	10,437	6,507	5,656	1,339	568	1,185	70,994
October	22,468	18,694	7,274	7,975	7,751	1,621	216	1,302	67,301
November	22,318	15,867	7,816	6,935	3,653	1,279	583	1,850	60,301
December	17,852	13,185	6,637	6,608	5,027	1,139	446	1,003	51,897
1964 - January	21,053	14,548	6,032	7,736	3,494	1,242	616	1,146	55,867
February	18,563	15,998	5,928	4,860	3,866	1,287	708	2,607	53,817
March	23,528	19,775	6,257	7,723	6,615	1,397	337	1,103	66,735
April	30,165	23,897	10,357	6,402	5,196	1,785	163	5,003	82,968
May	23,990	17,965	7,088	6,807	4,396	1,394	804	1,014	63,458
June	128,247	23,770	9,300	11,827	5,191	1,499	618	2,449	182,901
July	26,053	21,153	7,316	5,404	5,625	1,773	778	1,330	69,432

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